



Community Leadership for a Changing Economy

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

1 p.m.

Auburn Chamber of Commerce

714 E. Glenn Avenue, Auburn, AL 36831

Dr. Sumners will examine how communities deal with rapid change caused by economic forces beyond the community and the critical need for citizen engagement, collaborative leadership, and strategic planning amongst community leaders. Huge economic forces such as globalization and technological and demographic change are requiring communities to re-examine traditional methods and approaches for community and economic development. This one-hour training session is for those involved in community efforts who would like to know more about how the current economic climate can affect their operations and how to deal with such matters with helpful tips and strategies.



Joe A. Sumners is Executive Director of the Government & Economic Development Institute at Auburn University (since October 2015). Before coming to GEDI, Sumners served for 15 years as Director of the Auburn University Economic & Community Development Institute (ECDI) and seven years as Training Director for the Auburn University Center for Governmental Services (CGS).

Dr. Sumners directs the Auburn University Intensive Economic Development Training Course. He is a member of the Auburn University graduate faculty and teaches the graduate seminar, "Economic Development and Competition," as the core course in the University's Graduate Minor in Economic Development. An accomplished author and professor at acclaimed universities, he has 30 years of outreach experience working with communities and local governments in Alabama, with extensive experience assisting communities with strategic planning and civic engagement initiatives.



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Faculty, staff and non-profit agencies are invited to attend. Seating is limited; Contact Anton Ware, alw0099@auburn.edu to reserve a seat.

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