



GREG CLAY, MPA

With a passion for empowering people, Greg utilizes his life experiences, professional triumphs, and lessons in leadership to inspire others to seize opportunities while leading a life of service. As a civic thought-leader, Greg's advocacy and perspective on public policy, civic engagement, and government operations started from his practitioner experience within six municipalities across three states. This foundation in public service enabled Greg to work extensively with political and community leaders, diverse business communities, and other organizations on projects and programs benefitting various stakeholders. Now as a Partner with Lieneur Consulting, his team works with public sector clients and non-profits to implement targeted community and corporate engagement strategies.

As a civic leader he serves on numerous boards focused on youth development, education, innovation, and workforce development. He is the founder and spokesperson for the Atlanta Speaks Initiative which has recruited over 1,200 professional speakers—impacting over 21,000 students across metropolitan Atlanta. Through his work, Greg has received numerous awards recognizing his service. In 2020, as one of over 14,000, 21st Century Leaders Alumni in Georgia, Greg was acknowledged with their 30 for 30 Alumni Award, recognizing the organization's top alumni in its 30 year history. Among other awards, Greg is the recipient of the esteemed 2018 Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award from the Boy Scouts of America-Atlanta Area Council.

As an Atlanta native and Atlanta Public Schools graduate, he is a proud appointee to the Atlanta Board of Education's Equity Taskforce, and active alumnus of LEAD Atlanta, Outstanding Atlanta, and the New Leaders Council Atlanta Chapter. He serves as the President of the Benjamin E. Mays High School Alumni Association, and is an executive board member of Friends of FAM, Inc., supporting students from the Atlanta area attending Florida A & M University. He is also the Chairman of the Men of BOOK, an education advocacy group, and is the current Chairman of the Board for Skyview Charter High School in South Fulton County, Georgia. Greg received his Business Administration degree from Florida A & M University, and his Master of Public Administration from the University of Kansas. He is a requested speaker, panelist, and moderator on the topics of civic engagement, millennial leadership and youth empowerment.

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