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## Final reminder: register now for CWRC Symposium

We're fewer than two weeks away from the first Work Ready Communities Symposium, scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 16 in Atlanta!

If you're receiving this message that means you're in a Work Ready Communities participating state and you'll definitely want to attend. Our morning session will focus on best practice sharing from Work Ready Community state team leaders in South Carolina, Virginia, Missouri and Oregon.

The keynote luncheon speaker is Hartley Powell, a principal and site selection consultant with KPMG. Mr. Powell will discuss the importance of workforce development to economic development.

Our afternoon sessions will include presentations from Skip Philips, CEO of Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County, Virginia, and Susan Adams, Director of Human Resources for Able Manufacturing in Joplin, Missouri. These business leaders will discuss the impact of Work Ready Communities on local employers.

We will conclude with a roundtable conversation featuring representatives from labor and commerce departments on federal and regional grant opportunities that may be used to support Work Ready Communities initiatives.

And of course, refreshments, lunch and a reception are included in the registration fee. The meeting will take place at the Atlanta Marriott Buckhead Hotel & Conference Center, located at 3405 Lenox Road NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

And finally, please visit <https://www.regonline.com/actwrccsymposium> to register for the event itself.

We hope to see you in Atlanta later this month!

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