

Position Announcement

Director of Finance & Operations

Cumming, Georgia



Overview. The Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce, located in Cumming, Georgia which is a part of the Metro Atlanta MSA, is seeking candidates for a Director of Finance & Operations' position. The Chason Group has been retained by the chamber to lead the executive search.

About the Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce and Partners. The chamber serves as the economic development marketing arm for the community. The business organization is responsible for leading a focused effort to increase non-residential investment and support the creation of new, high-quality jobs in Forsyth County. Partners in the economic development initiative, named Forward Forsyth, include the Forsyth County Government, Forsyth County Development Authority, Forsyth County Schools, Lanier Technical College and universities with an interest in Forsyth County.

In 2018, the development authority and the chamber launched an economic development strategic planning process to guide the county's growth over the next five years and beyond. TIP Strategies led the development of the strategy.

A new capital campaign, called Ascend Forsyth, is in the initial stages of planning for the chamber, which will impact the overall success of economic development for the community.

About Forsyth County. Situated on the northeast edge of Metro Atlanta, on the shores of Lake Lanier and the foothills of the Blue Ridge mountains, Forsyth County uniquely offers innovative companies: the #1 educated workforce (50,000+ business professionals), the #1 school system, the #1 technical school, the lowest taxes in Metro Atlanta, the repeatedly-ranked healthiest county in GA, a collegiate business & MBA program, the largest fiber optic pipeline in the southeast and a strong public-private partnership in terms of economic development planning and growth opportunities.

The community is recognized as one of the top ten fastest growing population centers in America. Today's numbers stand at 251,283 citizens which is an almost 40% increase over the past ten years.

The median household income is \$101,743. Forbes Magazine has named Forsyth County as one of the "Best Places In America To Get Ahead".

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The Position. The Director of Finance & Operations is responsible for the fiscal and operation efficiency of the Forsyth County Chamber. Their main duties include efficient financial management for the organization; talent recruitment; building maintenance; and workplace operations.

Key Attributes. The President of the chamber is seeking professional candidates with strong backgrounds in accounting and record keeping best practices; excellent communication skills in terms of verbal, written, listening and digital means; and has experience in building strong, viable work teams to accomplish strategic goals.

Requirements. Candidates applying for the Director's position should hold a Bachelor's degree, ideally with an MBA or other post-graduate work,

from an accredited college; or equivalent experience. Professionals submitting a resume must also have at least five years minimum experience of leading and managing finances and office operations.

Successful experience in leading professional work teams is also desired of candidates.

How to Apply. Candidates interested in the Forsyth Chamber's Director of Finance & Operations position may upload a cover letter addressed to Tim Chason, as well as a copy of their resume, at www.thechasongroup.com. The position announcement will remain active until the best qualified candidate has been selected.

For more information on the position, please contact Tim Chason at 404.735.0540 or via email at tchason@thechasongroup.com.

Forsyth County Accolades

Cumming and Forsyth County, Georgia are consistently ranked among the most desirable communities in the nation. World class schools, nationally recognized parks, over 200 miles of lake shoreline, the lowest property taxes in the region and a vibrant business community are the primary factors that earn the community accolades year after year.



- **Top 10 Communities in America (& #1 in Georgia) for Incoming Investment** - *Smart Asset*
- **Top 20 Fastest-Growing Counties in America (& #1 in Georgia)** - *US Census*
- **Top 20 Affluent Counties in America (& #1 in Georgia)** - *US Census*
- **Most Innovative Community in Georgia** - *Innovation Index: Technology Association of Georgia*
- **Top 10 Cities to Start a Business** - *NerdWallet.com*
- **# 1 Community in Georgia for Incoming Investment** - *SmartAsset.com*
- **Top Five Communities to "Get Ahead"** - *Forbes.com*
- **Healthiest County in Georgia** - *University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute*
- **Top 10 Most Charming Towns in Georgia** - *Travel Magazine*
- **Top 10 Fastest-Growing Counties in America** - *CNNMoney.com*
- **Top 20 Wealthiest Counties in America** - *Forbes.com*
- **Top 100 Best Communities for Young People** - *America's Promise/Alliance for Youth*