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ARC 2021 ANNUAL REPORT – **CLAYTON COUNTY**

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ARC works closely with local governments and community partners in Clayton County to improve quality of life and secure future success. This report measures progress in Clayton in the three long-range goals of the Atlanta Region's Plan: providing **World-Class Infrastructure**, fostering **Healthy, Livable Communities**, and developing a **Competitive Economy**.



WORLD-CLASS INFRASTRUCTURE

ARC works with its regional partners to develop and maintain world-class infrastructure, including a transportation network that improves mobility, and a sustainable supply of clean water.



Improving mobility in Clayton

A \$95 million in federal and state transportation funds allocated by ARC to the county. Projects include **addition of Clayton County bus routes 197 and 198 to provide east-west connectivity**; McDonough Road pavement rehabilitation; and upgrade to Upper Riverdale Road Bridge.

748,814 fewer miles traveled by the **345 Clayton residents** who participated in the **Georgia Commute Options** program, saving them **\$430,000** in fuel and vehicle maintenance costs.



Securing a sustainable future

82 toilet rebates were received by Clayton residents, facilitating the replacement of older, inefficient toilets.

The **Metro Water District** partnered with **Georgia Public Broadcasting** to create a Live Exploration of Georgia's water systems called **Georgia's Water Live**. Over **79,000 students, teachers and parents** across the region tuned in during the live broadcast, where over **400 questions** were answered.



ARC's COVID-19 RESPONSE

Helping organizations transition to hybrid work environments

Georgia Commute Options (GCO), a program managed by ARC, served a vital role in helping organizations move to telework environments during peak pandemic times. As shelter-in-place orders began to lift in Georgia, GCO began helping companies establish hybrid work environments (continued telework, flexible schedules, and shared spaces), recognizing the strong desire of most employees surveyed to continue teleworking at a higher level than pre-pandemic.



HEALTHY, LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

ARC works to foster vibrant, pedestrian-friendly communities and supports healthy living and aging by offering a range of services for older people and individuals with disabilities.



Improving quality of life for Clayton residents of all ages and abilities

\$1 million in state and federal funds allocated by ARC to **Clayton Senior Services** for direct services provided to Clayton residents, including **congregate and home-delivered meals, in-home support services, transportation, case management, and COVID relief funds.**

Making Clayton an even better place to live, work, and play

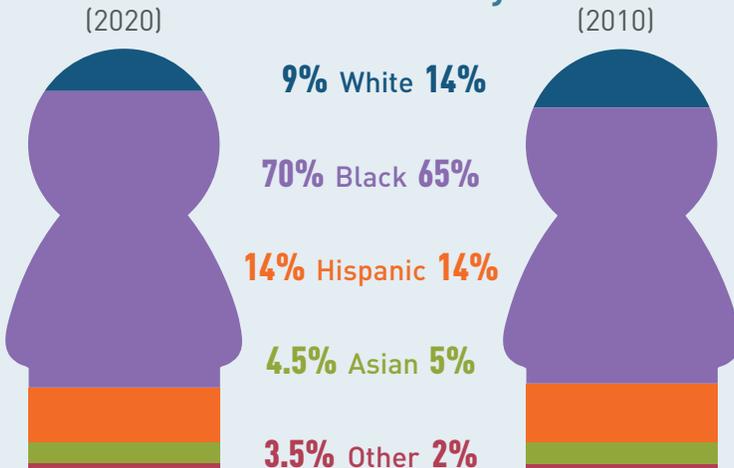
ARC staff provides technical assistance, as well as planning, training, and facilitation services to local government staff and elected officials.

BY THE NUMBERS: CLAYTON POPULATION

U.S. Census Counts



Race & Ethnicity



Percent of Population 65+



Source: ARC analysis of data from U.S. Census and 2019 ACS 1-year.

COMPETITIVE ECONOMY

ARC works with its regional partners to ensure our economy thrives and remains competitive.

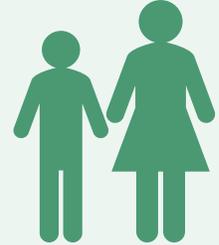


Workforce Solutions: Connecting talent with opportunity

3 Clayton companies received new employees and wage subsidies through WorkSource Atlanta Regional's **On-the-Job Training (OJT) program**.

522 Clayton residents received training from the **WorkSource Atlanta Regional's Career Resource Center**, including 11 Clayton Corrections Program participants receiving their certifications.

200 Clayton youth received training through **Worksource Atlanta Regional's NextGen** workforce and education program.



Cultivating leaders to meet the region's challenges



344 Metro Atlanta residents took part in ARC leadership programs, including: Regional Leadership Institute (RLI), Leadership Involvement Networking Knowledge (LINK), Arts Leaders of Metro Atlanta (ALMA), Community Planning Academy (CPA), and Model Atlanta Regional Commission (MARC).

BY THE NUMBERS: CLAYTON ECONOMY

Median Household Income (2019)

\$51,093
Clayton

\$71,742
Atlanta region



Clayton Jobs

(2021)
119,587

(2010)
121,195

Poverty Rate (2019)

↓ **15%** in Clayton live below poverty level

↓ **10%** in Atlanta region live below poverty level

Source: ARC analysis of data from 2019 ACS 1-year and JobsEQ, 2021 Q1.

All data unless specified otherwise is through June 30, 2021.



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