



## FLM Economic Collaboration Roundtable: Strengthening Partnerships to Revitalize Communities

### Panelists

Keith Bowers - Director, Office of Economic Vitality – Tallahassee/Leon County

John Dailey – Mayor of Tallahassee

Dylan Rumrell – Mayor of St. Augustine Beach

Across Florida, restaurants are more than just places to eat — they are economic engines, cultural landmarks and anchors for neighborhood redevelopment. In this roundtable, Mayors will engage directly with restaurant owners and economic development leaders to discuss how cities can work hand-in-hand with local businesses to transform **underutilized areas** into thriving community spaces.

This interactive conversation will highlight the power of partnerships, including innovative incentives, creative marketing strategies, streamlined permitting processes and collaborative efforts to attract and retain vibrant businesses.

### Together, we'll explore:

- How cities can proactively support businesses in targeted redevelopment zones and underutilized areas
- Successful incentive programs that foster business growth in smaller cities
- Strategies for building trust and reducing friction between local government and business owners
- The unique role Mayors play as conveners, collaborators and champions for business-friendly policies

Mayors Mean Business — and by working together, we can ensure our cities are open for business and positioned for prosperity.