

# Project Manager, Existing Industry

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CUMMING-FORSYTH COUNTY  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**Overview.** The Cumming-Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce ([www.cummingforsythchamber.org](http://www.cummingforsythchamber.org)) is seeking an economic development Project Manager to focus on existing industries in the Forsyth County, Georgia area. The Chamber has chosen The Chason Group ([www.thechasongroup.com](http://www.thechasongroup.com)) to lead the talent search.

**About The Chamber.** Since the inception of the Cumming-Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce in 1954, the purpose has remained the same: increase prosperity and promote and better community life for all. The membership driven organization continues to be the leader in economic development, advocacy on issues of interest to business and engaging business leaders to ensure the long term economic health of the community.

**Location, Demographics & Existing Industry Base.** Forsyth County is recognized as one of the fastest growing areas in the United States. The 2016 Census estimate indicates approximately 221,000 citizens live in the county and a strong growth trend for the next ten years. Located in the northern sector of the Metro Atlanta MSA, the county is served by Georgia 400 which is a major corridor leading to Interstates 285, 75, 20 and 85. Over half of the US population is within a one day's drive from Forsyth County.

Manufacturing, distribution and technology based companies have significant presence in the community. Koch Foods, Scientific Games International, Siemens Industry, Inc., ARRIS Group, Inc., L-3 Communications, Display Systems, Solvay Specialty Polymers, LLC, Automation Direct, Hansgrohe, Hoover Precision Products, Inc., Chemence and Thermo Fisher Scientific are just a sampling of existing industries.

The Chamber, through a partnership with the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners and the Development Authority of Forsyth County, has targeted healthcare, technology and international firms as their growth

sectors. Recognizing the majority of new jobs are created through existing businesses in the area, the economic development team is focusing on the needs of both commercial and industry entities.

**The Position.** The Project Manager, Existing Industry will focus on pursuing and obtaining commercial and industrial development for the Forsyth County economy. Key accountabilities will include working with economic development contacts to provide all information necessary in regards to projects seeking expansion opportunity in Forsyth County; coordinating site visits; and follow-through on completion of projects. Building the tax base of the community and identifying growing companies with upper level salaries for employees are the foundations of the position. Additional responsibilities will include managing the Manufacturing Society Council and coordinating the annual manufacturer of the year program.

Requirements for the position include: Bachelor's degree, ideally with an MBA or other post-graduate work, from an accredited college; or equivalent experience; and two years of experience in the economic, community development and/or marketing field(s). Emphasis will be given to Certified Economic Development professional or individual in process of achieving certification. The successful candidate must be eligible to obtain a valid State of Georgia driver's license within the first 90 days of employment. It is preferred that the Project Manager reside in or relocate to Forsyth County, but not a requirement.

## How To Apply

For more information regarding the executive search process for the Project Manager, Existing Industry position with the Cumming-Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce, please contact Tim Chason at 404/735-0540. A cover letter and resume may be uploaded at [www.thechasongroup.com](http://www.thechasongroup.com). The deadline for materials is January 25, 2019.

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