

LBANY AREA CHAMBER of COMMERCE

Position Announcement

President & CEO





The Role

The Albany Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking a dynamic, visionary leader to serve as its next President & CEO. This is a unique opportunity to guide the Chamber's strategic direction, champion the interests of the business community, and advance Albany's position as a leading center for commerce, innovation, and regional prosperity.

About the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce

Founded in 1910, the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce is one of Georgia's largest and most influential business advocacy organizations. With the mission of "Empowering Business. Enriching Lives.", the Chamber serves as a cornerstone of economic prosperity and community advancement for the Albany region.

The organization connects business leaders, influences public policy, and leads with forward-thinking programming and advocacy initiatives. It collaborates closely with policymakers, educational institutions, and employers to strengthen workforce development and address the region's most pressing challenges.

Albany is recognized as a hub of economic diversity, home to thriving industries such as manufacturing, aerospace, logistics, defense, and healthcare. Major employers in the area include Phoebe Putney Health Systems, Procter & Gamble, Mars Wrigley, Georgia-Pacific, Molson Coors, Angelini Pharma, and Thrush Aircraft.

The Albany Area Chamber of Commerce is committed to fostering an ecosystem where businesses prosper and communities flourish, continuing its legacy as a driving force for economic growth, civic engagement, and regional vitality.







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By the Numbers

2024 Population - 82,418
Source: United States Census Bureau

Median Household Income 51,508

Source: United States Census Bureau

Total Housing Units 40,605

Source: United States Census Bureau

Total Employer Establishments

4,133

Source: United States Census Bureau

Median Age

36.6

Source: United States Census Bureau

Public School Systems K-12 Dougherty County Public Schools

Private School Systems K-12

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Ideal Candidate Profile

The Albany Area Chamber of Commerce is at a critical inflection point. With unprecedented business opportunities and evolving community dynamics, this is a rare chance for a bold, strategic, and innovative leader to shape the future of one of Georgia's most dynamic communities.

The right President & CEO will elevate the Chamber's impact and help define Albany's trajectory for decades to come. If you are a visionary leader ready to drive meaningful change, you are encouraged to explore this exciting opportunity!

Key Skills, Traits & Experience

The next President & CEO of the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce must be an influential, strategic, and relationship-driven leader with a strong business acumen and a passion for community development. The ideal candidate will bring:

- Outgoing, charismatic, and community-focused leader who thrives on engagement a natural people person who thrives on building relationships.
- Collaborative leader skilled at bringing diverse groups together to achieve common goals.
- Excellent communicator strong public speaking ability and comfort in high-profile advocacy roles.
- Active listener values input from members, business owners, community leaders, and elected
 officials.
- Strategic thinker understands long-term planning, economic development, and advocacy.
- Business-savvy possesses strong financial, operational, and organizational management skills.
- **Results-driven** able to set and achieve measurable goals that drive economic and business growth.
- Methodical and process-oriented takes a structured approach to problem-solving and decision-making. Ability to balance the needs of diverse groups to create a unified vision for the future.
- Experienced team leader has successfully managed and led staff to achieve high performance.





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Benefits

Competitive salary and benefits based on experience and qualifications. Health insurance, long-term disability, 401k, technology stipend, vehicle allowance, and more.

How to Apply

Albany Area Chamber of Commerce, Albany, Georgia President and Chief Executive Officer

Professionals interested in applying for the position should upload a cover letter and resume at www.thechasongroup.com. The deadline to apply is November 14, 2025. Each candidate will be considered based on a weighting scale approved by the Search Committee. Candidates chosen to move to the next phase of the process will receive a detailed application following the deadline. After vetting, TCG will recommend the leading candidates to the Search Committee in late November, with interviews planned for the first week of December. The start date for the position is planned for January 2026. Contact Tim Chason at tchason@thechasongroup.com or 404.735.0540 for more information.

