

AGENDA



2024 ANNUAL MAPDD CONFERENCE

APRIL 23-26, 2024
BEAU RIVAGE RESORT & CONVENTION CENTER
BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI

MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

The Executive Directors of the Planning and Development Districts welcome you to the 2024 Annual PDD Conference. The PDDs would like for this conference to help you better understand what is happening from a local, state, and national perspective. Communities face many challenges and the PDDs hope that this conference will help you find new opportunities to address those challenges.

GENERAL SESSIONS: We have three great speakers joining us this year for the general sessions. We are excited to have Phil Paradise, Regional Director for EDA's Atlanta Regional Office joining MAPDD for our opening session. Garrett McInnis of Accelerate MS will join us for lunch on Wednesday and Mirielle Burgoyne of the National Association of Development Organizations will be speaker for Thursday's lunch.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: We will have numerous concurrent sessions throughout the conference. This will include panel discussions related to federal and state grant funding opportunities. Other sessions include: legislative updates from MAS and MML, workforce training opportunities, human resources, financial resources for small businesses, and continuing education credit for social workers among many other topics of interest to conference participants. From learning how to put together successful grant projects, to promoting economic growth and workforce training, you'll be able to find something of interest and educational in each concurrent session.

ENTERTAINMENT: Tuesday will include the TRIO Golden Gator Golf Classic and the Early Bird Reception at Town Green sponsored by TRIO Community Meals, Paint and Sip classes sponsored by Heart2Heart Health Care Services, as well as a Brewery Tour of Fly Llama Brewing Company. Wednesday will end with a Cocktail Hour followed by dinner on your own. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served Thursday at the Gala Reception and entertainment will be provided by Park Band. Then on Friday, join us for breakfast before you start your trip home.

HELPFUL TIPS

Door prizes will be given away during luncheons, the opening session, and the closing session.

CEUs for Social Workers are available for select concurrent sessions. Approved sessions are noted throughout the agenda and are listed in the back. Please make sure you sign in at the appropriate session(s). Social Workers will find an Attendance Certificate in the back of this agenda to keep up with the sessions you attend and as proof of your attendance to obtain your credits.

Two (2) Certified Municipal Official elective credits are available for attending the PDD conference. Those seeking CMO credits should be sure to sign in at the registration desk to receive credit for your attendance.

Be sure to get your **Exhibitor Page**, found in the back of the agenda, stamped by each exhibitor, sign it, and bring it to the closing session on Thursday in order to be eligible to win the numerous door prizes that will be given away.

All conference sessions and activities, including the Gala Reception, are dress casual.



Conference Agenda

**Name badges are required for admittance to all events.
Please turn all cell phones to “silent” during sessions.**

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Registration/Exhibitor Setup

Beau Rivage Convention Center

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Camellia Ballroom

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Paint and Sip

Join Pacesetter Gallery for a delightful dive into artistry. Pre-registered participants will enjoy a relaxing and fun time of painting and refreshments.

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12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Sunkist Country Club

TRIO Golden Gator Golf Classic

This year, the Trio Golden Gator Golf Classic will be held at the Sunkist Country Club in Biloxi. Lunch will be provided for golfers at 12:00 pm with a shotgun start at 1:00 pm.



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1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Brewery Tour

Biloxi's coolest local brewery has invited us to tour their facility. Pre-registered participants will enjoy snacks and local craft beer. Transportation on your own.

Fly Llama Brewery



6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Early-Bird Reception

Join us at the Biloxi Town Green on Highway 90, just east of the Beau Rivage, for an Early-Bird Reception. We will kick off the conference with musical entertainment provided by the Brad Sapia Band.

Town Green



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TRIO

Check out the MAPDD Merchandise table near the Azalea Hall for MAPDD gear!

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

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8:00 am

Beau Rivage Convention Center

Morning Pastries



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8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Beau Rivage Convention Center

Registration/Exhibits Open

8:00 am – 3:30 pm

Convention Center

Coffee Station

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Mississippi

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Camellia Ballroom

**Opening Session with Phil Paradice
Economic Development Administration**

H. Philip Paradice, Jr. serves as the Regional Director for EDA's Atlanta Regional Office. Serving the eight-state southeast region, he manages a staff dedicated to facilitating contemporary economic development implementation strategies, public-private partnerships, and regional competitiveness. He began service with EDA in 1998 when selected as Atlanta's Chief of Capacity Development. In this capacity, he managed the region's non-construction portfolio including Partnership Planning, University Center, Revolving Loan Fund, and Economic Adjustment Assistance grants.



10:15 am – 11:15 am

Azalea A & B

Aging in the Homeless Population*

Marika Baliko, Mississippi United to End Homelessness
Ledger Parker, Mississippi United to End Homelessness

10:15 am – 11:45 am

Magnolia G & H

Resident Abuse, Neglect, and Medicaid Fraud*

David Domino, Office of the Attorney General
Trey Rogers, Office of the Attorney General

10:15 am – 11:45 am

Camellia Ballroom

Legislative Update with MAS & MML

Steve Gray, Mississippi Association of Supervisors
Derrick Surette, Mississippi Association of Supervisors
Shari Veazey, Mississippi Municipal League

10:15 am – 11:45 am

Magnolia E

Federal Loan Partners: ARC & USDA

Dr. Trina George, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development
Andrea Rose, Appalachian Regional Commission, MDA

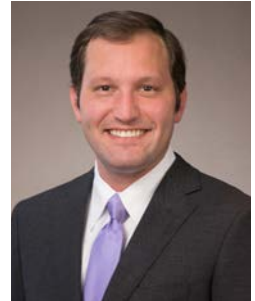
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

Magnolia Ballroom

Luncheon

Garrett McInnis, Accelerate MS

Garrett McInnis, Deputy Director for External Affairs at Accelerate MS, is an attorney, strategist and operative experienced in government, politics, and public policy. Prior to joining AccelerateMS, McInnis established The Skills Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to pushing more Mississippians toward targeted high-demand training and educational pathways directed at higher earning potential. From 2016-2021 he served as the Vice President of Development for the Mississippi Energy Institute, a non-profit policy organization focused on economic growth within the energy sector.



1:45 pm – 3:15 pm

Camellia Ballroom

Mental Health in the Elderly*

Dr. Lori Tate, LCSW, MDB Health Services

1:45 pm – 3:15 pm

Magnolia G & H

Approaching the Public Health Crisis: Dementia*

Kristen White, LMSW, Alzheimer's Association Mississippi

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Magnolia F

Workforce 101 in Your Community

Allison Hawkins, Southern Mississippi PDD
Robin Parker, Central Mississippi PDD
Terry Treadaway, Three Rivers PDD
Mitzi Woods, South Delta PDD

* CEU approved session

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Magnolia E

Intro to GIS

Damien Franklin, East Central PDD
Granville Sherman, North Delta PDD
Johnathan Simon, Central Mississippi PDD

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Azalea A & B

Regional Grant Opportunities with ARC and SCRC

Andrea Rose, Appalachian Regional Commission
Mississippi Development Authority

1:45 pm -3:00 pm

Azalea D

Small Business Loans: SBA & MS SBDC

Rhonda Fisher, Small Business Association
Mitch McDowell, Mississippi Small Business Development Center

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Azalea C

Recruitment & Retainment Trends in 2024

Scott Stinson, Central Mississippi PDD

3:15 pm – 4:45 pm

Magnolia F

Unlocking Opportunities: The Career Coaching Program in Mississippi

Larry Boggs, Three Rivers PDD
Natalia Diaz, Southern Mississippi PDD
Shaquita Prince, South Delta PDD
Sherry Tate, Central Mississippi PDD

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm

Magnolia E

GIS Mobile Mapping

Toby Sanford, Golden Triangle PDD

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm

Azalea A & B

Grant Best Practices – How Your PDD Can Help You Apply

Jenifer Buford, East Central PDD
Allyson Denson, South Delta PDD
Darrell Dixon, North Delta PDD
Granville Sherman, North Delta PDD

3:15 pm - 4:30 pm

Azalea C

Employment Records & Files – The Do's, Don'ts, and Systems That Might Help

Scott Stinson, Central Mississippi PDD

3:30 pm – 4:30pm

Camellia Ballroom

Being Prepared for the Unexpected

Allie Jasper, Mississippi Emergency Management Agency

3:30 pm - 4:30pm

Magnolia G & H

Lightening Your Load - Probate After a Loved One's Passing*

Ron Morton, Morton Law Firm, PLLC

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Pool Terrace

Cocktails on the Terrace

Join us on the Pool Terrace for cocktails to unwind after a long day of sessions. Complimentary drink tickets were provided at registration with your name badge to be used at this event. Afterwards, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the Gulf Coast's great restaurants.



Thursday, April 25, 2024

Please turn all cell phones to "silent" during sessions.

7:30 am

Morning Pastries

Beau Rivage Convention Center



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* CEU approved session

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Registration/Exhibits Open

Beau Rivage Convention Center

7:30 am – Noon

Coffee Station

Convention Center

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8:00 am – 9:00 am

Transitional Complex Care*

Jamie Wallace, Heart of Hospice LHC

Camellia Ballroom

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Respect & Transparency: Communicating with Family Caregivers*

Kimberly L. Campbell, Esq., AARP Mississippi

Magnolia G & H

8:00 am – 9:00 am

PERS Update

Cheyann Washington, PERS

Azalea C

9:15 am - 10:15 am

Gerontology 101: A Glimpse Through the Person-Centered Approach*

Courtney Williams, University of Southern Mississippi

Magnolia G & H

9:15 am – 10:15 am

Medicaid Updates: What You Need to Know*

Cindy Brown, Division of Medicaid
Donna Dukes, Division of Medicaid
Paulette Johnson, Division of Medicaid

Camellia Ballroom

9:15 am - 10:15 am

Workforce Solutions: Maximizing Mississippi Manufacturing

Sandy Crist, Mississippi Manufacturers Association

Magnolia F

9:15 am - 10:15 am

Innovative Overland Wave Modeling in Coastal Mississippi: A Computer Vision Approach

Arslaan Khalid, Michael Baker International

Magnolia E

9:15 am – 10:15 am

MDA Grant Opportunities

Lisa Maxwell, Mississippi Development Authority

Azalea A & B

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9:15 am – 10:15 am

Azalea C

Fiscal Roundtable

PDD Only

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Magnolia G & H

Parenting the Second Time Around*

Richard Courtney, Courtney Elder Law Associates

10:30 am – 11:45 am

Camellia Ballroom

Living on the Edge – Can You Help Yourself from Falling

Cathy Wildschuetz, Naturally Guided Health

10:30 am – 11:45 am

Azalea C

Ask the HR Guy: Human Resources Q & A and Discussions

Scott Stinson, Central Mississippi PDD

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Azalea D

State Loan Programs through MDA

Jeremy Funchess, Mississippi Development Authority

Latonia Lewis, Mississippi Development Authority

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Azalea A & B

Federal Grant Opportunities through DRA

Matthew Campbell, Delta Regional Authority

Tineciaa Harris, Delta Regional Authority

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Magnolia F

Non-Traditional Workforce Funding Opportunities

Martha Claire Bullen, Communities Unlimited

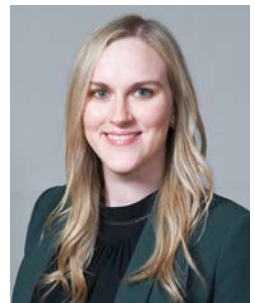
Justin Burch, Delta Compass

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

Magnolia Ballroom

Thursday Luncheon with Mirielle Burgoyne, NADO

Mirielle Burgoyne serves as the Deputy Executive Director & Director of Government Relations for the National Association of Development Organizations. Mirielle oversees the development of NADO's advocacy strategy and works to improve public policy on behalf of local economic development practitioners. She has more than a decade of experience in the community and economic development field, and she has focused on improving connectivity between all levels of government in order to enhance the outcomes of economic development programs.



* CEU approved session

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm Camellia Ballroom
Closing Session Sponsored by Help at Home
“Cowboy Hypnotist” Don Warren

Don is a Texas cowboy and professional hypnotist. He began his career as a comedy show hypnotist back in 2012. He has since performed in over 500 stage shows and has hypnotized more than 10,000 volunteers and personal life changing clients. His shows have been performed as far away as London, England, and several times in Las Vegas. “I love what I do and do what I love.” Expect to laugh till your sides hurt!



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6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
Gala Reception

Magnolia Ballroom

Join us at the Gala Reception at 6 pm, where heavy hors d’oeuvres will be served and entertainment will be provided by **Park Band**.



**MAPDD thanks the many companies
that donated door prizes this year!**

Friday, April 26, 2024

7:30 am - 9:30 am
Closing Breakfast

Azalea Ballroom

Join us for a hot breakfast before you head out on your way home. Breakfast buffet begins at 7:30 am and continues until 9:30 am.



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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Social Worker License # _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONFERENCE ATTENDEES

- BRING THIS FORM WITH YOU EACH DAY.**
- Fill in your name, contact information, and social work license number.
- Write in the confirmation number announced at the end of each session you attend below.
- KEEP THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORD OF ATTENDANCE.**

Time	Session Title	Number of CE Units	Confirmation Number
<u>Wednesday, April 24, 2024</u>			
10:15-11:15	Aging in the Homeless Population	1 General	_____
10:15-11:45	Resident Abuse, Neglect, & Medicaid Fraud	1.5 General	_____
1:45-3:15	Mental Health in the Elderly	1.5 General	_____

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Wednesday, April 24, 2024

1:45-3:15	Approaching the Public Health Crisis: Dementia	1.5 General	_____
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3:30-4:30	Lightening Your Load - Probate After a Loved One's Passing	1 General	_____
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Thursday, April 25, 2024

8:00-9:00	Transitional Complex Care	1 General	_____
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8:00-9:00	Respect & Transparency: Communicating with Family Caregivers	1 General	_____
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9:15-10:15	Gerontology 101: A Glimpse Through the Person Centered Approach	1 General	_____
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9:15-10:15	Medicaid Updates: What You Need to Know	1 General	_____
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10:30-11:45	Parenting the Second Time Around	1 General	_____
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I certify that the information listed on this Certificate of Attendance indicates my attendance at the MAPDD Conference and the above listed CEU approved classes as indicated by the confirmation codes.

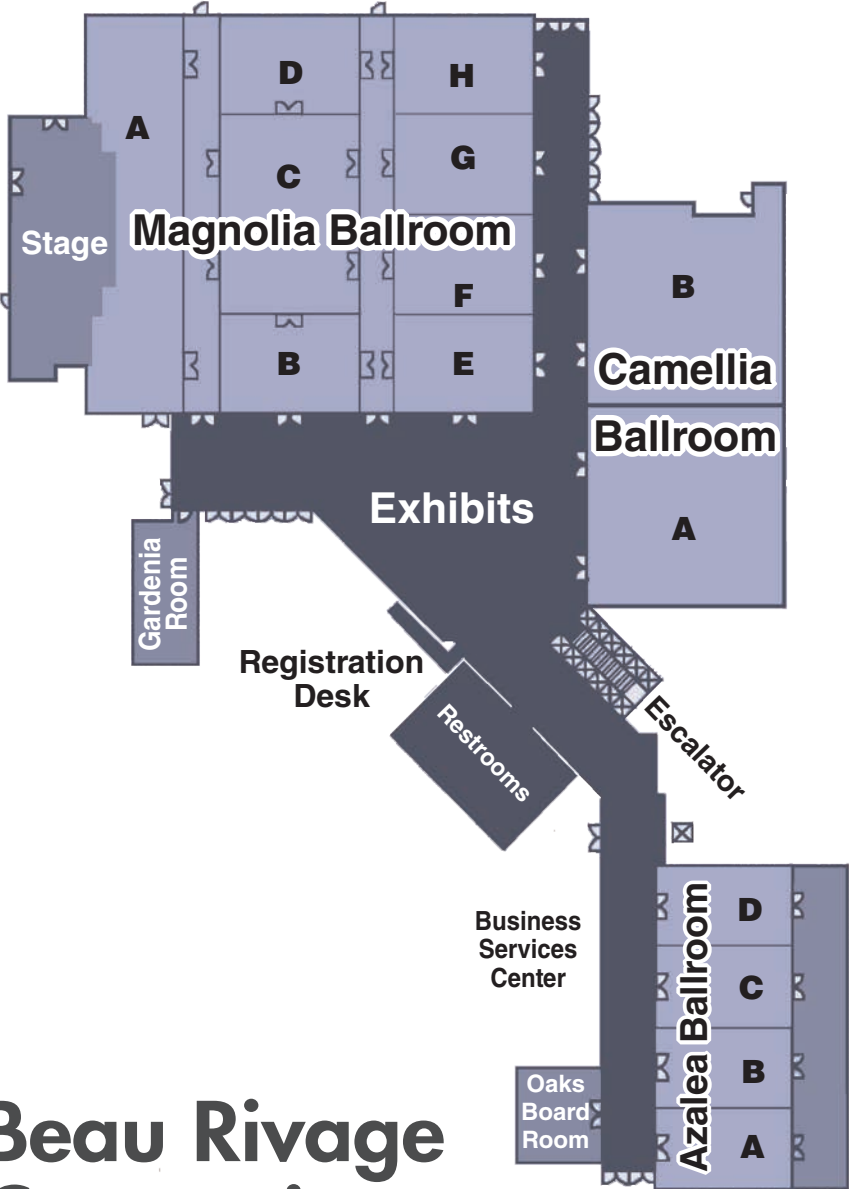
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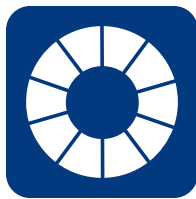
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- At Home Care**
- Broadband Expansion & Accessibility of MS**
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- Corebridge Financial**
- Crews & Associates**
- Doves Home Care**
- Faith & Hope Independent Living**
- Heart 2 Heart Homecare Services**
- Help at Home**
- INCO - MED**
- Love and Faith Personal Care**
- Loving Health Care**
- Mississippi Department of Transportation**
- Mississippi Development Authority**
- Metro Medical Supply**
- Nursing Management, Inc.**
- Office of the State Treasurer**
- Reliable Healthcare Services**
- TRIO Community Meals**
- White Construction Company**

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Beau Rivage Convention Center Floor



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