## United Methodist Center Relocation Task Force Update

Conference Board of Trustees



#### TASK

# Planning a Mission-Centered Strategic Headquarters Relocation in 2023



#### Task Force Members

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Chair of Conference Trustees | *Julie Childs*Representative of Conference Trustees | *Bert Neal*Conference Lay Leader | *Nate Abrams*Cabinet Representative | *John Pinson*Executive Assistant to the Bishop, Chair | *Terry Walton* 

#### Resource Assistance

Keith Cox, Conference Treasurer
Jim Winer, Make3 Architecture/Planning/Design





#### 5 Parameters

The new United Methodist Center selection should be driven by 5 parameters

- 1. Affordability
- 2. Accessibility
- 3. Visibility
- 4. Sustainability
- 5. Availability

These parameters were first established by the 2015 Board of Trustees



#### Location Factors: Presence & Witness

The United Methodist Center is a witness to the rest of North Georgia. Its location makes a statement. The task force recommends weighing heavily a location where church and community are experiencing revitalization and innovative resurrection.

Let's align our next home with our mission.

- 1. Shared space with other UMC or NGUMC affiliate
- 2. Underserved community
- 3. Thriving community



#### 8 Sites Shortlisted and Considered

Decatur First United Methodist Church

College Park United Methodist Church

Avondale Patillo United Methodist Church

Chamblee United Methodist Church

Sandy Springs United Methodist Church

Central United Methodist Church, Atlanta

Embry Hills United Methodist Church

Global Ministries Headquarters



# Changing Needs for United Methodist Center

Virtual work is productive and a reality Resulting in a reduction of needed square footage

Present Square Footage = 15,376

Proposed Square Footage = 5,400





#### Budget for United Methodist Center

Budget (in designated fund) \$3.4 M



# Budget for United Methodist Center Own Building | 1 Floor | 5,400 Square Feet Projected Total Cost \$3,377,500

#### Including

Program management, moving expenses, building and site assessment, legal, environmental, civil, landscape, architectural, interiors, graphics, structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, voltage, audio visual, testing, inspections, construction, furniture, equipment, communications, security, signage. Contingency: Older buildings, unknowns

# Next Steps

The Conference Board of Trustees will take necessary steps to purchase the property in Summer 2022 and oversee the construction of the new United Methodist Center.

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