



**Love, Dignity and Respect —
At the Heart of Our Care for Older Adults**

2026 Annual Conference
Gainesville Civic Center, Gainesville, GA
March 25 - 26, 2026

Day 1	Wednesday, March 25, 2026
8:00 am	Open Registration – Gainesville Civic Center
9:00 - 9:20 am	Welcome and Sponsor Recognition Jobcy Alexander, Board President, Meals on Wheels Association of Georgia
9:20 - 10:20 am	Public Policy Opportunities Josh Protas, MOWA, and Patti Lyons, Past President MOWAG
10:20 - 11:10 am	Refreshment Break Sponsored by Legacy Link
11:10 – 12:00 PM	Amy’s Session – Canvas and Conversations Amy Bryant, CEO Direct Services
Noon – 1:00 pm	Awards and Luncheon Provided by Honey Baked Ham Senior Champion Award; Presented by Matt Pieper, Immediate Past President, MOWAG
1:00 - 1:45 pm	Beyond Dementia Coalition (Group Activity) Cloud Conrad, New Street Compass, Dementia Educator, Course Designer, Author, and Speaker
1:45 - 2:00 pm	Refreshment Break Sponsored by Legacy Link
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Grants and Fundraising Sarah McKinney, CEO of Athens Community Foundation
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Staffing Engaging, Retention and Succession – Promoting Positive Culture Cindy Cheatham, Consultant, Good Advisors & Turknet Leadership Group
4:00 – 4:30 pm	Q&A
6:00 - 9:00 pm	Networking Dinner at Decoy (Cost included with registration)
Day 2	Thursday, March 26, 2026
8:00 am	Tour of Senior Life Center Tour (pickup at 7:45am at Civic Center)
9:00 am	Welcome and Sponsor Recognition - Whitney Benberry, Vice President MOWAG
9:05 am - 9:30 am	Pet Food Program, Importance of Pets and Senior Isolation LifeLine
9:30 - 10:30 am	QPR Suicide Prevention Training Adam Raulerson
10:30 - 10:45 am	Refreshment Break Sponsored by Legacy Link
10:45 - 11:30 am	Open Panel Discussion and Q&A Whitney Benberry, Moderator
11:30 - 12:15 pm	Wrap-up & Evaluations, Stepheine Hood, Board Member MOWAG