



2021 Annual Assessment Check-up

What we will cover today:



OVERVIEW OF THE 2022 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS



WHAT TO EXPECT



FINDING RESOURCES



EVALUATING YOUR PROGRAM'S PREPAREDNESS



NEXT STEPS

Overview of 2022 Annual Assessment



ALL communities, regardless of designation must complete an annual assessment



Regions 3 + 4 will be presenting in person or virtually



All assessments are due by January 15, 2022



The 2022 Assessment will be based on 2021 information



Do not wait till the last minute to get started

Main Street Programs Presenting in 2022

Region 3: Avondale Estates, Canton, College Park, Douglasville, Fayetteville, Hampton, Hapeville, Holly Springs, Jonesboro Lawrenceville, Locust Grove, McDonough, Stockbridge, Stone Mountain, Suwanee,

Region 4: Villa Rica, Carrollton, Bowdon, Griffin, LaGrange



2022 Meeting Locations

- Carrollton
- Canton
- Jonesboro
- Will be the first time offering both virtual and inperson presentation options
- Registration will open Oct 1st



You pick the time, date and location that works best for you!

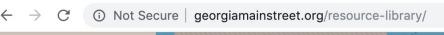






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ABOUT DESIGN SERVICES **OUR COMMUNITIES**

RESOURCES

TRAINING

MONTHLY REPORTING

We have countless online, database and media resources at the Office of Downtown Development, Georgia Department of Community Affairs. Between organizations that assist with financing programs, partner support, non-profit agencies and more—we hope you will use the following resources to increase the success of your downtown, but also any larger planning and economic projects you might have. Please note the following resources divided by category.

RESOURCE LIBRARY

Development Authority and Main Street program director coordinates activity within a

which utilizes historic preservation as an integral foundation for downtown economic



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✓ Filter by Category

Board Commitment Letter

Budgets

By-Laws

Facade Grant Programs

Hotel-Motel Tax

Job Descriptions

Map

Organizational Charts

Publications

Vision Mission Statements

Work Plans

irector is the senior professional employee who reports directly to the Board of Directors.

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2022 Community Annual Assessment Presentation Schedule- Template and Sign-up



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Work Plan Template

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A Visual Guide to Dropbox Management (a resource tool)

For Non- Presenters:



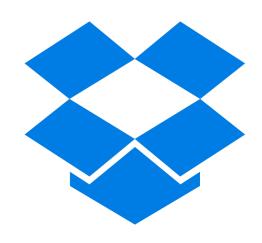
- You are still required to submit documentation
- You do not have to complete the comprehensive Annual Assessment document
- You must have submitted ALL your monthly reports
- You must complete and sign the Annual Assessment Affidavit check list
- Your documents must be uploaded to Dropbox
- Your Dropbox folder must be in order
- Your assessment is due by January 15, 2022
- Based on 2021 information

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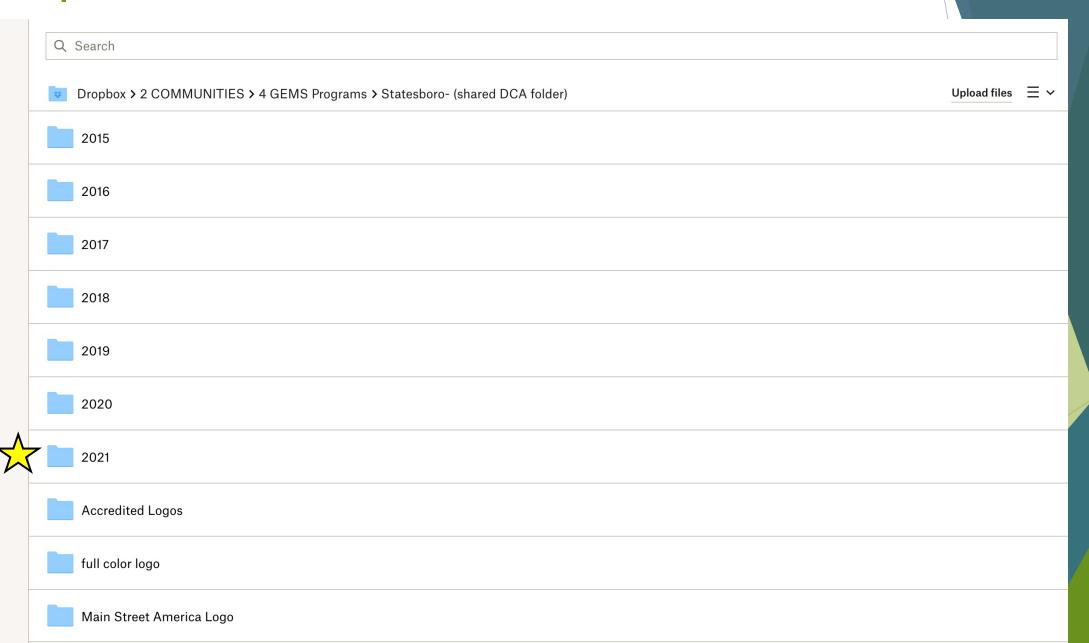


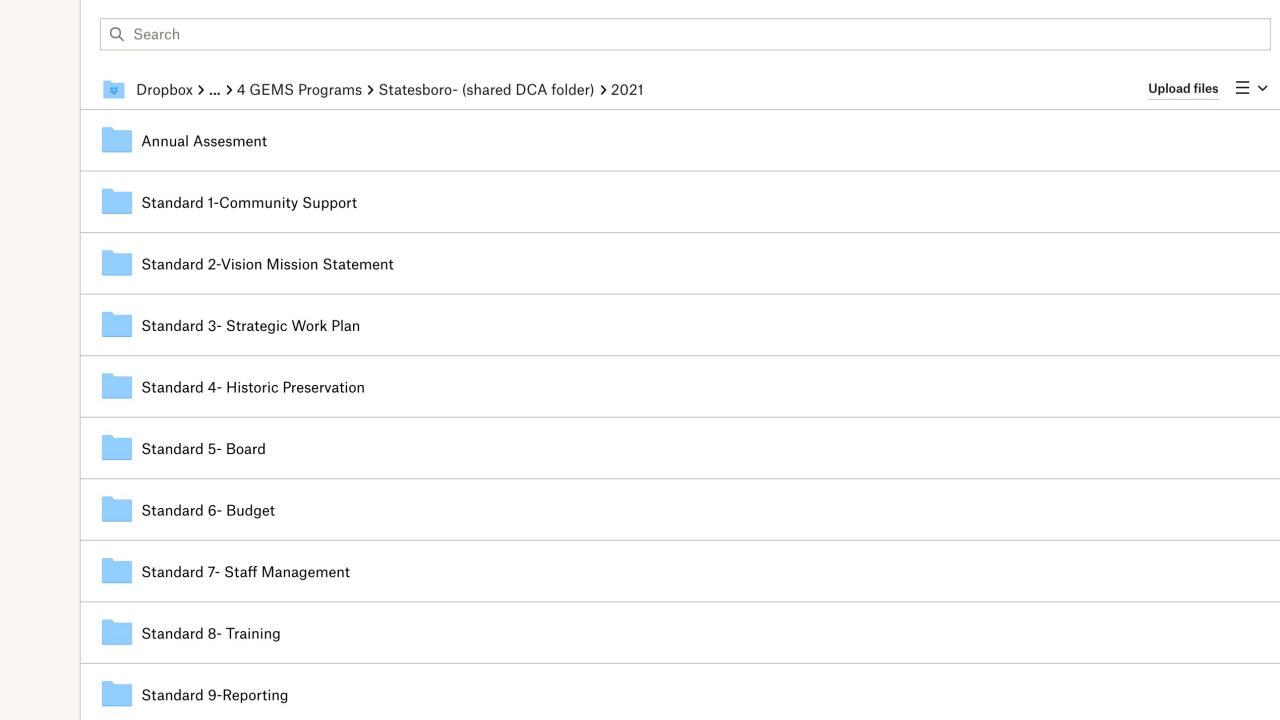
- You pick the time block, location and date that works best for you
- Each time block is two hours in length
- We provide you with a PowerPoint presentation template
- It contains all the questions you are required to answer
- Keep presentations to one hour in length
- You can customize the design to fit your program's brand
- You must bring someone with you
- No more than 3 people total
- After presentations we will review Dropbox, Annual Assessment standards and have time for questions
- All documentation (minus the presentation) is due by January 15th, 2022

Dropbox



Dropbox





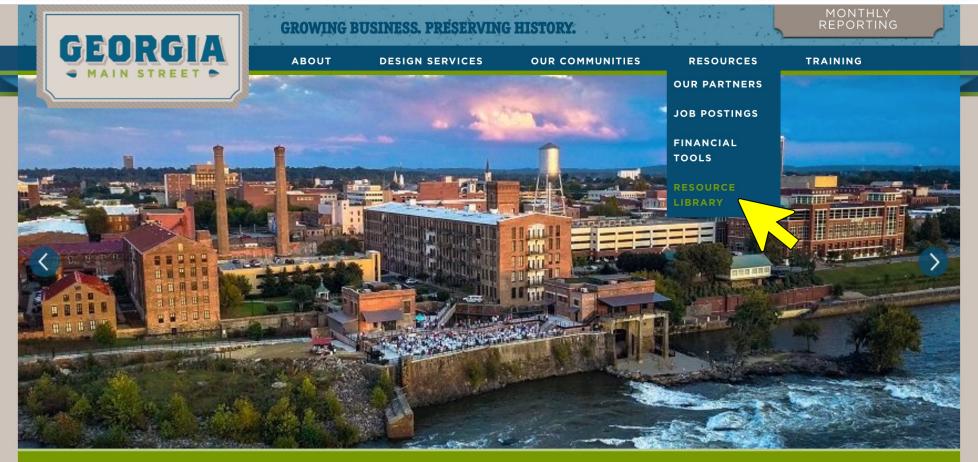
Dropbox: What you need to know

- You are required to keep information up to date at all times
- You are required to keep historical information
- If you don't know what it is, archive it, don't delete it
- This will impact your accreditation eligibility
- If you need help, ASK!





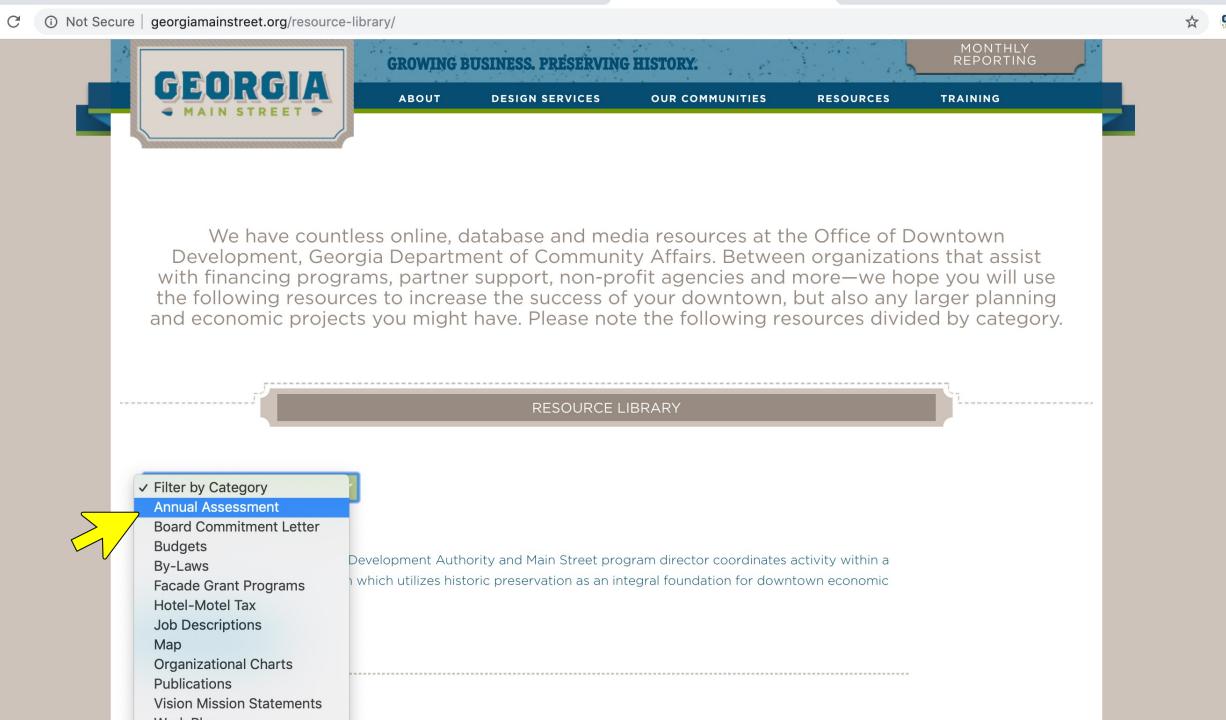
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All Classic and GEMS designated Main Street programs are required to keep and maintain a Dropbox folder with all their program's historical information. This Dropbox folder is set up by DCA and access is shared with the local Main Street manager, board members and key city staff as needed.

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Is Your Program Ready?

Files

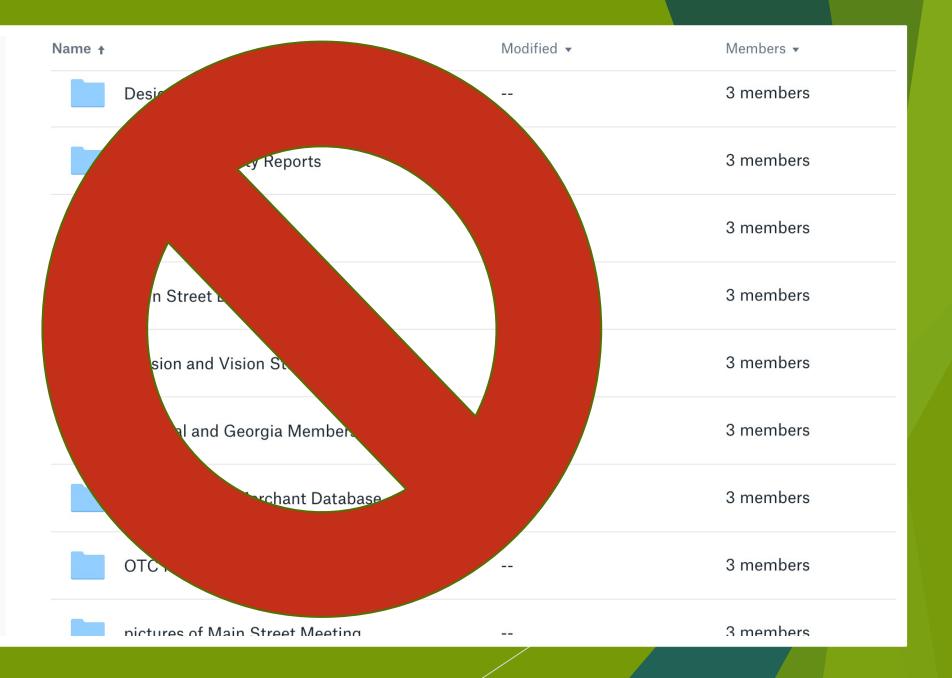
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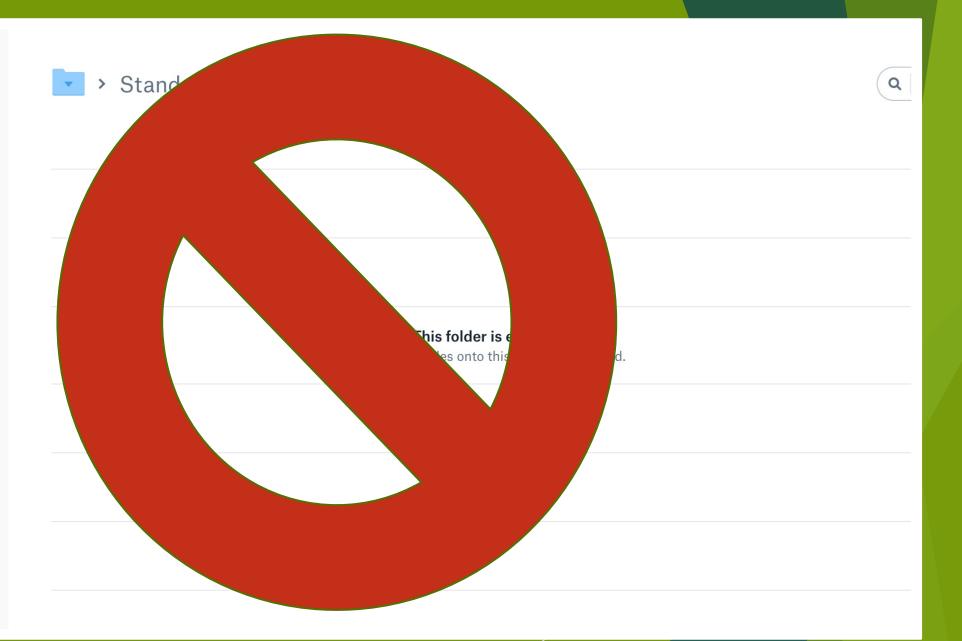
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Probation



What does Probation mean?

- Probation is a temporary designation that is assigned to your program for 1 year. This identifies that something is not operationally right in your program but that we believe there is a pathway to regaining your footing.
- Is a tool to help identify who needs more attention and assistance from our office.

What Triggers Probation?

- Program not able to meet assessment standards
- Not completing monthly reports on time or at all
- A surprise change to program staff or the board
- Consistent manager turn-over
- Any action that is not representative of a Main Street community



- Do an initial assessment of your Dropbox's organization
- Make updates and archive information as needed
- Download a copy of 2022 Annual Assessment Check List and Affidavit (for non-presenting communities) off of GA Main Street website
- Upload supporting documentation to Dropbox
- Double check monthly reports have been submitted
- Have board chair and supervisor sign affidavit and upload copy to Dropbox folder
- Relax, you are all done!

Next Steps



THANK YOU!