



## Meta-Leadership Summit for Preparedness

### What Is the Host Committee?

When you host a Meta-Leadership Summit, you will be among 10 to 15 key leaders who will advise the CDC Foundation and help promote the Meta-Leadership Summit in your community. The CDC Foundation manages overall coordination of the Summit – local hosts simply guide the Foundation staff to ensure a successful event.

Host Committee members advocate for meta-leadership among their colleagues and help continue the momentum and support across sectors following the Summit. Host Committee members also help ensure that appropriate local leaders are invited to participate, and that the Summit addresses the unique needs of their community.

After the Summit, Host Committee members will work with a dedicated staff member from CDC's Learning Office for Preparedness and Response to plan and create a post-Summit activity that meets community leaders' needs. Usually held three to six months after the Summit, this activity reconvenes participants and other community leaders to advance meta-leadership practices for enhanced emergency preparedness, response and recovery efforts.

**For more information about serving on the Host Committee, contact Susan True at 404-523-1108 or [strue@cdcfoundation.org](mailto:strue@cdcfoundation.org).**



### What Hosts are Saying...

*"Planning and preparing for disasters and public health emergencies before they happen are essential to ensuring coordinated crisis responses in our communities. The Meta-Leadership Summit is an opportunity for leaders from the public, private and nonprofit sectors to connect and collaborate in an effort to strengthen our preparedness."*

– Edward J. Ludwig  
Chairman, President and CEO  
Beckton, Dickenson and Co.

*"We encourage you to become involved in a Summit in your community. Based on our experience, you will be a welcome (and needed) partner – we plan to continue efforts to gather the three sectors together to better connect and prepare our community."*

– Betsy Nelson, Executive Director  
Association of Baltimore Area Grantmakers

*"From government agencies to businesses and the nonprofit sector, we all have an important role to play, and this Summit highlights our shared responsibilities. The preparation that this Summit promotes will be key to responding to future emergencies of any size."*

– The Honorable Thomas M. Menino  
Mayor of Boston, MA