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### Atlanta Regional Commission Quarterly Report

**1. Atlanta E-Bike Rebate Program:** The City of Atlanta and the Atlanta Regional Commission received 7,400 applications between August 24 to 30 for roughly 500 rebates during the second phase of our e-bike rebate program. The City had invested an initial \$1 million in the program, which is being administered by ARC.

Those funds are now expended...

**2. Regional Resilience Improvement Plan:** On August 28, the Atlanta Regional Commission Board approved an amendment to the regional Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that allocates \$265.4 million in federal and state funds for transportation projects across Metro Atlanta.

That includes two grants totaling \$65 million for the planned 31-mile multi-use Flint River Gateway Trails, more than \$150 million to build the park-like “cap” over a portion of the Downtown Connector called The Stitch, \$2 million for EV charging infrastructure, \$2.55 million in transit fleet upgrades, and \$600,000 to improve roadway operations and decrease vehicle response times in Henry County.

**3. Atlanta Region Adds 62,700 Residents:** On July 10, the ARC announced the 11-county Atlanta region added 62,700 residents between April 2023 and April 2024, bringing the total population to 5.2 million.

The City of Atlanta added an estimated 10,800 residents—bringing us to an estimated 532,115.

The City of Atlanta also led the region in number of buildings permits issued, with 7,621.

**4. LINK Trip to New York City:** More than 120 government, business, and civic leaders from Metro Atlanta visited New York City from August 14-17 for the ARC’s 2024 LINK trip. Participants explored key issues facing both regions, including transit, climate, and the green economy, housing, and redevelopment.

**5. Culture and Community Design Program:** On August 5, the ARC [unveiled the names of the 34 program participants](#) selected to participate in the 2024 Culture and Community Design Program.

**6. Regional Leadership Institute Class of 2024:** On August 12, the ARC [announced the names of the 57 leaders from Metro Atlanta’s public, private, and nonprofit sectors who will comprise the 2024 class of its Regional Leadership Institute](#). They will explore key regional policy issues during the program, which runs from August 21 to November 14.