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### **South Fulton Receives \$120,000 for Old National Highway Revitalization Plan**

**(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GA – April 26, 2021)** – An injection of up to \$120,000 in federal grant funding will help South Fulton expand efforts to revitalize the Old National Highway corridor.

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) announced it will award 11 metro Atlanta communities the Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) grant to fund planning studies to design walkable communities that provide increased mobility options and improved access to jobs and services.

“We are excited to join the list of 2021 LCI grant recipients,” said Tammi Saddler Jones, city manager for the City of South Fulton. “The funding will allow us to explore new transportation options.”

The city’s planning division will also use the grant to perform a targeted study that focuses on the redevelopment of the Old National area; which will include findings from an existing LCI grant study conducted in 2008, before the city’s incorporation began.

“The project is still in the preliminary stages,” said Shayla Reed, director of Community Development and Regulatory Affairs. “We hope to use the grant to hire a consulting firm to assist us with gathering community input from residents about the type of development they would like to see in the area.”

Since 2000, the ARC’s Livable Centers Initiative program has invested more than \$250 million in over 120 communities throughout the Atlanta region, helping to pay for planning studies and the construction of transportation projects like sidewalks and intersection improvements.

“The funding provided through this grant will help us to identify the investments we need to make to offer our residents access to a viable community through an enhanced economic development strategy,” said Reed, CDRA director.

The City of South Fulton joins a list of other municipalities and community improvement districts that will also receive the LCI Grant: Hampton, Grantville, Douglasville, Alpharetta, Gwinnett Place CID, Sugarloaf CID, Upper Westside CID, and Midtown Alliance.

To learn more about the LCI program and its impact on the Atlanta region, visit [atlantaregional.com/lci](http://atlantaregional.com/lci).

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