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Mayor Kasim Reed Recognizes Anna Foote with the City of Atlanta Phoenix Award

*The award is the highest honor that can be bestowed on a citizen
for service to the City of Atlanta*

ATLANTA, GA – December 14, 2016 – At the December Board of Directors meeting for Invest Atlanta, Anna Foote, deputy director of administration at [HOPE Atlanta](#), received the Phoenix Award from Mayor Kasim Reed. The award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the City of Atlanta through community service. The honoree has served in leadership positions in over a dozen nonprofits and on community boards in Atlanta since 1986.

Along with the Phoenix Award, Foote was also honored with the Proclamation from the City of Atlanta for her tireless commitment to the City of Atlanta through her service on the Invest Atlanta Board of Directors.

Foote served on the Invest Atlanta Board for more than eight years, making her the longest consecutively serving Board members in the agency's 40-year history. Foote has held numerous positions over the years and truly embodies the agency's mission through her passion for service. She now works for HOPE Atlanta, a 116-year nonprofit with a mission to confront the root causes of homelessness and offer a hand to promote lifelong stability.

"I am honored to be recognized for the work I do in support of my community. It is a privilege to work in nonprofits, to lift up those in need and to offer a hand to those in crises. Atlanta has a generous philanthropic community and history of giving to vital causes, such as homelessness," Foote mentioned when asked about her award. "Serving on the Invest Atlanta Board was just another expression of my commitment to the hometown I love."

About HOPE Atlanta

HOPE Atlanta offers an array of services including shelter and other emergency services, transitional and permanent supportive housing, case management, street outreach, homeless prevention, domestic violence services, Veterans services, HIV/AIDS services, reunification, and rapid re-housing. The majority of the people we assist are homeless or about to become homeless and have very low income. Many are chronically homeless, veterans, victims of domestic violence, suffering from mental or physical illness, or chemically addicted. They are usually initially in crisis and in need of immediate crisis intervention services. The crises may be due to homelessness, the threat of homelessness, unemployment, abandonment, poverty, illness, hunger, domestic violence, poor planning, financial emergencies, and/or unforeseen circumstances.

About Invest Atlanta

Governed by a nine-member board of directors, chaired by the Mayor of Atlanta, Invest Atlanta creates programs and initiatives focused on developing and fostering public-private partnerships to accelerate job creation/economic growth, neighborhood revitalization/investment, and innovation/entrepreneurship. Invest Atlanta's economic tools include bond financing, revolving loan funds, housing financing, tax increment financing and tax credits.

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