Governor’s Strategic Goals for Georgia

- **Make Georgia #1 for Small Business**
  - Cut obsolete, unnecessarily burdensome, and bureaucratic hurdles for small business
  - Maintain Georgia’s competitive tax environment
  - Develop a skilled workforce to meet current and future needs across the industry spectrum
  - Expand Georgia’s role as a world-renowned hub for global commerce
  - Ensure taxpayers can easily navigate and find necessary information through government interfaces

- **Reform State Government**
  - Maintain Georgia’s AAA bond rating
  - Maximize taxpayer value with conservative budgeting
  - Expand public-private partnerships and leverage technology to best utilize limited state resources
  - Improve agency call centers and similar constituent services to be courteous and helpful

- **Strengthen Rural Georgia**
  - Increase rural broadband access for economic growth, educational opportunity, and healthcare access
  - Deploy regional strike teams to areas with economic challenges or lessening populations to collaborate with local leaders and seek opportunities for growth
  - Address Georgia’s teacher shortage by removing barriers to professional entry and increasing pay
  - Dismantle Common Core and reduce high-stakes testing for a more student-centric approach to learning
  - Improve literacy rates for students in third through twelfth grades

- **Put Georgians First**
  - Crack down on gang activity and human trafficking affecting every community across Georgia
  - Lower costs, improve quality, and increase access to quality healthcare in every region
  - Continue efforts to keep students, teachers, and personnel safe on campus
  - Expand access to mental health resources in schools for children and young adults