



Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is my immense pleasure to welcome you to the Center for Middle Georgia Studies (CMGS). As the Executive Director, I am thrilled to introduce you to our Center, whose vision is to *"be a regional and nationally recognized hub for community-engaged scholarship that positively impacts Middle Georgia through collaborative problem-solving and knowledge sharing."*

The CMGS embodies the four principles of Middle Georgia State University: stewardship, engagement, adaptability, and learning. Our core values drive us to become a community resource, develop collaborative partnerships, build capacity, increase cultural competence, and positively impact the Middle Georgia region.

To achieve these goals, the Center is dedicated to:

1. Conducting customized applied research on regional issues, including economic impact studies, GIS mapping, and benchmarking.
2. Preserving valuable artifacts, documents, and oral histories that tell the story of our region.
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Warm regards,

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