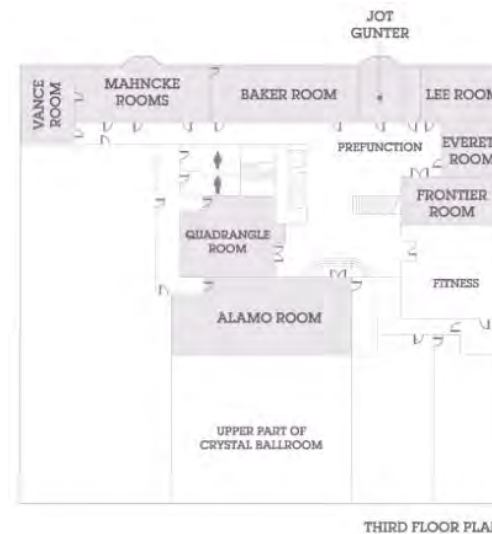
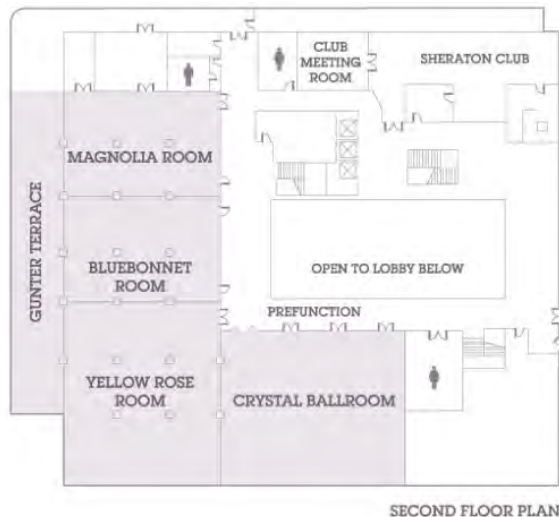


Time	Wednesday, November 1, 2017	Room
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	NREDA Board of Directors Breakfast	Alamo Room 3rd floor
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	NREDA Board of Directors Meeting	Alamo Room 3rd floor
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Optional Activity: Riverwalk Barge Tour & Lunch on Barge	Offsite
12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	NREDA Registration Desk Open	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Pre-Conference Session: Sponsored by Central Alabama Electric Cooperative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Hour: Change: A Constant in the Food & Beverage Processing Sector, Jay Garner, Garner Economics, LLC 2nd Hour: Prestige Recruitment Success Story, Bryce Davis, Director, Wright County Economic Development 	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	New Member and First Time Attendee Orientation <i>Sponsored by Pedernales Electric Cooperative, Inc.</i>	Baker Room 3rd floor
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Conference Opening <i>Sponsored by Cobank</i>	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
4:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Keynotes: Sponsored by Cobank <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Creative Placemaking for Rural America: We Will Solve All Of Your Issues (Except Personal), Zack Mannheimer Hays, Kansas Redevelopment Story, Sara Bloom, Executive Director of Downtown Hays Development Corporation <i>Speaker expenses sponsored by Sunflower Electric Cooperative and Midwest Energy, Inc.</i> 	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	President’s Reception <i>Sponsored by Iowa Area Development Group; Central Iowa Power Cooperative (CIPCO); Corn Belt Power Cooperative; Northeast Missouri Electric Power Cooperative; and Northwest Iowa Power Cooperative (NIPCO)</i>	Yellow Rose/Gunter Terrace 2nd floor



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2017 Annual NREDA Conference, November 1–3, 2017

Thursday, November 2, 2017		
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	NREDA Registration Desk Open	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	NREDA Breakfast & Committee Meetings <i>Sponsored by Golden Shovel Agency</i>	Yellow Rose 2nd floor
8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Welcome & Remarks: Jenna Saucedo-Herrera, San Antonio Economic Development	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
8:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Mobile Classrooms <i>Send-off refreshment sponsored by East River Electric Power Cooperative</i> <i>Option 1: Pearl District Redevelopment Area Sponsored by Berkley Electric Cooperative</i> <i>Option 2: Tour of San Antonio Missions Sponsored by Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation</i> <i>Option 3: Brooks City Base Sponsored by National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)</i>	Offsite
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	NREDA Luncheon & Awards Presentation <i>Sponsored by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives/National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association (NRECA)</i>	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	General Session: Takeaways from the Mobile Classroom <i>Sponsored by Ohio's Electric Cooperatives</i>	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Networking Break <i>Sponsored by Georgia Electric Membership Corporation</i>	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Energy/Oil Industry Impact on the Economy , Thomas Tunstall, PhD, Senior Research Director, The University of Texas at San Antonio, Institute for Economic Development	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Networking Break <i>Sponsored by Nebraska Public Power District</i>	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Are We On The Same Page? Understanding What Makes Good Communities Great , Jay Garner, Garner Economics, LLC	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Past President's Council	Jot Gunter 3rd floor
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Mini-Reception	Buckhorn Museum

Friday, November 3, 2017		Room
7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	NREDA Registration Desk Open	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	NREDA Annual Business Meeting, Breakfast & Prize Drawing <i>Sponsored by Great River Energy</i>	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Breakout Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Divide, Jordana Barton, MPA, Senior Advisor, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas <i>Sponsored by South Carolina Power Team</i> • Texas Rural Water Foundation Veterans Employment Program, Lisa Adams, Foundation Development Director, Texas Rural Water Association (Foundation) <i>Sponsored by LocationOne</i> 	Mahncke Room 3rd floor Baker Room 3rd Floor
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Networking Break	North Mezzanine 2nd floor
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Building A Community Vision "Straightening the Crooked Nail" , Ronnie C. McDonald, Executive Director, Texas Rural Leadership Program <i>Sponsored by National Rural Utilities Corp. (CFC)</i>	Crystal Ballroom 2nd floor



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