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Who We Are

Asocapitales is an association that was consolidated 10 years ago with the intention of representing the common interests of the capital cities of Colombia. Asocapitales recently has embarked on a new direction to form a Colombian-based thinktank that addresses strategic issues from a subnational perspective.

The relevance of capital cities at local, regional, national, and international levels results from the fact that these municipalities constitute 55% of the country's GDP and are home to 74% of the active companies established in Colombian territory. This provides an attractive opportunity for national and international organizations for development as well as implanting policies that fall in line with the UN's 2030 Sustainable Development Goals agenda.

How We Can Work with Congress and the US

Colombia is in a moment of transformation, and Asocapitales as a spokesperson for all the capitals of the country, hopes to generate a direct relationship between its associates and U.S. stakeholders. In a few weeks the country's territorial elections will take place, and Asocapitales has identified three areas of concern and opportunity for binational cooperation:

- Citizen Security and Migration Issues.
- Improving and modernizing our transportation networks with a focus on reliability and mobility for all.
- Helping advance the next generation of critical infrastructure projects.

What is Asocapitales Doing to Address These Issues?

Knowing that many times, fixing a problem starts at the local level, Asocapitales is being proactive as to how Colombian capital cities can implement policies and programs to address these areas of concern. Notable initiatives include:

- Working with all levels of Colombian government to make sure approved programs are funded.
- Creating pathways to safe and fair paying jobs through initiatives between the national government and local governments designed to overcome the barriers that the migration process has brought to the country.
- Write and promote legislation that funds infrastructure projects that also have economic and environmental benefits to the people of Colombia.
- Help ensure all citizens, including those incarcerated, are not deprived of their basic human rights.
- A plan to modernize our transportation projects and how national and international financing can help.

But we cannot do this alone. A strong relationship between the US and Colombian Cities is key to success. We thank and strongly encourage Congress to fund international development programs and corporations at the highest level possible. We look forward to beginning a conversation and relationship with US policymakers that will help advance both Colombian and US goals.