

2026 | GovExec | Signature Events

Overview

Over the past five years, GovExec has grown and refined our portfolio to deliver measurable impact for our partners. Events - whether live or digital, large summits or intimate roundtables - remain one of our most effective vehicles for results.

In 2026, we're consolidating our Signature Event Calendar to provide a clear view of programs that connect you with the right audiences, foster meaningful engagement, and drive outcomes.

From policymakers and executives, to agency staff and regional practitioners, our signature events offer a proven framework to build brand authority, spark mission-focused dialogue, and generate demand with target accounts.

First Quarter Events

Event Name	Description	Timing	Brand	Audience
Zero Trust Summit: Part 1	A deep dive into Zero Trust strategy, implementation, and culture across federal agencies.	February	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Fed Tech Priorities Summit	Brings together government leaders to outline top tech priorities, policy direction, and cross-agency goals shaping the future of federal operations.	February	GE360	Civilian leaders in the Federal Government, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space
US Army Heat Forum	Focuses on research, technology, and training to improve soldier performance and safety in extreme heat environments.	February	FBC	Army company commanders, support personnel, civilian and active duty medical leadership
State of Defense	Explore strategic, operational, and technological developments shaping national defense, with insights on modernization, joint operations, and future force readiness.	March	GE360	Senior military leaders, policy makers, defense and intelligence influencers and thought leaders in the public sector and industry
Workforce Forum	A targeted discussion on workforce transformation and the specialized needs of a modern federal IT talent pipeline.	March	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Phoenix Challenge 2026	Focuses on advancing information operations and influence strategies through collaboration between government, industry, and academia.	March	FBC	Leaders and professionals from government, private industry, and academia across all cognitive and technical information specialties

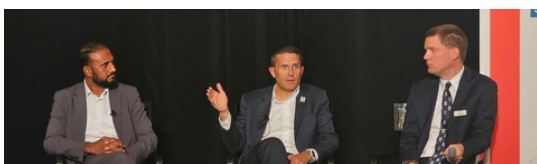
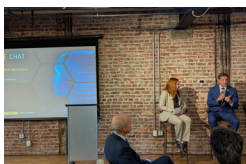
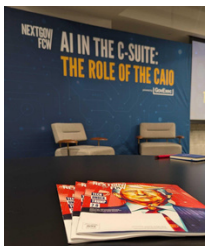
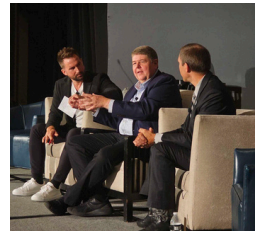
Second Quarter Events

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Cloud Security Summit	Examines agency approaches to hybrid environments, insider-threat mitigation, and cloud security.	April	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Evening of Honors	Celebrates outstanding individuals and teams in public service, spotlighting leadership, innovation, and impact across government.	April	GE360	Federal leaders including Congress members, agency CIOs/CTOs, and top contractor CEOs.
GITEC	A premier forum for senior government, industry, and academic leaders to collaborate on technology modernization and innovation in the federal space.	May	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits.
Fort Gordon Cyber Industry Day	Connects cybersecurity solution providers with military and government leaders to address evolving cyber threats and mission needs.	May	FBC	Fort Gordon staff from all service branches, multinational cyber forces, Cyber Protection Brigade, and Military Intelligence personnel.
National Labs Information Technology Summit	Unites IT professionals from national laboratories to collaborate on innovations in computing, networking, and cyber infrastructure.	May	FBC	IT and cybersecurity personnel from laboratories, plants, and associated federal agencies.
NIH Innovation Day	Celebrates breakthroughs in research, technology transfer, and entrepreneurship driving biomedical innovation.	May	FBC	NIH Staff including IT, scientists and personnel with special applications.
Law Enforcement	Explores the intersection of emerging technology, cybersecurity, and mission support in federal law enforcement agencies.	June	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits.
Defense One Tech Summit	Defense Covers the technologies transforming defense, from AI and autonomy to C5ISR and digital engineering, and how they're being integrated across the force.	June	GE360	Senior military leaders, policy makers, defense and intelligence influencers and thought leaders in the public sector and industry
Government Procurement Conference (GPC)	Brings together government and industry to share procurement insights, foster small business engagement, and explore contracting opportunities.	June	FBC	Federal procurement officials and diverse small business leaders (minority, veteran, women-owned enterprises).

Third Quarter Events

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Cyber AI Convergence Summit	Dive into the latest advancements, trends, and applications that are shaping the future of cybersecurity and artificial intelligence integration in government services.	July	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Government Efficiency Summit	Examines how agencies are driving smarter operations through process improvement, data use, automation, and cross-functional collaboration.	July	GE360	Civilian leaders in the Federal Government, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space
Modernization Forum	Dives into modernization across government, including hybrid adoption, procurement, security, and mission enablement.	August	GE360, ATARC	Civilian leaders in the Federal Government, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space
Government & AI Summit	Explores how artificial intelligence is being implemented across agencies, with a focus on responsible innovation, operational use cases, and policy frameworks.	September	GE360	Civilian leaders in the Federal Government, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space
Maneuver Warfighter Conference	Examines emerging concepts, technologies, and training strategies to strengthen warfighter maneuver capabilities.	September	FBC	Maneuver personnel, leadership, NCOs, procurement officers, deploying soldiers, and Fort Benning community supporting the Maneuver Center of Excellence.

2025 Highlights



Fourth Quarter Events

Event Name	Description	Timing	Brand	Audience
Health IT Summit	Explores innovations, challenges, and opportunities in modernizing healthcare systems to better serve citizens.	October	GE360, ATARC	Federal health leaders, practitioners, and acquisition officials from VA, DHA, Military Health System, and civilian agencies focused on healthcare modernization.
Fort Benning Human Performance Symposium	Discusses science, technology, and training methods to optimize human performance in demanding conditions.	October	FBC	Cadre, company command teams, and permanent party soldiers at Fort Benning.
Cyber Futures Summit	Focuses on the future of cybersecurity in government, with discussion on threat evolution, zero trust, workforce development, and resilience.	November	GE360, ATARC	Civilian, Military, and industry leaders, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space
AFCEA Atlanta National Security Conference	Highlights advancements in defense, intelligence, and technology to enhance national security.	November	FBC	National Security professionals from Federal, State, Local and Industry - Homeland Security, Cybersecurity, Critical Infrastructure Protection
NIST / NOAA Campus Technology Day	Showcases joint innovations, research tools, and collaborative technology projects.	November	FBC	All personnel from the NIST and NOAA facilities will receive invitations
Denver Federal Center Technology Event	Features technology demonstrations and discussions to support interagency collaboration and mission success.	November	FBC	Civilian personnel from all agencies located at Denver Federal Center.
Zero Trust Summit: Part 2	Continuing the conversation around Zero Trust strategy, implementation, and culture across federal agencies.	November	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Efficiency / Leadership / Future Thinking	Examines how visionary leadership and operational innovation are shaping the next chapter in public service.	December	ATARC	Top leaders from across the federal community, academia, and nonprofits
Service Delivery Forum	Explores how agencies are using data and digital services to improve customer experience, streamline service delivery, and drive equity.	December	GE360	Civilian leaders in the Federal Government, including decision makers and buyers in the Federal Tech space