KEYNOTE SPEAKER · FORMER MAYOR

Mike Elliott

First Black & first Liberian-American mayor of Brooklyn Center, MN (2019–2023) · One of the first Liberian-American mayors in U.S. history · mikeelliott.com

> **The story:** A refugee of Liberia's civil war who arrived in the U.S. at eleven — and two decades later led one of America's most diverse suburbs through a national crisis: the police killing of Daunte Wright, ten miles from the Chauvin courtroom. Then the harder story: rebuilding public safety from scratch while the country watched.

SPEAKING TOPICS

1. **From Refugee Camp to City Hall** — keynotes, commencements
2. **Leading Through Crisis** — executives, municipal associations, public administration
3. **Reimagining Public Safety** — policy conferences, universities, think tanks
4. **Building Communities That Work for Everyone** — community foundations, civic & faith orgs
5. **Leading From Your Center** — leadership institutes, ERGs
6. **When the Highway Comes for Your Neighborhood** — environmental justice, urban planning, public health
7. **Governing Through a Pandemic** — public health, emergency management
8. **Giving Residents a Seat at the Table** — economic development, community benefits coalitions

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