





The **Denise Abboud Memorial Fund** was created to honor Denise's ideals and contributions to the planning profession during her life. The outpouring of love for Denise from friends and colleagues across the state following her tragic and sudden death, and the donations spontaneously offered to establish a lasting memorial to her work and legacy, resulted in creation of the Fund by the GPA Board.

The Denise Abboud Fund is dedicated to helping communities that otherwise could not afford it expand the skills and knowledge of their professional and citizen planners. This is particularly something Denise would have been interested in pursuing – she strongly supported GPA reaching out to include everyone in its programs and offerings, and she made sure that practical, useful programs were always included in the many conferences she put together as GPA Vice President.

The Denise Abboud Fund is now included within the umbrella of the Georgia Planning Memorial Foundation, established in 2008 as a 501(c)(3) corporation through the efforts of GPA and the pro bono assistance of David Kirk and his associates at Troutman Sanders.