



such as housing, public safety, and climate action. State and local governments are at the forefront of addressing these challenges, and I look forward to contributing to the discourse on these issues.”

Alison Williams expressed her enthusiasm for expanding initiatives aimed at strengthening state and local governance: “By elevating HKS programs like Transition Term and the Dukakis Fellowship, we can cultivate the next generation of leaders who will steer public policy at the state and local levels.”

Paul Mounds Jr. highlighted the importance of state and local government in shaping effective and equitable policies: “Throughout my career in public service, I have witnessed the profound impact that principled governance can have on communities. I look forward to further exploring these themes at the Taubman Center.”

Jamey Tesler expanded on his opportunity to continue his fellowship “I am deeply honored to continue at the Taubman Center as a Visiting Fellow and contribute to the vital discussions shaping the future of state and local governance. As our transportation and mobility landscapes evolve, it is critical to develop innovative, equitable policies that support sustainable growth and accessibility for all. I look forward to engaging with the students, faculty, and fellows at Harvard Kennedy School to explore solutions that address the pressing challenges facing our communities and to foster the next generation of public sector leaders.”

The Taubman Center’s visiting fellows are seasoned professionals and academics who contribute to its mission of advancing state and local governance. Through research, public discourse, and direct collaboration with students and faculty, fellows at the Taubman Center play an integral role in fostering innovation and thought leadership in public sector governance.

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The Taubman Center for State and Local Government at the Harvard Kennedy School supports current and future public sector leaders in improving the governance of states, counties, and cities through research, teaching, programs, and convenings. The Taubman Center works to develop the next generation of state and local government leaders, generate big ideas and solutions to state and local government challenges, and help state and local government implement and scale solutions.



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