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Hello fellow Georgia tennis volunteers and Community Tennis Association staff,

Due to the Omicron variant and continued Covid-19 concerns, we have decided to cancel the inperson USTA Georgia Community Tennis Development Workshop (CTDW) scheduled for February 12-13, 2022 at the JW Marriott in Buckhead, Atlanta. Michael Graham has lined up a great cast of presenters/moderators for this training meeting which we will now hold virtually like last year. There will be a series of webinars that can be joined live or viewed later at your leisure. Michael will send out a preliminary schedule in the near future. And of course, this also means our immensely successful and very competitive annual Tennis Challenge & Game Night will also be cancelled.

In addition, we have postponed our USTA Georgia Awards Dinner scheduled for Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. We are very disappointed it has come to this, but our plan is to reschedule later this year when we can have it in-person so we can properly honor and celebrate the many award winners throughout the entire State of Georgia. Honorees include volunteer Dom Masciantonio (Ruth Ryner Lay Award for Lifetime Achievement), Michael Harden (John Callen Excellence in Leadership Award), and USTA Georgia staff Carolina Kaminski (President's Award). If we are unable to hold it in-person it will then be a virtual ceremony like 2021. It is important that all 27 Award winners receive the recognition they so richly deserve.

The USTA Georgia Board of Directors and Advisory Council along with the entire staff of USTA Georgia appreciate all you do to grow the game of tennis in your local area. We remain committed to serving and helping you. Please let us know how we can help you.

Regards,

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