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Microtransit is coming to Norcross

Gwinnett County, Gateway 85 Community Improvement District, and the city of Norcross will combine resources to improve mobility in a zone around Jimmy Carter Boulevard and Interstate 85.

About 36,000 residents in Norcross will have access to the new Southwest Gwinnett Microtransit Pilot launching later this year. Microtransit is an on-demand shared-ride service that you can order from your phone.

The pilot will operate 14 hours a day Monday through Saturday, excluding holidays, for a year. Gwinnett County will provide four vehicles and manage operations. The estimated \$1.3 million cost of the program will be funded 44 percent each by Gwinnett County and Gateway85 CID, with the city of Norcross contributing the remainder.

The agreement will be in effect from August 1, 2024, through July 31, 2025. To learn more about microtransit, visit [RideGwinnett.com](https://ridegwinnett.com).



AROUND GWINNETT

Read the Consumer Confidence Report

The annual Consumer Confidence Report containing important information about the quality of your drinking water is now available. The report details the results of state and federally mandated tests for various contaminants. In 2023, there were no EPA Safe Drinking Water Act violations to report. See the report and learn more about your drinking water at GwinnettWaterWords.com.

Celebrate Park and Recreation Month

We're celebrating the vital role park and recreation professionals play in providing essential services, promoting healthy lifestyles, and nurturing communities with this year's National Park and Recreation Month theme, Where You Belong. Join us throughout July at various events for all ages and abilities. To learn more, please visit GwinnettParks.com.

Tax Assessors' Office to conduct onsite property field visits

Gwinnett Board of Assessors appraisal staff conduct routine field visits to maintain accurate appraisal data as part of the County's annual review process.

Representatives from Gwinnett, LMC, or Tyler Technologies verify existing or new construction, measure exteriors, and take photographs. Although no contact or involvement is needed, appraisers will carry identification and announce their presence at each property before beginning a review. If no one is available, information will be left to advise residents of the visit. For questions or concerns, email Taxpayer.Services@GwinnettCounty.com or call 770.822.7200.

Get nutritious meals this summer

Gwinnett County provides free meals at 20 locations. Pick up nutritious breakfast and lunch this summer through Friday, August 2. Grab-and-go meals are available from 11:00am to 1:00pm while supplies last for kids 18 and under and those 19 and older with disabilities. Find a location near you at GwinnettSummerMeals.com.



PROTECTING OUR RESOURCES

Prevent detention pond issues

Summer rains are in full swing, which means stormwater detention ponds are working hard. These ponds play a vital role in stormwater management by controlling runoff, preventing flooding, and protecting the environment; however, detention ponds can lose their effectiveness if they are not properly maintained.

Catch potential pond problems early with these maintenance tips:

- Inspect your detention pond every three to four months and after large rain events
- Check for signs of erosion, sediment buildup, excessive litter, or structural problems
- Prevent trees from growing on the dam
- Keep the area free of trash and debris

For more information about what to look for during a self-inspection and how to address problems, visit Gwinnett2o.com.

Enhance your landscaping with rainwater

Learn how to collect and store rainwater in a rain barrel for landscaping use on Saturday, July 13 from 10:00am to noon at the Grayson Senior Center in Grayson. A \$40 pre-payment is required to take home your rain barrel. To register, please visit Gwinnett2o.com, call 678.376.6914, or email DWRworkshops@GwinnettCounty.com with your name, address, and phone number.

TAX COMMISSIONER

Complete your tax services online

Due to U.S. Postal Service mail delays, we encourage you to use online services to renew your tag, pay property taxes, and more. If you're renewing your tag and need your decal immediately, use one of the 10 self-service kiosks located around Gwinnett. To learn more about online services and find a kiosk near you, visit GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Stay cool in the summer's heat

Summer in Georgia is known to reach extreme temperatures of 100 degrees or higher. This means enjoying the outdoors can be risky, especially for seniors, children, and people with asthma. Limit exposure to the soaring temperatures with these helpful tips:

- Take frequent breaks from the sun
- Drink water to stay hydrated
- Wear lightweight, light-colored, and loose-fitting clothing
- Apply sunscreen to protect your skin
- Try to stay indoors during the hottest part of the day and limit outdoor activities to early mornings or late evenings

These necessary precautions can help you stay cool and safe during the summer months. For more heat safety tips, visit GwinnettSafety411.com.



SPLOST

A new park is coming to Gwinnett

A brand new park is on its way! Discovery Park will become the 53rd addition to Gwinnett Parks and Recreation's system. Located at the intersection of Old Norcross and Lawrenceville-Suwanee roads, this future park will offer accessibility and recreational features. Park-goers can look forward to amenities such as a lighted multiuse trail, ball fields, an interactive fountain, and an inclusive playground for children of all ages and abilities. The park is set to open to the public in 2026.

The \$28 million project is funded by the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, known as SPLOST. To learn more about how your pennies are working in Gwinnett, visit GwinnettSPLOST.com.

RESOURCES

Get rid of your hazardous waste

Bring your household hazardous waste for reuse, recycling, or disposal at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day event on Saturday, July 20 from 8:00am to 11:00am at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds in Lawrenceville. Residents can bring up to five disposable containers of waste products like paint, motor oil, batteries, cleaning chemicals, and more.

For a complete list of acceptable waste products, visit GwinnettCB.org. If you'd like to volunteer at this event, visit VolunteerGwinnett.net.

SERVING GWINNETT

Give a shelter dog a loving home

Adoption is an exciting and fulfilling way to give a shelter dog a forever home, and right now, you can adopt your new best friend from the Bill Atkinson Animal Welfare Center in Lawrenceville for free. Dogs are spayed/neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated before leaving the shelter. To learn more and see available dogs, visit GwinnettAnimalWelfare.com.

Become a firefighter/paramedic

Mark your calendars! Gwinnett Fire and Emergency Services is hosting a hiring event on Friday, July 12 from 9:00am to 3:00pm at the Fire Training Academy.

Our skilled first responders are on the front lines every day, carrying out essential firefighting and rescue duties crucial to the community. Skip the line and apply in advance at GwinnettFireJobs.com. The Fire Training Academy is located at 3608 Braselton Highway in Dacula.

County offices closed for Independence Day

All Gwinnett County Government offices, apart from operations required for the comfort and safety of residents, will be closed Thursday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day and will resume regular hours on Friday, July 5. Trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day during the holiday week.

For more information, visit GCSolidWaste.com. A Magistrate Court judge will be available at the Gwinnett County Detention Center during the holiday.

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