

NEWS & EVENTS

in District 1 with
Commissioner Carden

September 2024



Hello Silvia,

Summer is winding down and with that comes some cooler weather. I hope you and your family have enjoyed time together as we begin to approach fall.

Please keep reading for some exciting news and events happening in District 1 and Gwinnett.

Happening Around Gwinnett

Public Safety Fall Festival returns to Coolray Field

Gwinnett Police will host the 15th annual [Public Safety Fall Festival](#) on **Saturday, September 7 from 10:00am to 2:00pm at Coolray Field** in Lawrenceville. This event is free and open to residents of all ages.

For the first time, the event features the Peach Street Rodeo, which involves highly trained motorcyclists from across the country performing different challenges. There will also be giveaways, food trucks, demonstrations, and touch-a-truck experiences with SWAT vehicles, fire trucks, and more! For more information, contact Corporal Tebin Clack at Tebin.Clack@GwinnettCounty.com.



Construction to begin on Gwinnett's first-of-its-kind Human Services facility

The Gwinnett Board of Commissioners voted to move forward with the construction of a **78,000 square-foot, three-story Human Services building**. This first-of-its-kind facility in Gwinnett and the tri-county area will be located on the same site as the new Gwinnett County Records Management and Storage facility on Grayson Highway in Lawrenceville. Construction will begin in January 2025.

OneStop Gwinnett will serve as a central hub for the County's human services and offer vital resources, including veteran and family services, workforce development programs, and various community and partner spaces for classes and training. It will also serve as the command center for the County's Community

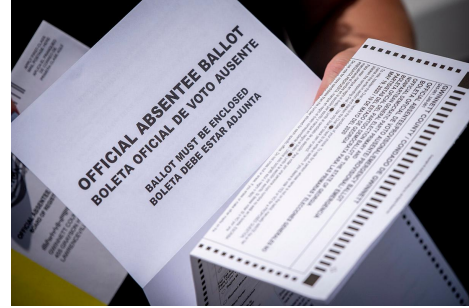
Navigator Team. In partnership with View Point Health, OneStop Gwinnett will address the County's growing need for mental and behavioral health services with a 30-bed inpatient stabilization unit and a 23-hour temporary observation day center capable of accommodating up to 15 individuals.

Request an absentee ballot

Are you registered to vote in the upcoming General Election but aren't able to vote in-person on Election Day? Beginning **Monday, August 19**, registered voters can request an absentee ballot by mail ballot for the November 5 General Election through **Friday,**

October 25. For more information about absentee ballot applications, visit GwinnettElections.com.

To check your registration status, download a registration application, view sample ballots, and locate your polling place, visit MVP.SOS.GA.gov.



Solicita una boleta de voto ausente

¿Estás inscrito para votar para las próximas Elecciones Generales pero no puedes votar en persona en el Día de las Elecciones? A partir del **Lunes 19 de Agosto**, los votantes inscritos pueden solicitar una boleta de voto ausente por correo para las Elecciones Generales del 5 de Noviembre hasta el **Miércoles 25 de Octubre**. Para más información sobre las solicitudes de boleta de voto ausente, visita GwinnettElections.com.

Para verificar el estado de tu inscripción electoral, descargar una solicitud de inscripción, ver boletas de muestra y ubicar tu lugar de votación, visita MVP.SOS.GA.gov.



Businesses can apply for Incumbent Worker Training Program

The Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board is seeking applications from Gwinnett County businesses to participate in the [Incumbent Worker Training program](#), a dynamic initiative aimed at fortifying the skills of the region's workforce and bolstering the competitive edge of local businesses.

The federally funded program is available to businesses with five or more employees operating for a least a year in one of seven counties, including Gwinnett. The program provides a maximum of \$25,000 per employer and \$7,000 per participant each year to

provide tailored solutions. Employers are required to contribute 50 percent of the total training costs. [Applications are now being accepted](#) and awards will be granted on a competitive basis.

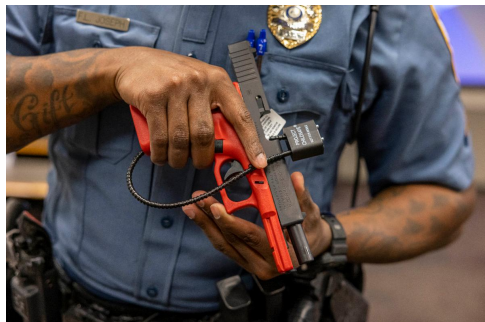
What's New in District 1

Recycle your paper and glass

Gwinnett residents are invited to drop off glass and paper for recycling across four days in September. Residents can stop by **Peachtree Ridge Park in Suwanee on September 10 from 11:00am to 1:00pm** to recycle their glass and paper.

All glass and paper must be in separate containers. Glass will be placed in purple recycling bins on-site and paper will be shredded on-site. All paper must be placed in disposable containers that will not be returned, with a limit of five.

This is a rain or shine event. For more information, contact Gwinnett Solid Waste Management at 770.822.7141 or email GCSolidWaste@GwinnettCounty.com. [Click here](#) for a full list of locations for this recycling event.



Firearm safety and security classes

Gwinnett Police Community Affairs is offering firearm safety and security classes to the community. During these classes, guidelines and best practices for safe gun handling will be covered. The next class will take place at the **Central Precinct in Duluth on Thursday, September 12 beginning at 6:30pm**.

Registration is required and seating is limited. Youth who plan to attend must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Visit GwinnettCounty.com/FirearmSafety to register.

Share your input for the Gwinnett Disparity Study

Gwinnett County Government is seeking your feedback as we embark on the County's first disparity study. We have

partnered with Griffin & Strong, P.C., to evaluate potential disparities or barriers in government contracting and purchasing for small and/or underrepresented businesses.

Register for one of the informational meetings:

In-person: Wednesday, September 18 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm

George Pierce Park Community Room, 55 Buford Highway, Suwanee. [Register on Eventbrite](#).

Virtual option: Thursday, September 19 at 2:00pm

[Register via Zoom](#). Comments from participants will be recorded and potentially used in the study.



Gwinnett County website adds Facebook and Google sign-on options

To enhance the user login experience, the Gwinnett County website has introduced a new **single sign-on option through Facebook and Google accounts**. Now, residents accessing county services, including water bill payments, can conveniently log in via these widely used platforms.

For those with existing accounts, ensure your profile has a Google email address or an email address associated with a Facebook account to use the single sign-on options. If your account lacks this email address or you use a different email address to log in, simply update your contact information. For technical support,

please [review these instructions](#). Should you require assistance with the new sign-on options for water bill payment, contact customer care at 678.376.6800. For any other assistance with the new sign-on options, email Webmaster@GwinnettCounty.com.

Special Events and Happenings

Visit GwinnettCountyEvents.com or follow the County's social media channels to learn about more upcoming events.

Make More S'mores

Tuesday, September 10 from 10:00am to 10:45am or 11:00am to 11:45am

Free! Gather around the campfire as B2 Anywhere reads a story about sharing, kindness, and most importantly, s'mores! Following the story, explore s'mores-themed and hands-on learning activities. Open to ages 18 months to three years old. [Register here](#). McDaniel Family Park Pavilion, 3251 McDaniel Road, Duluth.

Memory Collage

Saturday, September 14 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Bring copies of family photos, pieces of jewelry, or other favorite objects, special letters, and correspondence to create a memory that will become a family treasure. Open to ages 16 and up. Resident fee: \$41. Non-resident fee: \$61. A \$20 supply fee will be paid directly to the instructor on the day of the class. [Register here](#). Pinckneyville Park Community Recreation Center Meeting Room #3, 4650 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Berkeley Lake.

"When Time is Right" Artist Reception

Friday, September 27 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Free! Meet "When Time is Right" artist Karmela Vojnikovic during this reception. Vojnikovic explores the world of art through a mixture of the abstract, the real, the past, and the future with a strong emphasis on living in the moment and exploring possibilities. [Register here](#). Pinckneyville Park Community Recreation Center, 4650 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Berkeley Lake.

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