

NEWS & EVENTS

in District 1 with
Commissioner Carden

December 2024



Hello Silvia,

Happy December! It is hard to believe that we are reaching the end of 2024 and heading full speed ahead into 2025! This year has been historic.

I'd like to invite you to join me for my Swearing-In Ceremony on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00pm at the Gwinnett Historic Courthouse as I prepare to start a new four-year term representing District 1. A recording of the ceremony will be available after the event.

I hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday season filled with many memories.

Keep reading below for exciting events and news in Gwinnett to close the year.

Happening Around Gwinnett



Chairwoman presents 2025 proposed budget

Chairwoman Nicole Love Hendrickson presented her [proposed budget](#) to guide county government spending for the 2025 fiscal year. The proposed budget totals **\$2.65 billion** and consists of a \$2.1 billion operating budget and a \$542 million capital improvements budget, which includes funds from the County's Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax program.

Residents are invited to the public hearing on **Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30pm** in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center Auditorium in Lawrenceville. Residents can also [offer input](#) on the proposed budget on the County's website through December 31.

Commissioners will consider the 2025 budget at their first meeting of the new year on Tuesday, January 7, 2025.

Stay warm during cold winter nights

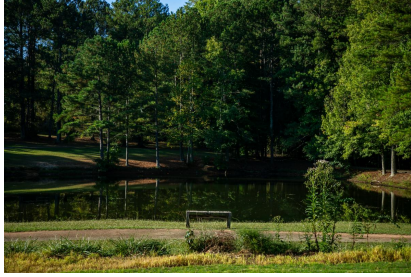
Gwinnett County is opening five warming stations for residents to receive temporary, overnight relief from long-term exposure to frigid temperatures. These stations will be open from 6:00pm to 7:00am on nights when temperatures fall to 35 degrees or below. Residents will have access to a warm place to rest and a meal.

Visit [GwinnettCounty.com/WarmingStations](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/WarmingStations) for locations and latest activation status. To volunteer at any warming station, please email OneStopHelp@GwinnettCounty.com or call 770.822.8850.



Share your input on the Gwinnett County Tree Ordinance

Share your thoughts about tree protection in your area! Gwinnett is updating its tree ordinance, and we need your input. Help shape the future of our county's tree canopy by taking a quick survey at [GwinnettCounty.com/TreeOrdinance](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/TreeOrdinance).



What's New in District 1

Police seeks community input

Gwinnett Police is committed to serving our community with excellence. To ensure residents' needs are being met, we're seeking public input through a community survey. Randomly selected households will soon receive surveys in the mail asking about various aspects of Police performance and helping to identify areas for improvement.

If your household receives a random survey, an adult resident who is 18 years or older should complete the survey. All responses are confidential and no identifying information will be shared. If you have any questions regarding the survey, please contact Gwinnett Police at 770.513.5044.



Peachtree Industrial Boulevard intersection improvement project

Roadway improvements will begin along Peachtree Industrial Boulevard between Holcomb Bridge Road and Medlock Bridge Road.

This project includes the addition of a northbound lane, five traffic signal upgrades, drainage improvements, sidewalks, and a concrete median. 2017 SPLOST funds will pay for project.

2045 Unified Plan wins ARC Regional Excellence Award

The Atlanta Regional Commission awarded Gwinnett County a Regional Excellence Award in the Visionary Planning category for the 2045 Unified Plan with its "Building the Daily Community" concept. The award recognized the County's innovative approach to creating a vibrant and connected community designed to adapt to future growth.

The 2045 Unified Plan serves as a strategic guide for Gwinnett's development over the next 20 years, addressing key areas such as transit, housing, public spaces, and economic growth. Built on extensive community feedback, the plan is designed to enhance the daily lives of Gwinnett residents and support the county's growth responsibly. The annual Regional Excellence Awards program honors projects that support metropolitan Atlanta's goals for sustainability, accessibility and quality of life.



Special Events and Happenings

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

Ornament Crafting Workshop

Wednesday, December 11 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Create your own ceramic ornaments. Design a custom ornament cookie cutter, carve your design, and paint your pieces. Fee: \$12. Open to ages 16 and up. [Register here](#) (must be registered by December 10). Pinckneyville Park Community Recreation Center, 4650 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Berkeley Lake.

Parents Day Out

Saturday, December 14 from 11:00am to 4:00pm

Enjoy a day out to eat, shop, and relax around the holidays! Kids will enjoy a fun afternoon full of games, crafts,

and activities. Lunch provided. Resident Fee: \$12. Non-resident Fee: \$32. Open to ages 5 to 12. [Register here](#). Pinckneyville Park Community Recreation Center, 4650 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Berkeley Lake.

Jingle Jam Pajama Fest

Friday, December 20 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Join us for a festive holiday event filled with Christmas cheer! Snap pictures with Santa, sing your heart out with holiday karaoke, and indulge in delicious cookies and hot cocoa. Don't forget to wear your favorite Christmas PJs. Resident Fee: \$5. Non-resident Fee: \$10. No registration required. Best Friend Park Gymnasium, 6224 Jimmy Carter Boulevard, Norcross.



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