



# NEIGHBORS IN UNIFORM

A newsletter from Gwinnett Police

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Welcome to Neighbors in Uniform, a monthly newsletter that provides information about Gwinnett County Police events, topics, programs, and initiatives. We are honored to have the respect and trust of the residents we serve and protect, and we're happy to be a resource and support. Happy New Year!

## Gwinnett Police provided more than 4,000 toys to Gwinnett families in need

This holiday season, the spirit of giving was in full swing as Gwinnett Police Community Affairs hosted three highly successful Santa's Community Workshops. Thanks to the incredible generosity of Gwinnett residents and businesses, these events brought joy and festive cheer to families across the community.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Gwinnett community responded enthusiastically to our Fill the Sleigh toy drive. Your donations allowed us to provide more than 4,000 toys, including 100 bicycles and a few car and booster seats, to children in need. We hosted Santa's Community Workshops at three locations: the Southeast Gwinnett Cooperative Ministry in Grayson, the Friendly Village Mobile Home Community, and Parc @ 980 Apartments in Lawrenceville.

The workshops were a resounding success, featuring not only a toy distribution but also festive activities and treats. Our partners at the Salvation Army of Gwinnett County joined us to serve cookies and hot chocolate as families eagerly awaited their turn to take photos with Santa. Our colleagues from Live Healthy Gwinnett and Building Brains Anywhere



contributed to the celebrations by providing holiday activities, games, and books for kids of all ages.

We are immensely grateful for the support from our police recruits, who volunteered their time and effort, as well as Gwinnett resident Yezmin Sagbini, Ismaili CIVIC, and SEASUS. Their dedication made these events extra special for the families who attended.

Thank you, Gwinnett community, for your unwavering generosity and support. Your contributions have made a significant difference in the lives of many families this holiday season. We look forward to continuing this tradition of giving and togetherness in the years to come.



**Build Your Career with Gwinnett Police: Register to attend our local hiring event**

Gwinnett Police offers you the chance to build your career, your skills, your future, and much more! As one of the premiere law enforcement agencies in the country and the second-largest police agency in Georgia, we're uniquely positioned to offer specialized training and job opportunities you won't find anywhere else.

We're seeking dedicated individuals who hold our values of integrity, courtesy, pride, and professional growth to join our team. We have a state-of-the-art training facility, offer competitive pay, and provide ample opportunities to advance your career by joining specialty teams like SWAT, K-9, and Motors Unit.

Watch this video to see a day in the life of a police recruit. Ready to take the next steps to build your career with Gwinnett Police? Visit [GwinnettPoliceJobs.com](https://www.gwinnettpolicejobs.com) to apply, and consider registering to attend our next local hiring event on **Saturday, January 25** at the Gwinnett Police Training Center located at 854 Winder Highway in Lawrenceville. Contact Investigator Valle with any questions at 770.513.5513 or by emailing [PDRecruiter@GwinnettCounty.com](mailto:PDRecruiter@GwinnettCounty.com).



### Badges and Youth Education: Register for Internet Safety Class with local police

We are pleased to offer a once-a-month program giving youth in grades 9 through 12 the opportunity to connect with police officers at our Training Center and at police precincts across Gwinnett County.

We'll host interactive sessions focused on a variety of safety and security topics relevant to youth at home, school, the bus stop, places of worship, and more. Youth will be exposed to different scenarios and learn how to navigate the scenarios safely.

Each class will be held from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Registration is required, and seating is limited. Classes



are for youth only. **Register for the internet safety class in Norcross on February 11 [here](#).** Don't miss out on this valuable opportunity to learn, grow, and connect with local police officers.

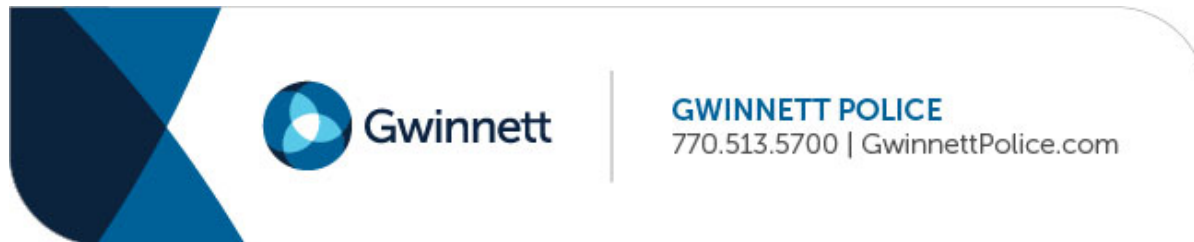
For more information about the Badges and Youth Education Program, please email [PDCommunityAffairs@GwinnettCounty.com](mailto:PDCommunityAffairs@GwinnettCounty.com).

### Gwinnett Police featured in Upfront Gwinnett: The Hidden Homeless

Gwinnett County is leading the charge in addressing homelessness through innovative programs, strategic partnerships, and community-driven solutions. From affordable housing initiatives to warming stations, these efforts aim to provide stability and hope for those facing housing insecurity. Gwinnett Police Community Affairs Lt. Elbert Gurley shares how peace officers assist vulnerable populations, like homeless residents, during freezing temperatures in the last episode of Upfront Gwinnett.



For questions regarding the Neighbors in Uniform newsletter, please contact Rachael Nickie at [Rachael.Nickie@GwinnettCounty.com](mailto:Rachael.Nickie@GwinnettCounty.com) or 770.513.5348. Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [Instagram](#) @GwinnettPD.





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