

NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

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Hello Silvia,

As a resident of Gwinnett County, you know there is always a lot going on in the community. Read this newsletter to stay up-to-date on the latest news from your County government.

[Gwinnett County Government](#) appreciates your help keeping your neighbors informed by sharing the following information through your homeowner association newsletter, website, and emails and by talking to your friends and family.

What's new on TV Gwinnett?

Gwinnett County brings you the latest news and happenings about your community through Eye on Gwinnett, our weekly news program.



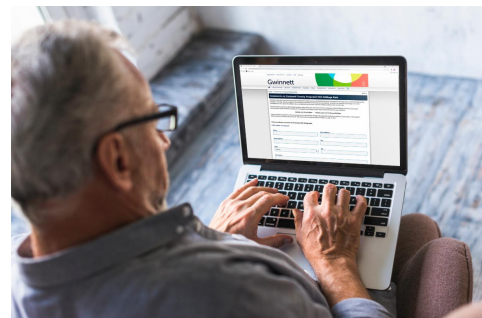
What you'll see in this episode:

- Commissioners hold public hearings on proposed 2024 millage rate
- Participate in Gwinnett Fire and Emergency Services' Hiring Event
- Learn about Gwinnett's Homestretch Down Payment Assistance Program
- Celebrating Park and Recreation Month

Check out more videos on TV Gwinnett [Video on Demand](#).

Board of Commissioners proposes to hold millage rate steady

The Gwinnett Board of Commissioners is considering keeping the general millage rate fund the same as last year at 6.95 mills. While the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires that a rollback millage rate be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year's digest that last year's millage rate would have produced had no reassessments occurred. For 2024, Gwinnett's rollback millage rate is calculated at 6.5 mills. The 2024 millage rate the Board of Commissioners is considering is 6.95 mills, or .45 mills above the rollback millage rate. Therefore, state law requires commissioners to announce a property tax increase.



Share your comments during a public hearing on **Tuesday, July 16 at 11:00am** at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center in Lawrenceville. You can also [submit comments online](#) regarding the proposed millage rate. For more information on the millage rate and property taxes, visit [GwinnettCounty.com](#).

Gwinnett achieves gold-tier BioReady® community status

Gwinnett has been designated as a BioReady® Community by Georgia Bio, the state's leading life sciences membership organization. The announcement was made at the BIO International Convention in San Diego, California.

The BioReady® program rates communities in three tiers: Bronze,



Silver, and Gold. These ratings assess a municipality's readiness to host biotechnology facilities based on zoning practices and infrastructure capacity, helping real estate developers and biotechnology companies find the most favorable destinations to locate. Gwinnett County is the first county in metro Atlanta to qualify for and receive gold status as a BioReady® Community.

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.



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 following the holiday on July 4. For more information, visit GCSolidWaste.com. A Magistrate Court judge will be available at the Gwinnett County Detention Center during the holiday.

Become a firefighter or paramedic

Our skilled first responders are on the front lines every day, carrying out essential firefighting and rescue duties crucial to the community. Now is your chance to join Gwinnett Fire and Emergency Services at a hiring event on **Friday, July 12 from 9:00am to 3:00pm** at the Training Academy, located at 3608 Braselton Highway in Dacula.

The event will include a physical performance evaluation (sneakers and long pants required), a detailed application, a background check, and a brief interview. The entire process typically takes two to three hours, and it is encouraged to apply before attending the event. To complete an application or view more details about the open positions, visit GwinnettCounty.com/JulyHiringEvent.



Apply for Gwinnett 101 Citizens Academy

Gwinnett is accepting applications for the next Gwinnett 101 Citizens Academy. This 12-week program gives residents, students, and business owners a behind-the-scenes look at how Gwinnett County Government provides services to our residents.

Interested applicants must meet a [list of requirements](#) to participate and [can apply](#) through **July 15**. A submitted application does not guarantee your place in the program. For more information about the Gwinnett 101 Citizens Academy, contact Community Outreach at Outreach@GwinnettCounty.com.



Gwinnett Police asking for school supply donations

The Gwinnett Police Department needs your help to collect school supplies for students during the [Operation Children Thrive back-to-school supply drive](#) now through **July 17**. This year, there is a significant need for backpacks, but other items such as colored pencils, markers, pens, rulers, and notebooks will be accepted.

Residents can drop items off at [Police headquarters](#) or any of the [six Gwinnett Police precincts](#) around the county.



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](#).

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