

# Community Outreach NEWS

June 2022

## Greetings!

Across the country, Pride Month is recognized in June to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which was a turning point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. In Gwinnett County, we celebrate Pride Month to affirm our support to our LGBTQ+ community.

Additionally, the County will commemorate Juneteenth with several festivals and celebrations throughout Gwinnett.

Read on to learn about the ways you can celebrate Pride and Juneteenth, as well as take part in other activities happening this month.



## Celebrate Juneteenth in Gwinnett County



Juneteenth is the oldest celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. This year marks the first time that Gwinnett County will officially recognize Juneteenth as a County holiday, which means that County government offices, with the exception of those required for the comfort and safety of residents, will be closed Monday, June 20.

The United Ebony Society of Gwinnett and Gwinnett County Government will celebrate Juneteenth with a day of fun for the entire family, **Saturday, June 18** at Rhodes Jordan Park from **11:00am to 9:00pm**. This year's Juneteenth festival includes historical presentations, performances, music, games, and food trucks. Rhodes Jordan Park is located at 100 East Crogan Street in Lawrenceville.

There are other Juneteenth celebrations happening around the county, including:

- **Live Arts Theatre Juneteenth Celebration:** Saturday, June 18, 1:00pm – 3:00pm. Jones Bridge Park Pavilion, 4901 E. Jones Bridge Road, Peachtree Corners
- **Gwinnett Unity Project third annual Juneteenth Unity Day event:** Saturday, June 18, 3:00pm – 7:00pm. Rabbit Hill Park, 400 Rabbit Hill Road, Dacula
- **Black Women's Association of Sugar Hill Juneteenth Celebration:** Saturday, June 18, 5:00pm – 8:00pm, The Bowl at Sugar Hill, 5039 West Broad Street, Sugar Hill
- **City of Norcross Juneteenth Celebration:** Sunday, June 19, noon – 5:00pm. Thrasher Park, 93 Park Drive, Norcross
- **The Family Gwinnett Juneteenth Festival:** Sunday, June 19, 1:00pm – 8:00pm. Snellville Towne Green, 2437 Main Street, Snellville

## Celebrate Pride Month with Gwinnett

Gwinnett thrives with Pride! Celebrate Pride Month with

us Tuesday, June 28 from 11:00am to 1:30pm at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center Plaza. RSVP for the 2022 Pride Party by **Friday, June 24** at [GCGA.us/PrideParty](https://www.gcca.us/PrideParty).



## Multicultural Festival returns May 14



### **The summer meals program is back!**

Gwinnett County's Summer Meals Program is back with free grab-and-go breakfasts and lunches now through August 2. The nutritious meals are for families with children 18 and under or those 19 and older with a physical or mental impairment. Meals can be picked up curbside at 21 sites from 11:00am to 1:00pm Monday through Friday — including County holidays — while supplies last.

For more information about Gwinnett Summer Meals, please visit [GwinnettSummerMeals.com](https://www.gwinnettsummermeals.com).

### **Share your thoughts on sustainability in Gwinnett!**

How do you envision Gwinnett County's sustainable future? We want your thoughts! Gwinnett County is seeking feedback from people who live, work, and learn in Gwinnett.

Take a [quick, 10-minute survey](#) to share your ideas and priorities for environmental sustainability in our community.

Your answers are anonymous, and the results will be used to shape Gwinnett's sustainability planning going forward.

### **United Way encourages Gwinnett residents to join the 21-Day Racial Equity Challenge**

The United Way of Greater Atlanta is presenting the 21-Day Racial Equity Challenge, which explores the history and impact of racism and how it has shaped the communities across greater Atlanta. The self-guided learning experience covers topics such as Understanding Privilege, History of Racism in Atlanta, Housing & Redlining, Intersection of Race + Gender, Allyship, and Champions Leading Equity. Residents are welcome to join as individuals or a group.

For more information, visit [www.racialequity.unitedwayatlanta.org](https://www.racialequity.unitedwayatlanta.org).



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