

NEWS & EVENTS

in District 1 with
Commissioner Carden

April 2023



Greetings!

Spring is here, and that brings pollen, but also a ton of great opportunities to enjoy the beauty of our natural surroundings.

Keep reading below and mark you calendar for some of the great events we have coming up this April.

Happening Around Gwinnett

Gather your paints, tires, and electronics to recycle this Earth Day

Celebrate Earth Day with Gwinnett! Recycle your electronics, paint, clothing, sneakers, and more at our annual recycling event on **Saturday, April 22 from 9:00am to noon** at Coolray Field in Lawrenceville. Items should be placed in disposable containers in the trunk or back seat of your vehicle to be removed by volunteers.

Learn about [items you can recycle at the event](#) or call 770.822.7141 for more information. This event is sponsored by Gwinnett Solid Waste Management and Gwinnett Clean and Beautiful. This is a rain or shine event.



Police host firearm safety and security classes

Join Gwinnett Police to learn the guidelines and best practices for safe gun handling from police personnel. The next class will be held **Wednesday, April 12** at 6:30pm at the Gwinnett Police Training Center, located at 854 Winder Highway in Lawrenceville.

Youth who plan to attend must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please note that this class is not intended to teach firearm operation; its purpose is to teach safe firearm handling and storage. For more information

or to register, please email PDCommunityAffairs@GwinnettCounty.com.

Start your career in Information Technology Services

Join one of the teams that delivers an integrated, responsive, and secure technology environment. The Gwinnett Department of Information Technology Services is hosting a hiring event on **Saturday, April 22 from 9:00am to 3:00pm** at the [Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center](#). Attendees will be able to discuss career opportunities with IT Services staff, and qualified

applicants may interview for open positions.

Visit [GwinnettCountyJobs.com](https://www.gwinnettcountryjobs.com) for more information. Walk-in interviews will take place 9:00am to 2:00pm. Parking is available in the front of the building.



Water bill payment address changing in May

Beginning Monday, May 1, residents will have a new mailing address to pay their water bills. Water Resources will accept payments by mail at P.O. Box 105023, Atlanta, GA 30348-5023.

Other options for paying your bill include by phone at 678.376.6800, online at [Gwinnetth2o.com](https://www.gwinnetth2o.com), or in person at 684 Winder Highway in Lawrenceville. These payment methods will not be impacted by the change in mailing address.

What's New in District 1



Save the date for the State of District 1 town hall

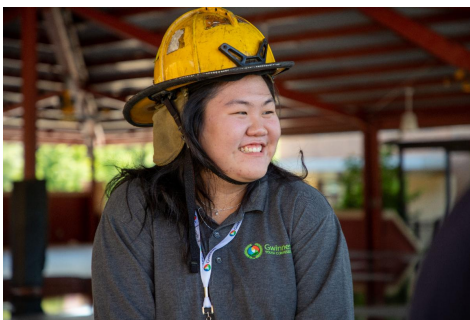
Mark your calendar! I'll be hosting a State of District 1 town hall on **Monday, May 8** at 10:00am at Peachtree Corners City Hall.

Join me for an update on projects and initiatives happening in our district and around the county. I hope to see you there!

Join us for Coffee and Conversation

Grab a cup of coffee and join us for a networking event with other business owners and County officials on **Wednesday, April 19 from 8:30am to 10:30am**. During the event, business owners and entrepreneurs can have meaningful conversations with elected officials about how their County government can play a proactive role in business advancement. Register to attend at [GwinnettCounty.com/CoffeeAndConversation](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/CoffeeAndConversation).

The event will take place at the Gas South Convention Center located at 6400 Sugarloaf Parkway in Duluth.



Last chance to apply for the next Gwinnett Youth Commission class

Another batch of high schoolers will get an inside look at Gwinnett County government, interact with local leaders, and receive community leadership training this summer. The Gwinnett Youth Commission is a year-long program, which includes an eight-week summer training session. To be considered for this upcoming term, participants must be rising high school freshmen, sophomores, juniors, or seniors going into the 2023 – 2024 school year and must apply by **Friday, April 7**. There is no cost to participate in

this program. [Find more information and apply.](#)

New SPLOST program now collecting your pennies

Last November, Gwinnett voters approved the renewal of the one-cent Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax. The program is expected to raise \$1.35 billion for capital projects over the next six years.

The 2023 SPLOST began collections April 1. It is not a

new or additional tax but a continuation of the one-cent tax already being collected on retail sales. Sales tax in Gwinnett is six percent, including four percent for state taxes, one percent for schools' E-SPLOST, and one percent for our SPLOST program. To learn how your pennies are working in Gwinnett, visit GwinnettSPLOST.com.



Special Events and Happenings

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

Walk the Talk: Stress Management

Saturday, April 8 from 8:00am to 9:00am

Hit the trail, get moving, and get informed. Take a walk with knowledgeable health professionals to discuss ways to better manage your stress with Piedmont Eastside. [Register online](#). Shorty Howell Park, 2750 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth.

Food Distribution

Tuesday, April 11 from 3:00pm until supplies run out

Free! Come pick up fresh and self-stable foods. No identification is required. Distribution is drive-thru and contactless. Trunks must be empty; food will not be loaded inside vehicles. No registration necessary. Best Friend Park, 6224 Jimmy Carter Boulevard, Norcross.

Animal Cookies at the Farm

Tuesday, April 18 from 10:30am to noon

Free! It's National Animal Cracker Day, and we're celebrating with stories, crafts, games, and let's not forget about the animal crackers! Join us for a hayride at 11:00am as we explore the trails and learn about some of the animals that called McDaniel Farm home over the years. This event has been developed with children ages 18 months to 5 years of age in mind. [Register online](#). McDaniel Farm Park, 3251 McDaniel Road, Duluth.

Art on the Chattahoochee

Saturday, April 29 from noon to 4:00pm

Free! The tradition continues with more than 100 arts and craft vendors, concessions, and live entertainment. This year will feature a chalk-art contest with prizes awarded to fan favorites. The chalk-art contest open to all ages while sidewalk space and chalk supplies last. [Register online](#). Jones Bridge Park, 4901 East Jones Bridge Road, Peachtree Corners.

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