

NEWS & EVENTS

in District 1 with
Commissioner Carden

November 2023



Greetings!

We're approaching the end of the year, but there is still a lot to look forward to in Gwinnett in 2023. Keep reading to learn more about some exciting events and activities happening this month.

Happening Around Gwinnett

Gather your items for America Recycles Day

Bring your hard-to-recycle items to America Recycles Day on Saturday, November 4 from 9:00am to noon at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds in Lawrenceville. Volunteers will remove items placed in disposable containers from the trunk or back seat of your vehicle. Recycling electronics is free, but there is a \$35 fee per projection or console TV, \$15 fee per flatscreen TV or computer monitor, and \$5 fee per printer.

For a full list of acceptable items, visit [GCSolidWaste.com](https://www.gwinnettsolidwaste.com) or call 770.822.7141. The Gwinnett County Fairgrounds are located at 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway in Lawrenceville.



County honors military heroes on Veterans Day

Residents are invited to pay tribute to Gwinnett's veterans during the 2023 Veterans Day Ceremony. The ceremony will be held on **Saturday, November 11 at 11:00am** at the Gwinnett Fallen Heroes Memorial on the grounds of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center in Lawrenceville.

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and County officials will provide remarks, and Army veteran and Superior Court Judge Angela Duncan will give a keynote address. The ceremony will stream live on

Facebook [@GwinnettGov](https://www.facebook.com/GwinnettGov) and be available on demand at [TVGwinnettLive.com](https://www.TVGwinnettLive.com) following the event.

Gwinnett Police hosts community meeting

You're invited to Gwinnett Police's second public meeting to voice your thoughts, ideas, and concerns to build a safer and more engaged community. Police Chief J.D. McClure and members of his command staff will be present to discuss concerns and develop solutions.

The conversation will be held **Thursday, November 2 at 6:30pm at Universal Church**, located at 6081 Singleton Road in Norcross. Spanish-speaking translators will be on site.



Chairwoman Hendrickson hosts Stand Down event



Chairwoman Nicole Love Hendrickson, alongside local, state, and federal partners, will host the County's inaugural Stand Down event on Saturday, November 4, from 10:00am until 2:00pm. The free event will take place at the Gwinnett Veteran and Family Services Center located at 567 Swanson Drive in Lawrenceville. Registration is encouraged at [GwinnettCounty.com/VeteransStandDown](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/VeteransStandDown).

For veterans and their families who need transportation, shuttles will run from the OneStop Norcross and the Lawrenceville Senior Center to the event location from 9:30am until 2:30pm. OneStop Norcross is located at 5030 Georgia Belle Court in Norcross. The Lawrenceville Senior Center is located at 225 Benson Street in Lawrenceville.

What's New in District 1



Homestretch Down Payment Assistance Program offers help to first-time homebuyers

Are you a first-time homebuyer? You might be eligible for Gwinnett's Homestretch Down Payment Assistance Program! New or existing Gwinnett residents aspiring to own a home can receive down payment assistance of up to \$7,500 as a five-year deferred payment loan with zero percent interest. To qualify, the home must be located within Gwinnett County and should not exceed \$323,000 for an existing home or \$346,000 for new construction.

For a list of eligibility requirements, visit [GwinnettCounty.com/HomestretchDPA](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/HomestretchDPA).

Learn about Ride Gwinnett's newest route

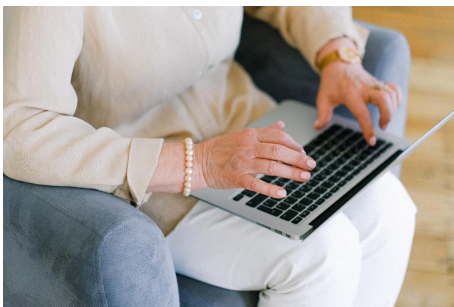
Ride Gwinnett is launching a new route that will serve Lawrenceville, Duluth, Suwanee, and Buford! Starting November 20, [Route 50](#) will provide service from the Sugarloaf Mills Park and Ride in Lawrenceville through downtown Suwanee. It also includes connections to the Mall of Georgia, the Exchange at Gwinnett, and Coolray Field.



Learn more about Route 50 and where it will take you at an upcoming virtual meeting:

- Thursday, November 9 at 6:00pm
- Friday, November 17 at noon

Visit [GwinnettCounty.com/Route50](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/Route50) to join a meeting.



Don't risk losing your Medicaid

Please take a moment to update your [Georgia Gateway profile](#) today to avoid losing coverage. The state of Georgia is now verifying eligibility for all Medicaid members, including PeachCare for Kids. Your contact information is crucial to ensure your coverage remains active. If you have recently moved, changed your phone number or email, or simply want to double check, please visit [Gateway.GA.gov](https://www.gateway.ga.gov) to verify your details and stay informed about your family's Medicaid status. To learn more, visit [StayCovered.GA.gov](https://www.staycovered.ga.gov).

Special Events and Happenings

Visit [GwinnettCountyEvents.com](https://www.gwinnettcountry.com/Events) or follow the County's social media channels to learn about more upcoming events.

Dia de los Muertos Fest

Saturday, November 4 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Free! Celebrate our loved ones who are no longer here with traditions, music, food, crafts, and a walking parade around the park. All ages are welcome. Best Friend Park, 6224 Jimmy Carter Boulevard, Norcross.

Friendsgiving

Thursday, November 16 from noon to 2:00pm

Join us as we come together to celebrate Thanksgiving with a special luncheon and live entertainment.

All ages are welcome. Fee: \$11 per person. [Register online](#). Shorty Howell Park, 2750 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth.

Free Food Distribution

Tuesday, November 28 from 3:00pm until supplies last

Pick up fresh and shelf-stable foods with no identification required during this drive-thru, contactless food distribution. Shorty Howell Park, 2750 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth.



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