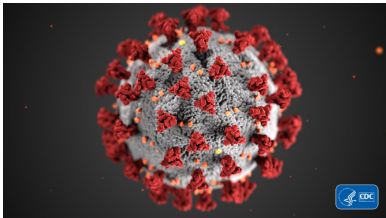


# NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

July 29, 2020



Greetings!

Gwinnett County Government is monitoring developments in the spread of the coronavirus outbreak and how it may affect our residents, employees, and our delivery of important County services.

We are following the most up-to-date guidance from the Gwinnett-Newton-Rockdale County Health Departments, the state Department of Public Health, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. As the COVID-19 pandemic [impacts County services](#) in different ways, residents and business owners are encouraged to take advantage of the many [online services](#) provided by the County.

## 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 approve placing a transit referendum on the November ballot
- Four additional advance voting locations for the runoff elections will open August 1
- Georgians asked to do Four Things for Four Weeks to slow the spread of COVID-19
- Leadership Gwinnett class graduates with a drive-by celebration



View other Eye on Gwinnett episodes on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages, or watch them on [TVGwinnett.com](#).

## Vote in the General Primary, Nonpartisan Runoff Election August 11



There's still time to cast your ballot before the August 11 runoff election. Eligible voters may vote advance in person every day through August 7 at the Gwinnett Voter Registrations and Elections Beauty P. Baldwin Building, located at 455 Grayson Highway in Lawrenceville. [Four additional locations](#) around the county will open for advance voting daily August 1 to August 7. Each location is open from 7:00am to 7:00pm.

The General Primary and Nonpartisan runoff election will take place **Tuesday, August 11** at your regular polling location from 7:00am to 7:00pm. The main Elections Office is not a polling location on Election Day. To find your polling location or view a sample ballot, visit the Georgia Secretary of State's [My Voter Page](#). Elections results will be available on [GwinnettCounty.com](#) after polls close on Election Day.

**Vote en las elecciones de segunda vuelta Primarias Generales y No Partidistas el 11 de Agosto**

Todavía hay tiempo para emitir su voto antes de las elecciones del 11 de Agosto. Los votantes elegibles pueden votar por adelantado en persona todos los días hasta el 7 de Agosto en el edificio de Inscripción de Electores y Elecciones de Gwinnett Beauty P. Baldwin, ubicado en 455 Grayson Highway en Lawrenceville. [Otros cuatro lugares](#) alrededor del condado abrirán del 1 de Agosto hasta el 7 de Agosto. Cada lugar está abierto para la votación adelantada de 7:00am a 7:00pm.

La elección de la segunda vuelta Primaria General y No Partidista tendrá lugar **eMartes 11 de Agosto** en su lugar de votación habitual de 7:00am a 7:00pm. La oficina principal de elecciones no es un lugar de votación en el Día de las Elecciones. Para encontrar su lugar de votación o ver una boleta de muestra, visite la página de [My Voter Page](#) de la Secretaría de Estado de Georgia. Los resultados de las elecciones estarán disponibles en [GwinnettCounty.com](#), después del cierre de las urnas el Día de las Elecciones.

## Follow these four steps for four weeks to help slow the spread of COVID-19

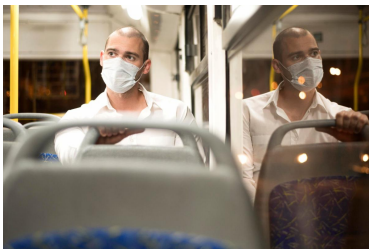
To slow the spread of COVID-19, Georgia Governor Brian Kemp and Georgia Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Kathleen Toomey are asking all Georgians to follow these four steps for four weeks:

1. Wear a mask when out in public or when you cannot keep distance inside.
2. Practice physical distancing – six feet – from those you don't live with.
3. Wash your hands for 20 seconds frequently throughout the day with soap and warm water.
4. Follow the Executive Order titled Empowering a Healthy Georgia and heed the guidance provided by public health officials.



Help us to reduce the spread of COVID-19, protect our community, and #KeepGwinnettSafe. Please visit [Coronavirus.gov](#) to learn more about how to protect yourself from COVID-19 and what to do if you are sick.

## Gwinnett places transit referendum on November ballot



Gwinnett County Commissioners approved placing a 1 percent sales tax to fund a wide range of [transit projects](#) on the November 3 ballot. This is a new sales tax created by action of the state legislature in 2018 to fund transit, and the Gwinnett County referendum will be the first one proposed under this new tax.

If approved by voters, the Transit Special Purpose Local Option Sales and Use Tax would run for 30 years and fund [82 transit projects](#) that include premium high capacity services bus rapid transit and arterial rapid transit, enhanced and expanded coverage of the county by both local bus and express commuter bus service, on-demand micro-transit, and paratransit service. The proposed transit plan also features an extension of heavy rail from Doraville to Jimmy Carter Boulevard, subsidies for vanpools and transportation network companies, and funds to improve pedestrian connectivity to transit services.

To learn more about how this [transit plan on the 2020 ballot](#) differs from earlier plans and to find what the [list of projects](#) includes, click [here](#).

## Commissioners approve plans for new entrepreneur center

Gwinnett County Commissioners approved plans for a new entrepreneur center that will help business startups and support small business.

The Gwinnett Entrepreneur Center will provide up-and-coming entrepreneurs with instruction, workshops, coaching, peer learning, connections to customers and capital, and market research, plus membership opportunities that include co-working space and offices. The \$1.5 million center will feature private offices and co-working space, a training room with technological equipment, conference rooms, a breakroom/dining area, and outdoor workspace. The center will be actively recruiting owners from low-to-moderate income households, as well as minority owners.



The project will renovate the 6,718-square-foot, single-story structure that formerly housed the Sheltering Arms Educational Center. The Gwinnett Entrepreneur Center is tentatively set to open later this year.

## Fill out the census before census-takers come to your house



Participating in the census is required by law for everyone living in the United States, but that's not the only reason to make sure you count! Each Georgian who participated in the 2010 Census effectively brought \$1,639.10 in federal funding to the state, which funds important programs like Medicaid, SNAP, highway planning and construction, and the National School Lunch Program. Census data also determines our community's representation in government. Census takers will soon visit homes that haven't yet responded. You can avoid the knock on

your door by completing the questionnaire the before census takers head out.

### Assessor's Office to conduct onsite property field visit

The appraisal staff of the Gwinnett Board of Assessors routinely conducts field visits to maintain accurate appraisal data as part of the annual review process. This process includes verifying existing or new construction, measuring exteriors, and taking photographs. Your privacy and safety are of the utmost concern. No contact or involvement is needed while we conduct our reviews. Our team will be easily recognizable and are required to carry identification at all times.

Gwinnett County employees and contractors from the companies of LMC or Tyler Technologies will be conducting the field visits. Team members will announce their presence at the property before beginning a review. For questions or concerns, call 770.822.7200 or email [taxpayer.services@gwinnettcounty.com](mailto:taxpayer.services@gwinnettcounty.com). If no one is available, information will be left to advise you of the visit.

### Visit our website, social media for latest COVID-19 news

To stay up-to-date on the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, visit our website, [GwinnettCounty.com](http://GwinnettCounty.com) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) @GwinnettGov.



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