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Dear Homeowner:

As a resident of Gwinnett County, you know there is always a lot going on in the community. [Gwinnett County Government](#) would appreciate your help keeping your neighbors informed by sharing the following information through your homeowner association newsletter, website, and e-mails and by talking to your friends and family. Click on *forward this e-mail to a friend* below to share this newsletter!

General Primary/Nonpartisan Election Runoff

The runoff election for the 2012 General Primary will take place on Tuesday, August 21 at your regular voting precinct from 7:00am to 7:00pm. Voters must vote within the same party chosen for the General Primary Election. If the voter did not vote in the primary election or voted nonpartisan and wishes to vote in the runoff, the voter may choose any party in the runoff. There is no runoff for the Democratic Party.

Please note that no voting will take place on Monday, August 20. If you did not vote advance or absentee, you must cast your ballot on Election Day at your voting precinct. If you requested an absentee ballot but have not yet received it, contact the Gwinnett County Elections office at 678.226.7210 for instructions for voting on Election Day.



To find your polling place and see both the Republican and Nonpartisan sample ballots that will be used in the August 21 runoff election, visit the Secretary of State's [My Voter Page](#).

For more information about the runoff election, [view a list of frequently asked questions](#). The runoff election results will be available on the [Secretary of State's Georgia Elections Results webpage](#) on election night.

Gwinnett Community Development Program - Proposed Action Plan

Gwinnett County is asking for public comment on its [Proposed Action Plan 2013](#), which will be considered for approval by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners on October 16, 2012. The Proposed Action Plan 2013 contains all activities recommended to the commissioners for funding from estimated FY 2013 grants to be awarded to Gwinnett County by HUD, plus estimated program income to be received in 2013.

The public comment period for the Proposed Action Plan 2013 is August 8, 2012 - September 10, 2012. All activities approved by the Board of Commissioners for funding from Action Plan 2013 will receive grant awards after January 1, 2013. A summary of all comments received during the public comment period will be provided to the commissioners before October 16, 2012. Action Plan 2013, as approved by the Board of Commissioners, will be submitted to HUD no later than November 15, 2012.

- [Proposed Action Plan 2013 with public hearing date and location \(PDF\)](#)
- [Public Comment Form \(PDF\)](#)

## 2012 Property Tax Bills due by October 15

Check your mailbox! Tax Commissioner Richard Steele has mailed the 2012 Property Tax Bills, which are due by October 15. To provide comprehensive tax information, the 2012 tax bill breaks down taxes and fees into more detail than previous tax bills.

[Click here](#) to read *Understanding Your 2012 Tax Bill* and for tips on how to reduce your tax bill.



## Back to the Future Movie Night | August 24

It's a blast from the past! Bring your blanket or lawn chair and celebrate Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at a movie night on August 24 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm at Rhodes Jordan Park Community Recreation Center, located at 100 East Crogan Street. Bring a small item for a time capsule that will be opened in 2037 for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Cost is \$3/person in advance by August 22 or \$4/person at the door and concessions will be available for purchase. Call 770.822.5414 or [register online](#).

## Fall landscaping tips

Fall is the best time of the year to plant trees and shrubs. Their root systems will continue to grow and develop during cold weather. Establishing the plants now will allow them to be better able to tolerate next year's hot, dry summer weather.

For more gardening and landscaping tips, check out Gwinnett Cooperative Extension Service's [Education Resource](#).



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