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A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

December 5, 2019

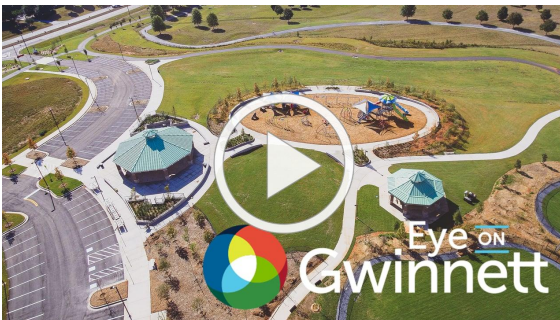
Greetings!

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 emails and by talking to your friends and family.

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 will take comments on the proposed 2020 budget at a public hearing next week
- Gwinnett's Alexander Park will soon open Phase Two
- Visit a Holiday Arts and Crafts Show at the Environmental & Heritage Center on Saturday

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

Public hearing on proposed 2020 budget set for December 12

A public hearing on the County's proposed \$1.83 billion budget for 2020 is set for 7:00pm on **December 12** in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center auditorium.

The budget, less than one percent more than last year's adopted budget, includes a new police Situational Awareness and Crime Response Center, an alternate 911 center, two new medic units, three alternate response vehicles, improvements at Harbins Road and State Road 316, library relocations in Snellville, Norcross, and Duluth, and a Gwinnett Entrepreneur Center.

The board will also take public comments online through the end of the year. The final budget will be adopted at the board's first meeting in January 2020. A copy of the budget and a video overview of the budget proposal are available online at [GwinnettCounty.com](#).



Officials celebrate opening of Bay Creek Police Precinct and Alternate 911 Center

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and Gwinnett County Police Department officials on Tuesday celebrated the opening of the new Bay Creek



Police Precinct/Alternate 911 Center, located at 185 Ozora Road in unincorporated Loganville.

Officials cut the ribbon for the 12,117-square-foot police precinct, which will serve the county's growing southeastern region beginning December 14. The precinct will offer services such as access to reports and a community meeting room. The alternate 911 center will provide reliable communication with officers and other agencies during critical incidents, including weather-related events, where communications might otherwise be compromised. See photos from the

ribbon cutting ceremony [here](#).

Share your ideas at a Transit Review Committee meeting

With Gwinnett County expected to continue rapid growth through 2040 and beyond, the need for a robust transit system will become even more critical. That's why the Board of Commissioners established the Gwinnett Transit Review Committee earlier this year to analyze Gwinnett's needs and recommend ways to address those needs.

The next TRC meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, December 7** at 9:00am. This meeting will be held in Room D at OneStop Norcross, 5030 Georgia Belle Court in Norcross.



The committee, made up of 13 residents representing different walks of life, is weighing different transit scenarios as they try to balance cost, coverage, and service with combinations of heavy rail, bus rapid transit, buses, and vans. When they're finished, the Transit Review Committee will make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners. Meeting notices, agendas, minutes, and other information are available [here](#).

Get a portrait with your pet at Holiday Pet Photos



Visit the Gwinnett Animal Shelter for free holiday photos with your whole family, including the furry four-legged ones! Santa and his elves will be onsite Saturday, **December 7** from 11:00am until 2:00pm to capture holiday memories to last a lifetime. Photos are free with the donation of pet food or treats.

All well-behaved pets and people are welcome at this event. Pets must have current proof of vaccinations and must be in a carrier or on a leash.

The holidays are the perfect time to add to your family and provide a forever home for one of the great pets here at the shelter. Adoptions include microchip, all vaccinations, and spay/neuter. Learn more at GwinnettAnimalWelfare.com.

Replace old, inefficient toilets to receive a rebate

Gwinnett water customers are eligible for a \$100 rebate by replacing old toilets with qualifying low-flow, high-efficiency toilets. Gwinnett County participates in the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Toilet Retrofit Program, which helps save 2.4 million gallons of water per day (that's 900 million gallons a year!).



For an additional conservation bonus, you can recycle your old toilet for free at the Water Resources Central Facility's unmanned drop-off location. Find out more [here](#).

Give back to your community by becoming a poll official

Gwinnett County is hiring poll officials to staff 156 polling locations plus eight advance voting locations for the 2020 election season. The Voter Registration and Elections Division is looking for citizens of all backgrounds, including bilingual poll officials.



Workers can gain valuable work experience and get paid! Currently, positions pay up to a \$120 stipend. Learn more and apply at GwinnettCountyJobs.com.

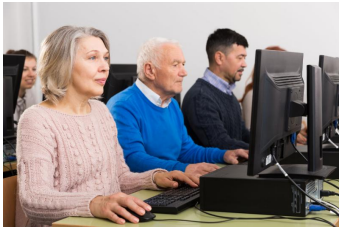
U.S. Census Bureau gearing up for 2020 count

The U.S. Census Bureau will start the process of counting every person living in the United States starting in January with remote locations in Alaska. By **April 1, 2020**, Census Day, every home will have received an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You can respond online, by phone, or by mail.

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Census takers then will begin visiting campuses, senior centers, and other locations. In May, census takers will visit homes that haven't responded, and in December 2020, the bureau will issue a report to Congress and the president. Learn more about the upcoming census at 2020Census.gov.

Gwinnett SenioR Learning Center offers computer courses



In-person registration for senior computer classes will be held at Bethesda Park Senior Center at 225 Bethesda Church Road in Lawrenceville, on January 7, 2020, from 10:00am to 11:00am and at George Pierce Park Community Center at 55 Buford Highway in Suwanee, on January 9 from 10:00am to 11:00am. The Gwinnett SenioR Learning Center's experienced instructors and coaches provide hands-on training for a variety of low-cost basic computer courses. Visit gsrlc.org for online registration starting in early December.

Protect yourself from flood damage

Did you know your homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage?

Only federal flood insurance reimburses you for flood damage to your property. For information regarding the National Flood Insurance Program and flood insurance, please call 1.800.427.4661 or visit FloodSmart.gov.



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