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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 emails and by talking to your friends and family.



What's new on TVgwinnett?

Gwinnett County brings you the latest news and happenings about your community through Eye on Gwinnett, our bi-weekly news program.



What you'll see in this episode:

- Chairman Nash talks transit at the 2019 State of the County Address
- 2040 Unified Plan receives final approval
- Gwinnett and partners establish assessment center for homeless families
- Citizen Police Academy taking applications
- County buys another piece of historic Promised Land property
- School bus law has changed
- Gwinnett police using cruise lights

Learn the facts before you vote on Gwinnett's transit plan, contract with MARTA

The polls are open for the transit contract referendum, and Gwinnett County Government is hosting a series of public information sessions so voters can make an informed decision before they cast their ballot.

Voters are being asked to consider expansion of the County's transit options through a contract with MARTA. If the voters choose to approve the transit contract that Gwinnett County has negotiated with MARTA, the expansion would follow a plan developed by the County with substantial public participation. The expansion will be funded through a one-cent sales tax for transit improvements.



The contract provides control to Gwinnett over funds, expenditures, projects, and services. It requires Gwinnett funds to be spent for the benefit of Gwinnett. It sets Gwinnett's transit plan, Connect Gwinnett, as the source of transit projects. It also provides Gwinnett with three seats on the MARTA board.

Election Day is **March 19**.

The last open house education session will be:
Saturday, March 16, 9:00am to 12:30pm

Berean Christian Church
1465 Highpoint Road, Snellville

To learn about the highlights of the contract, [click here](#). For more information about the transit plan, visit www.ConnectGwinnettTransit.com.

Ways to vote in the upcoming transit contract referendum



Voters will have multiple opportunities to cast their ballot on the transit contract referendum ahead of the **March 19** election day.

In-person voting at the Main Elections Office on Grayson Highway runs from 7:00am to 7:00pm daily through **March 15**.

Voters can visit one of seven satellite locations around the county from 7:00am to 7:00pm daily, seven days a week, through **March 15**. On election day, **March 19**, voters must go to their assigned polling location. **March**

15 is the last day to have an absentee mailed to you.

Visit www.gwinnettelelections.com for more information about satellite locations and absentee voting. To learn your assigned polling location or to check the status of your voter registration, visit the Georgia Secretary of State's website at www.mvp.sos.ga.gov or call the Elections Office at 678.226.7210.

Cómo votar en el próximo referéndum sobre el contrato de transporte

Los votantes tendrán múltiples oportunidades para emitir su voto en el referéndum sobre el contrato de transporte el **19 de Marzo**.

La votación en persona en la Oficina Principal de Elecciones en Grayson Highway funciona desde las 7:00am a 7:00pm, todos los días, hasta el **15 de Marzo**, esto incluye los Sábados y los Domingos.

Hasta el **15 de Marzo**, los votantes pueden visitar uno de los siete lugares satélite alrededor del condado desde las 7:00am a 7:00pm todos los días, que también incluye los Sábados y los Domingos. El Día de las Elecciones, **19 de Marzo**, los votantes deben ir a su lugar de votación asignado. El 15 de Marzo es el último día para que le envíen por correo una boleta de voto ausente.



Para obtener más información sobre las ubicaciones satélite y votación ausente, visite www.gwinnettelelections.com. Para conocer su lugar de votación asignado o para verificar el estado de su inscripción electoral, visite el sitio web de la Secretaría de Estado de Georgia en www.mvp.sos.ga.gov o llame a la Oficina de Elecciones al 678.226.7210.

Service Day Changes for Waste Pro Customers

Waste Pro, a hauler that serves residents in unincorporated southwest Gwinnett, is making changes to service days going forward for Gwinnett County customers that will take effect the week of **March 25**. Affected customers will receive a notice from Waste Pro by mail regarding the changes. Trash and recycling should be placed curbside before 7:00am on the new service day.

Please contact Waste Pro at 770.777.1447 if you have any questions.

Gwinnett Police Department patrol vehicles now have non-flashing blue lights

The Gwinnett County Police Department is joining the growing number of police departments throughout the US that are using their blue, non-flashing cruise lights more and more.

Cruise lights are mounted on the top of the vehicle in the light bar. Many officers may use them during checks of neighborhoods, commercial areas, and retail establishments. Cruise lights are intended to assure people that police officers are in the area and available if needed, and to help bring a level of comfort to the members of the community.

Cruise lights are not used to perform traffic stops, and motorists do not need to pull over if a patrol car is driving behind them with cruise lights on. In traffic stops, blue lights will be flashing. GCPD patrol cars have flashing blue and red lights, which can flash from the light bar, push bumpers, headlights, and taillights.



Gwinnett SenioR Learning Center is offering computer classes

The Gwinnett SenioR Learning Center is offering computer classes for seniors ages 50 and older this spring. Seniors can register online through **March 16** at www.gsrhc.org. Seniors may also register in person from 10:00am to 11:00am on **March 19** at Bethesda Park Senior Center or from 10:00am to 11:00am on **March 21** at George Pierce Park Community Recreation Center.

County accepting applications for third Youth Commission class

Gwinnett County Government is recruiting high school students for the Gwinnett Youth Commission, a program to develop young leaders who can speak on behalf of youth in Gwinnett County and be engaged with the community.

The commission, launched in 2017, consists of an eight-week course on Gwinnett County Government, covering infrastructure, health and human services, public safety, courts, and recreation. Students will also receive leadership and personal development training.



To be eligible for the Youth Commission, students must be a resident of Gwinnett County, be a rising sophomore, junior, or senior at a Gwinnett high school, Buford City School, or a private or home school in Gwinnett. Interested applicants must submit a completed application and typed essay by **March 29**.

For more information, contact Nicole Hendrickson at nicole.hendrickson@gwinnettcountry.com or 770.822.8877, or visit the [Gwinnett Youth Commission webpage](#).

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 www.floodsmart.gov.

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