

NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

April 6, 2022

Greetings!

As a resident of Gwinnett County, you know there is always a lot going on in the community. Read this newsletter to stay up-to-date on the latest news from your County government.

[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:

- New district maps for the upcoming primary election are now available
- Our afterschool enrichment program gets an expansion grant
- The County lends a helping hand to residents in need
- Professional baseball is back in Gwinnett

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

Leaders cut the ribbon on The Water Tower



County leaders cut the ribbon on [The Water Tower](#) — an innovation center that brings education, coworking, and research together under one roof. The campus features three classrooms, four conference rooms, multiple laboratories, coworking spaces, single-tenant office rentals, a field training center, and a water treatment demonstration area.

Located in Buford, The Water Tower is operated by two nonprofit organizations: The Water Tower at Gwinnett and The Water Tower Institute. The \$33.7 million facility combines water utilities, research,

and community.

Attend a State of the District 4 town hall with Commissioner Fosque

Over the past several weeks, our district commissioners have been hosting State of the District town halls across Gwinnett. Videos of previous town hall sessions can be found on [Facebook @GwinnettGov](#).

You can still join Commissioner Marlene Fosque for two final sessions of the State of District 4!

- **Tuesday, April 12** at 6:30pm in Fire Station 24's Meeting Room, 2735 Mall of Georgia Boulevard, Buford for



residents in the Braselton/Auburn area

- **Thursday, April 14** at 6:30pm in the Bogan Park Community Room, 2723 North Bogan Road NE, Buford for residents in the Rest Haven/Buford/Sugar Hill area

During the town halls, you'll hear County highlights, ARPA updates, information about upcoming elections, and news about redistricting.

Share your feedback on the future of Gwinnett Place Mall



Gwinnett County is one step closer to defining an equitable future for the Gwinnett Place Mall! Join us for the Reclaim Gwinnett Place Mall Block Party this **Saturday, April 9 from noon to 4:00pm**. During the block party, you will have an opportunity to share your feedback about the equitable redevelopment strategies, learn what happens next, and celebrate a successful community-driven process. The Block Party is free to the public. Register at GCGA.us/BlockParty.

Also, the Gwinnett Place Mall Site Revitalization Strategy planning team, led by the Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District, is hard at work at creating two mall site redevelopment concepts for the community to consider. Weigh in and share your feedback during two in-person opportunities later this month:

- **April 20 from 3:00 to 6:00pm** Holiday Inn Express and Suites, located 3530 Breckenridge Boulevard in Duluth
- **April 22 and 23 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm** Atlanta International Night Market in Suwanee

If you're unable participate in these events, visit GwinnettPlaceToBe.com starting April 23 to see the two preliminary concepts online and provide your thoughts.

Recycle your items at Earth Day

Recycle your electronics, paint, tires, and paper on **Saturday, April 23 from 9:00am to noon** at Coolray Field, located at 2500 Buford Drive in Lawrenceville. Attendees must remain in their vehicles at all times. Items to be recycled should be placed in the trunk or back of vehicle where they will be removed by vendors. Materials should be placed in disposable containers or boxes as containers will not be returned.

This annual Earth Day event is brought to you by [Gwinnett Solid Waste Management](#) and [Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful](#). For full details, visit GCSolidWaste.com.



Gwinnett Police and DEA host National Drug Take Back



Gwinnett Police is partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration for the National Take Back Initiative on **Saturday, April 30** to provide a safe and convenient way to drop off unused and expired medications.

Tablets, capsules, patches, and other forms of prescription drugs can be dropped off at Police Headquarters and six precincts from **10:00am to 2:00pm** for proper disposal. Liquids, syringes, sharps, and other drugs will not be accepted. [Find a collection site](#) near you.

Register to vote by April 25

The [2022 election season](#) is underway, and the deadline to register to vote in the general primary is **April 25**. The primary is May 24 with the runoff June 21.

To register in Georgia, you must be at least 18 on Election Day, a U.S. citizen, and a legal resident of the county you're voting in. To check your registration status, download a registration application, view sample ballots, and locate your polling place, visit MVP.SOS.GA.gov.



Inscríbese para las elecciones del 2022

La [temporada de elecciones de 2022](#) está en curso y la fecha límite de inscripción para la primaria general es el **25 de Abril**. La primaria es el 24 de Mayo con la segunda vuelta el 21 de Junio.

Para inscribirse en Georgia, debe tener al menos 18 años en el Día de las Elecciones, ser ciudadano estadounidense y residente legal del condado en el que está votando. Para verificar el estado de su inscripción, descargar una solicitud de inscripción, ver boletas de muestra y ubicar su lugar de votación, visite [MVP.SOS.GA.gov](#).

Apply for the Gwinnett Youth Commission by April 15



Local youth will soon be able to engage in civic affairs, develop leadership skills, and learn more about Gwinnett County government through one of the County's signature outreach programs — the Gwinnett Youth Commission! The application deadline for the 2022 to 2023 cohort is **Friday, April 15 at 5:00pm**. [View requirements and complete the online application](#)

This year-long leadership and service-oriented program empowers youth to get involved and create change in their community and local government. The program consists of an eight-week summer training session and a graduation ceremony where participants will be sworn-in as youth commission leaders for the remainder of the year.

Commissioners approve purchase of new transit vehicles

Gwinnett Commissioners approved the purchase of 14 paratransit and microtransit vehicles with funding assistance from the Federal Transit Administration. The \$2.3 million purchase is being made through a competitively-procured Georgia Department of Administrative Services contract and is funded 80 percent by the FTA, with a local 20 percent match coming from the County's transit funds.



The new vehicles will be used to provide paratransit service to support GCT's three new local route expansions in late 2022 or early 2023. Gwinnett County Transit provides commuter express, local, and complementary paratransit service. For more information on transit service in Gwinnett from [Gwinnett County Transit](#).

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](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) @GwinnettGov.



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