

NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

May 4, 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:

- The Multicultural Festival returns May 14
- Bethesda Park Senior Center celebrates 30 years
- Advance voting in the General Primary and Nonpartisan General Election is underway
- Chairwoman Hendrickson tosses the first pitch for the Gwinnett Stripers

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

Vote in advance through May 20

Voters are not limited to Election Day to cast their ballot for the May 24 General Primary and Nonpartisan General Election. Registered voters may vote advance in person **every day, including weekends, through May 20 from 7:00am to 7:00pm** at the [Gwinnett Voter Registrations and Elections Office in Lawrenceville](#) and [10 other advance voting locations](#) around the county.

To find an advance voting location near you, visit the [Gwinnett Elections website](#). Be sure to [check wait times](#) before you head to the advance voting locations. To check the status of your voter registration, see a sample ballot, and find your polling location, visit the Secretary of State's [My Voter Page](#).



Vota por adelantado hasta el 20 de mayo

Los votantes no están limitados al día de las elecciones para emitir su voto. La votación anticipada para la Primaria General y la Elección General No Partidaria comienza el lunes 2 de mayo en la Oficina de Registros de Votantes y Elecciones de Gwinnett en Lawrenceville y en 10 lugares de votación anticipada en todo el condado. Los votantes registrados pueden votar por adelantado en persona **todos los días, incluidos los fines de semana, al 20 de mayo de 7:00 a 19:00 horas**.

Para encontrar un lugar de votación anticipada cerca de usted, visite [la página web de las elecciones de Gwinnett](#). Asegúrese de [comprobar los tiempos de espera](#) antes de dirigirse a los lugares de votación

Board of Assessors mails notices for 2022 assessed property values

The Gwinnett Board of Assessors mailed approximately 294,000 Annual Notices of Assessment to residential and commercial property owners in April. The Board of Assessors recommends that property owners review their Annual Notice of Assessment to ensure it accurately represents their property and the fair market value for January 1, 2022. If property owners disagree with the 2022 value, they have 45 days from the date on their assessment to file an appeal online, in person, or by mail.



The Annual Notice of Assessment is not a tax bill but does include an estimate of 2022 property taxes. A taxpayer who wishes to view and print a copy of their annual notice of assessment, research market values, read frequently asked questions, or submit an [appeal online](#) may visit [Gwinnett-Assessor.com](#). You can also reach the Assessors' Office by phone at 770.822.7200 or email at Taxpayer.Services@GwinnettCounty.com.

Join Sheriff's Office for Community Mental Health Awareness Fair



Join the Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office for the inaugural Community Mental Health Awareness Fair, *Breaking the Stigma*, **Saturday, May 7 from 10:00am to 2:00pm** at the Lois Lane Allen Pavilion at [Alexander Park](#) in Lawrenceville. Local vendors will be available to answer questions and provide resources from housing to inpatient and outpatient care. There will also be music, food, and a bounce house for entertainment.

This event seeks to educate the community and bring awareness to the dangers of stigma surrounding mental health. For more information, contact the Mental Health Task Force at GCOSOMHTaskForce@GwinnettCounty.com.

Multicultural Festival returns May 14

The annual Gwinnett Multicultural Festival and County Government Open House is back! Join us **Saturday, May 14 from 10:00am to 2:00pm** at Gwinnett Place Mall on Pleasant Hill Road in Duluth. We could not be more excited to return with a celebration of the vibrant cultures and communities that make up Gwinnett. Visit Police and Fire exhibits, watch cultural performances from around the globe, meet County staff, and enjoy kids' activities including games and bounce houses. The event is open and free to everyone.



Gwinnett Place Mall is located at 2100 Pleasant Hill Road in Duluth.

Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month



[Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month](#) with Gwinnett. Experience this year's national theme, Advancing Leaders Through Collaboration, by touring a self-guided exhibit in the [Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center](#). The exhibit also features a Great Little Minds book exchange that showcases AAPI books for kids under 8. Families can grab a book or donate their favorite book written by AAPI authors or covering topics relevant to the AAPI cultural experience.

You can also attend our annual Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebration **Tuesday, May 17 at 6:00pm** at the GJAC Plaza. The celebration will include free food, performances by a K-Pop band, a traditional Lion dance and a Hula dance, along with remarks from commissioners and members of the AAPI community. Register to attend the celebration at GCGA.us/AAPICelebration. The event will also stream live on Facebook [@GwinnettGov](#).

Board approves market adjustment, makes Juneteenth an official County holiday

A primary objective for the Board of Commissioners is to be the public sector employer of choice, which requires providing wages

and benefits that will attract, recruit, and retain quality employees. In April, the Board approved an 8 percent market adjustment for County employees, with an additional 2 percent for first responders bringing the adjustment for those employees up to 10 percent.

In the spirit of honoring the vibrant diversity of our community, the Board also agreed to follow the federal and state governments in making Juneteenth an official County holiday, commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. This will be an additional paid holiday for employees and will not take the place of any other holiday.



Take a tour of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center



You're invited to tour the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center. The tours will provide residents with an opportunity to become more familiar with the County's administrative and courts building, interact with various County officials, and better understand the superior services Gwinnett delivers to our community. Register for an upcoming tour on GCGA.us/GJACTours.

All tours are open to the public, and individually packed lunches will be provided. If you are interested in scheduling a group tour, contact Outreach@GwinnettCounty.com or call 770.822.3914.

Join Gwinnett Transit for Just Two Sneakers event

All you need for an easy commute is two sneakers and a bus! Join Gwinnett County Transit **Saturday, May 21 from 10:00am to 2:00pm** at [Shorty Howell Park in Duluth](#) to explore learn how you can get where you need to go by walking and riding public transit. Packaged snacks and water, giveaways, route information, and more will be provided.



Kindergarten registration now open



If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, now is the time to register for kindergarten in an easy, two-step process. Register online on [Gwinnett County Public Schools' website](#).

Before May 20, [schedule an appointment](#) at your child's school to verify information, complete a readiness profile, pick up materials, and learn about exciting summer learning activities for your child. To learn more, visit the [kindergarten registration webpage](#).

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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