

Where the World Lands and Opportunities Take Off

April 8, 2024

Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner's Newsletter

A Message from Jeffrey E. Turner, Chairman Clayton County Board of Commissioners

Dear Clayton County Community,

I am excited to highlight some of the amazing activities and resources we have available within our different cities and throughout Clayton County. I want to express my gratitude to all the municipalities, employees, residents, volunteers, the business community, and partnerships that make Clayton County a great place to live, work and play. I am proud of the notable progress in our county we have made working together and with others. So, as we look to the future, let us continue to explore more opportunities to bring additional resources to Clayton County. With your continued support, the Board of Commissioners and I are vested in the continued progress and success of Clayton County! I look forward to our diverse community working together to seek solutions to any challenges we may encounter. So, as we plan for the future, I am hopeful that we are all onboard to fly this journey together as a community.



Yours in service, Jeffrey E. Turner Chairman, Jeffrey E. Turner

APRIL Veteran of The Month Master Sergeant Wayne Collins



Wayne Collins enlisted in the United States Army in Atlanta, Georgia in October of 1976 and was assigned to the United States Army Signal School at Fort Gordon, Georgia. There he completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training as a Wire Systems Installer/Switch Board Operator Maintainer. During his military service, Wayne served with the 24th Signal Battalion, 24th Infantry in Fort Stewart Georgia, 261st Signal Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division Wurzburg Germany,2nd Combat Battalion Basic Training Fort McClellan Alabama as a Drill Sergeant, 228th Signal Battalion, 5th Signal Command Frankfurt Germany, 1st Signal Brigade JCCC Soul South Korea, Regimental Basic Noncommissioned Officers Academy United States Army Signal School First Sergeant, 335th Theater Signal Command East Point Georgia, and Camp Doha Kuwait City Kuwait. Wayne Collins received awards and decorations that include the Meritorious Service Medal (5th Oak Leaf), Army Accommodation Medal (4th Oak Leaf), Achievement Award (4th Oak Leaf), Desert Storm/ Desert Sheild Campaign Ribbon, Airborne/Air Assault Badge, Expert Marksmanship Badge, Drill Sergeant Badge, Drivers Badge, American Red Cross Life Saving accommodations, Bronze Order of Mercury Regimental Signal Association, and the German Marksmanship Badge (Bronze).

After 22 years of service, Master Sergeant Collins retired while stationed at Fort McPherson Georgia. Mr. Collins has lived in the City of Morrow for 13 years. He serves as the Chairman of Morrows' Planning and Zoning Board and is the current Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5080 in Morrow Georgia. He is active with Neighborhood Watch, Neighbors Helping Neighbors, and the Geezer Squad. Wayne is married to Katherine, his loving wife of 45 years; from this union are two children, Marcus and Tanisha, and two grandchildren Wayne Carter and Ryleigh.



If you want to reach out to me directly, please use the email address below.

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Health & Wellness

Healthy Habits at Work

Prioritizing your mental and physical well-being during the workday can lead to big improvements even with small changes. Practicing healthier habits while at work can increase concentration and productivity, lower stress, strengthen your immune system, reduce risk of injury and disease, and boost your overall quality of life!

- 1. Staying Hydrated: To stay hydrated at work can sometimes be hard because we get busy, so you can try making a game of it, so whenever someone says "Water Check" then everyone has to drink some water. Making sure you drink plenty of water because it has many benefits, and improving brain function is one of them.
- 2. Lunch Time: Scheduling a time for lunch every day and away from your workspace is good for you. We all need that downtime. Plus, good nutrition may help with stress and anxiety. People tend to overeat; snack mindlessly and not eat nutritious food when they don't take a lunch break.
- 3. Take a Break: A 5–10-minute break during a workday will give you time to decompress, you can stretch your legs, use the restroom, and get some fresh air! These little breaks during a workday will help you handle stress and recharge your body and your mind.
- 4. Distractions Need to be Limited: You are more productive at work and at home when you limit the distractions around you. Our phones are a HUGE distraction, so put your phone on silent when you do not want to be disturbed.
- 5. Give Gratitude: You can celebrate your small wins throughout the workday. You and your coworkers can keep a journal at your desks where you notate your wins and share them with each other at a meeting, on one of your breaks. The thing here is positive thinking is encouraging and can improve your mental health.

Reference: https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/healthy-lifestyle/mental-health-and-wellbeing/5-easy-ways-to-improve-your-well-being-at-workArticle: *5 Easy Ways to Improved Your Well-Being at Work Infographic* © Copyright 2023 American Heart Association, Inc., a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit. All rights reserved. Healthy for Good is a trademark of the AHA. Unauthorized use prohibited. WF317127 9/23

SENIOR SERVICES

For Seniors 55 and Older

Frank Bailey Senior Center- 6213 Riverdale Road in Riverdale

J Charley Griswell Senior Center 2300 Highway 138 in Jonesboro (inside Clayton County International Park)

Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center 3215 Anvil Block Road in Ellenwood

Inter-generational Center:

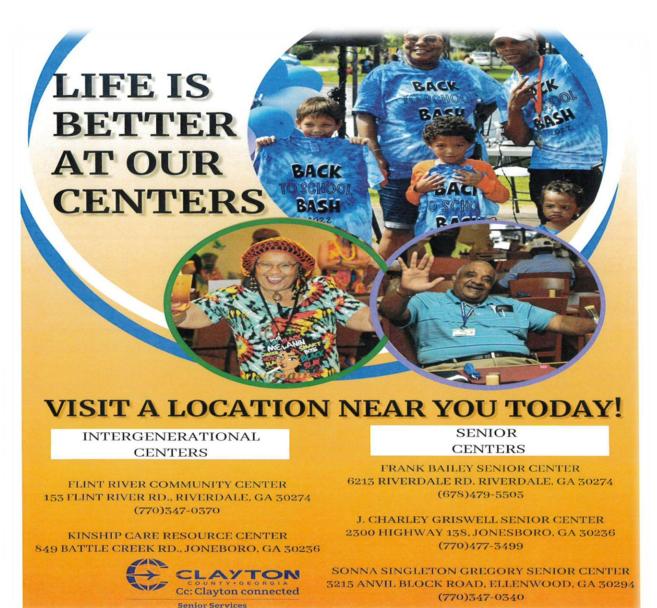
Flint River Community Center 153 Flint River Road in Riverdale

For Grandparents Raising Grandchildren & Other Relative Caregivers:

Kinship Care Resource Center - Shelnutt Intergenerational Center, 849 Battle Creek Road in Jon

For Information & Assistance including Meals on Wheels, In-home care, etc.:

Aging Services - 877 Battle Creek Road in Jonesboro Visit our website at www.claytonseniors.com



Save The Dates

CLAYTON COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES PRESENTS



GET YO' GLOW ON FITNESS WALK & AFTER PARTY

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024 6:00 PM- 8:00 PM

THE MAIN EVENT: MAYFEST 2024

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 3:00 PM- 9:00 PM

Clayton county international Park 2300 highway 138 Jonesboro, ga 30236

Sponsor and Vendor Opportunities Available. For more information, call 770-603-4060 or 770-347-0428.



Give A Paw

LEASH YOUR DOG...

It's the law!



KEEP YOUR DOG CONTAINED

If it is outside the house: leash it or fence it.

In Clayton County, Georgia, it is the law that all dogs must be contained and under the control of its owner whenever it is outside its home. That means on a leash or within a fenced yard.

Respect your neighbors and their property.

Dogs picked up wandering loose will be impounded at Clayton County Animal Control.

To reclaim your dog, you will need to provide proof of ownership, current rabies vaccination certificate, and proof that the dog is spayed or neutered.

If unable to provide appropriate proof of vaccination or sterilization surgery, then additional fees may be charged.

Any questions – call Clayton County Animal Control at 770-477-3509



Clayton County Police Department

Friday, April 26, 2024 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Police Headquarters, Community Room 7911 N. McDonough Street Jonesboro, GA 30236

To expedite your donation, please log onto

redcrossblood.org/rapidpass and complete your health history
prior to your arrival (day of the drive)

Presenting donors will receive a \$10 E-Gift Card

For ease, Appointments can be made by logging onto
redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code:
claytoncounty. Walk-In's are Welcome.

MARTA AIRPORT STATION TEMPORARY CLOSURE APRIL 8TH-MAY 19TH







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2023 STATE OF THE COUNTY

Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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SPLOST Progress for Pennies
March 19, 2024



Upcoming Events You Don't Want to Miss



MARCH 23RD EVENT RESCHEDULED TO SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

PRESENTS

SPRING ADOPTION EVENT

NEW DATE

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH
10AM - 3PM

ADOPT YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND

Come and spend time with some of the best animals in town! We have a large variety of dogs and cats of all ages and breeds in need of fur-ever homes.

Special Offers

- First 10 dog adoptions free!
- First 5 cat adoptions free!
- \$40 vaccine clinic for owned pets (includes Rabies, Dhpp, Bordetella, and Microchip).
- Family fun!
- Food & Drinks!

CALL US 770-347-0210

3199 ANVIL BLOCK RD. ELLENWOOD, GA 30294

WWW.24PETCONNECT.COM





2024 Master Gardener Extension





Saturday, May 11 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM 1262 Government Cir., Jonesboro

Come check out our wide variety of vegetables, flowers, house plants, and more, all while supporting our Master Gardener Extension Volunteers





An Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, Veteran, Disability Institution
If you are an individual with a disability who may require assistance or accommodation in order to participate in or receive

the benefit of a service, program, or activity of UGA, or if you desire more information, please contact us.

Activities & Resources

"What's Happening In Our Backyard" College Park, Forest Park, Jonesboro, Lake City, Lovejoy, Morrow, Riverdale



NOTICED THAT YOU HAD DEBRIS TO BE REMOVED......

CLAYTON COUNTY REFUSE CONTROL

A Division of the Corrections Dept.

7984 N. McDonough St. Jonesboro, GA 30236 (770) 477-3548 www.claytoncountyga.gov

> Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Refuse Control is a service provided by Clayton County for residents located in the unincorporated area of Clayton County. This department handles the disposal of certain items that your waste removal company may not pick up.

Refuse Control will pick up yard debris, furniture, appliances, limbs (up to 6" in diameter and no longer than 10 feet), bags of leaves, and miscellaneous items. The following items will <u>not</u> be accepted: tree trunks or stumps, batteries, tires, shingles, sheetrock, bricks, heavy metal, heavy items, mulch, dirt, paint cans, or hazardous items.

Debris Removal:

- Place items to be picked up by the curb on the county's right of way.
- For an inspector to come out to give you an estimate, call Refuse Control at (770) 477-3548.
 (Estimate is at no charge.)
- Debris removal fee is assessed by our inspectors based on the amount and type of debris and the amount of time to load and unload

the debris. However, there is a minimum fee of \$20.00 that will be charged. Payment of fee constitutes acceptance of price. Should you decide to use the County's service, payment can be done in one of four ways:

- Call the office and pay with Visa or MasterCard. (check cards will be accepted if it has a Visa or MasterCard logo)
- Come by the office with cash, check, or money order.
- 3. Mail in check or money order.

Other Services:

Refuse Control also picks up dead animals from the roads. For live wild/stray animals in the road, please call Animal Control (770) 477-3509 and report the location.



Join us for a community conversation!

What's your vision for your community?

IN-PERSON

Thu., Apr. 18, 2024

6 - 8 PM

Flint River Community Center

153 Flint River Rd.

Riverdale, GA 30274

VIRTUAL

Tue., Apr. 23, 2024

6 - 8 PM

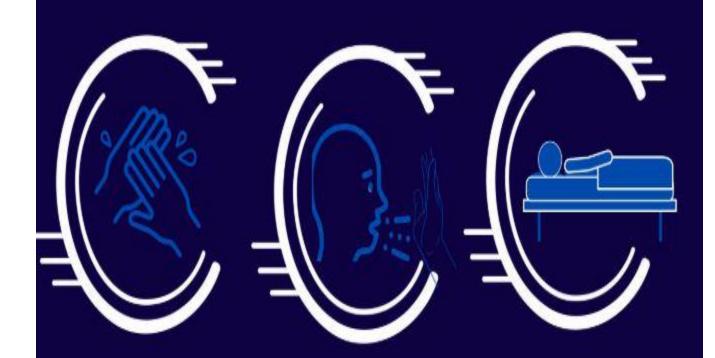
FutureFocusClayton.com

Future Focus Clayton is the County's Comprehensive Plan update. Your feedback will help paint a clear picture of the community's vision for how Clayton County should evolve to serve its residents over the next 25 years.

Visit www.FutureFocusClayton.com for more info!



REMEMBER THE 3 C'S



CLEAN YOUR COVER YOUR HANDS

USE SOAP AND WATER AND WASH FOR AT LEAST 20 SECONDS

MOUTH

USE A TISSUE OR YOUR ELBOW

CONTAIN **GERMS**

STAY HOME FROM WORK OR SCHOOL

Resources

DEPARTMENT	MAIN LINE	DEPARTMENT	MAIN LINE
A			
Animal Control	770-477-3509	O	
В		Office of Youth Services	770-477-3262
Board of Commissioners	770-477-3208	P	
Building Inspections	770-477-3569	Parks and Recreation	770-477-3766
Burn Line	770-473-3836	Athletic Division	770-473-3800
		Virginia Gray Recreation	
Business Licenses	770-477-3569	Center	770-603-4001
С		Jim Huie Recreation Center	678-479-5136
CCTV-23/99	770-473-3834	International Park	770-477-3766
Clillo	044 604 004	Lake Spivey Recreation	
Child Support Services	844-694-2347	Center	770-347-0390
Civil Cases/State Court	770-477-3388	Lundquist Aquatic Center	678-479-5136
Clayton County Convention	770 479 4900	G. Matthews Sport	770 472 2000
& Visitors Bureau	770-478-4800	Complex C. Rhodenizer Recreation	770-473-3800
Clayton County ExtUGA	770-473-3945	C. Knodemzer Recreation Center	770-472-8042
Code Enforcement	678-610-4755	Reynolds Nature Preserve	770-603-4188
Code Emorement	070 010 1755	South Clayton Recreation	770 003 1100
Community Development	770-477-3569	Center	770-347-0200
Criminal Civil/State Court	770-477-4522	Personnel (HR)	770-477-3239
County Landfill	770-473-5496	Job Hot Line	770-473-5800
D		Planning and Zoning	770-473-5401
		Police HQ (Non-	
DFACS	770-603-4600	Emergency)	770-477-3747
District Attorney's Office	770-477-3450	Sector I/Northeast	770-473-5724
E		Sector 2/North	770-603-4070
Emergency Management	770-477-3511	Sector 3/ South	770-347-0260
Emergency (Police & Fire)	911	Sector 4/North Ave	770-347-0145
F		Probate Court	770-477-3299
Finance Department	770-477-3222	Estates/Wills	770-477-3299
Fire HQ (Non-Emergency)	770-473-7833	Temporary Guardianship	770-477-3301
Flint River Community		/2	
Center	770-347-0370	Prison/State Inmates	770-473-5777
C		Probation Juvenile Court	770 472 5077
G. Com Domesto	770 477 2201	(Intake)	770-473-5977
Gun Permits	770-477-3301	Public Works	770-477-3674
H	404.363.1300	Purchasing Department	770-477-3587
Housing Authority-Clayton	404-362-1200	K 1,	770 473 5 470
Humane Society	770-471-9436	Recycling	770-473-5470
I		Refuse Control	770-477-3548

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Indigent Defense	678-479-5339	S	
J		Senior Centers	
Jail	770-477-4400	Aging Center	770-603-4050
Jury Information	770-477-3400	Frank Bailey Senior Center	678-479-5505
Juvenile Court	770-477-3270	J.C. Griswell Senior Center	770-477-3499
K		Sonna Gregory Singleton Senior Center	770-347-0340
Kinship Care Program (Shelnut Center)	770-473-5788	Senior Services Department	770-347-0150
L		Sheriff (Non-Emergency)	770-471-1122
Landfill	770-473-5470	Solicitor General	770-477-3380
Library Headquarters	770-473-3850	Staff Attorney's Office	770-477-3207
Forest Park	770-347-0160	State Court Clerk	770-477-3385
Lovejoy	770-472-8129	Superior Court/Civil Cases	770-477-3405
Morrow	770-347-0170	Т	
Northwest	770-347-0290	Tag/Motor Vehicle	770-477-3331
Riverdale	770-472-8100	Tax Assessors- Property Values	770-477-3285
M		Tax Commissioner- Tax Bills	770-477-3311
MARTA Customer Service	404-848-5000	Traffic Tickets/State Court	770-477-3386
Magistrate Court Clerk	770-477-3443	Transportation & Development	770-477-3674
Landlord-Tenant Dispute	770-477-3443	V	
Small Claims Court	770-477-3443	Voter's Registration	770-477-3372



Cc: Clayton connected

Where the World Lands and Opportunities Take Off "What we need in the United States is not division. What we need in the United States is not violence or lawlessness, but love and wisdom and compassion toward one another, and a feeling of justice toward those who still suffer within our country whether they be white or they be black."

Robert F. Kennedy

Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. One of the inscriptions at the Robert F. Kennedy gravesite in Arlington National Cemetery.

Jeffrey E. Turner

Jeffrey E. Turner, Chairman Clayton County Board of Commissioners



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