



# DISTRICT NEWS 5

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As clocks turned back, the cities in District 5 moved forward with their fall festivities and events, while bringing communities together. My office was proud to support Taste of SW Atlanta, Chatt Hills Fall Festival, Fairburn Fall Festival, Palmetto Truck and Treat, Gunna's Family Fest, and National Night Out.

During contemplation of the 2025 health benefits for Fulton County employees, I learned that new employees did not have the same healthcare provider options as existing employees. In response to this glaring inequity, I worked with Finance to get this amended. Now, new employees have the same healthcare options as existing employees. When you see an opportunity to do right, do so even if it does not affect you. Advocate for those who cannot help themselves.

Please peruse this edition of District 5 News and stay connected to my office via social media and email.

Yours In Service,  
*Marvin S. Arrington, Jr.*

Commissioner, District 5  
Fulton County Board of Commissioners

# 10TH COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS



There are people who do hard work and others who do heart work. Annually, my office recognizes those who do both by supporting us to impact District 5. We recognized the following:

**Fulton County Staff of the Year**  
*Director Jessica Corbitt*

**BOC Staff of the Year**  
*Lee Murrell*

**Elected Official of the Year**  
*Councilman Natasha Williams-Brown*

**Arts Advocate of the Year**  
*Actor Lamman Rucker*

**Community Partner of the Year**  
*Georgia Spartans*

**Nonprofit of the Year**  
*Your Town Health*

**Corporate Partner of the Year**  
*Fastenal*



# ANNUAL BLANKET ATLANTA WITH LOVE

*We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.*  
- Winston Churchill

To whom much is given, much is required. As we prepared for the holiday season, my office did not want to forget the lost, the least, and the last. With gratitude and honor, we hosted our annual Blanket Atlanta With Love, a clothing and blanket drive that supports Atlanta's homeless. We provided hot Thanksgiving meals, blankets, clothing, toiletries, and resources. Special thanks to the following partners: Fulton County Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities, Peach State Health Plan, Wellcare, and Atlanta Recovery Center. Thanks to our volunteers and special shout-out to the sisters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., the Fulton County DREAM team, Board of Health, and the Department of Community Development that helped my office with the execution of another great event. Most importantly, thanks to all the residents county-wide who donated blankets and clothing for this event.





Proclamation recognizing "Paid Zions Remembrance Day" (Abdur-Rahman) (1/11/2024)  
 Proclamation recognizing "Operation Green Light for Veterans Appreciation Day" (Thome/Price/Abdur-Rahman/Elle/Barnett/Hall) (1/11/2024)  
 Proclamation recognizing "Gulfstream Avenue Research L..." (1/11/2024)



Proclamation recognizing "Peace Officer Awareness Month" (Barnett/Abdur-Rahman) (1/11/2024)  
 Proclamation recognizing "Peace Officer Appreciation Day" (1/11/2024)  
 Proclamation recognizing "Fulton County Foundation Appreciation Day" (1/11/2024)



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# 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JANUARY

COSF SEWER TOWN HALL -21st

## FEBRUARY

HEALTHCARE TOWN HALL -10th

**BLACK HISTORY FILM FESTIVAL & BHFF Student Competitions**

Opening Reception - 23rd  
 Film Festival - 24th

## MARCH

**SPRING DISTRICT DIALOGUES: TOWN HALLS**

Virtual - 11th  
 South Fulton - 10th  
 Fairburn - 14th

## MAY

**FAMILY FUN DAY - 3rd**

## JULY

**SUMMER DISTRICT DIALOGUES: TOWN HALLS**

Virtual - 1st  
 Chat Hills - 8th  
 College Park - 10th

**WRITE 2 RISE WORKSHOPS**

5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

**IT TAKES A VILLAGE (ITAV)**

Back to School Giveaways  
 \$500 Book Scholarship Competition  
 South Fulton - 18th  
 Fairburn - 24th  
 Union City - 25th

## NOVEMBER

**GA HOA BOOT CAMP**  
 South Fulton - 15th

**BLANKET ATLANTA WTH LOVE**

Donation Drive - 3rd- 14th  
 Dinner & Distribution - 18th

## DECEMBER

**DADS, DAUGHTERS, DOLLS, +SONS**  
 Donation Drive - 1st - 12th  
 Distribution - 16th

**WINTER DISTRICT DIALOGUES: TOWN HALLS**

Virtual - 8th  
 Fairburn - 9th  
 South Fulton - 10th

### Fulton County is closed:

New Year 's Day, MLK Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving (& day after), Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Year's Eve