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## **Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful to Host One of Georgia's Largest "Treecycling" Events** *Environmentally Focused Nonprofit Preparing for Annual Bring One for the Chipper Event with Announcement of Live Tree Collection Sites and Call for Volunteers*

**Lawrenceville, Ga. – December 15, 2022** – Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful (GC&B) prides itself on bringing the community together for a wide variety of cleanup, educational and recycling events throughout the year. As 2022 winds down to a close, the eco-focused nonprofit is making preparations for its annual "treecycling" event – one of the largest in Georgia. In conjunction with its partners at the Gwinnett County Departments of Transportation, Parks & Recreation and Fire, as well as its community partners at Jackson EMC and Walton EMC, GC&B will collect live trees between December 26, 2022 and January 25, 2023 at fire stations throughout the county before transporting them to Lawrenceville's Bethesda Park for Bring One for the Chipper 2023 on Saturday, January 28, 2023.

"To make this upcoming event as successful as in the past – if not more so – we'll really need the help of the public," said Shelly Marlatt, GC&B's Executive Director. "We're calling on everyone who has purchased a live tree this Christmas to drop them off at our collection sites instead of putting them out with the trash to decompose in a landfill. On the day of Bring One for the Chipper, we'll also need volunteers to help us haul those collected trees to the chipper, where they'll be transformed into mulch. From park pathways to school landscaping, this is our environmentally friendly way of extending the magic of Christmas all throughout the new year and all throughout the county."

Marlatt adds that before dropping off live Christmas trees, they must be free of lights, tinsel, decorations and tree stands in order to be treecycled. Bring One for the Chipper drop off locations are as follows:

### **Buford**

- Fire Station 14, 1600 Highway 23, 30518
- Fire Station 24, 2735 Mall of GA Blvd., 30519
- Fire Station 29, 2800 Thompson Mill Rd., 30519

### **Dacula**

- Fire Station 27, 2825 Old Fountain Rd., 30019

### **Duluth**

- Fire Station 5, 3001 Old Norcross Rd., 30096
- Fire Station 7, 3343 Bunton Rd., 30096
- Fire Station 19, 3275 N. Berkeley Lake Rd., 30096

### **Grayson**

- Fire Station 8, 2295 Brannan Rd., 30017

### **Hoschton**

- Fire Station 18, 1515 Mineral Springs Rd., 30548

### **Lawrenceville**

- Fire Station 9, 1900 Five Forks-Trickum Rd., 30044
- Fire Station 10, 1131 Rock Springs Rd. 30043
- Fire Station 20, 1801 Cruse Rd., 30044
- Fire Station 25, 3575 Lawrenceville Hwy., 30044
- Fire Station 31, 1061 Collins Hill Rd. 30043

### **Lilburn**

- Fire Station 2, 12 Harmony Grove Rd., 30047
- Fire Station 3, 4394 Five Forks-Trickum Rd., 30047
- Fire Station 22, 2180 Stone Dr., 30047

### **Loganville**

- Fire Station 28, 3725 Rosebud Rd, 30052
- Fire Station 30, 1052 Ozora Rd., 30052

**Norcross**

- Fire Station 1, 165 Lawrenceville St., 30071
- Fire Station 11, 5885 Live Oak Pkwy., 30093
- Fire Station 23, 4355 Steve Reynolds Blvd., 30093

**Peachtree Corners**

- Fire Station 4, 5550 Spalding Dr., 30092

**Snellville**

- Fire Station 6, 3890 Johnson Dr., 30039
- Fire Station 12, 2815 Lenora Church Rd., 30078

**Sugar Hill**

- Fire Station 26, 6075 Suwanee Dam Rd., 30518

**Suwanee**

- Fire Station 21, 474 Old Peachtree Rd., 30024

Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful hosted its first Bring One for the Chipper event in 1984. In all the years since, its numbers have grown steadily. During Bring One for the Chipper 2022, GC&B collected and chipped more than 1500 live trees into mulch. For anyone who wants to volunteer for the Bring One for the Chipper 2023 event on Saturday, January 28 from 8-11 a.m., they must be 14 years of age or older and can include anyone from individuals and families to school clubs and civic groups to companies and neighborhood associations. To volunteer, interested parties must register online at [Volunteer Gwinnett - Gwinnett | Gwinnett County](#). Questions may be directed to [gwinnettcb@gwinnettcb.org](mailto:gwinnettcb@gwinnettcb.org) or 770-822-5187.

**About Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful:** Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful Services, Inc. (GC&B) is a Keep America Beautiful affiliate and award-winning 501(c)(3) charitable organization. It boasts an expansive community-based network dedicated to finding long-term solutions to environmental and quality of life issues through individual action. The organization is guided by a Citizens Advisory Board that represents all sectors of the Gwinnett County community. A nationally recognized leader in creating cleaner, greener and more livable communities throughout Gwinnett, GCB involves more than 100,000 volunteers annually to clean and restore public places, recycle more, protect watersheds and develop the next generation of environmental stewards. To learn more about Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful and its mission of *"Connecting People and Resources for a Sustainable Gwinnett,"* please visit [www.GwinnettCB.org](http://www.GwinnettCB.org).

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