



Lithonia News

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LITHONIA
Market
on *Main*



LITHONIA MARKET ON MAIN

**Support African American
Farmers & Artisans!**

Half price on EBT purchases!

Enjoy our BLM Main Street!

Free gifts for all customers!

Dance / Eat / Drink / Shop / Visit

6980 Main St * Lithonia * 30058

PLEASE WEAR MASKS!

SANITATION ITEMS PROVIDED!

MOTHERS DAY POP-UP MARKET

Food! – Gifts!

Saturday, May 8

12:00 – 4:00 PM

**WEEKLY
MARKETS
BEGIN ON
JUNE 5TH**



MARKET SPONSORED BY



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JOIN US!

VENDORS • BUSINESSES • FAMILY & FRIENDS

POP UP SHOP

NETWORKING BLOCK PARTY!



**MAY 15TH
10-5PM**

**© MAIN STREET
BETWEEN SWIFT AND WIGGINS ST
LITHONIA, GA 30058**

INFO@BLACKDOTCC.COM

Lithonia Historic Preservation Commission Volunteers Needed

Lithonia is a community that is rich in history. The City came into being because it was a crossroads between Lawrenceville and Macon, and Decatur and Milledgeville. IN 1856 the City of Lithonia was chartered. Approximately 250 people lived in the area at the time.

In 2016, the City of Lithonia was listed on the National Register of Historic Places due to a lot of hard work by many individuals, the unique homes and businesses in the city, as well as the unique gneiss granite which is locally quarried. This designation means we are a very special place.

In 2019, the City Council of Lithonia adopted a Historic Preservation Ordinance with the goal of stimulating and revitalizing the business district and historic neighborhoods. The ordinance creates a Historic Preservation Commission which is tasked with designating historic properties and districts, providing for Certificates of Appropriateness, and coordinating an appeals process, the repeal of conflicting ordinances, and other purposes.

The City is looking for a few people who may be interested in serving on the Commission Board. They would serve a maximum of two three-year terms. Requirements are that the person must live in the City of Lithonia and be a person who has demonstrated special interest, experience or education in history, architectural history, planning, archaeology or related professions.

If you would like more information or would like to be considered as a board member, please call the City Clerk at 770-482-8136 and submit your name. She will can send you a copy of the ordinance that details all the requirements.

Looking to the future while respecting the past!
Dawn Massey and the
Lithonia Downtown Development Authority

TOGETHER WE PROTECT LITHONIA

The Lithonia Police Department has partnered with Nixle to implement its Community Notification System to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories. As a resident, you can register to receive these alerts by texting your ZIPCODE to 888777 from your mobile phone, or you may sign up via the Nixle Widget.

Once registered, residents will receive a confirmation text to their mobile device. Residents may also customize their alert settings by going to www.nixle.com and creating a User Profile. The service is secure, reliable and easy to use. All Alerts will be targeted geographically, allowing residents to receive localized, relevant alerts from the Lithonia Police Department. Nixle Alerts can be sent via Text, Email, Web, and the Nixle Mobile App in an instant.

You can find information on the city's webpage at <https://lithoniacity.org/NixleNotifications.aspx>. Questions about the service and its capabilities can be answered through the Frequently Asked Questions page found at www.nixle.com/consumer-faq. Should you need additional assistance, Nixle provides free citizens support. Email any questions to support@nixle.com.

We are very excited to have you experience this service for yourselves.



Beginning on April 1, 2021, the LIHEAP Summer Cooling program will be processing applications for all households 65 and older. These supports will go to utility payments to help keep everyone safe and healthy. For information on these supports, go to:

[Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \(LIHEAP\) | Division of Family & Children Services | Georgia Department of Human Services](#)

COVID 19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

The COVID-19 vaccine is available at many locations across the state, including county public health departments, mass vaccination sites, pharmacies, and doctor's offices. Anyone age 16 or older is eligible to get the vaccine in Georgia.

Most providers require that you make an appointment to get the vaccine. Do not show up to a vaccine location without an appointment. No payment is required. While the vaccine is available at no cost, you may be asked to provide your coverage information.

Stay up to date on the latest information about vaccine availability and distribution by following updates from the Georgia Department of Public Health, [your county's health department](#), and your healthcare provider or physician.

Register for an appointment at a county health department site near you using the [DPH appointment scheduling website](#).

Find a vaccine provider near you by using the [DPH Vaccine Locator](#). Use the information listed to contact the provider and schedule a vaccine appointment.

Find a state-supported mass vaccination site nearest you and pre-register for an appointment at MyVaccineGeorgia.com.

Find a pharmacy location near you at VaccineFinder.org. Visit the pharmacy website to schedule an appointment.

COVID-19 EMERGENCY HOTLINE

1-844-442-2681



- + Call this **hotline** to check on and schedule testing
- + Be careful of private sectors and sites doing test. There are a lot of **scams** already
- + Please do not go to the **emergency room** call your health provider first or your health department
- + Please limit **travel**
- + Practice **social** distancing
- + Support your local businesses!!! It's important
- + If you're sick, **Stay Home**

**WHEN IN DEKALB COUNTY,
INDIVIDUALS OVER AGE
THREE ARE REQUIRED TO
WEAR A MASK OR OTHER
FACE COVERING OVER THE
NOSE AND MOUTH
WHENEVER THEY ARE IN
PUBLIC PLACES. PLEASE
JOIN US TO SAVE LIVES!**

2nd Round of the Lithonia Cares Act Small Business/Nonprofit Grant

The Mayor and City Council are pleased to announce the 2nd Round of the Cares Act Small Business and Nonprofit Grant for the Historic City of Lithonia business community.

Simple grant applications are available on the city website, and should be returned to Lathaydra Sands at lathaydra.sands@lithoniacity.org or in-person to Robinette Blount in the City Clerk office as soon as possible. The remaining funds will be awarded on a first come first serve basis.

We greatly appreciate your strides and resiliency of commitment within our business community.

Planning for Impactful Summer Learning

As part of its children and youth initiative, **ENGAGE: Connecting With Georgia's Children and Youth**, GMA and the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network (GSAN) are hosting [Planning for Impactful Summer Learning](#) on **Wednesday, May 5, at 1:00 p.m.**

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Georgia's afterschool and summer learning programs have provided key supports to students and families. These programs are ready and able to support students' recovery this summer.

During this one-hour webinar participants will explore ways that cities, schools, and summer learning programs can partner to plan for an impactful summer and combat COVID learning loss.

Register for the webinar by [clicking on this link](#).

FREE BULKY ITEM TRASH COLLECTION

DeKalb County Sanitation is the garbage hauler for most residents and businesses in the City of Lithonia.

Did you know that if you want bulky items picked up you need to call 404-294-2900 to request a bulky item pick-up? You should call as soon as the item(s) are placed at the curb. Bulky items include furniture, mattresses and box springs, household appliances, playground equipment, lawn mowers, hand tools, accessories etc., and other items not collected on residents' normally scheduled sanitation service day.

From **Friday, May 7**, through **Saturday, May 29**. The DeKalb County Sanitation Division will offer free residential bulky item curbside collection. Residents within the Sanitation Division's service area will have an opportunity to place bulky items, including furniture and appliances, curbside for collection. Servicing will occur once per household, and collection schedules are based on residents' designated sanitation service day as follows:

- For customers whose regularly scheduled collection day is **Monday**, servicing will begin on **Friday, May 7**, and end on **Saturday, May 8**.
- For customers whose regularly scheduled collection day is **Tuesday**, servicing will begin on **Friday, May 14**, and end on **Sat., May 15**.
- For customers whose regularly scheduled collection day is **Wednesday**, servicing will begin on **Friday, May 21**, and end on **Sat., May 22**.
- For customers whose regularly scheduled collection day is **Thursday**, servicing will begin on **Friday, May 28**, and end on **Sat., May 29**.
- To prevent collection delays, items should be placed at the curb no later than 7 a.m.!

Based on this collection schedule, residents with missed collections should call the Sanitation Division's Customer Care team at 404-294-2900.

For more information on this service offering, please click [here](#); contact the Sanitation Division's Customer Care team at 404.294.2900 or sanitation@dekalbcountyga.gov; visit www.dekalbsanitation.com; or follow @DKalbSanitation on Twitter.

Be a good neighbor - only put garbage out the night before collection. Keep our City of Lithonia clean and beautiful.

CHANGING THE CYCLE FOUNDATION INC.

FREE VIRTUAL MATH/READING TUTORING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

For more information visit:
<https://www.changingthecyclefoundation.org/programs>



**TENTATIVE 2021 SCHEDULE
SAVE THESE DATES!!!**

- May
 - 8 Mothers Day Pop-Up Market
- June
 - 5 Opening Day Market
 - 12 Celebrating Lithonia's Businesses
 - 19 Juneteenth/Fathers Day Market
 - 26 Yoga & Exercise Market
- July
 - 3 Celebrating Black Farmers Market
 - 10 Celebrating Lithonia's Churches Market
 - 17 Celebrating Lithonia's Leaders Market
 - 24 NO MARKET – SUMMER BREAK
 - 31 Back To School / Childrens Market

August

- 7 Vegan Market
- 14 Celebrating Lithonia's Senior Citizens Market
- 21 Celebrating Lithonia's Schools/Teachers Mkt
- 28 Celebrating Police/Fire/Military Market

September

- 4 Celebrating Labor Day/Workers Market
- 11 Celebrating Grandparents Market
- 18 NO MARKET – COLLARD GREEN FESTIVAL
- 25 Dancin' In The Streets Market

October

- 2 Breast Cancer / Pink Market
- 9 Celebrating Native Lithonians Market
- 16 Celebrating Health Care Workers Market
- 23 Fall/Harvest Market
- 30 Halloween/Closing Market

November

- 20 Thanksgiving Pop-Up Market

December

- 4 Holiday Pop-Up Market



CITY OFFICIALS AND STAFF

COUNCIL MEETINGS

MAY 3rd and 17th

**MEETINGS WILL BE HELD
BY CONFERENCE CALL
DUE TO THE PANDEMIC**

**Call 770-482-8136 for
dial-in information.**

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**A City With
PURPOSE!**