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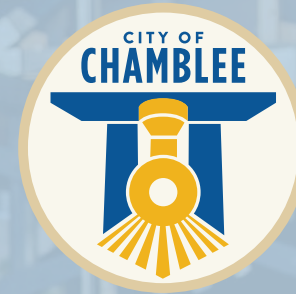
A City On The Move

ANNUAL REPORT
2024



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Greetings!



The City of Chamblee continues to be a city constantly looking for ways to reinvent itself and stay ahead of the curve thanks to the hard work and dedication of our team and your unwavering support. In 2023, our City Hall took home several awards for its state-of-the-art construction and design, which now serves as a model for other municipalities. Our Nonprofit Partnership Program is recognized and celebrated across the state for empowering and strengthening our local nonprofits to address the needs of our community. We also continue to be good stewards of our public funds and assets to provide the best financial management leadership for the city.

We're continuing to develop projects that make Chamblee one of the most sought-after and desired cities in the state of Georgia to live, work, shop, play and stay. We've launched an Entertainment District downtown to increase exposure of our downtown businesses and activities. Access to our downtown is a lot easier now due to the expansion of the Chamblee Rail Trail as we continue our goal to become a more walkable and connected city. Our public art initiatives, new parks, and signature events bring thousands of visitors near and far to discover Chamblee. We've also made a commitment to consistently promote and highlight our diversity with the hire of our Cultural Affairs Program Coordinator to ensure that all heritages and nationalities are represented, seen, and heard.

Chamblee has come a long way and is the city you see today because of your support and partnership. Without you, our businesses can't thrive, nor can we move this city forward. You are the backbone to our success and continue to help us make Chamblee a better place.

Mayor Brian K. Mock
City of Chamblee



DEPUTY CITY MANAGER'S MESSAGE

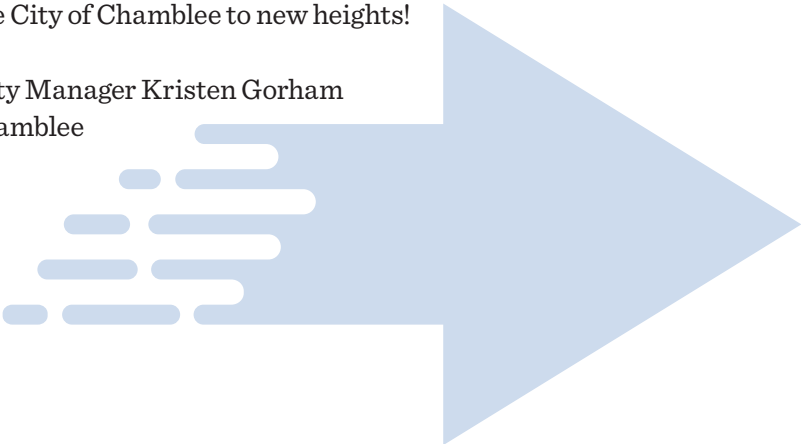


It is my privilege to share the remarkable accomplishments and progress the City of Chamblee has made over the past year. Together, we've navigated challenges and embraced opportunities, resulting in significant advancements that enhance the quality of life for all of our residents.

In 2023, we made substantial strides in development, revitalized our downtown through the completion of trails and creation of an entertainment district, attracted new businesses, created jobs and fostered economic growth. We continue to demonstrate our commitment to sustainability and affordable housing through the launch of our Sustainability and Housing Teams. Public Safety is our top priority and our Police Department has implemented innovative programs and new technologies to ensure that your safety is always at the forefront. We've also continued to invest in our parks, public greenspaces, and trails to promote Chamblee as a live, work, and play community for people of all ages. Community Engagement has also been a cornerstone of our success. Through our numerous programs and events, we've focused on fostering a transparent and inclusive relationship with all Chamblee residents and businesses to ensure that your voices are heard.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to building on this foundation of success. We have many more projects on the horizon and with your continued support and collaboration, we will continue to elevate the City of Chamblee to new heights!

Deputy City Manager Kristen Gorham
City of Chamblee



CITY COUNCIL



John Mesa,
District One



Leslie C. Robson,
District Two



Paul Stovall,
District Three



Elmer Veith,
District Four



Jimmy Furst,
At-Large,
Mayor Pro-Tem

CITY AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



◀ American Institute of Architects (AIA) Georgia 2023 People's Choice Award for Best Built Project over 5,000 Square Feet, Chamblee City Hall

◀ 2023 Construction Management Association of America (CMAA) South Atlantic Chapter Project Achievement Award, Chamblee City Hall



▲ 2023 Governor's Circle Award for Outstanding Achievements in Community Beautification and Environmental Sustainability



▲ Chamblee Named City of Civility by Georgia Municipal Association

GFOA FY22 Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada

Chamblee Municipal Court receives Clearance Rate Excellence Award



▲ 2024 Southeast Festivals and Events Association

- (Gold) Best Promotional Poster for the Chamblee Summer Concert Series
- (Silver) Best Promotional Poster for the Fall Event Menu
- (Bronze) Best Series for Live On Your Block
- (Bronze) Best Event Photograph for 4th of July Celebration



◀ 2023 Cigna Healthy Workforce Designation



Former Mayor Eric Clarkson was

inducted into the Georgia Municipal Association's Government Hall of Fame

GMA Metro-Atlanta Cities Wellbeing Initiative Graduate



▲ 2024 Visionary Award by Georgia Municipal Association for Nonprofit Partnership Program (NPP)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

The City Manager is appointed by the City Council and serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the City. They are responsible to the Mayor and City Council for the administration of all City affairs placed in the manager's charge. The City Manager directs and supervises the administration of all departments, offices and agencies of the City. The ultimate responsibility for the enforcement of all laws, provisions of the City Charter and City Council directives is held in this office.



The City Manager's Office completed year 1 of the Georgia

Initiative for Community Housing (GICH). GICH offers communities a three year program of collaboration and technical assistance related to housing and community development. This initiative is to help communities create and implement a locally based plan to meet their housing needs.

In 2023, the Housing Team identified five affordable housing goals in Chamblee:

- Housing Supply in The Dresden Drive, Plaster Road, Johnson Road Area
- Protected Affordable Housing
- Homeownership
- Preservation of Housing
- Supply of Housing

Chamblee's Mayor & Council selected six action items to focus on as first priorities in affordable housing work:

- Conduct a Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing (NOAH) Inventory in the Dresden Drive Area
- Understand Heirs Property Consideration in Chamblee

- Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Update
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit Point Leverage
- Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Development Incentives Update
- Small Area Plan Update: Dresden Drive

The City of Chamblee completed their five-year strategic plan adopted in 2019. The strategic plan serves as an outline and a guide of the current programs and proposed future initiatives to help Chamblee's staff achieve their goals.

Chamblee's first Sustainability Team was created to ensure that the City is adopting plans, policies and ordinances committed to enhancing the quality of life for current and future residents.

The City Manager's Office was the driving force behind launching the City's Open Container Policy allowing for the outdoor consumption of alcoholic beverages in the Downtown Entertainment District.



PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT



The Planning and Development Department works with Chamblee residents, the development community, the Architectural Review Board and elected officials. This department takes public inquiries regarding zoning, variances, permits, development regulations, master plans and land use; reviews plans for compliance with zoning and other requirements; issues zoning certifications letters; prepares staff analysis for public hearing applications; and prepares legal ads and mailing notices for public hearings.

In 2023, Chamblee's Planning and Development Department was selected by the Georgia Planning Association for the "It Takes A Planner" initiative to host state leaders on a tour of development in Chamblee to understand the value of planning.



Code Enforcement Activity

3286 - Code Enforcement Cases Violations Initiated
397 - Code Enforcement Citations Issued

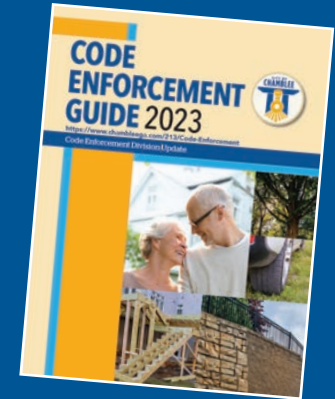
Case Identification (Proactive and Complaint)

Proactive: **3051** Complaint: **295**

6 - Apartment Sweeps Performed
14 - Commercial Sweeps Performed

Types of Violations

- Signs: **626**
- Vehicles & Parking: **591**
- Junk, Storage and Debris: **1084**
- Permits and Licenses: **744**
- Vegetation & Tall Grass: **286**
- Other Violations: **885**



Code Enforcement released its 2023 Guide to find answers to the most common code violations and questions.

Code Enforcement had 100% of completion for Multifamily Code Compliance Certificate submittals for all apartments Interior Inspections.

Code Enforcement successfully led the demolition of the Buford Lodge Hotel.

Planning by the numbers

Plan Reviews Conducted: **1,561**

Erosion Control/Engineer/ Site Inspections Performed: **3,672**

Building inspections Performed (Commercial & Residential): **5,969**

Commercial and Residential Permits Issued:

Building Permits: **1,202**

Zoning and Site Permits: **36**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development plays a pivotal role in the City of Chamblee. Businesses are the lifeblood of the city. In 2023, Chamblee issued 2043 business licenses, welcomed 143 new businesses and approximately 26,419 jobs. This growth in Chamblee's business market continues to show Chamblee is an exciting and business-friendly place to be.

Some of the new businesses that chose to call Chamblee home include: Bronx Bagel Buggy, Green Picks Market, Keller Knapp, Personify, and Zyci.

Chamblee continues to be a destination for film and production companies. Six film applications were completed in 2023 resulting in revenue from film fees of \$8925. Most notable TV and film productions include A Bird and a Bear Productions, Edelman Financial Photo Shoot, Holiday Road, Love & Hip Hop Atlanta, and TagentVector, Inc.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATIONS

Chamblee's Office of Communications was established in 2023. This office serves as the central contact for all public information, emergency messages, news and media. This office is responsible for developing and disseminating both the Signal and E-Signal newsletters as well as managing the City's social media outlets.



- In 2023, the Communications Department was established by hiring a Communications Director and a Videographer.



The Communications Department assisted with the logo and map design and promotion of Chamblee's new Open Container District in the Downtown Entertainment District.

- The Communications Department also assisted the Stormwater and Sanitation Divisions with their brand identity with a new logo.
- The City Chamblee also launched a brand new website with Revize. The new interactive site provides visitors with easier access to learn more about the City of Chamblee services, City news, meetings, programs, events and more! Some of its amazing features include Report A Concern, the ability to sign-up for City alerts, integrated social media buttons, photos, and City facts.
- The Communications Department designed a Spanish publication of the Signal Newsletter.
- The Communications Department released 31 press releases.

- The Communications Department produced 32 videos ranging from event recaps to informational videos on the City's YouTube channel.

There are now even more ways to receive news and updates from the city.

Chamblee Biz News



The Chamblee Biz News bi-weekly e-newsletter provides opportunities

and resources for businesses in the City of Chamblee to succeed! It is produced by the Economic Development Department to keep businesses informed of business-related announcements.

Signal

The city's bi-monthly printed newsletter the Signal and digital monthly newsletter the e-Signal includes updates and city-wide news.

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATIONS

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Social Media

The city's social media presence continues to grow and provide constituents with pertinent city information. Over the past year, our social media platforms have experienced exponential growth and continuous engagement with our audience. Here are the metrics of our thriving online community.

The city's Facebook page gained **828** new followers, more than **21,200** profile visits and a reach of **237, 518**.

The city's Instagram page gained **659** followers, had more than **6,900** profile visits and a reach of **29,796**.

The city's twitter page, also known as X, has over **2,100** followers.

 www.facebook.com/CityofChamblee/

 [@chamblee.ga](https://www.instagram.com/@chamblee.ga)

 [@ChambleeGA](https://twitter.com/@ChambleeGA)

 [@ourchamblee8538](https://www.youtube.com/@ourchamblee8538)

Chamblee's Community Engagement Department is responsible for creating and maintaining community relationships, celebrating Chamblee's diversity, managing city programs such as the Nonprofit Partnership Program, Chamblee 101 and the Chamblee Ambassador Program, and coordinating City events such as the Summer Concert Series and A Taste of Chamblee!

- The Community Engagement Department hired a Cultural Affairs Program Coordinator.



Programs

Chamblee 101:

Chamblee 101 is designed to equip residents, business owners, and partners with the tools to become leaders in the community and

empowers them to get involved. Participants get a behind-the-scenes look at how the City of Chamblee provides high-quality services to the community through a 10-week course that reviews how the city works, who is responsible for what, and what steps you can take to be an engaged and empowered partner who is equipped to be active in the Chamblee community. **Total Graduates: 21**

Nonprofit Partnership Program: Cities and nonprofits often have shared missions and goals, but many nonprofits struggle to find and retain funding, support, volunteers, and awareness. The City of Chamblee's Nonprofit Partnership Program (NPP) is a testament to collaboration between the two and represents a winning combination to affect positive social change in communities. The Chamblee Nonprofit Partnership Program is designed to strengthen, promote, and connect nonprofits by encouraging collaboration, enhancing organizational visibility and supporting organizational development and capacity-building by offering development opportunities (lunch and learns, roundtable discussions, etc.), funding opportunities (quarterly grant), and foundational tools (volunteer recruitment portal, room reservations, etc.).

- Total Lunch and Learns: 3
- Total Roundtables: 3
- Total Grants Awarded: \$89,403
- Total Members: 23 (This is an increase of 7 members from 2022)

Neighborhood Engagement Program: Chamblee's newest program is the Neighborhood Engagement Program (NEP). This program encourages groups of Chamblee residents to come together and actively partner in improving their community. It is a community activated program that provides opportunities for residents to work together to plan and participate in programs that will contribute to the well-being of the area in which they live. Each year, city staff will hold 4 meetings with 2 communities to identify projects and programs residents would like to see in their communities (2 project update meetings will be held with the remaining communities after the program has fully launched). The first meeting was held in November 2023.

Events

The City of Chamblee had an estimated total of 17,000 attendees to attend their signature events in 2023.



Chamblee Summer Concert Series: Each summer, the City of Chamblee brings some of the best of the best to the Chamblee Summer Concert Series stage. The community is invited to enjoy live music, food, fun, and one amazing 4th of July fireworks display.

- June 2: The Breakfast Club and Saved by the Band
Estimated Attendance: 3,000
- July 4: Geek Squad Band and Leah Belle Faser
Estimated Attendance: 3,500
- August 4: Drivin' 'n Cryin' and Chuck Mead
Estimated Attendance: 3,500

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A Taste of Chamblee: The 14th annual A Taste of Chamblee returned with some big changes on October 14, 2023. Chamblee has changed drastically since ToC launched 14 years ago, and in 2023 we wanted to give the community a taste of everything



Chamblee; hence the slight name change and new logo. Attendees received a taste of Chamblee's dining scene, music scene, and art scene with the new addition of craft vendors all in one place while enjoying the return of the large LED screens with the ACC and SEC football games, the Kids Zone, Wine Down Tent, and Beer Gardens.

- *Estimated Attendance: 7,000*

Continued Events

Chamblee Restaurant Week: Whether it's takeout, delivery, indoor dining, or patio dining, Chamblee Restaurant Week (CRW) lets you dine your way. CRW includes seven days filled with tasty deals and treats from restaurants across the city. Restaurants provide specialized menu items, food/drink specials, or create a fixed price menu to provide patrons with a new dining experience they cannot get any other time of the year.



Georgia Cities Week: GA Cities Week is hosted by the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) and is an opportunity for cities to share information about the valuable services provided to residents, gives an inside look to city operations, highlight community projects and infrastructure and is an opportunity to connect with residents. For an entire week, the City of Chamblee has an event planned each day.

2023 Events

- Sunday Funday
- Police Serving the Community at Chick-fil-A
- #ShopChamblee Tuesday
- Car Seat Safety Check
- Sustainability Thursday
- Meet the City
- Run for the Hills 5k and Festival



Chamblee Holiday Hoopla: Celebrate the holidays as the front of City Hall is adorned with holiday decorations and local businesses host the most festive events of the season.

2023 Events

- Holiday Cupcake Decorating at Lenox Cupcakes
- Jingle Belle Rock at Balance Dance
- DIY Snowball Soap at Buff City Soap
- Grinch Meet and Greet at Dogphoria

Atlanta Pride Parade:

The City of Chamblee is a proud participant in the annual Atlanta Pride Parade. In the past, your elected officials and city staff would meet at the Chamblee MARTA Station and head to downtown Atlanta to show some PRIDE and support Georgia's oldest nonprofit agency serving the LGBTQ community. In 2023, the invitation was extended to the community to join the parade through the streets of Atlanta. Dressed in Chamblee Pride t-shirts, elected officials, city staff, community partners, and residents paraded through the streets handing out swag as onlookers cheered.



New Events



Atlanta United Watch Party:

Initially launched in 2020, the City of Chamblee was proud to reintroduce the Atlanta United Watch Party in partnership with Plaza Fiesta. The first away match was played on a large LED screen in the parking lot of Plaza Fiesta. The community was invited to enjoy a

day of football, try their luck in a raffle for some Atlanta United gear, and enjoy the shops inside and the vendors outside of Plaza Fiesta.

- *Estimated Attendance: 250*

Live On Your

Block: Series of block parties that are located in the neighborhoods around Chamblee. Residents identified what type of event they wanted (movie



night, live band, family game day, etc.), what date the event should be held on, and assisted staff with scouting locations. The events provided opportunities for neighbors to meet one another, residents to network with city leadership, and create lasting memories with friends and family. Also, staff was able to build a contact list that would help launch the Neighborhood Engagement Program. In 2024, each community in the Neighborhood Engagement Program will have a chance to plan their own block party.

- Total Block Parties: 6

3rd Spot: Home is your first spot, work is your second, and now, it's time to make Downtown Chamblee your third! Each Thursday in September the city hosted small-scale events along



Peachtree Road. Events ranged from live bands, DJs, and to a Braves watch party with the goal of promoting and increasing the usage of the new entertainment district and open container ordinance.

- Total Events: 3

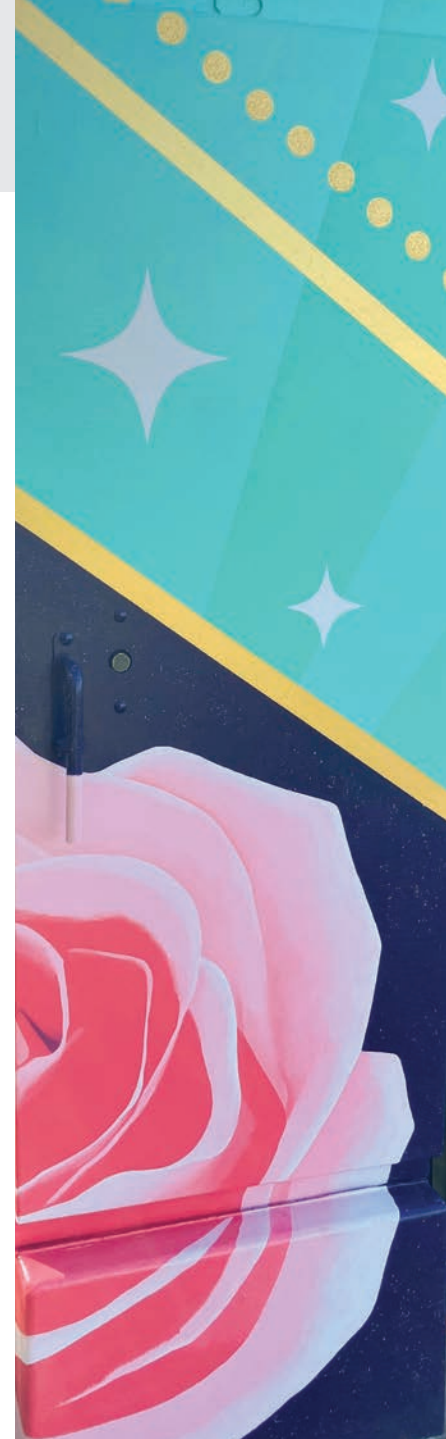
PARKS, RECREATION & ART



Chamblee Parks and Recreation Department (CPRD) provides safe, clean, and beautiful parks facilities while providing quality leisure activities for the community. These services enhance residents' health and well-being and promote economic vitality for long-term community sustainability. This department is also committed to providing its diverse population with meaningful access to art through public art initiatives. These initiatives include installations,

cultural events, and educational programming that are designed to foster an environment where all residents can experience and appreciate the beauty of art.

- In 2023, 3,974 people participated in the departments free, contracted and city managed programs.
- Chamblee Parks and Recreation Department hosted 147 field and facility rentals.
- The department celebrated Arbor Day in February with 23 participants who planted trees in Dresden Park.
- In partnership with PATH Foundation, the department completed the Chamblee Trails Master Plan which was adopted by council in April 2023. This comprehensive plan offers safe, viable pathways, connecting key destinations in and around the city for the benefit of residents, businesses, and visitors to Chamblee.
- The department continued our work with Keep Chamblee Beautiful on multiple projects to maintain their Keep America Beautiful affiliation status, and our status as a NWF Community Wildlife Habitat and Monarch Butterfly City.
- CPRD was awarded \$422, 391. 20 in grant funding from the Georgia Improving Neighborhood Outcomes in Disproportionally Impacted Communities Grant to replace grass with artificial turf in the multi-use field at Village Park.
- Installed a “green” restroom facility at Village Park using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to cover expenses





- Completed construction at Arrow Creek Park that includes a “green” restroom facility, 3 pickleball courts, 2 basketball courts, 1 volleyball court, 1 artificial turf soccer field with walls, 1 natural grass - small soccer field, raingardens, trail (boardwalk and slate), lighting, park signage and amenities, and landscaping.

- Completed the Upper Keswick Park Master Plan - Softball, T-ball, Dog Park
- Completed the Huntley Hills Park Master Plan
- The Chamblee Rail Trail was expanded in Downtown Chamblee stretching .46 miles from Pierce Drive to Chamblee Tucker Road.
- The City of Chamblee expanded the Chamblee Rail Trail from Pierce Drive to Chamblee Tucker Road, adding .46 miles to the trail.
- Purchased 2.4 acres at 2335 Woodacres Road NE to create a new park in South Chamblee.

Public Art

- In 2023, the department hired a full-time public arts coordinator, Teneisha Jones, to plan, organize, implement, promote, and evaluate arts programs, events and activities in the city.
- The Chamblee Chalk Walk and Arts Festival was held on September 23rd and featured 48 art vendors, 7 professional chalk artists, food vendors, and citizen art competition. The event was a big success with over 1,000 patrons visiting the event during the 4-hour time period.
- 11 City Owned, Public Utility Boxes were painted between August and December 2023.
- A new artistic piano, named Max, was installed under the Clairmont Bridge along the Chamblee Rail Trail in partnership with Play Me Again Pianos.
- The Public Arts Coordinator partnered with the Southeast Fiber Arts Alliance for an installation of artistic elements on the Peachtree Road Bridge fencing.
- The Public Arts Coordinator also partnered with Chamblee High School on a Rail Trail Mural project.



POLICE & MUNICIPAL COURT

The Chamblee Police Department (CPD) responds to call for law enforcement services, enforces all state and local laws and ordinances, protects life and property, investigates matters of a criminal nature, preserves the peace and strives to prevent crime and disorder.



Michael Dieppa was announced as Chamblee's new Police Chief.

The Chamblee Police Department responded to the following number of calls in 2023 for service and issued case numbers:

8,580

Cases Created

17,035

Citizen Initiated Calls for Service

14,694

Officer Initiated Calls for Service

(house/business check, check location, traffic stop, suspicious activity)

39,628

TOTAL Calls for Service (includes citizen initiated, officer initiated, part time jobs, etc.)

1,722

Accident Reports



City of Chamblee - Persons & Property Crimes

Crime	2022	2023	Difference	Percent Change
Homicide	2	3	1	50%
Forcible Sex Offenses	23	27	4	17%
Robbery	43	40	-3	-7%
Larceny	885	1108	223	25%
Auto Theft	114	113	-1	-1%
Burglary Commercial	51	122	71	139%
Burglary Residential	38	51	13	34%
Aggravated Assault/Battery	96	133	37	39%
Total Persons Crimes	164	203	39	24%
Total Property Crimes	1088	1394	306	28%
Total Crime	1252	1597	345	28%



The Chamblee PD was awarded \$1.6 million in Community Public Safety Grants. \$1.3 million is being used to establish and operate a real-time crime center, including procurement of technologies, creation of the program and hiring staff. \$280,500 was used to implement a Co-responder Program pairing experienced mental health care professionals with officers to de-escalate situations when responding to a mental health call. In 2023, the Co-Responder Program was able to assist and provide resources to 263 people experiencing a mental health crisis.

The department put six new patrol cars into service and purchased two new detective vehicles. The department purchased new equipment, such as gas masks, ballistic helmets, and ballistic shields to respond to critical incidents or disturbances.

Chamblee PD's Traffic Unit was the recipient of the High Visibility Grant in the amount of \$64,304.20 from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS). They used grant funds to put a new LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) device into service and added a new Radar unit and a speed and safety message trailer.

Municipal Court-The Chamblee Municipal Court is responsible for handling all misdemeanor traffic cases, city ordinance violations and certain state misdemeanor crimes in which prosecution is initiated by the Chamblee Police Department or other police agencies for violations occurring within the City of Chamblee.

In 2023, Chamblee Municipal court held 77 court sessions. The court managed over 4700 defendants and processed over 7100 citations. They also sustained a highly effective clearance rate on cases coming in and cases being disposed.

Chamblee Municipal Court was awarded a \$40K Grant from the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) to conduct research and host programs aimed to educate and engage underserved communities in the City of Chamblee to strengthen their confidence in the courts.

PUBLIC WORKS

Chamblee residents rely on Public Works for the most important city services: solid waste collection, recycling, stormwater system maintenance, street cleaning, road maintenance, fleet and city building maintenance. These are Mayor and City Council priorities and have been for quite some time. The Chamblee Public Works Department is proud to perform their duties of keeping motorists moving and pedestrians safe.



The Public Works Department had numerous accomplishments this year:

Administration Division

- Kicked off the GovPilot Program to track and address citizen concerns and issue Encroachment Permits
- Held a successful joint Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event with the cities of Brookhaven and Doraville
 - Styrofoam: 293 pounds
 - Plastic Film: 142 pounds
 - Electronics: 5853 pounds
 - Household Goods: 478 pounds
 - Household Hazardous Waste: 45,342 pounds



- Held a successful DNR River's Alive event in partnership with Keep Chamblee Beautiful, Peachtree Creek Greenway and Highwood Properties
 - 28 volunteers and 6 Chamblee PW employees participated
 - 1,200 pounds of waste collected
 - 26 bags of trash, 2 couches, 1 bicycle, 2 shopping carts,
 - 1 chair, 2 suitcases with 50 pounds of clothing, and
 - 10 linear feet of PVC pipe
 - 1 bag of recyclable material
 - 10 pounds of scrap metal
 - 13 tires recovered and recycled

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PUBLIC WORKS

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Grounds and Greenspace Division

- Kicked off 2 new contracts for city-wide landscape maintenance
- Hired new Grounds & Greenspace Manager
- Supported two volunteer litter removal efforts in Dresden Park and River's Alive event along the north fork of Peachtree Creek in Century Center
- Trained all division staff in tree pruning techniques
- Developed comprehensive plan to replace expired plant material along the Peachtree Road streetscape
- Key Metrics:
 - Down/Damaged Trees Addressed in Parks and ROW: 38
 - ROW Vegetation Control Requests Addressed: 47
 - Pounds of Invasive Species Eradicated: 5,400
 - Special Projects Completed: 224
 - Pounds of Trash Collected from Cans: 74,486
 - Pounds of Loose Litter Picked Up: 17,475
 - Large/Bulky Litter Items Removed from Roads/ROW: 500
 - Deceased Animals Removed from Roadways: 123
 - After hours Emergency Call Responses: 15

Transportation Division

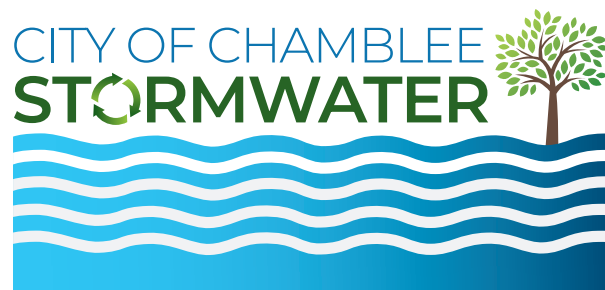
- Completed an inventory of pedestrian lights that are not working.
- Received the Safe Streets for All Grant (SS4A) in the amount of \$240,000 dollars to develop, complete or supplement a comprehensive safety action plan. The funds are being used to improve pedestrian mobility and develop a holistic, well-defined strategy to prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries in a locality.

- Key Metrics:
 - Pothole Repairs: 144
 - Sidewalk Repairs (panels): 16
 - Signs Installed/Repaired: 356
 - Traffic Light Repairs: 41
 - Encroachment Permits Issued: 292
 - Encroachment Permits Denied: 16



Stormwater Division

- Hired a new Stormwater Manager
- Completed analysis of Pond data for stormwater assessment and identified 33 critical projects and developed plan to update existing assessment.
- Started implementation of the 2ndNature platform to manage stormwater assets and track inspections, maintenance, and repairs.
- Completed the Dresden Park Streambank Restoration project.
- 95% complete on the Arrow Creek Park Bioretention area construction.
- Designed new Stormwater logo



Sanitation Division

- Hired a new Sanitation Manager
- Went to a 4-day collection schedule.
- Collected 2,650 tons of Municipal Solid Waste
- Collected 244 tons of recycling.
- Collected 129 tons of leaf, yard debris and brush.
- Collected 4.6 tons of electronics recycling.
- Collected 71 paid special pickups.
- Delivered 159 sanitation carts.
- Promoted Public Works through the distribution of toy sanitation trucks throughout the city during Halloween and the Winter Holidays.
- Designed new sanitation and recycling logo



Public Works By The Numbers

Sweeper Dirt:

108 tons

Household Trash :

2,650 tons

Household recycle:

244 tons

Yard Waste (Leaves, Yard Debris, Brush):

129 tons



FINANCIALS

(THESE FIGURES ARE UNAUDITED)



As attested to by the financial data in this Annual Report, the Mayor and Council of Chamblee subscribe to a conservative approach in running the city. Revenues are projected by taking into account all possible scenarios; what will the economy do, and how can we adjust accordingly?

The City's policy is to maintain an unreserved, unassigned fund balance in the general fund of 25% of the operating budget at all times. The City does not budget for contingencies and therefore must rely on the fund balance for emergency expenditures.

These policies resulted in a combined ending fund balance of \$16,232,976 as of December 31, 2023. Of this balance, \$15,256,245 is designated for general fund operations and is considered unreserved and can be used to meet the near-term operating needs of the city. Revenue collections vary at different points throughout the year. Due to distribution of revenues, the city's fund balance reaches its lowest point between July and September of each year. In September of 2023, the available fund balance was \$9,843,423.

2023 Government Revenues: **\$28,669,806**

Property Taxes	\$17,058,468	59.5%
Business Taxes	\$6,074,554	21.2%
Charges for Services	\$1,577,453	5.5%
Interfund Transfers In	\$960,065	3.3%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$902,987	3.1%
Business Licenses	\$267,711	0.9%
Other Taxes	\$701,454	2.4%
Miscellaneous Income	\$78,571	0.3%
Gain of Sale of Capital Assets	-	0.0%
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	\$1,048,542	3.7%

2023 Government Expenditures: **\$32,240,763**

Personnel/Benefits	\$16,391,792	50.8%
Purchased Services	\$8,092,481	25.31%
Capital Outlays	\$3,148,771	9.8%
Supplies	\$1,804,789	5.6%
Other Financing Uses	\$2,766,049	8.6%
Debt Service	-	0.0%
Other Costs	\$36,881	0.1%
Millage	6.25	

City of Chamblee, Change in Net Position

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Assets:						
Current and other assets	\$43,975,1	\$50,175,281	\$3,765,20	\$4,191,367	\$47,740,392	\$54,366,648
Capital assets	<u>77,779,8</u>	<u>68,981,770</u>	<u>2,909,258</u>	<u>2,531,785</u>	<u>80,689,133</u>	<u>71,513,555</u>
Total Assets	<u>121,755,0</u>	<u>119,157,051</u>	<u>6,674,460</u>	<u>6,723,152</u>	<u>128,429,525</u>	<u>125,880,203</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	\$897,27	\$347,803	\$107,229	\$39,738	\$1,004,504	\$387,541
Liabilities:						
Current and other liabilities	14,963,8	16,626,119	404,796	151,222	15,368,599	16,777,341
Long term debt outstanding	<u>45,333,0</u>	<u>42,390,166</u>	<u>483,914</u>	<u>113,559</u>	<u>45,816,992</u>	<u>42,503,725</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>60,296,8</u>	<u>59,016,285</u>	<u>888,710</u>	<u>264,781</u>	<u>61,185,591</u>	<u>59,281,066</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	-	\$1,879,644	-	\$214,759	-	\$2,094,403
Net position:						
Net investment in capital						
Assets	37,669,1	29,128,119	2,909,258	2,531,785	40,578,358	31,659,904
Restricted	8,328,0	5,848,437	-	-	8,328,088	5,848,437
Unrestricted	16,358,2	23,632,369	2,983,721	3,751,565	19,341,992	27,383,934
Total Net Position	<u>\$62,355,</u>	<u>\$58,608,925</u>	<u>\$5,892,979</u>	<u>\$6,283,350</u>	<u>\$68,248,438</u>	<u>\$64,892,275</u>

Prudent financial management enabled Chamblee City Councilmembers to take two actions related to fiduciary matters in 2019. The council supported a referendum to nearly double the homeowner tax exemption to \$50,000. Homeowners aged 65 and older, or who have 100 percent disability status from the Social Security Administration or the Veteran's Administration, are eligible for a 100% city tax exemption. Secondly, Councilmembers reduced the millage rate from 6.40 in 2018 to 6.25 in 2019.





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