



City of Douglas Georgia

July 2022 E-Newsletter
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JULY CALENDAR

- Recreation Commission** – July 12, 11:45AM, Central Square Complex – Magnolia Room
- Keep Douglas Beautiful** – July 12, 2:30PM, Ashley Slater House
- Downtown Development Authority** – July 13, 9AM, Ashley Slater House
- Land Bank Authority** – July 14, 2PM, Ashley Slater House
- Air Base Preservation and Development Committee** – July 13, 12PM, Airport Veterans Park Committee
- Veterans Park Committee** – July 20, 10AM, Airport
- Citizens Advisory Committee** – July 20, 6PM, Youth Center.
- GICH Committee Meeting** – July 20, 3PM, Ashley Slater House.
- Planning Commission** – July 21, 6PM, Ashley Slater House.
- Historic Preservation Committee** – July 28, 4PM, Ashley Slater House.

The 4th of July Freedom Fest was held on July 4, 2022 at Jardine Stadium and was a fantastic success! The City of Douglas and First National Bank of Coffee County along with all the great sponsors provided safe and fun entertainment for Coffee County. We say thank you to everyone who came out and supported our food vendors, kids carnival, and fireworks show. We especially want to thank our food vendors and sponsors for helping make this an annual event for everyone. Event sponsors included First National Bank of Coffee County, City of Douglas, 106.7 The Buck, 106.3 The Tree, Charles Lewis Construction, Harper & Company Builders, Douglas-Coffee County Chamber of Commerce, Julian and Ada Meeks, Douglas National Bank, Brooks Auto Parts, Ameris Bank, and Smile Doctors.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THE 4TH OF JULY FREEDOM FEST A SUCCESS!



BACK TO SCHOOL
AUGUST 8, 2022

PARKS AND RECREATION DAY

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022
11AM-2PM CE WEIR CENTER

- ◆ 2021-2022 STATE CHAMPIONS PARADE
- ◆ WATERSLIDES
- ◆ MUSIC
- ◆ BINGO
- ◆ BACK 2 SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- ★ 10AM: State Champions Parade lineup begins at Premier Sports Athletic Complex
- ★ 10:30AM: Parade will travel down 441S to the CE Weir Center (307 E. Bryan Street)



MORE INFO:

912-384-5978

www.cityofdouglasga.gov



PROJECT UPDATES

The Greenway Trail project is nearing completion. Crews are working on cementing the new areas to connect to the existing trail. Once completed, the Greenway Trail will run 5.5 miles from South Georgia State College to Coffee High School.



The Miracle League has been playing games at Roper Field. Thanks to the everyone who is helping support this league, the players, and coaches. Special thanks to the Coffee High Lady Trojan Softball and the CCA Softball/Baseball teams for being Miracle League Buddies. Fall Season signup begins July 11, 2022. Players and Buddies are needed! For more information, call the Parks & Recreation Department at (912)384-5978, email Stevie Young at syoung@cityofdouglasga.gov, or sign up online [here!](#)



Awesome job to our Fire Department for donating equipment and gear to the Pearson/Atkinson County Fire Department. With this donation, the DFD is helping our neighboring county fight fires and save lives. Way to go!



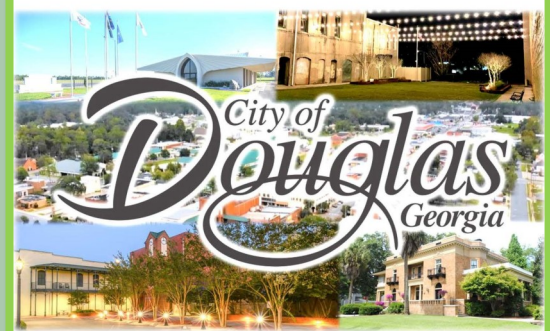
Construction is moving quickly on Unison Behavioral Health's Coffee County Adult Behavioral Health Facility. This project is made possible through a community collaboration with assistance from a CDBG Grant. We are looking forward to the completion of this project.



CITY OFFERS INCENTIVES FOR ENTERPRISE ZONES

In accordance with the State of Georgia's Enterprise Zone Employment Act of 1997, the City of Douglas has established five (5) Enterprise Zones in the city to encourage revitalization and investment in the areas. Property owners, who apply for the incentive program and successfully achieve and maintain the criteria set by the program, may qualify for abatement of municipal ad valorem (property) taxes for a ten (10) year period on business, commercial, and residential properties within the established Enterprise Zone geographic areas. For more information about the incentives or a map of the Enterprise Zones, please visit the City of Douglas website, www.cityofdouglasga.gov/Enterprise-Zones.

City of Douglas Enterprise Zone (EZ)
Municipal Tax Abatement Program



EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY SPOTLIGHT

Thank you for your service to the citizens of Douglas! Here's our **OUTSTANDING** employees that are celebrating employment anniversaries of 5 years or more with the City of Douglas during the month of July!

- John Clayton—9 yrs. (Police)
- Mike Hudson—13 Yrs. (Douglas Utilities Director)
- Lee Clements—23 yrs. (Fire)
- Dennis Trowell—26 yrs. (Vehicle Maintenance)



On Thursday, June 23, 2022, Mayor Paulk swore in Code Enforcement Officers at the Ashley Slater House. Code Enforcement officers help to enforce the City of Douglas Code of Ordinance to help improve the quality of life throughout the city of Douglas.

Pictured (Front-Back L-R): Mayor Paulk with Code Enforcement Officers Mary Mireles, Tim Gay, Isaac Swinson, and Randle Parker.



Congratulations to Douglas Police Department's Captain Jerome Perkins!

We wish you a very Happy Retirement and say THANK YOU for your service to the citizens of Douglas.



Each year, the City of Douglas holds an appreciation luncheon for city employees. During the luncheon, employees with 20+ years of service are recognized and all employees are treated to great food, door prizes, and more fun. The City Manager, Mayor, and Commissioner are allowed time to share their appreciation with all employees and join in on the fun. City employees who are on the FISH! Committee organize, setup/clean up, and prepare the food for the luncheon. The FISH! committee is a group of employees who help to improve morale among co-workers by using the FISH! Philosophy. Congratulations to the following employees who were recognized for their years of service to the City and the citizens of Douglas: Scott Wiggins-20 Yrs., Brantly Anderson - 25 Yrs., Blondale Thomas-25 Yrs., Dennis Trowell-25 Yrs., and Joseph Stewart-30 Yrs. Thank you to the FISH Committee members for this year: Brantly Anderson, Chris Davis, Stevie Young, Linda Phillips, Patrick West, Kristi Morgan, ShaNia Smith, Tammy Wilkerson, Steve McClelland, and Howard Whidden.



WE ARE HIRING!
www.cityofdouglasga.gov/jobs
 912-389-3494

We have part-time and full-time positions open!
Full-time: Groundsman, Firefighter, Police Officer
Part-time: Volunteer Firefighter
 For more information or to apply online,
<https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/>

Business Corner

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES!

Healthy Eats Food Truck, 912-331-5419

EZ Custom Designs, 1428 W. Baker Hwy,
912-850-7838

Taylor's Produce, 188 Brandy Rd.

Bella's Thrift & Gifts, 609 E. Baker Hwy,
912-850-1514

Pampered Princesses Kids Spa, 514 S. Peterson
Ave., 912-389-1560

John Moffitt Chiropractor, 216 S. College Ave.,
912-384-5678

Triple T Cargo, 519 SW Bowens Mill Rd., 912-285-
1390

The Taco Place, 306 S. Peterson Ave., 912-383-
2550

Roper Enterprises, 520 N. Gaskin Ave., 912-850-
8210



BID OPPORTUNITIES

cityofdouglasga.gov

(912)389-3463

Resurfacing and Striping of Roads

Deadline: July 25, 2022

**Water & Sewer Improvements,
Rehabilitation and Improvements for
Wellhouses #2 & #4**

Deadline: August 2, 2022

Demolition and Remediation of 5 Houses

Deadline: August 8, 2022

BE PREPARED FOR
THE NEXT QUALITY
OF LIFE BLITZ..

OFFICIALS WILL BE
LOOKING FOR
CODE VIOLATIONS

THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

HELP USCLEANUP DOUGLAS, ONE
NEIGHBORHOOD AT A TIME!



OPENING A NEW BUSINESS OR
RENOVATING YOUR BUSINESS?

DONT FORGET TO CHECK WITH THE CITY OF
DOUGLAS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE FOR
ALL THE LOCAL ORDINANCES FOR SIGNAGE,
HISTORIC PRESERVATION, BUSINESS LICENSE,
AND MORE..

FOR MORE INFORMATION, 912-389-3462.

Residential Junk Drop-Off Day

July 16, 2022 - 8:30am - 12noon

@ City Pole Yard (670 S. Pearl Ave.)

Customers must be in the drop off line prior to 11:45am

For more information, call (912)384-3302 or dial 311.

JULY TRASH/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

To find out when your pick-up date is or for more information about these services, contact the Public Works Department at (912) 389-3450 or Transwaste Services at (912) 384-6001.

Sanitation Cart Collection (Weekly)

Recycling Cart Collection (Bi-weekly)



July 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

Georgia Department of Community Affairs

The Georgia Fair Housing Act



Have you been discriminated against under the Fair Housing Act?

Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity
404-656-1736 or
800-473-OPEN
www.gceo.state.ga.us

If you think your fair housing rights have been violated, you may write, fax, or telephone your complaint to the Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity (GCEO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). You have a year to file, but you should file as soon as possible. Include:

- Name & address
- Name & address of the person your complaint is against
- Address or other identification of the housing involved
- Short description of the incident
- Date(s) of the incident

For more information, link to <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9096/FairHousingBrochure>

Georgia Department of Community Affairs
404-679-4840 or
800-359-4663
www.dca.ga.gov

Georgia Department of Community Affairs

La Ley de Vivienda Justa de Georgia



¿Ha sido discriminado según la Ley de Vivienda Justa?

Comisión de Igualdad de Oportunidades de Georgia
404-656-1736 y
800-473-OPEN
www.gceo.state.ga.us

Si usted cree que sus derechos de equidad para la vivienda han sido violados, puede escribir, enviar por fax o comunicar por teléfono su queja a la Comisión de Igualdad de Oportunidades de Georgia (GCEO, por sus siglas en inglés) o al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés). Tiene un año para presentar su queja, pero debe presentarla tan pronto como sea posible. Incluya:

- Nombre y dirección
- Nombre y dirección de la persona contra la que hace su denuncia
- Dirección u otra identificación de la vivienda involucrada
- Breve descripción del incidente
- Fecha(s) del incidente

Departamento de Asuntos Comunitarios de Georgia
404-679-4840 y
800-359-4663
www.dca.ga.gov

Para obtener más información, enlace a <https://www.cityofdouglasga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9097/fairhousingbrochurespanish>

NOW ACCEPTING C.H.I.P. APPLICATIONS IN TARGET AREA

The City of Douglas is now accepting housing applications for its Community Home Investment Program 2021-106 Grant from owner-occupants for homeowners living within the following: portions of W. Railroad Street, W. Cherry Street, Magnolia Street, Willow Street, W. Baker Highway, S. Grady Avenue, S. Daughtry Avenue, S. College Avenue.

To view a map of the target area or for more information, WWW.CITYOFDOUGLASGA.GOV



PUBLIC HEARING



As recommended by the Historic Preservation Committee, the City of Douglas would like to designate the area known as the Gaskin Avenue Historic District, as a local historic district.

1ST PUBLIC READING:
JULY 25TH @ 6 PM



C.E. WEIR CENTER
307 BRYAN STREET

2ND PUBLIC READING & PUBLIC HEARING:
AUGUST 8TH @ 6 PM



FMI: 912-389-3433



PUBLIC HEARING



To amend the Manufactured Mobile Home Overlay District City of Douglas Code of Ordinance

**C.E. WEIR CENTER
307 BRYAN STREET**

**1ST PUBLIC READING:
JULY 25TH @ 6 PM**

**2ND PUBLIC READING
& PUBLIC HEARING:
AUGUST 8TH @ 6 PM**

FMI: 912-389-3433



PUBLIC HEARING



To amend the City of Douglas ULDC (Zoning Ordinance)

**1ST PUBLIC READING:
JULY 11TH @ 6 PM**

**2ND PUBLIC READING & PUBLIC HEARING:
JULY 25TH @ 6 PM**

**C.E. WEIR CENTER
307 BRYAN STREET**

FMI: 912-389-3433



Attention

Is your home in this area?



On August 1, 2021, the City of Douglas was awarded a Community HOME Investment Program Grant in the amount of \$400,000 to provide decent, safe, energy efficient and affordable housing to low-moderate income individuals living in substandard housing within the target area.

It is anticipated that six (6) owners will be helped by this grant for rehabilitation of their residences.

The City of Douglas is committed to providing all persons with equal access to its services, programs, activities, education and employment regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability or age.



The City of Douglas is accepting housing applications for its CHIP 2021-106 Grant from owner-occupants for owners living within the following neighborhoods:

Portions of W. Railroad Street, W. Cherry Street, Magnolia Street, Willow Street, W. Baker Highway, S. Grady Avenue, S. Daughtry Avenue, and S. College Avenue as show above in the map.

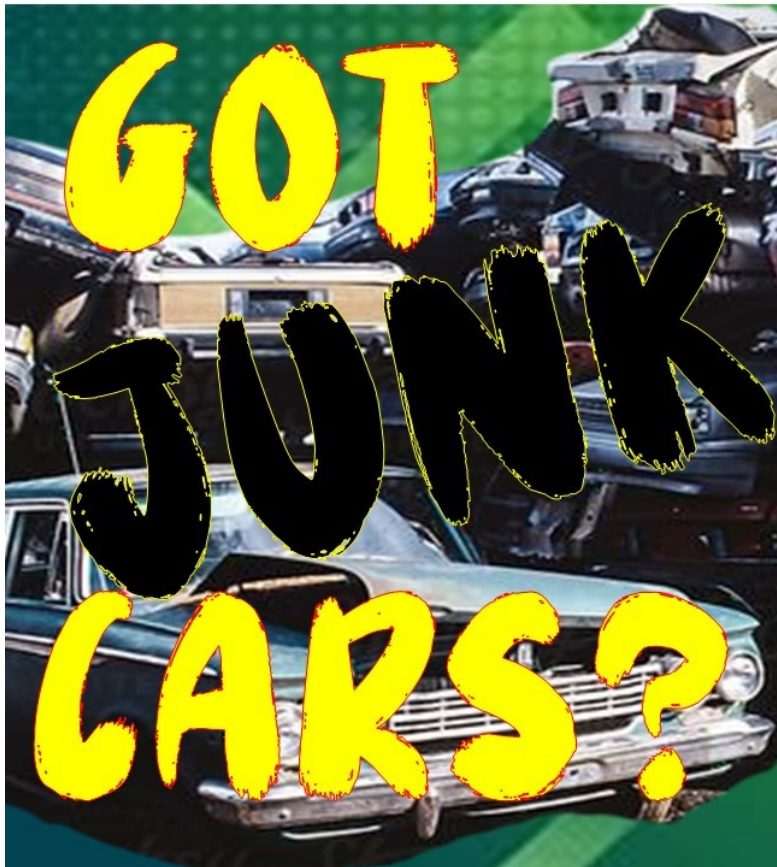
Assistance will be provided on a **first-come-first-served basis** by contacting Christian Burkett with the City of Douglas at (912) 383-0277 to be placed on the housing list/waiting list. The City of Douglas is committed to providing all persons with equal access to its services, programs, activities, education and employment regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability or age.

PLEASE CONTACT:
Christian Burkett
City of Douglas
At (912) 383-0277 for
more information.

Yard Sale Permits

A permit is REQUIRED to have a yard sale within the city limits!

Yard Sale Permits are \$5.00 and can be obtained at the City of Douglas Customer Service office located at: **800 S. Peterson Avenue.**
FMI: 912-389-3462



The City of Douglas Code Enforcement office wants you to know you have options for the disposal of inoperable vehicles. Several businesses in our area accept and purchase vehicles for scrap metal providing you meet their criteria.

Avoid a fine of up to \$1,000 by disposing of your inoperable vehicle. For more information, contact the City of Douglas Code Enforcement Office TODAY at (912)389-3462.



The City of Douglas and local Veteran organizations have joined forces to
PAVE THE WAY

through the Douglas-Coffee County Veterans Park located adjacent to Mickey Greer Terminal at the Douglas Municipal Gene Chambers Airport. The park gives recognition to each branch of military service. The personalized brick pedestrian corridor will stand as a lasting salute to the men and women who have served their country. Bricks may be purchased throughout the year.

A MEMORIAL WALKWAY HONORING OUR VETERANS
CARVED IN BRICK

“A Memorial that will last for more than a lifetime”

\$50 per brick

(Make Checks payable to: Pave-the-Way)



For information, call
(912) 384-1409.

Complete the following and return to:
PAVE-THE-WAY, c/o City of Douglas, P.O. Box 470, Douglas, GA 31534

Enclosed is a check for _____ brick(s) @ \$50 each. Total enclosed \$_____.

(Maximum 18 spaces per line, maximum 3 lines per brick)

Sample	J	O	H	N		R	.		D	O	E								
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Brick #1																			
Brick #2																			
Brick #3																			

Donation made by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

EMAIL: _____

PLEASE NOTE:
 Maximum 18 letters per line
 Maximum 3 lines per brick



WEATHERIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Douglas has grant funding to assist qualified senior city residents with limited weatherization improvements to their home.

Adults 55-64 years of age may qualify for:

⇒ **50% Grant and 50% Applicant Match Program**

Adults 65 years of age or older may qualify for:

⇒ **75% Grant and 25% Applicant Match Program**

MAXIMUM amount eligible per household is \$5,000, including labor costs.

Eligible Energy Items:
HVAC Replacement—(1) per structure
Attic Insulation & Ventilation



REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be a resident of the City of Douglas and a U.S. Citizen
- Must be the Utility Account holder or listed on the utility accounts.
- Must be current on Utility account and not a participant of the City of Douglas Utility Payment Plan.
- Must meet current HUD income limits. This program serves homeowners with incomes at or below 80% of the area median, adjusted for household size. Income is the full amount prior to payroll deductions.
- Must provide proof of home ownership.
- Must occupy structure as primary residence.
- Must provide proof of insurance.
- Must allow qualified city staff to conduct an energy audit to determine the needed improvements.
- **MANUFACTURED HOMES** are eligible provided they are permanently affixed (made substantially immobile by the use of brick, wood, or masonry underpinning with wheels and axles removed).
- **RENTAL PROPERTY** is not eligible.



For complete eligibility guidelines, repayment information, and other information regarding the Weatherization Grant Program, please contact the Community Development Department Office at (912)383-0277.

Email: ghenderson@cityofdouglasga.gov
www.cityofdouglasga.gov

Douglas-Coffee County Chamber of Commerce and EDA

114 N. Peterson Ave, Suite 205 912.384.1873

RIDE WITH SANTA

Christmas Parade Theme

CONTEST!!

*Kids 14 and under submit your
ideas for a parade theme.*

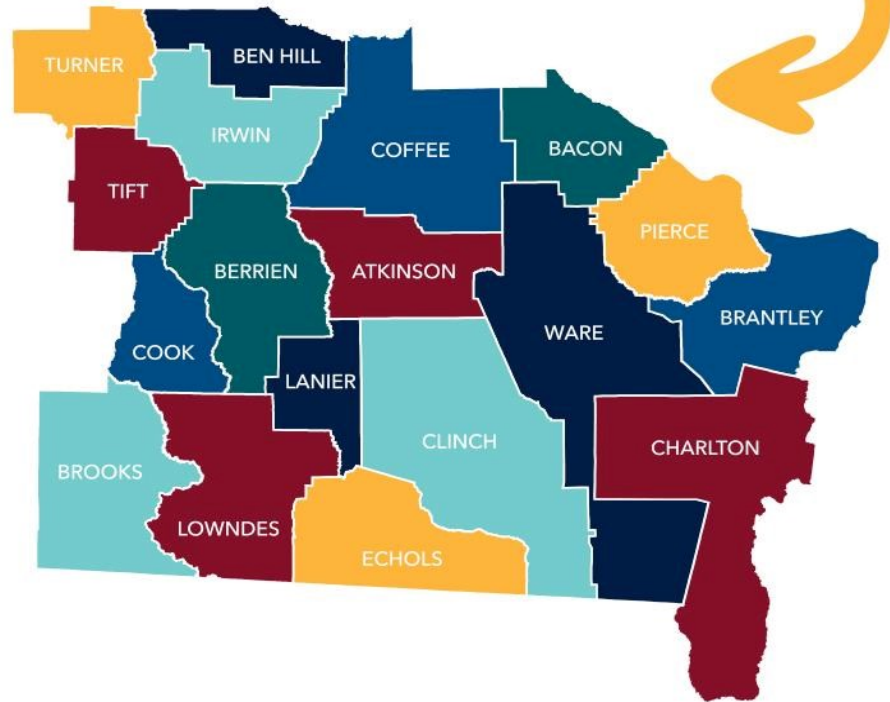
*The winner will ride with Santa in this
year's Christmas parade AND
receive an iPad from Vyve Broadband!*



*Complete the attached
Google form to enter*



Any time.
Anywhere on this map.



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Call 855-360-7475 to schedule your ride today!

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Family-owned



Working

100+ years old

Deadline: August 1

 Georgia[®] Department of 
Community Affairs



JULY 2022



Satilla Regional Library System's Summer Reading Program 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	27	28	29	30	1	2
	4 Fourth of July Holiday Closed	5 Movie "Space Jam: A New Legacy" 3:00 PM B, P Movie "Sing" 3:00 PM D, W	6 Ruby the Clown 11:00 AM Douglas 2:30 PM Willacoochee	7 Just Dance Video Gaming Tournament 2:00 PM Pearson	8 Outdoor Movie Spiderman: No Way Home 8:30 PM Pearson	9 Just Dance Video Gaming Tournament 11:00 AM Douglas
<p>Summer Reading: Signup Begins (May 25th) June 1st - July 28th All performers will be in-person.</p> <p>A=Ambrose Library B=Broxton Library D=Douglas Library N=Nicholls Library P=Pearson Library W=Willacoochee Library</p>		12 Movie "Spiderman: No Way Home" 3:00 PM B, P Movie "Sing 2" 3:00 PM D, W	13 Jacksonville Zoo 11:00 AM Douglas 2:00 PM Pearson	14 Just Dance Video Gaming Tournament 2:00 PM Willacoochee	15 Outdoor Movie Sponge Bob Movie 8:30 PM Douglas	16 Injustice 2 Video Gaming Grand Tournament 11:00 AM Douglas
		19 Movie "Sponge Bob Movie" 3:00 PM B, P Movie "Encanto" 3:00 PM D, W	20 Banana Beach Party 11:00 AM Douglas 2:30 PM Willacoochee	21 Just Dance Video Gaming Tournament 2:00 PM Nicholls	22 Outdoor Movie Sonic the Hedgehog 8:30 PM Broxton	23 Just Dance Video Gaming Grand Tournament 11:00 AM Douglas
		26 Movie "Sonic the Hedgehog" 3:00 PM B, P "Sponge Bob Movie" 3:00 PM D, W	27 Jacksonville Zoo 11:00 AM Douglas 2:00 PM Pearson	28 Final Day to turn in reading logs for SRP drawing.	29	
		2	For more information: www.srlsys.org			5




ATTENTION

PHOTOGRAPHERS & VIDEOGRAPHERS

COMPELLING PICTURES IS REQUESTING YOUR APPEARANCE AS MEDIA/NEWS PERSONNEL IN THE UPCOMING FILM PRODUCTION OF "GRACE TO FORGIVE"

JULY 14 @ 7PM

YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE LOCATION OF THE PRODUCTION.

ALL PHOTOS TAKEN BY YOU BELONG TO YOU!

REGISTER AT

FILMPRESS.COMPELINNERPROVINCE.ORG

COMING UP AT THE MARTIN CENTRE

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MARTIN
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visit
DOUGLAS
COFFEE COUNTY • GEORGIA

FRIDAY OCTOBER 21, 2022

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 PM SHOW STARTS AT 8:00 PM

THE MARTIN CENTRE

109 E ASHLEY STREET DOUGLAS, GEORGIA

WWW.THEMARTINCENTRE.ORG

FLY PRODUCTION PRESENTS:

KIDS SUMMER MOVIES



MOVIE WILL BEGIN AT 4:00PM

ADMISSION: \$5.00

INCLUDES SMALL POPCORN, DRINK & MOVIE

With each paying adult, one child enters for FREE. Each additional guest is \$5

EVERY WEEK IN JUNE & JULY SUPPORT THE

F.L.Y. GIRLS AND BOYS SUMMER FUNDRAISER BY ATTENDING THE

FEATURED MOVIE BEING SHOWN AT GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER GYM

LOCATED AT 1020 GASKIN AVE S. DOUGLAS, GA 31533

For more information contact Jessica Williams by text/call at 912.381.8400

Free Kids Flicks

All ages welcome

FREE Admission



Every Tuesday at 10am during June & July

Bringing a large group? We can reserve an area for you, when you purchase concessions. We'll have your order ready when you arrive.
For more information call 384-8889.



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(912)384-8880
www.rockin8.com

-DOUGLAS-

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Next to Sonic