

### WARD 4 QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

### COUNCILWOMAN LATRESA AKINS-WELLS

### A Special Message To Our Residents

As your elected council person, it is my duty and honor to serve the citizens of Forest Park. Every decision that I make is with our community in mind. I am not your ordinary council person. I am an advocate for our community. I am YOUR VOICE. I have seen what our city was and it's growing and changing daily. With your input and our TOGETHERNESS, our city is and will continue to be the place to LIVE, WORK and PLAY! I will continue to keep Ward 4 informed, and it is my mission to be a part of restoring our city to what we all know it can be. I am accessible to you at any time.



Humbly yours,

Councilwoman Latresa Akins-Wells



## **Community Spotlight**



#### **Citizen of the Quarter: Felicia Davis**

Resident Felicia Davis is a social justice advocate, community organizer and the founder of the HBCU Green Fund, an initiative that helps empower youth leaders and marginalized communities in order to build a more equitable future by combating climate change. With offices in Forest Park, Washington, D.C., and Dakar, Felicia has worked to advance sustainability and climate justice with a focus on the Black community and HBCUs for more than two decades.

Felicia has also participated in several world-renowned conferences, including the UNFCCC Climate Conference. She also serves as a mentor with Atlanta University Clean Energy Fellowship program and conducts an HBCU Eco Spring Break service-learning experience taking students to West Africa. Here at home, Felicia is an active member of the Forest Park Development Authority who is passionate about creating safe, sustainable neighborhoods. Thank you, Felecia, for staying involved in your community.



#### **Business Spotlight**

Business of the Quarter

The Spot 4866 Jonesboro Road Forest Park, GA 30297

Thank you for being in business in the City of Forest Park.

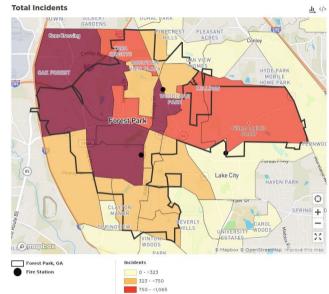
## What's New In The City?

#### City Announces New CRAIG 1300<sup>™</sup> Tool

City residents now have access to comprehensive demographic information, emergency response reports, socio-economic data and more thanks to the brand-new Forest Park CRAIG 1300<sup>™</sup> assessment dashboard.

Created using the latest innovative technology, the user-friendly platform will also be implemented by city officials to identify, evaluate and mitigate public safety risks throughout the local community. There is NO COST to access the dashboard.

> <u>Visit the Apple and Google Play</u> <u>app stores to download</u> Forest Park CRAIG 1300™ Dashboard

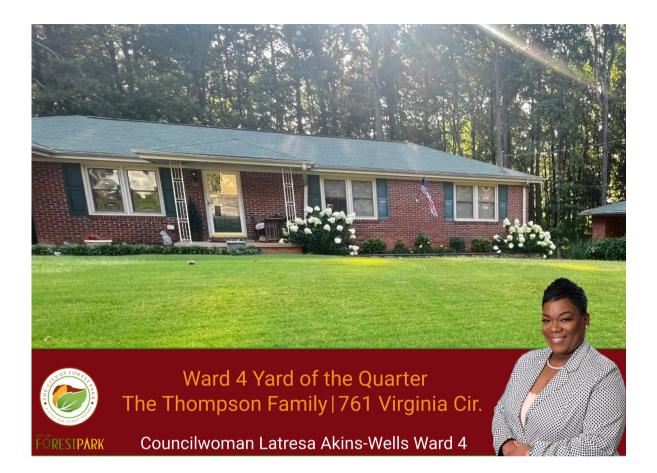


#### **Keeping Our Community Clean!**



A special thanks to the Forest Park Public Works Department and all of the local volunteers who work each and every day to keep our streets, neighborhoods, parks and recreation areas clean.

### Ward 4 Yard of the Quarter

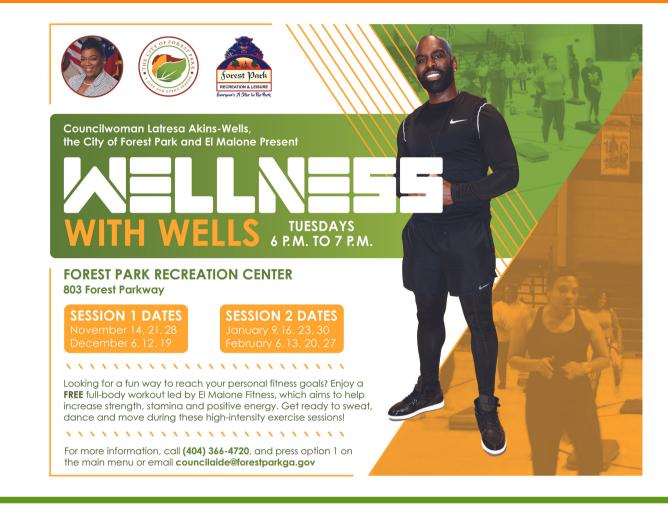


#### **Upcoming Projects**



- New Sidewalks Project
- Drainage Issues Repaired
- Road Repairs on Cynthia Lane & Pineridge
- Community Parks Update to Perkins & Pineridge

### **Upcoming Events**





#### **Opening Soon**

The City of Forest Park is now home to a new senior independent living community located off of College Street and Warren Drive. The Forest Station Senior Community development features a three-story building with a mix of 60 one-bedroom and two-bedroom units for seniors ages 55 and above, with each unit equipped with its own washer and dryer. The project was co-developed by Georgia Communities Inc. and Paladin Inc. in an effort to address the need for new affordable housing in and around the City of Forest Park. For more information contact: Ms. Pitts 404-363-2524

# **Community Events**



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- Forest Park Reunion
- Back to School Bash
- Fun Friday
- Forest Park Day
- Block Party with Code Enforement





# **Local Job Opportunities**

Looking for your next career move? The City of Forest Park has several job openings available. Below are a few of our featured employment opportunities (click the job titles to learn more).



### HONORING OUR COMMUNITY HEROERS





Residents experiencing street light issues, potholes, sanitation concerns or any other non-emergency issues are encouraged to download the new ONEClick Forest Park App that allows individuals to easily report quality-of-life concerns and request assistance – all from the palm of their hand.

Created using the latest technology, the free one-stop app gives users the ability to type in a detailed description of their concern, add a photo and submit a request, which is then forwarded to relevant city staff for follow-up. Through the app, constituents are able to track the status of each report they submit, share feedback and ask questions, while also receiving the latest information, updates and news straight from city hall.

Additional issues that can be reported via the app include potential code enforcement violations, downed trees, damaged street signs, park maintenance requests and more. The ONEClick app is not monitored 24/7. Individuals experiencing a life-threatening emergency or immediate concerns related to public safety should call 911.

Visit the <u>Apple</u> and <u>Google Play</u> app stores to download the ONEClick app. Individuals who do not own a smartphone or tablet can also visit the online <u>ONEClick Request Portal</u> to create an account and submit requests for service.

ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS? DON'T HESITATE TO CALL!

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