

# Baldwin County Georgia



## BALDWIN COUNTY ESTABLISHES CHIP GRANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS



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### Baldwin County Government

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478-445-4791

### Hours

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
M-F except holidays



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# Baldwin County Announces Community HOME Investment Program Grant Requirements

Baldwin County received a Community HOME Investment Program (CHIP) grant this year. The purpose of the CHIP is to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing in Georgia. Baldwin County will use the funds to rehabilitate owner-occupied homes in the census tracts and blocks in the unincorporated areas identified in the grant application.

The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners have established eligibility requirements for the CHIP grant as follows:

- First consideration will be given to:
  - Citizens over 60 years of age.
  - Citizens who are disabled.
- Must be properly owned as per 24 CFR 92.254.
- Gross household income must be less than 50% of the average median income for the county as established by HUD.
- Must be a homeowner in the Census Tract 9706 Block Group 1 or 4, or Census Tract 9707.01 Block Group 2 or 3.
- Must have and maintain fire insurance.
- Must have property taxes paid up to date.
- Eligible houses will be rehabilitated and not reconstructed.
- After rehabilitation property value limit not to exceed 95% of the median property values for the area as per 24 CFR 92.254.

All documents pertaining to the grant and requirements can be found via the Baldwin County website. Please click [this link](#) to learn more.



Through a partnership with Coast2Coast Rx Card, Baldwin County provides a FREE prescription discount card that provides annual savings up to 55%. Savings on a single prescription range from a few percent up to 75% (sometimes more) off the retail price of the drug. Cardholders save on both brand name and generic drugs. All members of a family can use the card. It is always FREE and the card can be used immediately. There are no age, income or other exclusions. Other benefits: savings of up to 60% on dental care, up to 50% on vision care, up to 15% on hearing care, up to 25% on veterinary services, up to 70% on diabetic supplies, and 50% to 80% on lab work. To sign up, go online to [coast2coastrx.com](http://coast2coastrx.com). Click on participating counties. Scroll down to Baldwin County, GA and click to get started.

# Community Support Needed for Phase 1 of Aquatic Center at Walter B. Williams Park

**Baldwin County**  
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## BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

WE'RE BUILDING AN AQUATIC CENTER IN 2 PHASES AT WALTER B. WILLIAMS PARK. WE NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR PHASE 1. WE ARE APPLYING FOR A GEORGIA DNR GRANT TO FUND THE AMENITIES (LANDSCAPING, LIGHTING, SHADE SAILS, SEATING UNDER SHADE SAILS, PAVILION, SOUND SYSTEM, UMBRELLAS WITH TABLES AND CHAIRS, AND WATER MISTERS), BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SHOW COMMUNITY SUPPORT. PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING!  
THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

### HOW TO DONATE

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO BALDWIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FOR/MEMO: AQUATIC CENTER AMENITIES  
1601 N.COLUMBIA STREET SUITE 230 MILLEDGEVILLE, GA



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## Maximize your safety with CodeRED!

CodeRED® is the FREE community notification system available to local residents that will send you alerts concerning time-sensitive and/or emergency information that may impact your area via phone calls, text messages, emails, and social media. Milledgeville Baldwin County Emergency Management encourages you to take action and register your cell phone for this service and verify your home location to receive targeted notifications that directly impact your home or business.

The CodeRED system will be used to send critical and time-sensitive communications such as:

- Missing Persons/Children
- Emergency Preparedness
- Natural Disasters
- Evacuation Notices
- Boil Water Advisories
- Inclement Weather Warnings
- Wildfire Alerts
- Public Health Crisis
- Criminal Activity
- Road Closures/Traffic Alerts
- Shelter in Place/Lockdowns

**Don't wait! Start receiving notifications that could save your life.**

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Download the CodeRED Mobile Alert app available in the Apple App Store or Google Play.

## Automated Weather Observing System Now In Operation at Baldwin County Regional Airport

The Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) at the Baldwin County Regional Airport is now operational. AWOS is a system that can collect and report data about airport weather conditions automatically for pilots and residents. AWOS systems generally report airport weather data continuously and in real-time, and they can be configured to the specific airport's needs.

Please call 478-445-7718 for up-to-the-minute weather updates.



## Solid Waste Services Labor Day Update

All solid waste services will be delayed one day during the Labor Day holiday week. Please plan accordingly.

## Walter B. Williams Gym Expanded Hours

The Walter B Williams Gym is now open on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

# Baldwin County Offers Homestead Tax Exemptions



Homestead exemptions are available to property owners when the owner occupies the home as his or her legal residence. Homestead exemptions are deducted from the assessed value of the qualifying property (40% of the fair market value).

To receive the benefit of a homestead exemption, the property owner must file an initial application in the Baldwin County Tax Assessor's office. The property must be owned and resided in on January 1 of the year that the homestead is first claimed. Homestead exemptions may be applied for year-round. However – the application must be received by APRIL 1 of the tax year for which it is first claimed. Homestead exemptions applications received after April 1 will be applied to the next tax year.

Homestead exemptions do not need to be re-applied for every year unless there is a change of residence or a homeowner seeks to qualify for a different kind of homestead exemption.

Baldwin County offers several different types of homestead exemptions. One is based on individuals between the ages 60-64 and some are based on age 65 and older. There are also several homesteads available for 100% service-connected disabled veterans, un-remarried surviving spouses of US service members killed in action or un-remarried surviving spouses of firefighters or peace officers killed in the line of duty.

For more information regarding homesteads and their qualifications, please call the Baldwin County Tax Assessor's office at 478-445-5300.

# COVID Vaccinations Available in Baldwin County



Vaccines are one of the best defenses we have against infectious diseases. With the ongoing global COVID-19 pandemic, the newly developed COVID-19 vaccines give our communities another tool to stop the spread of this illness.

The North Central Health District (NCHD) is following both the Georgia Department of Public Health's plan for vaccine distribution. Anyone age 6 months and older is eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccination in Georgia. The NCHD offers all three available COVID-19 vaccines.

## Pfizer:

- Ages 12 years and up: 2-shot series with three weeks between shots.
- Ages 5 – 11 years: 2-shot series with three weeks between shots. Dosage is one-third the adult dosage.
- Ages 6 months – 4 years: 3-shot series. The first two shots spaced three weeks apart and followed by a third at least two months later. The dosage is one-tenth the adult dosage.

## Moderna:

- Ages 12 years and up: 2-shot series with four weeks between shots.
- Ages 6 – 11 years: 2-shot series with four weeks between shots. Dosage is half the adult dosage.
- Ages 6 months – 5 years: 2-shot series with four weeks between shots. Dosage is one-quarter the adult dosage.

## Johnson & Johnson

- 1-shot available for ages 18 and up.

Note for individuals aged 6 months – 17 years: Anyone under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to receive vaccination.

As of June 18, 2022, the CDC recommends that children and adolescents age 6 months and older get a Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, and advises children and adolescents age 5 and older who receive the Pfizer vaccine to get a booster dose at least 5 months after their second shot. The dose and series authorized for children is informed by clinical trials on safety and effectiveness of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccine in these age groups.

The Baldwin County Health Department at 100 Ireland Drive, Milledgeville, GA 31061 offers vaccines Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

# Kinetic Fiber Groundbreaking Ceremony To Be Held on September 1st



Kinetic is excited to announce that we are bringing ultra-fast Fiber Internet to Baldwin County, as a part of the State Fiscal Recovery Fund.

So get ready to say “Hi” to High Speed Internet! Join us for a special Groundbreaking Ceremony on Thursday, September 1st at 9:00 a.m. at the Country Food Mart with Baldwin County, Senator Jones, Representative Williams, and other community leaders.

## KINETIC FIBER GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Country Food Mart

279 Lake Laurel Road Northeast in Milledgeville

Thursday, September 1, 2022 | 9:00AM

