

Baldwin County Georgia



BALDWIN COUNTY RECEIVES \$1.25M COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



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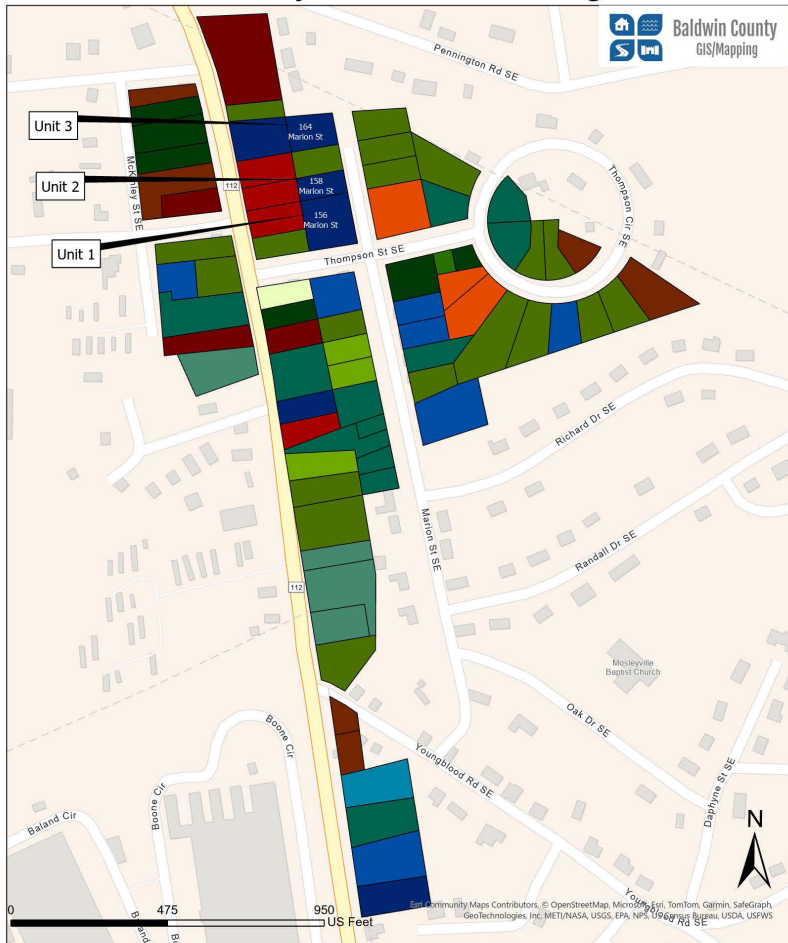
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Georgia Awards Baldwin County \$1.25 Million Community Development Block Grant

Baldwin County CDBG 2024 Target Area



Georgia Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Christopher Nunn announced on August 28th that 36 Georgia communities have been awarded more than \$33.4 million in federal grants to support their communities. Baldwin County is to receive \$1.25 million.

Baldwin County is the only county that received a multiactivity grant. One million dollars will be spent to upgrade the sewer system and roughly \$250,000 will be spent to rehabilitate three homes.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development allocates these funds annually to Georgia's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which is administered by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Georgia's CDBG program is available to non-entitlement local governments and specifically targets rural communities.



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After a competitive and thorough evaluation process, applications are scored, rated, and ranked. Grants are awarded based on overall merit.

“Community Development Block Grants provide rural Georgians with improved access to resources that enhance their infrastructure, community facilities, and overall quality of life,” said Commissioner Nunn. “It is always an honor to help our rural communities whenever possible.”

Chairman John L. Westmoreland said, “I am extremely proud of the team effort required to acquire a Community Development Block Grant. The program is highly competitive, and I am grateful Baldwin County was awarded the grant to make necessary infrastructure improvements. As a Georgia Initiative for Community Housing community, Baldwin County is now eligible for a CDBG annually. However, that comes with the requirement for our staff and consultants to work diligently and quickly to deliver these projects to be eligible for the next round. I know they are up to the task and will be glad to support them as they start this journey right away.”

Commissioner Davis stated, “I am proud that we can continue to help our citizens improve their lifestyle and self-esteem. The repairs to their homes will make them safer. The sewer system upgrades are much needed on Vinson Highway, Thompson and Marion Streets.”

“Through the long-term vision of the Baldwin County staff, the aging infrastructure of our county continues to be modernized into dependable sewer systems that will continue to support our community families for future generations. That county vision now includes opportunities to address and improve aging housing and address blight across Baldwin County. I am very pleased that several homes in our community will be given resources to improve quality of life for our citizens. These increased opportunities to improve our infrastructure and community housing is a result of the Baldwin County Staff and Commissioners participating in federal and state programs that are designed for local governments that are dedicated to improving their community. Few counties in Georgia received the level of support that Baldwin County received,” shared Commissioner Craig.

County Staff Hosts Paving Preconstruction Meeting



On August 27th, the Surface Masters staff met with County Engineer Brian Wood and Road Superintendent Keith Green to go over the upcoming paving project. They visited all the roads and inspected repaired road bases.

15 miles of roads will be paved including Stewart Ave., Admiralty Way, Pineaway Dr., Roberts Rd., Chase Ct., Mosely Ave., Log Cabin Rd., Forrest Hill Rd., Highview Rd., N. Main St., S Main St., Hardwick St., Ellis St., Wright St., Park Ave., Thomas St., Stephanie Ln., Knight Cir., Emmanuel Harris Rd., Grace Ct., and W. Lakeview Ln.

EAA Chapter 1685 Hosts Young Eagles Day Camp at Baldwin County Regional Airport



The Baldwin County Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) conducted its inaugural Young Eagles Workshop for kids last month. For three successive Saturdays in August, volunteer members of EAA Chapter 1685 gave more than 24 kids a close-up glimpse into the world of aviation.

The volunteers' goal was to expose our community's youth to the various aspects of aviation. With classes on topics such as aircraft aerodynamics, flight instruments, communication, compass headings, weather basics, and traffic patterns to name a few, the kids' eyes were opened to aspects of flight they never knew before. Mr. Roberto Hornung, Baldwin County High School's Aerospace Teacher and Chapter 1685's Board Member at Large, was the workshop coordinator who oversaw many aspects of the event. Roberto was very impressed by the childrens' desire to spend three Saturdays learning about aviation. Roberto also taught two of the courses, one of which was traffic patterns. To bring things to life, each child took a turn at flying a traffic pattern in an aircraft simulator.



Andrew Strickland, Baldwin County's new District 4 Commissioner-Elect, also assisted in the event by leading a visit to the airport's EMS hangar, where Andrew and his EMS helicopter rescue team conducted a show-and-tell with the kids.

EAA Chapter 1685's next Young Eagles Rally event will be held on October 26th. More than 20 kids ranging from ages 8-17 will get the chance to experience a 'Discovery Flight' with local EAA Chapter 1685 plane owners. These members will donate their time and aircraft to the event at no cost to the kids. The chapter looks forward to welcoming the lake country community to their next events. For more information, please visit their website at <https://chapters.eaa.org/eaal685>.

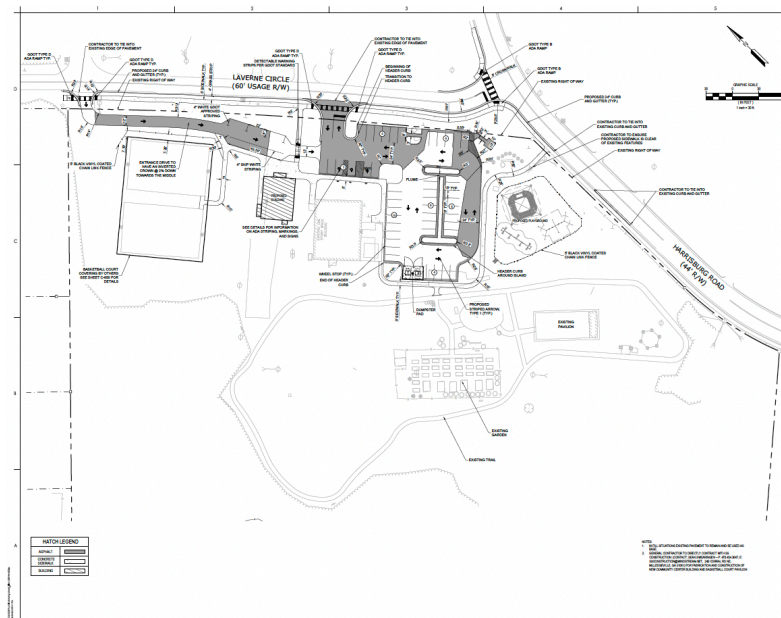


EAA Chapter 1685 member volunteers from left to right:

Kirk Bauer, Roberto Hornung, Peter Parham, Jim and Danielle Payne, Kalina and Andy Milani, and Mark Hall.

Harrisburg Streetscape Project Ready to Advertise for Construction

Baldwin County received approval of its Erosion Sediment Pollution Control Plan from the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission for the Harrisburg Streetscape Project. The next step is to advertise the project for construction, which will happen this month. The project is 100% funded by the State of Georgia. We thank Senator Rick Williams, Representatives Mack Jackson and Ken Vance, and Governor Brian P. Kemp for making this possible.



Water Park Construction Makes Progress

Construction is underway at the Baldwin County water park! It will be across from the Walter B. Williams Jr. Park, which was the site of the old Georgia State Prison. This new development will have a large pool, lazy river, water slides, splash pads and more.



The Walter B. Williams Jr. Park Mountain Bike Trail Is Now Open



The Walter B. Williams Jr. Park Mountain Bike Trail is now open! The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners wants to thank Tom Glover and all the volunteers and donors who made this trail a reality. Bike Walk Baldwin volunteers, Georgia Cycling Association volunteers from across the state, CREATE and close to 60 Georgia College & State University freshmen plus financial donors

contributed significantly to this project. Baldwin County also thanks the State of Georgia for granting permission to build the trail on land the county leases from the state.

Bike Walk Baldwin is ready to host the largest racing event in the Southeast next weekend when Georgia Cycling Association (GCA) brings 5,000+ visitors to the community for a weekend of racing and mountain bike fun with the “Match in Milledgeville.” Included will be the brand new Pedal Palooza. The Pedal Palooza is for elementary-aged children in grades 3-5 to explore the world of mountain biking. The event will be held Saturday, September 7th and Sunday, September 8th.

Are you a FAMILY CAREGIVER?



DATE: Sept. 10, 2024

TIME: 10:00am—2:00pm

PLACE: Baldwin County
Government Building
1601 N. Columbia Street
Suite 210

Milledgeville, GA

****Only 25 slots available****

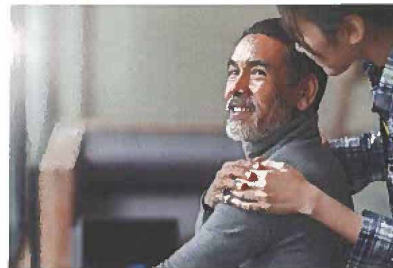
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