

*It is the mission of the City of Douglas to provide all citizens cost effective services, with leadership that is open and responsive to the needs of the community and works for the benefit of all; and to develop and ensure the highest quality of life for our residents.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- \***Jan. 11**, Historical Society Meeting, 9am, Heritage Station Museum, 389-3461
- \***Jan. 11**, City Commission Meeting, 7pm, Council Room, 389-3401
- \***Jan. 18**, Youth Tribute to MLK, Jr., 10am, Martin Centre FMI: 592-2334, 310-0815
- \***Jan. 18**, City Offices Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- \***Jan. 19**, Interested in a Teaching Career, 5:30pm, Atrium, FMI: 384-2086
- \***Jan. 20**, Cemetery Meeting, 10am, 389-3405
- \***Jan. 20**, DDA Meeting, 10:30am, City Hall
- \***Jan. 21**, Planning & Zoning Meeting, 6pm, Council Room, 389-3423
- \***Jan. 24**, Circus Pages International Circus, Gym B, 1pm & 4pm Shows
- \***Jan. 25**, Manager Employee Engagement, Atrium, 384-1873
- \***Jan. 25**, City Commission Meeting, 7pm, Council Room, 389-3401
- \***Jan. 28**, Chamber of Commerce Annual Event, Gym B, FMI: 384-1873

*Want to sign up for this monthly E-newsletter?*

Click on the icon below to receive news flashes, bid openings, job postings and more!



## CITY LEADERS SWORN IN AT THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING ON DECEMBER 28, 2015

Mayor Tony Paulk, Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper (Ward 1), Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham (Ward 2), Commissioner Olivia Pearson (Ward 3), Commissioner Mike Gowen (Ward 4), Commissioner Cindy McNeill (Ward 5), Commissioner Bob Moore (Ward 6).



## CITY OFFICIALS RESPOND TO ACTIONS OF COMMISSIONER PEARSON

City of Douglas, GA Commissioner Olivia Pearson was recently criticized by some local citizens and media for her actions on Saturday, December 5, 2015, when she unintentionally became involved in a traffic stop conducted by Sgt. Stacey Williams, Cpl. Chad Williams and Officer Patrick West.

Initially, City of Douglas officials reviewed the details of this incident and concluded there should not be any drastic actions taken against Commissioner Pearson that would remove her from office or other criminal charges, as opinionated by some local citizens.

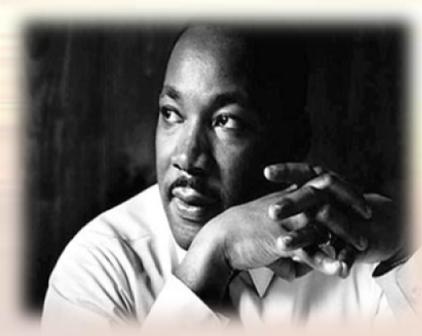
City Manager Terrell Jacobs states, "Our primary objective is the safety of our citizens and employees. We [City of Douglas] have learned that it was not the intention of Commissioner Pearson to knowingly involve herself with the actions being carried out by the Douglas Police Department."

For Full Press Release, [www.cityofdouglas.com](http://www.cityofdouglas.com).

City of Douglas "Day On" Project  
in honor of Martin L. King, Jr. Holiday  
Cleanup Project at Historic African American Cemetery in Nicholls, GA  
Monday, January 18, 2016 - 8am - 12noon  
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

Breakfast 8am @ American Legion Post 515 (1510 McLean Street), then caravan to Nicholls to begin cleanup at the cemetery.  
Don't forget to dress appropriately (hat, gloves, boots) for weedeating, limb removal, trash pickup and other cleanup in the cemetery. Tools will be provided.

FMI: 912-393-4796, 912-389-3401, or [www.cityofdouglas.com](http://www.cityofdouglas.com)



### 2016 King Federal Holiday Schedule of Events

Sunday, January 17, 2016, Worship Service

7:00pm at Move of God Deliverance Center

Monday, January 18, 2016

Fellowship Breakfast – 8:00am Move of God Deliverance Center

Youth Tribute - 10:00am at the Martin Centre

Happy Birthday Dr. King Party (Ages 0–11yrs.)

12:30pm at Roundtree Center

Teen Seminar 12:30pm at Pleasant Grove Bapt. Church

For more information, call (912) 592-2334, 310-0815, or 384-3116.

## Community JUNK

### Drop-Off Day

Sat., January 16, 8am – 12noon

@ 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy

(Corner of Pine St. and S. Gaskin Ave.)

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



Would you like to save some \$\$\$\$?

“Ask – Before You Move!”

The City of Douglas Customer Care Center has some vital information that could help cut down your monthly utilities cost.

Be sure **ASK** how before you rent or buy.

For more information, call 311.



CITY OF DOUGLAS  
CUSTOMER CARE CENTER

### Ask – How To A.M.P. It Up!

The City of Douglas Customer Care Department will be glad to explain the **Average Monthly Payment (A.M.P.) Plan** along with other utility payment options that are available to customers. Just call 311 and let them tell you how to **A.M.P. It Up**



CITY OF DOUGLAS  
CUSTOMER CARE CENTER



BE PREPARED FOR THE 2016 QUALITY OF LIFE BLITZ... OFFICIALS WILL BE LOOKING FOR CODE VIOLATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY. HELP US CLEANUP DOUGLAS, ONE NEIGHBORHOOD AT A TIME!

OPENING A NEW BUSINESS OR RENOVATING YOUR BUSINESS? DON'T 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.

## COFFEE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

1. *Featuring now through Jan. 16. – Nicholls Community Exhibit*
2. *Featuring now through Jan. 30 – Douglas First United Methodist Church Mini Exhibit*
3. *Volunteers needed at Heritage Station Museum, especially Thursday and Friday afternoons from 1pm- 4pm. Please message us if you can give 3 hours a month.*
4. *Become a member of the Coffee County Historical Society. Your contributions are a generous way to seed our mission, which is to collect, preserve, and disseminate information relating to Coffee County history.*

Contact Information:  
 Coffee County Historical Society  
 Carol Morgan, President  
 Email: cchs@cityofdouglas.com  
 Telephone 912-389-3461  
 219 W. Ward Street  
 Douglas, GA 31533



## ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER WEATHER?

### Douglas-Coffee County Parks and Recreation Youth Baseball and Softball Registration

5-6 T-Ball: age prior to May 1, 2016  
 7 thru 14 Baseball : age prior to May 1, 2016  
 7 thru 14 Softball : age prior to January 1, 2016  
 \*Child must compete in his/her age group

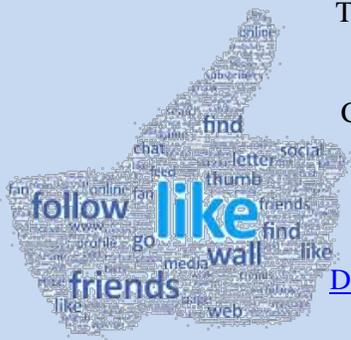
#### Early Registration

January 4, 2016 thru January 22, 2016  
**Cost:** \$40.00 City/County, Out of County \$80.00

#### Regular Registration

January 25, 2016 thru February 5, 2016  
**Cost:** \$45.00 City/County, Out of County \$80.00  
 After February 6, 2015, a **\$10.00 Late Fee** will be applied to regular registration fee.

Volunteer Coaches and Sponsors are needed.  
 Apply at the DCCPRD Main Office or receive an application on [www.cityofdouglas.com/recreation](http://www.cityofdouglas.com/recreation).  
 For more information, please call 912-384-5978.



The City of Douglas wants to connect with YOU! Please go to our Facebook pages and LIKE US ☺

Click on any of the following and like our page:

- [City of Douglas, GA](#)
- [Douglas GA Police Department](#)
- [Douglas GA Fire Department](#)
- [Douglas Coffee County Parks & Recreation Department](#)
- [South Georgia BBQ & Outdoor Festival](#)
- [Douglas GA Natural Gas Department](#)
- [Visit Douglas – Coffee County, GA](#)
- [Shop Local Douglas GA](#)

"See something, say something"  
 912-260-3600  
**CRIME Tipline**  
 Douglas, GA Police Department

## Douglas Recycling – January 2016 Schedule

- January 1 Group A      January 8 Group B
- January 15 Group A    January 22 Group B
- January 29 Group A



To find out which Recycling Group you are in, please [click here](#).

For more information, please call 912-384-3302 or 311.



City of Douglas Recycling (Blue) & Regular Sanitation (Green)

2016 Collection Dates

912-389-3450 or [www.cityofdouglas.com/recycling](http://www.cityofdouglas.com/recycling)



Recycling Cart Collection

Sanitation Cart Collection



January 2016				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 A
4 	5 	6 	7 	8 B
11 	12 	13 	14 	15 A
18 	19 	20 	21 	22 B
25 	26 	27 	28 	29 A

To find out which recycling collection group (A or B) you are in, [click here](#) or visit [www.cityofdouglas.com/recycling](http://www.cityofdouglas.com/recycling).

# Broxton Rocks Spring Tours

April 9<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am-12noon

April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10:00am-12noon

April 30<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am-12noon

For more information, call 404-253-7255.

## Douglas-Coffee County Parks & Recreation Department

# Leisure Guide 2016



Click to download or stop by DCCPRD Today!

## Winter Clay Works Youth Ceramics

Registration: December 1-30

January 13, 20, 27

Wednesdays from 3:30pm-5:00pm

Ceramic Studio

\$30 City/County, OOC \$35

3 Week Session for ages 6 and up

For more info., call 912-384-4868



Registration Now Open!

Register at DPRD Main Office

Classes Begin January 11, 2016

Price is \$65.00

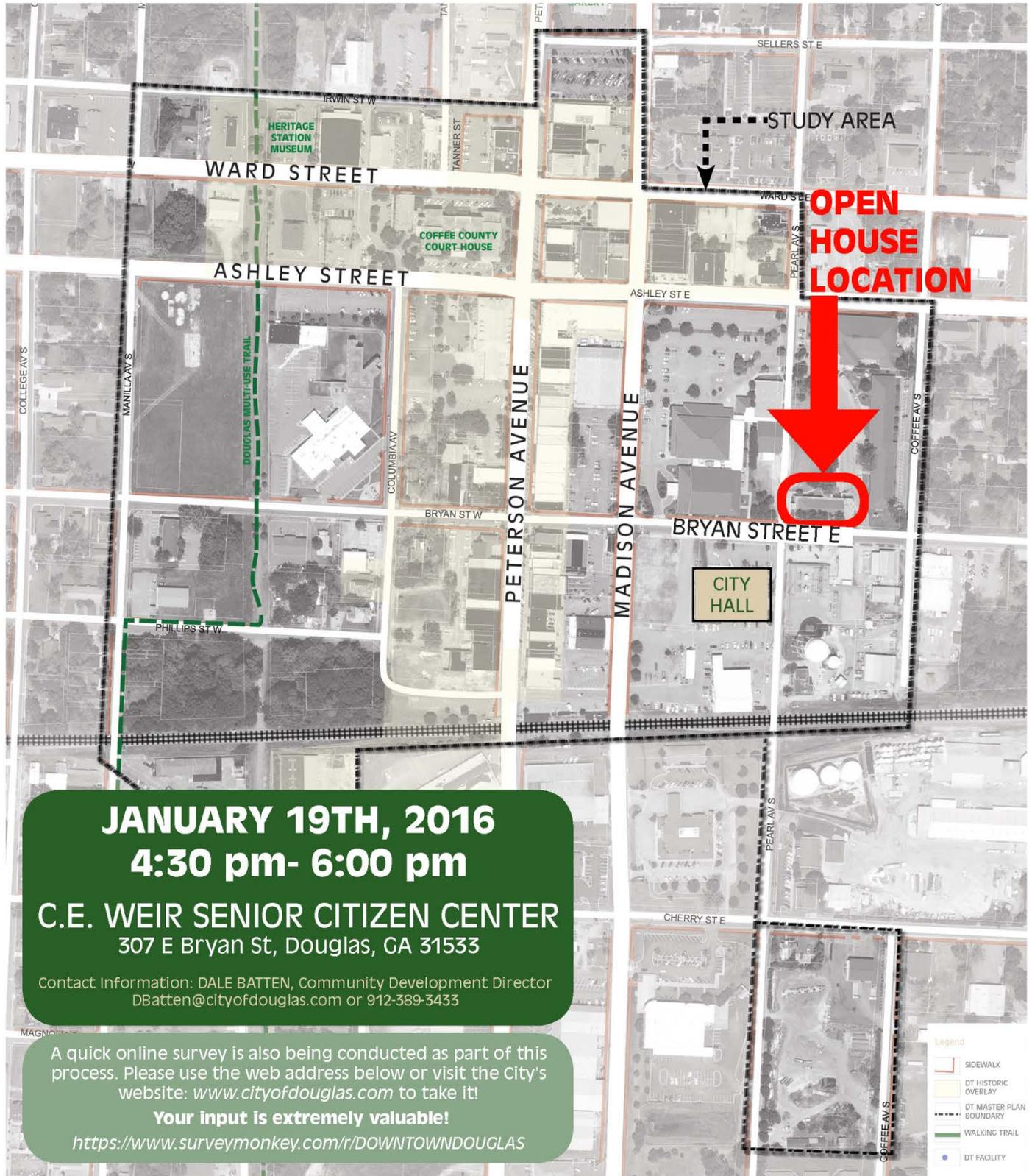
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# CITY OF DOUGLAS DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN

## KICK-OFF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

THE CITY IS INTERESTED IN HEARING YOUR IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE OF DOWNTOWN DOUGLAS!  
PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE FIRST OF TWO INTERACTIVE PUBLIC SESSIONS.



**JANUARY 19TH, 2016**

**4:30 pm- 6:00 pm**

**C.E. WEIR SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER**

307 E Bryan St, Douglas, GA 31533

Contact Information: DALE BATTEN, Community Development Director  
DBatten@cityofdouglas.com or 912-389-3433

A quick online survey is also being conducted as part of this process. Please use the web address below or visit the City's website: [www.cityofdouglas.com](http://www.cityofdouglas.com) to take it!

**Your input is extremely valuable!**

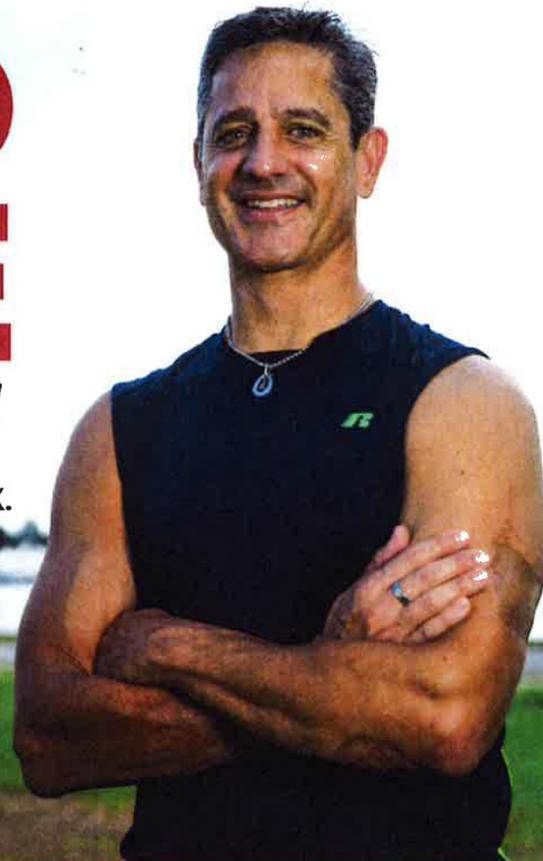
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DOWNTOWNDOUGLAS>

Share Your Story. Share Your Power. Save Lives.

# BLOOD DRIVE

*"I needed 22 units of blood after being  
in a bad car accident. I am alive today  
thanks to blood donors."*

– Steven K.



To watch Steven's story or to share  
your story visit [IamOneBlood.org](http://IamOneBlood.org).

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR BLOOD.

## City of Douglas Wednesday, January 13, 2016 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*All donors will receive a Fleece Blanket and wellness check-up  
including blood pressure, Iron count and cholesterol screening.*

**GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE - DONATE BLOOD!**

*During our Rockin Red LifeSaver blood drive.*

*For more information, or to sign-up, please contact:*

*Judy Carter at: [jcarter@cityofdouglas.com](mailto:jcarter@cityofdouglas.com) or 912-389-3494*

1.888.9.DONATE (1.888.936.6283)  
[oneblood.org](http://oneblood.org)



ID required

**oneblood**   
Share your power.

*You are cordially invited to the  
Douglas - Coffee County  
Chamber of Commerce*

**89th Annual Event**

*Celebrating Excellence  
in Business and Leadership*

*January 28, 2016 . 6:30 - 9:00 pm  
Central Square Gym . Downtown Douglas*

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
KEYNOTE SPEAKER JOE SPORTS  
NETWORKING & DINING  
CHANGING OF THE CHAIRMAN  
INSTALLATION OF THE CHAMBER BOARD  
BUSINESS AWARDS**

Individual Tickets, Reserved Table  
& Sponsorships Available

[chamber@douglasga.org](mailto:chamber@douglasga.org)  
912.384.1873

**DOUGLAS**  
COFFEE COUNTY · GA  
chamber and economic development authority



*Friday, April 8, 2016 • 2pm – 6pm*  
*Saturday, April 9, 2016 • 8am – 2pm*  
*Central Square Complex*

*200 S. Madison Ave. • Douglas, GA*

*\$3.00 Admission (12 & under Free)*



**Vintage kitchenware, antiques, old yard décor, vintage linens, vintage furnishings and décor, vintage collectibles, vintage jewelry, vintage tools, collectible coins, knives, glassware, painted furniture, and MORE!**

*For more information about the Southern Home Vintage Market, please call (912)389-2468 or (912)384-1444.*

