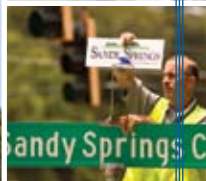
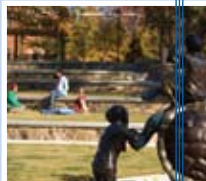


# SANDY SPRINGS

GEORGIA

## newcomers GUIDE



**City of Sandy Springs**  
7840 Roswell Road, Building 500  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

**770.730.5600**

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

[WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG](http://WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG)



## N E W C O M E R S   G U I D E

Animals/Pets . . . . .	2
Cable TV . . . . .	2
City of Sandy Springs . . . . .	2
Chambers of Commerce . . . . .	3
Drivers' Services . . . . .	4
Emergencies . . . . .	5
Federal Services . . . . .	5
Garbage. . . . .	7
Gas . . . . .	9
Health Department . . . . .	9
Hospitals . . . . .	10
Library . . . . .	12
Maps . . . . .	12
Parks: City of Sandy Springs Parks. . . . .	12
Parks: National Park Sites. . . . .	14
Power . . . . .	15
Property Taxes. . . . .	15
Recycling. . . . .	16
Schools . . . . .	16
Telephone . . . . .	17
Transportation . . . . .	18
Voting. . . . .	19
Wastewater–Sewer . . . . .	19
Water . . . . .	20
Welfare . . . . .	20
Minutes Away...	
Attractions Close By . . . . .	21

# newcomers GUIDE

Welcome to the City of Sandy Springs! I am glad you're here. You are joining 98,000 other residents who make this Georgia's sixth largest city and the second largest in the metro area. This guide details most everything you will need to know to make your home in our dynamic city. It outlines drivers' services, garbage pick-up, public safety, turning on water and power and most importantly voting!

I'd like to share with you some impressive facts about your new city:

- The top 10 employers in the City employ 12,200 people.
- According to the US Census, 72 percent of the households in Sandy Springs contain one or two people, and 55 percent of the houses built in the City were built after 1980.
- Sixty percent of the residents of Sandy Springs have earned a bachelor's degree and/or a master's degree.
- The median age for a Sandy Springs resident is 34.
- The first six months of the Sandy Springs Fire Department's existence, they answered 8,200 calls.
- Part 1 crimes in the City have decreased 20.63 percent from fiscal year FY 2006 to FY 2007.
- During the fiscal year 2007, the Citizen Response Center fielded 101,800 phone calls, and the Web site logged 511,600 visits from nearly 188,000 Web surfers.

I am sure you will find your new city to have an abundance of wonderful restaurants, shopping opportunities, outdoor activities, historic sites and impressive parks. Again, I am glad you are choosing to make Sandy Springs home, and I hope you find this guide helpful. If I can ever do anything for you, please do not hesitate to call on me or the councilmembers. We can be reached through the Citizen Response Center at (770) 730-5600 or our e-mail addresses are on the Web site at [www.sandyspringsga.org](http://www.sandyspringsga.org) and click on "City Government" then "City Council."

Sincerely,



Mayor Eva Galambos, PhD  
City of Sandy Springs





## ANIMALS/PETS

Sandy Springs loves our pets and animals. To help ensure the health and well-being of animals living in the City, we have a limit of three dogs per household (four months and older). We are currently in an agreement with Fulton County to facilitate our Animal Control.

- ☎ (404) 794-0358
- ☐ [www.fultonanimalservices.com](http://www.fultonanimalservices.com)



## CABLE TV

There are several providers of cable TV in Sandy Springs.

- ☐ [www.comcast.com](http://www.comcast.com)
- ☐ [www.directv.com](http://www.directv.com)
- ☐ [www.chartercabledeals.com](http://www.chartercabledeals.com)

## CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS

The City of Sandy Springs is Georgia's sixth largest city with a population of 98,000 residents. Founded on December 1, 2005, the referendum, passed in June of that year by 94 percent, the City is governed by Mayor Eva Galambos, PhD and six councilmembers. Covering 356 miles of streets and roadways, the city encompasses national forests, the Chattahoochee River, national park sites, residential development, vibrant shopping and restaurants and more commercial office space than downtown and midtown Atlanta combined. The 24 hour a day/seven day a week Citizen Response Center answers your every call from potholes, to graffiti, to services in our parks. The Web site is home to much more information such as GIS maps, permit applications, council agendas, municipal codes, press releases and more.

- ☎ (770) 730-5600 (answered 24/7)
- ☐ [www.sandyspringsga.org](http://www.sandyspringsga.org)

# 770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

### Greater North Fulton Chamber of Commerce

The mission of the Greater North Fulton Chamber of Commerce is to promote and maintain a positive environment in which both the new and existing businesses can thrive. The GNFCC is a proactive non-profit business advocacy and community development organization with three principal objectives:

- To promote and advance the economic, civic and social welfare of the people of the Greater North Fulton community.
- To encourage the retention and growth of existing businesses while giving all proper assistance to new firms seeking to locate in North Fulton.
- To support all those activities believed to be beneficial to the community and area and oppose those that might be detrimental.

☎ (770) 993-8806

🌐 [www.gnfcc.com](http://www.gnfcc.com)



### Sandy Springs/Perimeter Chamber of Commerce

The mission of the newly formed Sandy Springs/Perimeter Chamber of Commerce is to promote the unique identity of the Sandy Springs business community via open communication, local leadership, mobilizing resources and garnering support for projects to enhance this city's competitive position in metro-Atlanta, the state and the Southeast. Formerly known as the SSBA, the new Chamber meets the third Monday of the month at 7:30 a.m., at the Westin Atlanta Perimeter North, 7 Councourse.

☎ (404) 255-5351

🌐 [www.sandysprings.org/ssba/about.html](http://www.sandysprings.org/ssba/about.html)

## DRIVERS' SERVICES

### Licenses

One must apply for a Georgia driver's license within 30 days of becoming a Georgia resident. All Customer Service Centers can transfer an out of state license to a Georgia license. A few Customer Service Centers in the Metro Atlanta area (Atlanta-Capital Ave, Decatur, Lithonia, Locust Grove, North Cobb and Lawrenceville) offer appointments to transfer an out of state license to Georgia. The Georgia Department of Driver Services issues driver's licenses for all residents of the state.



- ➔ 8610 Roswell Road, Suite 710  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
- ☎ (770) 551-7371 or (678) 413-8400
- ☐ [www.dds.ga.gov/](http://www.dds.ga.gov/)

### Tags

A new resident moving to Georgia needs to register or renew a motor vehicle application. The applicant must provide a photo ID, proof of insurance and a current emissions certificate (when applicable). Renewal must be done by the applicant's birthday. If a new resident to Georgia moves into the state after his/her birthday, proof must be provided in order to be exempt from taxes for the current year.

### Motor Vehicle License Tax Division

- ➔ North Fulton Service Center  
6075 Roswell Road NE, Suite 300  
Atlanta, GA 30328
- ☎ (404) 730-6100
- ☎ For questions concerning emissions testing,  
please call (800) 449-2471.
- ☐ [http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=323&Itemid=482](http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=323&Itemid=482)

770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG



## EMERGENCIES

For Police/Fire/EMS emergencies, call 911. For nonemergency police and fire service, call (770) 730-5600.

## FEDERAL SERVICES

With Atlanta being the capitol of Georgia, the city has a myriad of Federal offices to assist residents with their needs. Just a stone's throw from Sandy Springs, here's what's offered:

### The Internal Revenue Service

#### A Division of the US Department of the Treasury

The IRS is a bureau of the Department of the Treasury. In 2004, the IRS collected more than \$2 trillion in revenue and processed more than 224 million tax returns. The IRS' mission is to provide America's taxpayers top quality service by helping them understand and meet their tax responsibilities and by applying the tax law with integrity and fairness to all.

➡ 401 W. Peachtree Street NW  
Atlanta, GA 30308

i Monday-Friday - 8:30 A.M.—4:30 P.M.

📞 (404) 338-7962

🌐 [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

## Social Security Administration

The Social Security Act was signed by Franklin Delano Roosevelt on August 14, 1935. Taxes were collected for the first time in January 1937 and the first one-time, lump-sum payments were made that same month. Regular ongoing monthly benefits started in January 1940. Since then, the Social Security Administration has come a long way in the programs and services that are offered.

- ➔ 401 W Peachtree Street, Suite 2860  
Atlanta, GA 30308
- i Monday – Friday, 8:30 A.M.—3:30 P.M., except  
Federal holidays
- 📞 (800) 772-1213
- 🌐 [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

## US Department of Veterans Affairs

The Atlanta Regional Office of Veterans Affairs is responsible for delivering non-medical VA benefits and services to Georgia veterans and their families. This is accomplished through the administration of comprehensive and diverse benefit programs established by Congress, and the goal is to deliver these benefits and services in a timely, accurate and compassionate manner.

- ➔ 1700 Clairmont Road  
Decatur, GA 30033
- 📞 (800) 827-1000
- 🌐 [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)



770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## GARBAGE

---

The City of Sandy Springs does not provide trash collection services for residents. Residents must contract with private collection services for garbage pick up. The following is a list of residential solid waste haulers that the City has approved:

### Atlas Disposal

---

- ➔ 7550 Industrial Court  
Alpharetta, GA 30004
- ☎ (678) 762-1088
- i Disposal services, roll-off dumpsters for residential and commercial demolition

### Brent Land Sanitation

---

- ☎ (770) 517-1560

### Capital Waste Systems

---

- ➔ P.O. Box 767933  
Roswell, GA 30076
- ☎ (770) 640-5088
- i Provides both residential and commercial garbage collection/recycling

### Community Waste Solutions Inc.

---

- ➔ P.O. Box 3545  
Alpharetta, GA 30023
- ☎ (678) 339-0643

### Cox Sanitation & Hauling Co.

---

- ➔ 10029 Highway 92  
PMB 141 Suite 100  
Woodstock, GA 30188
- ☎ (770) 924-0856
- ☐ [www.coxsanitationandhauling.com](http://www.coxsanitationandhauling.com)
- i Provides curbside and backdoor residential service, recycle and hauling services



## Dreamsan Inc.

- 4785 Fulton Industrial Boulevard SW  
Suite A  
Atlanta, GA 30336
- 📞 (404) 559-9700
- ✉ customerservice@dreamsan.com
- 🌐 www.dreamsan.com

## Reliable Sanitation

- P.O. Box 5609  
Douglasville, GA 30154
- 📞 (770) 947-8802
- i 1x and 2x per week residential waste removal for condominiums and town home communities; also offering roll-off containers

## RoadRunner Disposal

- 3300 Marjan Drive  
Doraville, GA 30340
- 📞 (770) 452-8011
- i Same- and next-day service; residential and commercial waste haulers (roll-offs)

## Waste Management

- 2859 Paces Ferry Road SE  
Suite 1600  
Atlanta, GA 30339
- i For information about our recycling program, call (404) 794-6707.



770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG



## GAS

### Atlanta Gas Light: Natural Gas

Although Atlanta Gas Light doesn't sell natural gas directly, the company has a list of natural gas suppliers on its Web site.

☎ (770) 994-1946

☐ <http://www.atlantagaslight.com/RatesRegulations/NaturalGasMarketers.aspx>

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### Fulton County Health Department

The Fulton County Department of Health & Wellness is the only public health agency in the State of Georgia that is under the auspices of local government. Services have evolved over the years to now include a vast array of programs that provide comprehensive health care for Fulton County residents. They include both preventive care and treatment in the following areas: infectious diseases, women's and children's health, environmental health and other services which include health education, stroke and heart attack prevention programs and refugee screenings.

☎ (404) 730-1211

☐ [www.fultoncountygahahealth.org](http://www.fultoncountygahahealth.org)



## HOSPITALS

### Children's Healthcare at Scottish Rite

At Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, we know that children's bodies, diseases and injuries are different from those of adults. Every patient receives specialized diagnosis, treatment and support, with the equipment to match—whatever a child's shape or size. Children should be cared for by pediatric doctors, nurses and specialists who understand these differences.

- ➡ 1001 Johnson Ferry Road NE  
Sandy Springs, GA 30342-1600
- ☎ (404) 785-5252
- 🌐 [www.choa.org](http://www.choa.org)

### Kaiser Permanente, Glenlake Medical Center

While providing a wide range of medical and nutritional services, a laboratory and pharmacy, Glenlake is one of Kaiser Permanente's Diagnostic Centers of Excellence, providing a full range of diagnostic testing to include routine radiography, mammography, sonography, fluoroscopy, CAT scan, MRI, nuclear medicine and intravenous pyelograms.

- ➡ Glenlake Medical Center  
20 Glenlake Parkway  
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
- ☎ (404) 261-2590
- 🌐 <https://members.kaiserpermanente.org/kpweb/facilitydir/facility.do?id=100457&rop=GGA>

770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## Northside Hospital

Northside Hospital's is the metro Atlanta's not-for-profit, full-service community hospital dedicated to providing "A Lifetime of Care." Northside physicians and other health care professionals provide a full range of care including: surgery, cancer care, women's services, emergency care, outpatient services and behavioral health services. Renowned for its expertise in surgery, Northside specialists perform more surgeries than any other hospital in Georgia. The hospital ranked first in the nation among community hospitals in the number of babies delivered, with more than 18,000 deliveries in 2004.

- ➡ 1000 Johnson Ferry Road NE  
Sandy Springs, GA 30342
- 📞 (404) 851-8580
- 🌐 [www.northside.com](http://www.northside.com)

## St. Joseph's Hospital Atlanta

Saint Joseph's Hospital is a leader among Georgia health-care providers, respected for its expertise, innovation in health-care delivery and quality of care. While discussions of health frequently focus on competition and managed costs, Saint Joseph's has not lost sight of the people behind the numbers or its mission to serve those most in need. A commitment to the community is deeply rooted in its history.

- ➡ 5665 Peachtree Dunwoody Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30342
- 📞 (404) 851-7001
- 🌐 [www.stjosephsatlanta.org](http://www.stjosephsatlanta.org)



## LIBRARY

The Atlanta-Fulton County Library System serves the residents of Sandy Springs with a local library. As of April 2004, there were 362,542 registered library cardholders and a collection of more than 2,177,267 items for adults and children, including books, magazines and other periodicals, CDs, DVDs and videocassettes. The Sandy Springs branch is located:

- ➡ 395 Mount Vernon Highway NE  
Atlanta, GA 30328
- 📞 (404) 303-6130
- 🌐 [www.afplweb.com](http://www.afplweb.com)



## MAPS

A variety of maps can be found online to aid newcomers in their journeys. Here are a few sources:

- 🌐 [www.dot.state.ga.us](http://www.dot.state.ga.us)
- 🌐 [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com)
- 🌐 [www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

## PARKS:

### CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS PARKS

#### Abernathy Greenway

- ➡ construction scheduled for 2010

#### Abernathy Park

- ➡ 254 Johnson Ferry Road
- 📞 (404) 252-6310

#### Allen Road Park

- ➡ 5900 Lake Forest Drive
- 📞 (404) 252-6310



770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## Big Trees Forest Preserve

- ➔ 7645 Roswell Road
- ☎ (770) 673-0111
- 🌐 [www.bigtreesforest.com](http://www.bigtreesforest.com)

## East Conway Pocket Park

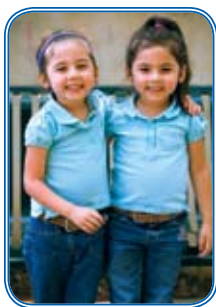
- ➔ approximately 4811 East Conway

## Hammond Park Gymnasium

- ➔ 705 Hammond Drive
- ☎ (404) 705-9154

## Hammond Park Offices

- ➔ Community Building  
6005 Glenridge Drive
- ☎ (404) 252-6310



## Island Ferry Park

- ➔ 8850 Roberts Drive (*under design review*)

## Johnson Ferry Road Greenspace

- ➔ 254 Johnson Ferry Road

## Morgan Falls/Bull Sluice Park

- ➔ 450 Morgan Falls Road (*under design review*)

## Ridgeview Park

- ➔ 5200 South Trimble Road
- ☎ (404) 252-6310

## Sandy Springs Tennis Center

- ➔ 500 Abernathy Road
- ☎ (404) 303-6182



## Sandy Springs Historic Site and Park

- ➡ 6075 Sandy Springs Circle
- 📞 (404) 851-9111
- 🌐 [www.heritagesandysprings.org](http://www.heritagesandysprings.org)



## PARKS: NATIONAL PARK SITES

### Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area

Today the river valley attracts us for so many reasons. Take a solitary walk to enjoy nature's display, raft leisurely through the rocky shoals with friends, fish the misty waters as the sun comes up or have a picnic on a Sunday afternoon. Experience your Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area.

- 🌐 [www.nps.gov/chat](http://www.nps.gov/chat)

### East Palisades National Recreation Area

East Palisades is located in Sandy Springs right on the Fulton/Cobb County border. The park offers amenities such as hiking, fishing, viewing wildlife and picnicking.

- 🌐 [www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/unitdirections.htm](http://www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/unitdirections.htm)

### Island Ford National Recreation Area

Island Ford is on the Chattahoochee and is the location of the Park Headquarters and Visitor Contact Station. It also has some great trails. You can stroll along the river for about a mile and might catch a glimpse of a deer or fox when walking along the hills that line the river in this section of the park. There is also a canoe launch where one can stop mid-float to see the Visitor Contact Station or have a picnic.

- 🌐 [www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/islandford.htm](http://www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/islandford.htm)

# 770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## Powers Island National Recreation Area

Powers Island offers trails, picnic tables and two canoe/kayak launches. One launches directly onto the Chattahoochee River, while the other launches onto an offshoot that contains a kayaking course. The course is maintained by the Atlanta Center of Excellence.

☐ [www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/powersisland.htm](http://www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisit/powersisland.htm)

## POWER

### Georgia Power

Georgia Power serves 2.25 million customers in 155 of Georgia's 159 counties. Georgia Power's top priority is customer service. This means keeping reliability high and power rates low. Georgia Power has invested more than \$4 billion in transmission and distribution (power lines) since 1991 and more than \$1 billion in environmental controls since 1990.

📞 1-888-660-5890

☐ [https://customerservice.southerncompany.com/residential/service\\_requests.asp?mnuOpco=gpc&mnuType=res](https://customerservice.southerncompany.com/residential/service_requests.asp?mnuOpco=gpc&mnuType=res)

## PROPERTY TAXES

All property owners in the City of Sandy Springs pay property taxes to Fulton County, the Fulton County School System and the City of Sandy Springs. Property tax bills will continue to come from the Fulton County Tax Commissioner's Office.

**Homestead Exemption**—To qualify for a homestead exemption, you must own and occupy the property as your legal residence as of January 1 of the current tax year. There is no deadline to apply, however, to receive the exemption for the current year, applications must be filed by March 1. Applications filed after March 1 will be considered for the following year. For additional information on eligibility or the proper method of applying for an exemption, you may call the Tax Assessors' Office at (404) 224-0102.

📞 (404) 730-4000, main

☐ [www.fultoncountytaxes.org](http://www.fultoncountytaxes.org)



## RECYCLING

Recycling services are available at the Morgan Falls Recycle Center. A variety of items are accepted.

- ➔ 470 Morgan Falls Road  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350
- ☎ (770) 551-7766
- 🌐 [www.kssnfb.org](http://www.kssnfb.org)

## SCHOOLS

### Private Schools

The independent schools of Sandy Springs provide an excellent variety of choice. Some are elementary or secondary day schools only, others enroll students from preschool through 12th grade; and all are co-educational. Schools listed here are nonprofit and accredited.

These independent schools share an interest in a student's personal growth as well as academic growth. Most offer challenging academic programs and excellent college preparation and guidance; some offer programs for students with special needs.

- 🌐 [www.atlantaprivateschools.com](http://www.atlantaprivateschools.com)

### Public Schools

Founded in 1871, the Fulton County School System is one of the oldest and largest school districts in Georgia. With a focus on student achievement and a commitment to continual improvement, Fulton has earned a reputation as a premier school system. This long history of excellence is evidenced by the many state and national honors bestowed on Fulton's schools, staff and students. Sandy Springs has six elementary, two middle and two high schools.



- ☎ (404) 768-3600
- 🌐 [www.fultonschools.org](http://www.fultonschools.org)

# 770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## Georgia Department of Education

- ➡ 205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive SE  
Atlanta GA 30334
- 📞 (404) 656-2800
- 🌐 [www.gadoe.org](http://www.gadoe.org)

## TELEPHONE

Selecting telephone service is a personal choice. Many people no longer wish to have a land line and some wish to have service through their computer. A variety of options surface when you “Google” “Sandy Springs GA telephone service.” The choice is yours. You may also continue to have your cell phone number in the state of Georgia and just roll it over to a company here. Another option, through the Georgia Public Service Commission is the “Georgia No Call List.” If you are a residential consumer attempting to register for the no call list to keep telemarketers from calling, you may do so online at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov), or by calling toll-free, 1-888-382-1222 or TTY 1-866-290-4236. To reach the Federal Registry, you must call from the telephone number you wish to register.

### AT&T – Sales, Billing and Customer Service

- 📞 (888) 757-6500

## TOURISM

### Sandy Springs Hospitality and Tourism

Sandy Springs Hospitality and Tourism promotes visitors and tourism in the City of Sandy Springs. Funded by hotel/motel taxes, they are responsible for supporting events and attracting visitors to our City. They can be found at [www.visitsandysprings.org](http://www.visitsandysprings.org) and this site hosts a multitude of travel brochures and information.

- ➡ 6065 Roswell Road, Suite 210  
Sandy Springs, GA 30325
- 📞 (866) 511-7742
- 🌐 [www.visitsandysprings.org](http://www.visitsandysprings.org)





## TRANSPORTATION

### Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson bears the proud distinction of being “the world’s busiest passenger airport.” The airport has long been known as a major connecting hub serving destinations around the globe. However, its vitality of growth is no longer merely a product of its role as a prime-interlining hub. Each year, an increasing number of air travelers start or finish their journeys at Hartsfield. The airport is located about 40 minutes south of Sandy Springs.

☐ [www.atlanta-airport.com](http://www.atlanta-airport.com)

### Georgia Department of Transportation

The Georgia Department of Transportation plans, constructs, maintains and improves the state’s roads and bridges; provides planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit and airports; provides airport and air safety planning; and provides air travel to state departments. The Department also provides administrative support to the State Tollway Authority and the Georgia Rail Passenger Authority.

☎ (404) 656-5267 Main Office, or 511 for traffic information

☐ [www.dot.state.ga.us](http://www.dot.state.ga.us)

770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## State Road and Tollway Authority

State Road and Tollway Authority is best known as the organization that operates Georgia's toll roads. With its charter it also serves a valuable and vital role as one of the financing arms for State transportation agencies.

- ☎ (404) 893-6100
- 🌐 [www.georgiatolls.com](http://www.georgiatolls.com)

## MARTA

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority is Atlanta's state-of-the-art public transportation system. MARTA's mission is to provide customers with the highest level of safe, clean, reliable and affordable transportation. There are three rail stations in Sandy Springs and numerous bus stops.



- ☎ (404) 848-5000
- 🌐 [www.itsmarta.com](http://www.itsmarta.com)

## VOTING

The Fulton County Voter Registration Office handles voter registration for all Fulton County residents regardless of the city or unincorporated area where they reside. You must be registered to vote in an election and must be registered as a resident within the area in which you intend to vote. In addition, you must be registered 29 days prior to the election date.

- ☎ (404) 730-7072
- 🌐 [http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=316&Itemid=163](http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=316&Itemid=163)

## WASTEWATER—SEWER

The Water & Sewer Billing and Collection Division of Fulton County manages the sewer accounts for residents in north Fulton County.

- ➡ Water & Sewer Billing and Collections Division  
141 Pryor Street SW, 7th Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30303
- ☎ Main Customer Service Line: (404) 730-6830
- 🌐 [http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=324&Itemid=97](http://ww2.co.fulton.ga.us/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=324&Itemid=97)

## WATER

The Atlanta Department of Watershed Management is dedicated to providing the highest quality drinking water services to the City of Sandy Springs' residents, businesses and wholesale customers at the lowest possible cost, while protecting urban waterways, conserving natural resources and providing clean, safe water for downstream customers. You are billed monthly for your water/sewer usage.

📞 (404) 658-6500

🌐 [www.atlantawatershed.org](http://www.atlantawatershed.org)

## WELFARE

The Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) is the part of DHR that investigates child abuse; finds foster homes for abused and neglected children; helps low income, out-of-work parents get back on their feet; assists with childcare costs for low income parents who are working or in job training; and provides numerous support services and innovative programs to help troubled families.

➡ North Fulton Service Center  
6075 Roswell Road NE, Suite 300  
Atlanta, Georgia 30328

📞 (404) 252-2180

🌐 [dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov](http://dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov)



770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## MINUTES AWAY...

ATTRACTIONS CLOSE BY

### ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDEN

---

This peaceful oasis includes 30 acres of gardens, an urban forest, wildflower trails, the Dorothy Chapman Fuqua Conservatory and the 10,000-square-foot Fuqua Orchid Center. A charming bridge links the main gardens to the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Children's Garden where an amphitheatre, maze and waterfall delight the young at heart. The Garden also offers year-round special events, exhibits and educational workshops.

📞 (404) 876-5859

🌐 [www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org](http://www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org)

### ATLANTA HISTORY CENTER

---

This Buckhead attraction features 32 acres of gardens and wildlife trails and includes the 1840s Tullie Smith Farm, the 1928 Swan House mansion and Swan Coach House restaurant. The museum features permanent exhibitions such as "Down the Fairway with Bobby Jones" and changing exhibitions showcasing the Civil War, African-American heritage and Southern folk art. The Center recently expanded to include a wing dedicated to the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta.

📞 (404) 814-4000

🌐 [www.atlantahistorycenter.com](http://www.atlantahistorycenter.com)

### CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC PARK

---

This 21-acre site was one of the most popular spots in the city during the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games. Today, year-round programming featuring concerts, family activities and artists' markets make the park a gathering place for Atlantans and visitors alike. The park features the world's largest Olympic Ring fountain.

📞 (404) 222-PARK (7275)

🌐 [www.centennialpark.com](http://www.centennialpark.com)



## CENTER FOR PUPPETRY ARTS

The Center for Puppetry Arts is the largest organization in North America dedicated to the art of puppetry. Located in Midtown, the center offers performances from the Family Series to New Directions for adults. An interactive museum, Puppets: The Power of Wonder, is the largest puppetry museum in the United States.

☎ (404) 873-3391

🌐 [www.puppet.org](http://www.puppet.org)

## CHASTAIN PARK/ AMPHITHEATER/HORSE PARK

Chastain Memorial Park is a much loved and used park which is located at 234 W.Wieuca Road (320 acres) and houses: nine tennis courts, two baseball fields, pool, 18-hole golf course, gymnasium with basketball court, weight facility and five ball fields, Chastain Arts and Crafts Center, Chastain Pool, Chastain Park, Chastain Stables, PATH Foundation park trail: 3.3-mile circuit for jogging, bicycling, walking. There is a new state-of-the-art playground for children on West Wieuca Road across from the baseball field.

☎ (404) 233-2227 *Amphitheater*, (404) 252-4244 *Horse Park*

🌐 [www.buckhead.net/parks](http://www.buckhead.net/parks)

## FERNBANK MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Sink your teeth into adventure at Atlanta's home to dinosaurs. At Fernbank Museum of Natural History, come face to face with the world's largest dinosaurs, explore the development of life on Earth through the landscapes of present-day Georgia, connect with cultures from around the globe, engage in a variety of hands-on exhibitions and more! And don't miss stunning traveling special exhibitions or the incredible five-story experience of an IMAX® film.

☎ (404) 929-6300 *Information*, (404) 929-6400 *Tickets*

🌐 [www.fernbankmuseum.org](http://www.fernbankmuseum.org)

# 770.730.5600

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## GEORGIA AQUARIUM

---

The world's largest aquarium, the Georgia Aquarium is home to more than 100,000 animals of 500 different species and eight million gallons of fresh and marine water with five galleries depicting different habitats. Saying hello to the beluga whales, penguins and whale sharks, the largest fish on the planet will plunge you into a one-of-a-kind aquatic experience.

📞 (404) 581-4000

🌐 [www.georgiaaquarium.org](http://www.georgiaaquarium.org)

## THE HIGH MUSEUM

---

The High Museum of Art is the leading art museum in the southeast, where visitors can expect a broad, diverse selection of art comprising 19th - 20th century American works, European paintings, decorative arts, African, African-American art, photography, modern and contemporary art. The High recently completed a major expansion, the cornerstone of Atlanta's Woodruff Arts Center. In October 2006, the High also launched an unprecedented, three-year partnership with the Musee du Louvre which will bring hundreds of works of art from Paris to Atlanta.

📞 (404) 733-HIGH

🌐 [www.high.org](http://www.high.org)

## KENNESAW MOUNTAIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK

---

It was a swelteringly hot and clear Monday, June 27, 1864, when some of the heaviest fighting of the Atlanta Campaign occurred here. Preserved are historic earthworks, cannon emplacements and monuments. Interpreted here are the historic events where more than 5,350 soldiers were killed in the battle fought here from June 19, 1864 through July 2, 1864.

📞 (770) 427-4686

🌐 <http://www.nps.gov/kemo/planyourvisit/hours.htm>

## **MARGARET MITCHELL HOUSE AND VISITORS CENTER**

Built in 1899 by Cornelius J. Sheehan, the two-story, single-family home on fashionable Peachtree Street was converted in 1919 into a 10-unit apartment building. It was here, from 1925 until 1932, that Margaret Mitchell lived in Apartment #1 and wrote her Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, *Gone With the Wind*. Other attractions include the Visitors Center, exhibits, museum and gift shop.

📞 (404) 249-7015

🌐 [www.gwtw.org](http://www.gwtw.org)

## **MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE**

Just past noon on January 15, 1929, a son was born to the Reverend and Mrs. Martin Luther King Sr., in an upstairs bedroom of 501 Auburn Avenue, in Atlanta. It was in these surroundings of home, church (Ebenezer Baptist Church) and neighborhood (Sweet Auburn) that "M.L." experienced family and Christian love, segregation in the days of "Jim Crow" laws, diligence and tolerance.

🌐 <http://www.nps.gov/malu>



**770.730.5600**

ANSWERING CALLS 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

# newcomers GUIDE

WWW.SANDYSPRINGSGA.ORG

## PROFESSIONAL ATHLETICS TEAMS

---

Atlanta is fortunate to have four professional athletics teams located right downtown: the Atlanta Braves (MLB), the Atlanta Falcons (NFL), the Atlanta Hawks (NBA), Atlanta Thrashers (NHL) and the Atlanta Dream (WNBA). Each team promises to be a good time.

### Atlanta Braves

- ☎ (404) 522-7630
- 🌐 [www.braves.com](http://www.braves.com)

### Atlanta Falcons

- ☎ (770) 965-3115
- 🌐 [www.atlantafalcons.com](http://www.atlantafalcons.com)

### Atlanta Hawks

- ☎ (404) 878-3800
- 🌐 [www.nba.com/hawks](http://www.nba.com/hawks)

### Atlanta Thrashers

- ☎ (866) 715-1500
- 🌐 [thrashers.nhl.com](http://thrashers.nhl.com)

### Atlanta Dream

- ☎ (404) 604-2626
- 🌐 [www.wnba.com/dream](http://www.wnba.com/dream)

## STONE MOUNTAIN

---

Located on 3,200 acres of natural beauty, Stone Mountain Park features a wide variety of fun family activities and things to do. Amazing adventures await as you discover interactive children's attractions. Plus you'll not want to miss dozens of fun annual events such as the Yellow Daisy Festival, Stone Mountain Christmas or the Indian Festival & Pow Wow. Stone Mountain is also home to the world's largest piece of exposed granite.

- ☎ (770) 498-5700
- 🌐 [www.stonemountainpark.com](http://www.stonemountainpark.com)

## WILLIAM BREMAN JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM

---

Through its exhibitions, publications and resources, this museum of the Atlanta Jewish Federation explores Jewish heritage in general and relates to other cultures and religions. It contains two permanent galleries and hosts special rotating exhibits year-round.

📞 (678) 222-3700

🌐 [www.thebreman.org](http://www.thebreman.org)

## WORLD OF COKE

---

The NEW World of Coca-Cola at Pemberton Place™ in downtown Atlanta, is the only place where you can explore the past, present and future of the world's best-known brand. See a 4-D movie experience, a fully operational bottling line and sample more than 70 Coca-Cola products around the world.

📞 (404) 676-5151

🌐 [www.worldofcoca-cola.com](http://www.worldofcoca-cola.com)

## ZOO ATLANTA

---

Located in historic Grant Park, the Zoo features more than 200 species of animals from destinations such as the African plains and Asian forests. The Zoo's landscape spans nearly 40 acres of lush greenery and forests. Unusual animals include the Bornean Sumatran orangutans, Asian small-clawed otters and Sumatran tigers. The Ford African Rain Forest houses one of the largest captive gorilla populations in North America with a total of 23 gorillas. Zoo Atlanta's Giant Pandas - Lun Lun and Yang Yang - are proud parents of baby Mei Lan (Atlanta Beauty).

📞 (404) 624-WILD (9453)

🌐 [www.zooatlanta.com](http://www.zooatlanta.com)



7840 Roswell Road, Building 500  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

---

770.730.5600