



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Wednesday, January 11, 2023**

License and Variance Board Meeting

10:00 AM

Location: TBD

**Thursday, January 12, 2023**

Committee of the Whole Meeting

4:00 PM

Admin Conference Room

# POLICE DEPARTMENT



## Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 45  
 Citations: 125  
 Warnings: 38  
 Calls for Service: 684

**Staff Spotlight:** Effective January 9, 2023, Louis Defense is promoted to Major, Meredith Holt is promoted to Lieutenant, and Marquese Hudson is promoted to Sergeant. Congratulations everyone!

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

**Staff Spotlight:** Field Training Officer Kyle O'Bryan (pictured left) is now assigned to the Training Division. Lieutenant Brannon Whatley (pictured right) is now assigned to lead the department's health and safety initiatives. Congratulations!

## Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 5  
 Medical: 106  
 Other: 75  
 Total: 186



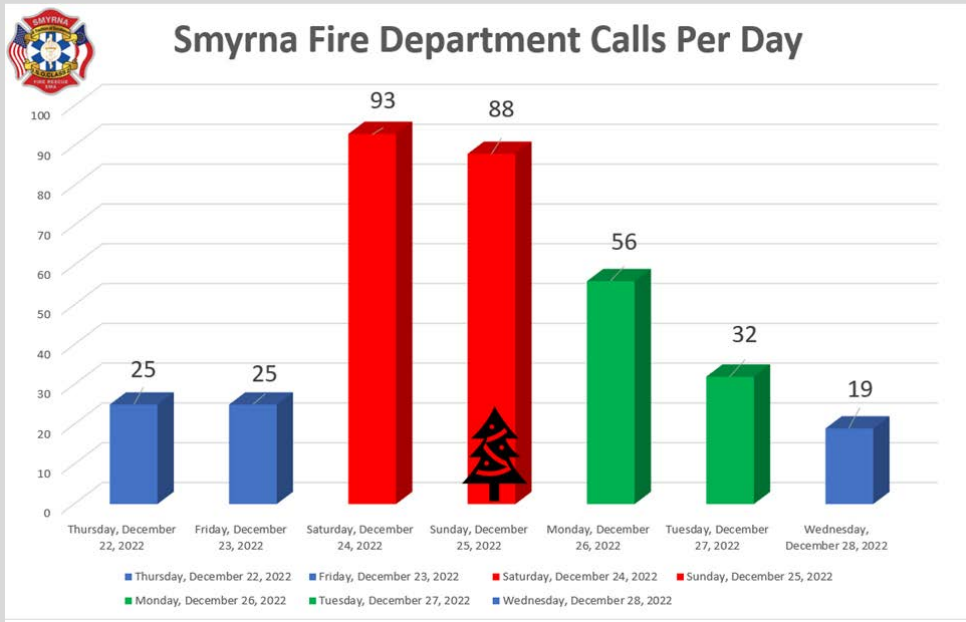
**Inaugural Municipal Leader Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DE&I):** Fire Chief Brian Marcos has been invited to co-present with Police Chief Michael Parsley from Albany, Georgia in the Inaugural Municipal Leader DE&I certificate program. The program includes municipal leaders from all over the state including mayors, council members, and directors.



**EMBRACE**  
 Embracing Equity & Inclusion. Celebrating Differences.



# FIRE DEPARTMENT



**Christmas Weekend:** Smyrna Fire Department had a significant increase in call volume during Christmas week due to the freezing temperatures. Smyrna Fire Department issued 16 fire watches to help ensure fire protection measures stayed in place throughout the cold weather.

# HUMAN RESOURCES



**Jeffery Osorio**  
 Streets Maintenance Worker  
 Public Works  
 Hired: 12/27

*Welcome to Smyrna!*

# PUBLIC WORKS

**Streets Department Projects:** The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Continuing work on the Pat Mell Road sidewalk project
- Completed an elevated crosswalk on Powder Springs Street at Campbell High School (pictured right)
- Worked with the Water and Sewer Department on emergency calls and de-icing roadways
- Completed the drainage project on Valley Drive



# WATER DISTRIBUTION

**Staff Spotlight:** On-call crews worked through the holidays repairing main breaks. They were dispatched to over 40 calls about the severe cold weather. The city had six major main breaks throughout the city, including our city buildings. Staff put in more hours in four days than an average person would in two 40-hour work weeks. A huge thank you goes out to all the staff that pulled together and missed the holidays with their families to ensure that citizens and properties were well taken care of.



**Water Main and Service Replacement:** Staff is replacing and upgrading outdated water mains and services. Areas are selected after being reviewed by staff for leaks and breaks. Staff is aiming to be proactive instead of reactive to these issues because water mains and services are crucial infrastructures to the community.

- Highlands Water Main Replacement: Dundee Drive section is complete
- Argo Road Water Main Replacement: Complete
- Roswell Street Water Main Replacement: Phase one has begun from Spring Street to Old Roswell Street

**Water Valve Maintenance:** Crews are performing valve maintenance in Ward 4 to ensure the valves are located and accessible. This maintenance reduces downtime and provides flushing of the system during water main breaks. While performing maintenance, crews are marking valves in the roadway with reflective markings to help staff locate valves when overnight emergencies arise. Projects will be ongoing through 2023.

**Closed-Circuit TV Pipe Inspection:** Staff is grading sewer infrastructure with closed-circuit TV equipment. This technology allows staff to view lines in real time and determine pipe conditions. Staff is marking the direction of flow around manholes. Staff worked on monthly problem areas this week. These monthly areas will be visited by staff for one week every month until the problem areas can be remediated. The staff has taken the monthly list from 36 areas to 19.

## Projects Out to Bid:


- Request for quotations for excavation and verification of water services (public and private)
- Request for proposals for TV video and cleaning sanitary sewer system

## *Life of a Water Worker*

My duties are not glamorous, but my purpose is defined. I go about my business protecting the city pipes, as this is what keeps me driven on cold weary nights. My duties are varied, no day is the same. I do not get to sleep through the night, as my forty- hour week, I already exceeded. I just sat with my family and the phone rings, with that one call I'm back on my feet. I work all day and again through the night, try as I may there's no end in sight. Most people never question, where the water comes from, but if the system fails, I am the one.

BJ\_

# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



The time is always *right* to do what is *right*.  
— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Craft & Learn about Martin Luther King, Jr.**

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Stop by the **Smyrna Museum** on Saturday, January 14th 10 am -4 pm to make a craft in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Kids 3 and up

2661 Atlanta Road  
Smyrna, GA 30080

Museum.SmyrnaGA.gov

**Visitors:**  
Library: 2,641  
Museum: 16

**Craft & Learn About Martin Luther King, Junior:** Join the Smyrna Museum on Saturday, January 14 from 10:00 AM-4:00 PM to make a craft in honor of Martin Luther King Junior Day. The craft is suitable for ages three and up.

**Most Popular Books of 2022:** Pictured right are the books with the most checkouts in 2022 at the Smyrna Public Library.



# ENGINEERING



**Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon Installation:** The rapid rectangular flashing beacon assembly is complete for the pedestrian crossing at Atlanta Road and Creatwood Trail. The assembly includes double-sided pedestrian crossing signs along with double-sided flashing beacons to alert drivers when a pedestrian is crossing.



**Overhead Flashing Beacon Repair:** An overhead flashing beacon was damaged at the intersection of King Springs Road and Reed Road. The repair included replacing the signal and rewiring.



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**Keep Smyrna Beautiful 2022 Accomplishments:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful is proud of what they accomplished in 2022 and is excited for what is in store in 2023! In 2022, Keep Smyrna Beautiful:

- Engaged volunteers in **3,141** hours of work
- Removed **18,796** pounds of litter from Smyrna roadways and trails
- Shredded and recycled **32,400** pounds of documents
- Marked **519** storm drains to educate the public
- Provided environmental education to **986** students and residents

## 2022 Impact

By the numbers

-  **18,796 lbs. of litter**  
picked up through litter pickups like Adopt-a-Mile and Community Cleanups
-  **419 trees**  
Given to community members through the Adopt-a-Tree program
-  **32,400 lbs. of documents recycled**  
Through our bi-annual document shredding event
-  **986 people reached**  
Through educational programs and recycling center tours

[www.keepsmyrnabeautiful.com](http://www.keepsmyrnabeautiful.com)



## 1,256,591 lbs. of material recycled in 2022

The Smyrna Recycling Center has had its most successful year-to-date! The most material by weight in a year was processed and recycled.

## Keep Smyrna Beautiful invites you to

# Bring One for the Chipper!

Saturday, January 7, 2023  
9:00am-3:00pm  
The Home Depot  
2450 Cumberland Pkwy SE  
Atlanta, GA 30339



Trees should be unbound and free of decorations.  
Get your tree picked up by CHS Baseball as part of their annual fundraiser:  
<https://bit.ly/CHSTreePickup>



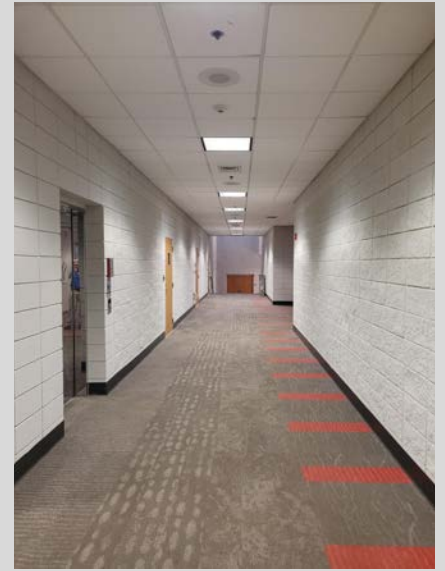
Learn more at [www.kgbf.org](http://www.kgbf.org)

**Bring One for the Chipper:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful is kicking off 2023 with our annual Bring One for the Chipper Christmas tree recycling event this Saturday, January 7, 2023. Offered in partnership with the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation, Bring One for the Chipper helps Georgians recycle their Christmas trees, rather than sending them to a landfill. Click here for more information: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/bring-one-for-the-chipper/>.

- **Date:** January 7, 2023
- **Location:** The Home Depot, 2450 Cumberland Pkwy SE, Atlanta, GA 30339
- **Time:** 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Community Center Updates:** The Christmas holidays brought exciting updates to the Community Center to spruce up the facility. Basketball players and volleyball enthusiasts will be glad to see the clean and refreshed gym floors after the annual refinish. This project keeps the wooden floors in top shape for everyone that enjoys activities in the large and small gyms. In addition, the hallways that lead to the large gym, Magnolia Room, and Dogwood Room got a fresh coat of paint. This work brightens the spaces tremendously and adds consistency to the small gym hallway that was painted during a previous project. Fitness members will be excited to start their New Year's workouts on new fitness equipment that "Santa" delivered. The new pieces include cardio and weighted equipment. Stop by and keep that New Year's resolution with a workout today!



**Spring Adult League Registration:** Looking for exercise on the field or court? Registration for spring adult leagues is now open! If you're interested in having fun and enjoying your favorite sport, register today at <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>.

## **Softball**

Registration closes on February 22 and leagues begin the week of February 27. Team registration is \$455, and free agent registration is \$50.

- Monday Co-ed
- Tuesday Men's Social
- Thursday Men's Competitive

## **Basketball**

Registration closes on February 22 and the league begins on March 2.

- Thursday Men's (\$420)
- Free Agent Registration (\$50)



# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Chess Classes:** Register now! Smyrna Parks and Recreation and Burdnest Inc. will be hosting beginner chess classes for children ages 8-13 years old starting in this month. Classes will consist of (4) six-week sessions covering the basics of chess and how to incorporate lessons learned through chess into the children's everyday lives. Participants will receive their own chess board and compete in a tournament during the spring. The cost is \$95 per student, per session. Register at <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>.



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## Weekly Inspections:

57 Inspections

39 Sites

## Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$884,596.15

## Building Remodel/ Residential (8)

- (1) Re-roof
- (1) Interior Renovation
- (6) Addition

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$694,596.15

## Building Remodel / Commercial (1)

- (1) Interior Renovated/Tenant Finish
- 3583 S Cobb Dr SE

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$190,000.00

## HVAC (9)

## Plumbing (3)

## Tree (1)

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