



A PLACE TO IMAGINE

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“CLOTHES STORY: AN EXHIBITION”

Coming to Norcross
Late March 2021

“Clothes Story” is a family-friendly exhibition experience that celebrates women in their homes and communities. These stories showcase their resiliency, strength, fortitude and power as trailblazers and leaders. Highlighting ten Norcross women between the years of 1880-1950, the narrative is supported by the clothing that they wore. The clothing serves as a representation of the eras presented. This experience is curated to assist with providing an understanding and appreciation for the times and a look at the progress we can appreciate today. For more information, call 404-421-2049. The exhibit will be showcased at The Rectory, 17 College Street.



LIVE VIRTUAL CONCERT

Saturday, March 27th 7 - 8:30 P.M.
Tribute to Johnny Cash and
Waylon Jennings
FB Live - @cityofnorcrossga

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP & RECYCLING DAY

APRIL 10, 2021



Shredding Event

Shred-it will be on-site with their shred truck. Watch on the video display as your materials are shredded securely. This event is open to the public and is FREE. Limited to 5 medium boxes or equivalent. **Location: Norcross City Hall, 65 Lawrenceville Street, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. or until the truck is full.**

Cleanup Day

Get a jumpstart on your Spring cleaning! Bring us anything that is not hazardous material. Open to City of Norcross residents (proof of residency required). This event is FREE. **Location: Public Works Facility, 345 Lively Avenue (just off Buford Hwy), 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Electronics Recycling

Get rid of old cell phones, computers and keyboards without guilt! Atlanta Recycling Solutions and City volunteers will help you unload. For a complete list of recyclables visit the city website and look on the flyer. This event is open to the public. This event is free except for televisions which require a \$20 fee. CRT Monitors are \$10.00. *NOTE: We cannot accept console or projection televisions.* **Location: Norcross Community Center, 10 College Street, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**



For complete information on these events and what material are allowed at each event, please visit www.norcrossga.net to view informational flyers or contact Sonya Isaac at 678.421.2027

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

NORCROSS POWER

Norcross Power is known as one of (if not “the”) most modernized city-owned electric systems in the state for our size. Some ways we have modernized include:

ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI)

These are smart meters with disconnect capabilities. Many cities our size do not have this type of system; most are still reading manually or have drive-by systems.

LINE PROTECTION APPARATUS

S&C Vista distribution transfer (split bus) switchgear, S&C IntelliRupter Pulse Closers, S&C Trip-savers (reclosers).

SERVICE SAVERS

Allows for damaged underground services to function normally until repair takes place.

UTILITY LOCATORS

Multiple units for locating various services & faults.

PRIMARY FAULT LOCATOR

Assists in locating primary faults.

UNDERGROUND TRANSFORMERS

All new transformers are upgraded to New DOE specification with IFDs (Internal Fault Locators).

OVERHEAD TRANSFORMERS

All are outfitted with squirrel guards, IFDs and lightning arresters.

HIPERWEB WORK ORDER SYSTEM

Crews use iPads for this application.

SCADA SYSTEM

SCADA stands for “Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition.” This system allows for the operation and monitoring of our substations.

CONFERENCE & TRAINING ATTENDANCE

Promotes staff’s ability to stay up to date on distribution apparatus, metering infrastructure and system upgrades.

TRAINING

To include substation training, flagging, first aid, SCADA, lineman training, system staking and safety. (We are two-time winners of the ECG Platinum Safety Award.)

AEDs

Defibrillators on all trucks.

LEDs

We are migrating our roadway and security lighting from incandescent and High-Intensity Discharge (HID) bulbs/fixtures to LEDs.

PHOTO-CONTROL

We are beta-testing “smart” photo-controls for individual lighting, which will allow the street lights to turn on and off when the sun sets and rises.

EQUIPMENT

Material-handler bucket truck and line truck are current for the day. Most equipment units are the latest versions.

Even with all of the features we have outlined here, these modernizations will not keep trees and limbs from falling or wildlife from causing outages or blinks. Nor will they protect from lightning strikes, high-line issues, or cars & trucks damaging poles. However, we can take pride in the fact that we have been told by both the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG) and Electric Cities of Georgia (ECG) that we are one of the most contemporary city electric departments in the state.

TREE TALK: FLOWERING



Scarlet Buckeye (*Ausculus pavia*)

We are all familiar with the white flowers of dogwood and violet blooms of redbud brightening the yards of Norcross in spring, but there are many other types of flowering trees and plants, many native to Georgia, that offer beauty and diversity in the landscape. Some are described below. Ask your landscaper or arborist about others.

- Scarlet Buckeye (native) – This small tree grows 12 to 15 feet tall, is shade-tolerant and blooms with large, showy red flowers that attract hummingbirds and other pollinators.
- Carolina Silverbell (native) – This medium-sized tree grows to 30 to 40 feet and displays small, white, bell-shaped flowers in spring. This tree does well in damp or wet soil conditions.
- Chaste Tree (cultivar) – Vitex is a common landscape tree growing 12 to 15 feet tall and blooming in dense clusters of fragrant violet flowers. This species handles Georgia heat well and the long-lasting flowers attract butterflies.
- Fringe Tree (native) – Growing 12 to 30 feet tall, this medium-sized tree fits in well among larger trees or on its own in the landscape. The flowers are very distinctive, long, white tassels, and its fall foliage is a soft yellow. The tree produces berries that birds love.
- Flowering Peach (ornamental cultivar) – Another medium-sized tree at 20 to 25 feet, this tree is great in narrow spaces or as a centerpiece in a small front yard. The blooms are spectacular, double pink flowers and the leaves are a showy, reddish green.



JOIN OUR TEAM

Looking for a way to better impact your city? Come work for us! Keep an eye on our website for all job opportunities; we have many immediate positions available.

norcrossga.net/Jobs.aspx