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FULTON COUNTY DISTRICT 5 COMMISSIONER

Seasons Greetings Neighbors and Friends:

My first year as your Fulton County Commissioner is closing. This year has been fun, inspiring, and more than what I expected in some aspects. When I decided to run for this office, my creed was and remains today, *I am a community servant and not a politician*. Being a servant leader is sometimes the road less traveled. Sometimes, that means you will be the maverick because you stand on principles and not preconceived notions or political agendas. Being a servant leader does not mean that you will always get it right or that you are devoid of failures; it means that, with the platform you are given, you will give volume to the voices of those who are in need. These needs may include safer communities, healthier lives, economic opportunities, and an overall increased quality of life. Sometimes these needs are basic like food, shelter, and clothing. To whom much is given, much is required. My idea of government is about equity not equality. Equality is ensuring everyone has the same resources while equity is about the fair distribution and/or access to the resources. Equity is about making sure all have what they need to succeed. I look forward to the next year and years to come as I work to establish equity in Fulton County both internally and externally. Please join me in my journey to serve you and our great county. Together, we **WIN!**

May God Bless You,

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UPCOMING EVENTS

District Dialogues: Dec. 8th, 10th, 17th
Dads, Daughters, & Dolls: Dec. 22nd
BOC Meetings: Dec. 2nd, 16th, Jan. 6th, 20th
Black History Film Festival: Feb. 2016

HAPPY & SAFE HOLIDAYS

D5 YEAR IN REVIEW



SAFETY | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A year of change...



This year, Fulton County received three new commissioners, a new county manager, a new chief of police, and a plethora of new department directors. For the first time in history, the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted for the 2015 budget. We also met and developed a more concise, strategic direction for Fulton County Government. In this new direction, we have adopted six tenets or guiding principles by which we will govern Fulton County Government. All people: are Safe; are Healthy; are Self-Sufficient, have Opportunities for Economic Development, are Culturally and Recreationally Enriched, and trust in the Efficiency of Government. These tenets will be actualized through our new operations values to be first in class in **SERVICE, IMPACT, & EFFICIENCY**.

As a newly elected official for a newly created district, I have had to meander through political agendas and apathy to ensure residents were equipped with truth and that their voices were heard and considered. I believe that the people should determine their future. From annexations to the repurposing of historic landmarks, the residents of District 5 have demonstrated their commitment to being engaged citizens and active participants in their outcomes. As I cut ribbons to celebrate the opening of a new library and the dedication of new playground equipment, I realized through these simple yet profound enhancements, Fulton County adds value to lives of its residents. As I enter into my second term as your Commissioner, I will champion causes that will enhance your lives and our communities.

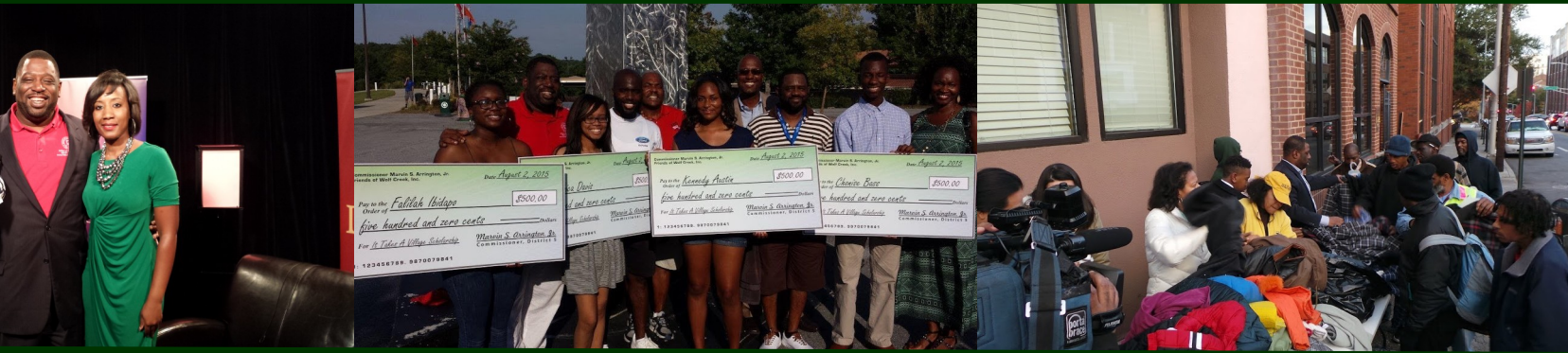
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HEALTH | CULTURE & RECREATION



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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2016



DEVELOPMENT | SELF-SUFFICIENCY

A year of growth...



There cannot be growth without change, but change left unchecked can create unintended results. In 2016, I hope that we as a Board become more focused on policy revisions that do not simply sound good, but create better outcomes for both our internal and external stakeholders. I hope that the Board focuses on mitigating the risks associated with radical change, both past and future, so that we yield our intended results. As one commissioner, I look forward to promoting and aligning our new Fulton County tenets with District 5 initiatives and partnerships.

- **Safety:** Pre-Arrest Diversion program, HOA Boot Camps
- **Health:** D5 Family Fun Day, partnering with organizations that promote healthy lifestyles
- **Self-Sufficiency:** \$15 minimum wage for Fulton County employees, book scholarships for college students and schools supplies (It Takes A Village Back to School Drive), feeding and bringing more resources to citizens in need (Tent Cities Fall Festival, Blanket Atlanta With Love)
- **Economic Development:** Ensuring South Fulton county receives equity in economic opportunities
- **Culture & Recreation:** Raising money for Fulton Arts' partners, host Black History Film Festival, sponsor arts and recreation programs and initiatives
- **Trust Government:** To vote my conscience on matters that are reminiscent of the fact that government is a tool to serve people, particularly those who are less fortunate, and not a divisive tool to implement systematic inequity.

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2015 HIGHLIGHTS

*As of December 1, 2015

Proclamations:

Number of Proclamations: 35

- Joan Garner Day
- Christy Tucker-Sims Day
- CHOICES Childhood Obesity Awareness
- Cabral Franklin Day

Resolutions:

Number of Resolutions: 6

- Zoo Easement & Expansion
- Judges' Salary Increase
- Welcome All Park Easement
- College Park TAD

Special Recognitions/Honors:

- Appointed by Governor Nathan Deal to the McPherson Implementation Local Redevelopment Authority (MILRA)
- Full Board Appointment to serve on Atlanta Fulton County Recreation Authority (AFCRA)
- Voted Vice-Chair of "Rec Authority" (AFCRA)
- Awarded Man of the Year, UNCC
- Awarded Pillar Award, NAMC
- Icon Award, Hustle University

On the Net:

- Facebook: 647 Followers
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- Website Visitors: 7071
- Website Page Views: 12,304

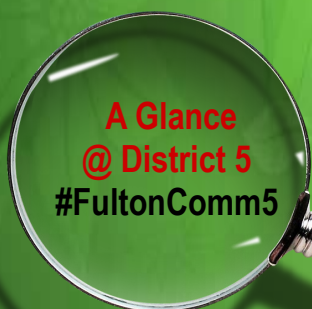
Community Events:

- District Dialogues (12)
- Black History Film Festival
- Family Fun Day
- South Fulton HOA Boot Camps (2)
- 1st Annual HOA Boot Camp
- Back 2 School "It Takes A Village"

Initiatives:

- It Takes A Village School Drive
- Back 2 School Essay & Book Scholarship Competition
- Tent Cities Fall Festival
- Blanket Atlanta With Love
- Dads, Daughters, & Dolls

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District Residents: 152,450 (2010)

Ethnicity: 64.8% Black, 24.2% White, 3.5% Asian

Homeowners: 37.5%

Income Distribution: over \$100k (15.8%), +\$50k-99k (24.8%) +\$25k-49k (23.7%), >\$25k (35.8%)

Libraries: 11 **#Fulton County Schools:** 11 **#Atlanta Public Schools:** 33

Attractions: Wolf Creek Amphitheater, Porsche HQ, Tyler Perry Studios, Zoo Atlanta, Fort McPherson, Screen Gems, Downtown East Point, Turner Field

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