

Welcome To Our Luncheon

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A luncheon hosted by Women Around our Region (WAR)

Saturday
February 24, 2024

Time: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Speaker
Anna Roach



Speaker
Melanie L. Campbell



Mayor Evelyn Wynn-Dixon
City of Riverdale



Mayor Angelyne Butler
City of Forest Park



Mayor Bianca Motley Broom
City of College Park



Mayor Dr. Donya Sartor
City of Jonesboro



Mayor Marci Fluellyn
City of Lovejoy

"We Celebrate the Comradery of Clayton County's Leading Women Mayors."

We are excited to introduce you to their achievements and shared goals that fuels positive change in our region. This luncheon is an opportunity to witness the unique bond and collective strength of Clayton County's five outstanding women mayors.

Thank you for your presence as we come together to recognize and celebrate the remarkable women who make a difference in our community.



**“IF THEY DON’T
GIVE YOU A SEAT AT
THE TABLE, BRING
A FOLDING CHAIR.”**

~ Shirley Chisholm



Anna Roach

*Executive Director and CEO
Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)*

Anna Roach is Executive Director and CEO of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) whose vision is to create One Great Region through its mission to foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.

As Executive Director and CEO, Ms. Roach manages the agency's \$125M operating budget and leads a talented team that works with local governments and community partners to improve quality of life in the Atlanta region. In addition to developing and maintaining long-range, comprehensive, regional plans in the areas of transportation, aging, workforce development, natural resources, and urban area security, ARC deploys nearly \$3B of investments across the Atlanta region on an annual basis.

In addition to her role as CEO, Roach is a member of the Atlanta Rotary Club, the International Women's Forum Georgia, and the Women's Transportation Seminar. She also serves on the Leadership Council of the Board for Drawdown Georgia, the Executive Committee of the Board for Learn4Life, the board of the Partnership for Inclusive Innovation, and the board of Council for Quality Growth.

Ms. Roach has been named one of the 100 most influential Georgians by Georgia Trend, one of the 500 most powerful Atlanta leaders by Atlanta Magazine, one of 22 leaders to watch in 2022 by the Atlanta Business Chronicle and is one of Engineering Georgia's top 100 Most Influential Women in Georgia Engineering.

Prior to joining ARC as its first female CEO in the 75-year history of the organization, Anna Roach served as Chief Operating Officer for Fulton County Government. Her earlier career as an attorney included roles in both the private and public sectors.

Roach holds a Juris Doctor from St. John's University School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts in political science from the State University of New York, College at Cortland.



Melanie Campbell

President & CEO
National Coalition on Black Civic Participation

Melanie L. Campbell is the president and CEO of the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation and a convener for the Black Women's Roundtable (BWR). Campbell is a nationally recognized expert in the areas of civic engagement, Black voter participation, census, voting rights and coalition building. A veteran at leading highly successful multi-million dollar civic engagement and issue-based campaigns, she is recognized as one of the hardest working leaders in today's Civil Rights, Women's Rights and Social Justice movements.

Campbell brings Black women together nationally and in key states to build power for Black women and girls and families and communities to live their best lives by focusing on four strategic platforms: health & wellness, economic security & prosperity, education and global empowerment. Under her leadership, the BWR releases an annual report on the status of Black women and hosts its annual Women of Power national summit during Women's History Month in March in Washington, D.C., bringing Black women's policy priorities and agenda to Capitol Hill. She is committed to lifting up Black women's leadership in the movement for justice, fairness and equality as core to her life's work. She was recently featured in Essence Magazine's 100 Woke Women.

Campbell is a contributing writer for the 5th annual BWR Report, Black Women in the U.S. & Key States, 2018, Time for a Power Shift; the 2013 National Black Caucus of State Legislators Magazine, 2013 Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law's 50th Anniversary Op-Ed Series in the Washington Post; 2008 National Urban League State of Black America, Election Reform: Protecting Our Vote from the Enemy Who Never Sleeps; the 2006 Harvard University Journal on African Americans in public policy, A Nation Exposed: Rebuilding African American Communities, writing Right of Return Means Access to the Ballot, Access to Neighborhoods, and Access to Economic Opportunity. She also contributed to the publication's 2004 edition, Politics & Progress: A Presidential Platform for 2004.

Campbell is a regularly featured as a special guest on radio, TV and print, including The Washington Post, Essence, NBCNews.com, MSNBC, TV One, The Washington Informer, Gannett News, C-SPAN, XM Radio, WHUR, Amsterdam News, Politics365, USA Today, Huffington Post, Ebony.com and more. She has received outstanding leadership and woman of power awards from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, National Urban League, National Newspaper Publishers Association, National Action Network, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Women in the NAACP, SCLC W.O.M.E.N., National Voting Rights Museum & Institute, State Farm Insurance and 100 Black Men of Washington D.C.

Campbell has a B.A. in Business Administration from Clark Atlanta University and a certificate in non-profit executive management from Georgetown University. She is a member of the inaugural class of Progressive Women's Voices at the Women's Media Center and a resident fellow alumni at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Institute of Politics at Harvard University.

A Mims, Florida native, Campbell is also an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Social Action Commission, Northern Virginia and Greater Washington Urban Leagues, National Council of Negro Women, NAACP, the National Association of Female Executives and many other civic and community-based organizations.

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Welcome.....Marci Fluellyn
Mayor - City of Lovejoy

Presentation of Colors.....Morrow High School AFJROTC

National Anthem.....Nikhia Jones
Kay R. Pace Elementary School of the Arts

Occasion.....Marci Fluellyn
Mayor - City of Lovejoy

Invocation.....Rose Marie Greene
Co-Pastor, Amazing Grace World Outreach Church

LUNCH SERVED

Musical Selection.....Jamiah Wright
Senior Lovejoy High School

Introduction of the Speaker.....Angeline Butler
Mayor, City of Forest Park

Speaker.....Anna Roach
Executive Director and CEO, Atlanta Regional Commission

Video Presentation.....Donya Sartor
Mayor - City of Jonesboro

Introduction of the Speaker.....Bianca Motley Broom
Mayor - City of College Park

Speaker.....Melanie Campbell
President/CEO, National Coalition on
Black Civic Participation Convener, Black Women's Roundtable

Closing Remarks.....Evelyn Wynn-Dixon
Mayor - City of Riverdale

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THE HONORABLE ANGELYNE BUTLER, MPA



CITY OF
FORESTPARK

November 9, 2023

Dear Distinguished Community Leaders,

Please accept my heartfelt congratulations on your remarkable achievement of being elected to serve the citizens of your respective municipalities in Clayton County, Georgia. Your triumph represents a groundbreaking moment in the history of not only your municipality, Clayton County, but the entirety of the state of Georgia and subsequently the entire nation. The fact that five of the seven municipalities elected African American women signifies a significant shift in the political landscape and a testament to the unwavering spirit of resilience and determination that characterizes our community.

Your victory serves as a beacon of hope for all women of color across the state and our great nation, who now have role models and inspiration to pursue their aspirations in the political arena. Your unwavering dedication to serving the community and your commitment to upholding the values of equality, fairness, and justice have resonated with the electorate, proving that your voices matter and that your leadership is essential in shaping the future of Clayton County.

Your victory, whether you are a first time Mayor, as our adored Marci Fluellyn in Lovejoy, whether you are fulfilling your first full term as Mayor as our treasured, Dr. Donya Sator in Jonesboro, whether you were re-elected as our beloved, Bianca Motley Broom in College Park, whether you are a seasoned and unprecedented five-term Mayor, as our political matriarch, our cherished Dr. Evelyn Wynn-Dixon in Riverdale, or if you are patiently awaiting your next election as I am as the Mayor of Forest Park, please note the following: being a first is a phenomenal yet humbling honor, but serving your constituents with dignity and respect should always be your priority. As you embark on this new chapter in your political journey, I encourage you to continue to champion the causes that matter most to the people of Clayton County. Be unwavering in your pursuit of progress, advocate for policies that uplift and empower the underserved, and strive to create a more equitable and just society for all.

Your victory is a victory for women, the entire African American community, and a testament to the power of representation. Your voices, your experiences, and your perspectives are invaluable to the decision-making process, and I am confident that you will serve your constituents with distinction and integrity. As a first, your burdens may seem insurmountable and your scrutiny will appear magnified, however for there to be a second, then there must be a first. So, in those moments of perceived bleakness, always remember your existence will lessen that of our successors.

On behalf of all who believe in the power of diversity, inclusion, belonging, and representation, I extend my heartfelt congratulations once again. May your tenure in office be marked by remarkable achievements, lasting impact, and a legacy of service that will inspire generations to come. CLAYTON COUNTY...WE DID IT AGAIN!

With the utmost admiration and gratitude,


Mayor Angelyne Butler, MPA
City of Forest Park



Evelyn Wynn - Dixon

Mayor - City of Riverdale

An Atlanta native and proud mother of four adult children, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Dr. Evelyn Wynn-Dixon, Mayor of the City of Riverdale, earned her post-secondary and post-graduate education in Social Work and Gerontology. The Honorable Dr. Evelyn Wynn-Dixon has earned a reputation as a hard-working leader who values innovation, collaboration and citizen engagement. Dr. Evelyn Wynn-Dixon was re-elected November 7, 2023, for her fifth term serving as the longest Black female mayor in Clayton County. Riverdale is a metropolitan suburb of Atlanta with a diverse and dynamic population and is located approximately five miles south of Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, one of the nation's largest and busiest airports.

One of Mayor Dixon's most recent appointments was to Governor Nathan Deal's Transit Governance Task Force. Additionally, she serves in an executive capacity on the American Red Cross Minority Recruitment Board and the Securus House Executive Board—just to name a few. Mayor Dixon has been recognized for her exemplary leadership; as such, she is the recipient of countless awards and special honors. In May 2011, she was awarded the prestigious designation of 'Business Woman of the Year' by the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce. Since taking office in January 2008, Mayor Dixon and the City Council have pursued policies that have dramatically improved the quality of life in Riverdale. Mayor Dixon, also nicknamed, The People's Mayor, early in her political career, Mayor Dixon was lauded for her high accessibility for her high accessibility, tireless work ethic and attention to the basics, while working to inspire a generation of public officials who are rooted in the belief that citizens are the best civic entrepreneurs. She is best known for forging partnerships to revitalize Riverdale's communities, strengthening the economy through workforce investments, and smart growth initiatives. Mayor Dixon's vision for Riverdale is based on strong, welcoming communities that provide unlimited opportunities for success. In one of the most tumultuous economies the country has ever faced, the City of Riverdale constructed a state-of-the-art, 20,000 square foot. city hall, a distinctive multi-purpose center, and an outdoor Amphitheatre. Currently, under her leadership, Riverdale will be groundbreaking a new senior high-rise project, with many other new businesses opening and thriving in the City of Riverdale. She has proven her record and will continue to be a true model for smart growth.



Angeline Butler

Mayor - City of Forest Park

Angelyne Butler, MPA, is an award-winning community leader who currently serves as the 24th mayor of the City of Forest Park. She is the first person of color, and the second woman to be elected as mayor in the city. A native of the State of Washington, Butler spent her formative years at Fort Lewis Army Base in Tacoma, Washington. She is the daughter of Command Sergeant Major Butler, who helped instill in her a true passion for community activism, government, and above all, public service.

In her first three years in office, Mayor Butler's administration has ushered in 3,250 jobs, with a projection of an additional 1,500 jobs to come with an average salary of \$55,000. Mayor Butler assumed a \$14M debt from the City's acquisition of Fort Gillem and successfully turned said debt into \$1B of investments that have poured into Gillem. Mayor Butler's accomplishments also include balancing a \$34 million operating budget, breaking ground on a new multi-million-dollar public safety facility, establishing a four-year plan for capital improvement projects, and securing a \$51M Truist partnership and investment initiative with the City.

As an engaged public servant, Mayor Butler is a member of the African American Mayors Association and sits on several local boards, including the Downtown Development Authority, Clayton County Board of Health, and the Motherless Daughter Foundation. She received the Atlanta Business Chronicle and the Georgia Minority Association's 2020 Mayor of the Year Awards, as well as the prestigious 2022 Civic Engagement Award by the National Association of 100 Black Women Inc.

Mayor Butler is a graduate of Spelman College, where she earned her bachelor's degree in political science. She also received her master's degree in public administration from Troy University and is pursuing a Ph.D. in theology from Restoration Theological Seminary. Mayor Butler learned her most important lesson in leadership when she was fourteen. Mayor Butler never envisioned herself being a teen mother, however, she strives daily to show those who have walked in her footsteps, that you do not have to be a statistic. She proudly proclaims her daughter as her greatest accomplishment. Despite being a teen mother, her daughter graduated from high school, undergrad and graduate school all with honors, served in U.S. Air Force Reserves, is a four-time National Rugby Champion, All-American, and is pursuing her pilot's license.

Mayor Butler always operates in her faith. While being "the first" is a phenomenal accomplishment, being significant and having a significant impact on those in which she is elected to serve is her utmost priority.

When she's not answering calls from constituents or handling the day-to-day operations of city hall, Mayor Butler enjoys traveling, exercising, and spending time with her adorable dogs, the "First Pets" of Forest Park, Madame Mayor and Loc.



Bianca Motley Broom

Mayor - City of College Park

Bianca Motley Broom was sworn in as the 27th mayor of College Park, Georgia in January 2020. She was elected to a second term in November 2023. She is the first woman and the first Black person to serve as mayor of College Park. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, she has lived in College Park since 2008.

In her role as mayor, she serves as the chief executive of College Park, a city of nearly 15,000 residents with a yearly budget of over \$170 million. The city supports a thriving entrepreneurial community and has over 3,000 businesses in eleven square miles, including the headquarters of Chick-fil-A. Portions of the world's busiest airport, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, are within the city's limits. College Park also boasts the second largest convention center in the state, the Georgia International Convention Center (GICC), and in late 2019, the city opened the Gateway Center Arena in College Park. It is home to both the WNBA's Atlanta Dream and the College Park Skyhawks, the G-League affiliate of the NBA's Atlanta Hawks.

Since Mayor Motley Broom took office, College Park has seen more than \$100 million in public and private investment in the city. She has led the city's efforts for equitable and inclusive development, spearheading the city's participation in NLC programs such as the Vacant Property Leadership Institute and the Southern Cities Economic Inclusion Initiative.

Mayor Motley Broom is the Second Vice President of the Georgia Municipal Association (GMA). She is also chair of GMA's Federal Policy Council. She is a member of GMA's Board of Directors, Executive Committee and Legislative Policy Council. Mayor Motley Broom was elected in November 2023 to NLC's Board of Directors for a two-year term. In 2023, she was one of nine local elected officials from around the county selected to participate in NLC's Housing Supply Accelerator, a joint effort with the American Planning Association to address the housing challenges facing cities across the country.

A conflict resolution specialist, Mayor Motley Broom is a registered arbitrator, civil mediator, and domestic relations mediator in Georgia. From 2017-2019, she served as a part-time judge in Fulton County Magistrate Court. Prior to her appointment to the bench, she was a trial attorney and litigator for nearly fifteen years.

Mayor Motley Broom earned a Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy Studies and Religion from Duke University. She also minored in African and African-American Studies. She earned her Juris Doctorate at Washington University School of Law, where her commitment to public service was recognized by her designation as a Webster Society Scholar. She received an MBA with honors and earned certificates in Strategy and Execution, Change Management and Management Analytics from Lake Forest Graduate School of Management.

In 2022 and 2023, she was named as one of the Top 100 Black Women of Influence by the Atlanta Business League. Also in 2023, the Congress Heights Arts and Culture Center honored her with their Public Servant Award. Mayor Motley Broom has been recognized by both the 100 Black Men of South Metro Atlanta, Inc. and the College Park Black History Month Committee with their Trailblazer Awards.



Dr. Donna Sartor

Mayor - City of Jonesboro

Dr. Donya Sartor serves the City of Jonesboro as its 17th Mayor. Living in Jonesboro for over 20 years, as a Georgia native, Mayor Sartor is passionate about serving the Jonesboro community. On March 21, 2023, Dr. Sartor became Jonesboro's 16th Mayor, after serving on Jonesboro City Council for one term.

Mayor Sartor stands for the development and enhancement of Jonesboro's common good. To that end, Mayor Sartor empowers Jonesboro agencies to collaborate, decrease unnecessary spending, consider/weigh public safety, and increase citizen engagement. Mayor Sartor envisions additional shared amenities for the citizens of Jonesboro through a planned expansion of diversified housing, broadband internet, greenspace, sidewalks and bicycle lanes.

"Our unique culture as Georgians is being valued as possibly one of our greatest economic development strengths," Mayor Sartor emphasizes. Mayor Sartor champions Jonesboro's unique competitive place in Georgia's emerging cultural villages economy, set to draw down its share of tourism, transportation, entertainment, and hospitality dollars. By expanding public input, Mayor Sartor sees Jonesboro steering a pathway to community-grown, small business economic development. Upon that culturally unique, "common good" bedrock, an extraordinary quality of life can be preserved, and sustained, for the citizens of Jonesboro in the dawn of the 21st century.

With a deep sense of civic duty and historic obligation to represent the citizens of Jonesboro, Mayor Sartor welcomes input from all constituents. Awarded the Carl G. Rhodenizer Community Service Award from the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce (2022), Mayor Sartor has recently been named to the Georgia Municipal Association's Equity and Inclusion Council.

A teacher in the field of education for over two decades, Mayor Sartor received her B.A. from Emory University, with her M.A. from Clark Atlanta University, and her PhD in Education from Georgia State University. She is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., and enjoys her free time by traveling, gardening, playing golf, and spending time with family.



Marci Fluellyn

Mayor - City of Lovejoy

Marci Fluellyn began her professional career in the purchasing field with a specialty in strategic planning and inventory management. Her strongest contributions were in global optimization projects to improve cash flow and customer service deliverables. She retired in August 2020 as the Director of Global Procurement giving 20+ years of dedication to her field. She turned her focus to her passion, increasing her time in public service to Lovejoy.

Marci began public service in the City of Lovejoy on August 14, 2007, filling a vacant seat on the city council becoming the first African American council member in Lovejoy. During her 16 years as councilwoman, Marci's had big dreams for Lovejoy. Her first initiative was to bring events and services for the citizens of which she's hosted many over the years. Her first project was the Fall Festival in 2009 which grew into an annual event citizens have come to look forward to drawing thousands into downtown Lovejoy. Some of her other projects were the Back to School drive and Christmas events that have become a city staple. In 2017 she founded a Youth Mentoring program, Elevate Lovejoy, which prepares Lovejoy youth for independence and encouraging them to be change agents in the community. If you know Marci, you know that she's very spiritual. She's shared her love for God as a guest speaker at local churches and club meetings in the Lovejoy community. She rarely meets a stranger and is known for her hugs and continued commitment to Lovejoy. In August 2023 Marci increased her commitment by qualifying for Mayor of Lovejoy and ran unopposed becoming Lovejoy's Mayor Elect and the first African American Mayor in Lovejoy. She was sworn into office on January 2, 2024 continuing her charge as a visionary for Lovejoy. She will serve alongside 4 amazing councilwomen, whom also ran unopposed and have great plans for Lovejoy. During her first 100 days in office, she will launch a campaign to obtain the wishes of the citizens on the direction they'd like to see for Lovejoy. She will work tirelessly alongside the councilwomen and staff to bring their wishes to life for the amazing city of Lovejoy, a great place to grow and prosper.



Dr. Barbara Pulliam

Superintendent - Retired

A miracle occurred during 2020. One that almost sneaked up on many of us – especially women. We learned early that it was African American women in this country that helped Joseph Biden get elected the 46th president of the United States. We also saw the the first woman of color elected Vice-President of the United States. This was no accident! We have often heard that African American women were like a force of nature. I personally believe that there is a lot of truth to that statement. There was a time when women could not vote. If you wanted to be a teacher, you could not be married; subsequently the term old maid was coined. That did not stop African American women from becoming teachers.

Education was the means used to increase women’s rights to participate in the larger arena of politics and public service. Almost like an awakening, women were becoming leaders in our communities, our places of work, and in our schools and churches. Our history as African American women has reminded us that if it was something that needed to be done, a woman was going to do it! Soon we began to see women police chiefs, school superintendents, fire chiefs, and school board members. African American women were showing up as doctors, lawyers, judges, clergy leaders, and political leaders.

Research says that women lead differently from men. Not better than, but differently. But growing up, most of us have heard “if you want something done right, ask a woman to do it.” Women do bring a different perspective to getting to resolution.

While Shirley Chisholm was the first African American woman to run for president, and Carol Moseley Braun was the first African American woman to be elected a United States Senator, Clayton County has the distinction of having the most, 41, African American female government officials in the USA!

While we can call them women of distinction, I believe we should call them women of courage, perseverance, women who stand ready to make the impossible possible, and women who have the steadfastness to do the right thing for the communities they represent. Distinctive, yes, because there is nothing like them.

These 41 elected African American women have begun to change our world!

**First African American and First Woman to serve as
Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools**

41 African American Women Elected to Serve Clayton County Georgia

- U.S. Congresswoman Nikema Williams (D-5)
- State Senator Valencia Seay (D-34)
- State Senator Gail Davenport (D-44)
- State Rep. Kim Schofield (D-60)
- State Rep. Debra Bazemore (D-63)
- State Rep. Yasmin Neal (D-74); Vice Chair of Clayton County Delegation
- State Rep. Sandra Givens Scott (D-76)
- State Rep. Rhonda M. Burnough (D-77); Chair of the Clayton County Delegation
- District Attorney Tasha Mosley
- Clerk of Court Jacqueline D. Wills
- Chief Magistrate Judge Keisha Wright Hill
- Commissioner Sonna Singleton Gregory, Vice Chair Clayton County Board of Commissioners (D-1) (Late)
- Commissioner Gail Hambrick (D-2)
- Commissioner Felicia Franklin (D-3)
- Jasmine Bowles, Board of Education (D-1)
- Jessie Goree, Board of Education Chair (D-3)
- Victoria Williams, Board of Education, (D-4)
- Dr. Deatrice “Dee” Haney, Board of Education, (D-5)
- Sabrina Hill, Board of Education (D-7)
- Dr. Alieka Anderson, Board of Education (D-8) (Former Vice Chair)
- Superior Court Chief Judge Geronda V. Carter
- Superior Court Judge Shana Rooks Malone
- Superior Court Judge Jewel Scott
- State Court Judge Margaret Spencer
- State Court Judge Shalonda Jones-Parker
- State Court Judge Tammi Hayward
- Mayor Bianca Motley Broom, City of College Park
- Mayor Angelyn Butler, City of Forest Park
- Mayor Evelyn Winn Dixon, City of Riverdale
- Councilwoman Kimberly James, City of Forest Park Ward 1
- Councilwoman Latresa Wells, City of Forest Park, Ward 4; Mayor Pro-tem
- Councilwoman Donya L. Sartor, PhD, City of Jonesboro
- Councilwoman Chyna Kyles, Lake City
- Councilwoman Rosannette Kirby, City of Lovejoy Post I
- Councilwoman Marci Fluellyn, City of Lovejoy Post II
- Councilwoman Dr. Rebekah Holland Wright, City of Lovejoy Post III
- Councilwoman Dorothy Dean, City of Morrow
- Councilwoman Renee Saunders Knight, City of Morrow
- Councilwoman Mary Granison, City of Riverdale Ward 1 (Appointed)
- Councilwoman Wanda Wallace, City of Riverdale Ward 3
- Councilwoman Cynthia Stamps-Jones, City of Riverdale Ward 1 (Former)
- Georgia District Supervisor Deetra Poindexter, Clayton County Soil and Water Conservation

Clayton County Women Lead with Purpose



Clayton County History

Clayton County African American and Women's History

- Congresswomen Nikema Williams, 5th District
- State Senator and State Representative Valencia Seay
- Board of Commissioner Virginia Gray
- First Female Sheriff Deputy Teresa Watkins
- Superior Court Judge Geronda Carter
- Chief Magistrate Judge Daphne Walker
(First African American Judge in Clayton County)
- District Attorney Jewel Scott
- Solicitor General Leslie Miller-Terry
- Clayton Chamber of Commerce First African American Female CEO Yulonda Beauford

Clayton County Public Schools African American History

- First Colored Elementary School: Red Annex, Principal Mrs. Roberta T. Smith
- The White Annex was the Rosenwald School founded by Julius Rosenwald and Booker T. Washington
- First Colored High School: Jonesboro Colored High School located in the White Annex (grades 1-11), Principal Mrs. Minnie Melton Saxton
- Forest Park Chapel School, Principal Susie Perkins
- Clayton Public Schools for the Colored: Arnold Elementary School, Principal Roberta T. Smith (before Integration)
- First Female Principal after Integration: Dr. Gloria Duncan
- First Black and Female School Board Member: Valencia Seay
- Clayton County Public Schools Board Chairs: Dr. Nedra Ware and Dr. Connie Kitchens
- First Female Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools: Dr. Barbara Pulliam
- Clayton County Public Schools First Parent-Teacher Association President: Tom McBeth

This information is compliments of the R&M African American Museum

Clayton County History

Clayton County Cities First African American and Women Elected Members

City of Jonesboro (The County Seat)

- Mayor Dr. Donya Sartor, First African American Mayor
- City Councilwoman Eula Ponds Perry
- Mayor Joy Day first Female Mayor

City of Forest Park (Clayton County's largest city)

- First Mayor Angelyne Butler
- First Female City Councilwoman Sparkle Adams
- First Fire Chief Latosha Clemons

City of Riverdale First African American Elected

- Mayor Phaedra Graham
- First City Manager Iris Jessie
- First Female City Councilwoman Wanda Wallace
- First Female Police Chief Thetus Knox

City of Lovejoy First African American Elected

- First African American Mayor Marci Fluellyn
- First City Councilmember Marci Fluellyn

City of Morrow

- First City Councilmember Jeanell Bridges

Lake City

- First Councilmember Chyna Kyles

City of College Park

- Mayor Bianca Motley Broom, First African American and Female Mayor

Current Clayton County Female Leaders

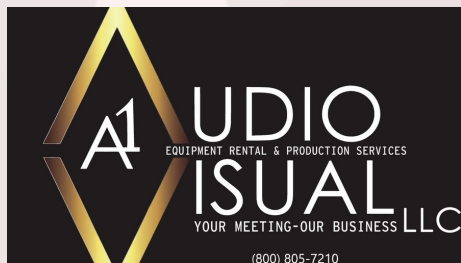
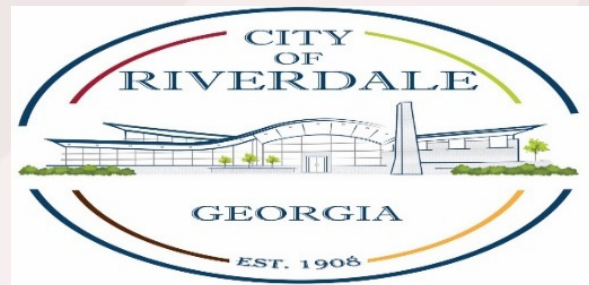
- Valencia Williamson, CEO/President Clayton County Chamber of Commerce
- Ela Lena, President and Chief Executive Officer of Southern Regional Hospital
- Dr. Kimberly McLeod, VP/Provost Clayton State University
- Felicia Davis, Founder of the HBCU Fund
- Danielle Smith, Clayton County Tax Commissioner
- Chanae Q. Clemons, Clerk of Superior Courts

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**“IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO SERVE
PEOPLE, A PRIVILEGE THAT MUST
BE EARNED, AND ONCE EARNED,
THERE IS AN OBLIGATION TO DO
SOMETHING GOOD WITH IT.**

~ Barbara Jordan