



# City of Atlanta

## OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

### FY22 – Quarterly Update

**Presentation to Public Safety and Legal Administration Committee**

**August 8, 2022**

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City Solicitor



# Our Mission

The Mission of the Office of the City Solicitor is to represent the citizens of the City of Atlanta in all matters brought before the Municipal Court. This Office commits its resources in partnerships with law enforcement, the citizens, and the greater community. In that vein, the mission is expanded to promote a safe environment and lawful behavior for the people of the City of Atlanta by utilizing legal and fair-minded methods to successfully resolve cases.



# CRITICAL ACTIVITIES

- Record Restriction
- APD New Recruit Training
- Nuisance Properties Initiative
  - Nightlife
  - Multi- Family Units
  - Commercial and Residential Properties
- Collaboration with Fulton County District Attorney Office
- Community Prosecution and Outreach



# RECORD RESTRICTION

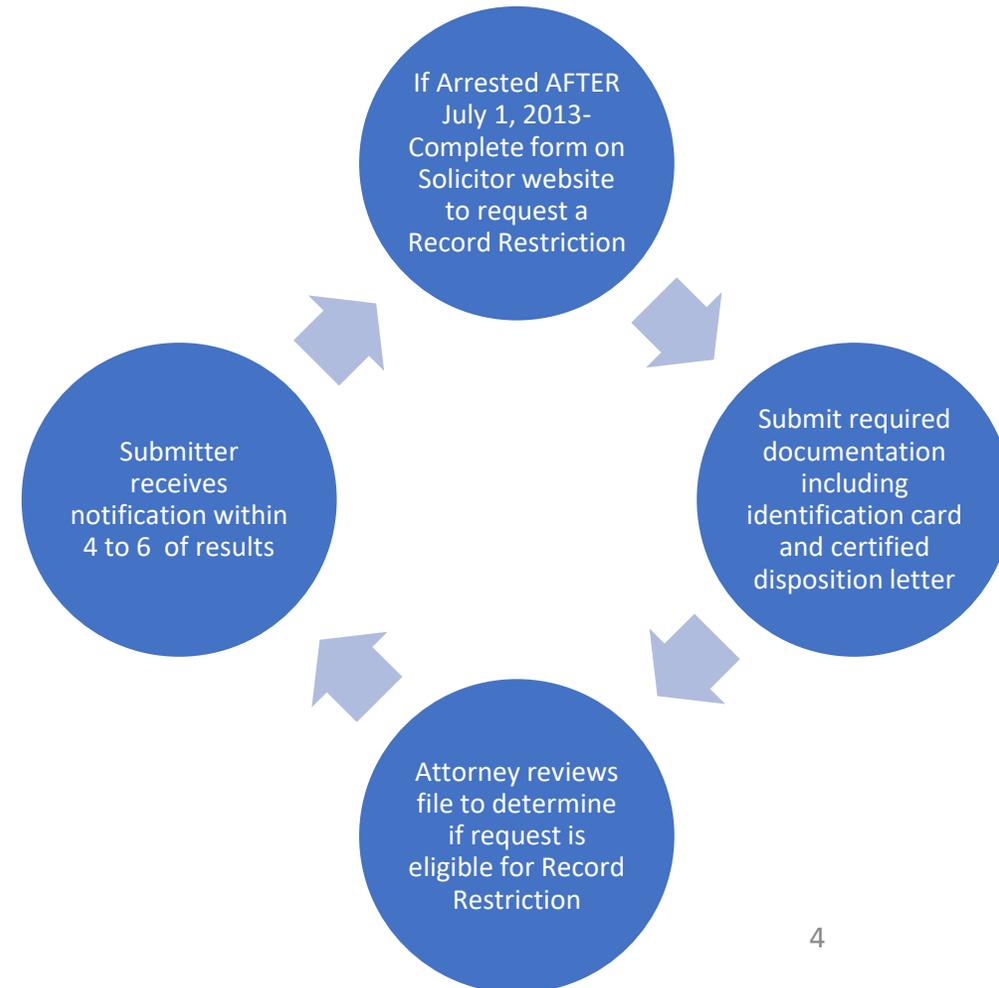
**Record Restriction** (formerly known as expungement) is the process that allows certain charges on an individual's official criminal record to be restricted from public view and only accessible to law enforcement agencies for criminal justice purposes.

- Most cases that appear on an individual's criminal record are eligible for a Record Restriction upon completion of a Diversion Program.
- If a misdemeanor case resulted in a non-guilty disposition or without a conviction, it may qualify for record restriction.
- City Ordinances are not eligible for record restriction.

## How to get my Record Restricted?

- If arrested BEFORE July 1, 2013, you must complete an application with the arresting agency:
  - APD Identification Unit -3493 Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy (404) 546-4991
- If arrested AFTER July 1, 2013, you may complete the form online directly on City of Atlanta, Solicitor Office Website.

## Record Restriction Process





# APD NEW RECRUIT TRAINING

- The Solicitor's Office coordinates ongoing training sessions with the Atlanta Police department to provide training for new recruit officers.
- The training sessions range between 4 to 8 hours and the most recent session was held on May 4, 2022.
- Training Sessions included:
  - Ticket writing requirements
  - Effective police report writing
  - Courtroom testimony and demeanor
  - Observation of mock direct and cross examination questions
  - Participation in various interactive learning exercises



# NUISANCE PROPERTIES INITIATIVE

- The Solicitor's Office continues to work closely with the Administration and various city departments to engage in bi-weekly committee meetings to resolve the ongoing nuisance problem properties.
- Solicitor's Office attends weekly APD meetings to obtain insight into properties that has increased crime statistics. The original nuisance properties listing has grown significantly.
  - Nightlife
  - Multi- Family Units
  - Commercial and Residential Properties
- Upcoming Nuisance Action: August 18, 2022



# Collaboration with Fulton County District Attorney

- Identify problem properties that have sub-standard living conditions and high crime.
- Share information regarding disposition of cases.
- Work together to identify any misconduct and/or criminal activity with property owners and/or landlords.



# *IN THE COMMUNITY*

**“Working Together for ONE ATLANTA”**



# Solicitor's Office Partnerships

- We partnered with NPU communities, city councilmembers and various city departments to serve as volunteers and guest speakers at several events throughout the City including the following:
  - Fight Against Blight in Action
  - Senior Citizen Public Safety Event
  - Mayor's Midnight Basketball
  - Various food distributions

**When:**  
Saturday July 30th, 2022  
11:00am - 3:00pm

**Where:**  
Victory Outreach Church  
2175 Metropolitan Pkwy SE  
Atlanta, GA 30315

CONTRIBUTE	INFORMATION	LOGISTICS	BUS RIDES	PRAYER	INFORMATION
Drew Sewell 404-391-0252	Priscilla Birdsong 678-575-3464	Greg Poole 470-532-7992	Bernard Todd 404-725-2538	Annette Curtis 865-748-5110	Steve Brown 678-858-2907

[www.maximumimpactlove.org](http://www.maximumimpactlove.org)



# Solicitor's Office Partnerships

Date (s)	Partnership/Location
Various Dates	Councilmember Boone- Food Distribution Event/ Jackson Memorial Baptist Church (4)
Various Dates	Councilmember Bond- Food Distribution Event/ Various Locations (11)
Various Dates	Mayor's Midnight Basketball/ Various Locations

Date (s)	Partnership/Location
May 21, 2022	Councilmember Amos- Maximum Impact Food Giveaway / Rodney Cook Sr. Park
May 14, 2022	Fight Against Blight in Action/ CT Martin Recreation Center
July 15, 2022 June 10, 2022 May 9, 2022	Senior Citizen Public Safety Events/ Various Locations
June 9, 2022	Senior Community Health & Wellness Fair/ Herndon Square Senior Living



# FIGHT AGAINST BLIGHT

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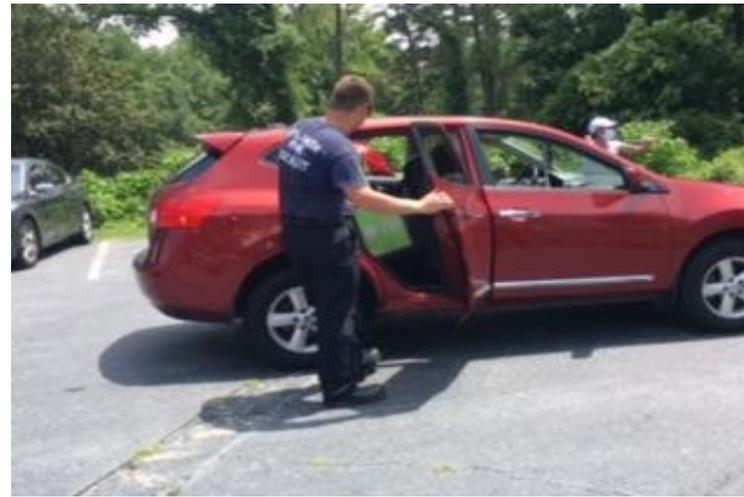




# COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOOD DRIVES

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# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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# Community Prosecution Outreach Partners Working Together For a Safer City



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*QUESTIONS?*