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Keep Newnan Beautiful Receives Governor's Circle Award

NEWNAN, GEORGIA, February 11, 2026 - Keep Newnan Beautiful (KNB) has been honored with a 2025 Governor's Circle Award for its outstanding achievements in community beautification and environmental sustainability. The Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation (KGBF) presented the award in recognition of KNB's exemplary performance in litter reduction, waste minimization, and community greening initiatives throughout Coweta County.

To qualify for the Governor's Circle Award, affiliates must be certified and in good standing with Keep America Beautiful (KAB), the national nonprofit that oversees state and local programming, and must be active members of the KGBF network. Certified KAB affiliates are required to effect meaningful, positive, and lasting change by directly addressing community needs in litter prevention, recycling, waste reduction, and beautification – standards that Keep Newnan Beautiful continues to exceed.

Mayor Shepherd shared, "The Governor's Circle Award is a well-deserved tribute to the hard work of Page Beckwith and the entire Keep Newnan Beautiful team. Year after year, this program proves that when our community comes together with a shared purpose, the results are transformative. We are grateful for their dedication to a cleaner, more sustainable Newnan."

This prestigious recognition highlights Keep Newnan Beautiful's continued commitment to improving the local environment through hands-on programs, public education, and strong community partnerships. Led by Page Beckwith, over the past year, KNB has engaged residents, schools, businesses, and volunteers in impactful efforts including community litter cleanups, recycling events, environmental education programs for students, and beautification projects that enhance public spaces across Newnan.

“Across Georgia, we’re focused on creating clean, green, and beautiful communities for everyone to enjoy,” said Natalie Johnston-Russell, Executive Director of the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation. “This year’s award recipients exemplify what’s possible when passion meets action, and we’re proud to recognize their outstanding contributions.”

Keep Newnan Beautiful works year-round to promote environmental stewardship through volunteer engagement, educational outreach, and collaborative community initiatives. This award underscores the organization’s role as a leader in local sustainability efforts and its mission to inspire residents to take pride in keeping Newnan clean, green, and beautiful.

Learn more by following Keep Newnan Beautiful on Facebook and Instagram: @keepnewnanbeautiful

2026 Keep Newnan Beautiful events: <https://www.keepnewnanbeautiful.org>

About Keep Newnan Beautiful:

Keep Newnan Beautiful (KNB) is an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful and a local affiliate of Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation. We are a city organization that is working to inspire and educate individuals and our community towards greater environmental stewardship.

Current KNB Board Members: Arden Avery, Kevin Barbee, Alicia Bohannon, Bill Boyd, Cary Dial, Trent Finnegan, Phyllis Graham, Constance Jordan, Joy Levering, Angela Lewis, Carolina Mc Means, Kelli Yeager - Nelson, Allison Ziegler.

About the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation:

The Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation has a 48-year history of doing the little things that make a big difference in Georgia’s communities. Established in 1978, we aim to educate and inspire Georgians to take action every day to improve and beautify their community environments. The Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation supports more than 70 local affiliates across the state, and its programs represent 80% of Georgia’s population. We also strive to engage new communities and individuals in our efforts to end littering, promote recycling and waste reduction, and beautify communities. For more information, visit www.kgbf.org and follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

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