



GHCC and Gwinnett County partner  
to celebrate Hispanic Heritage month

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Atlanta, GA - Gwinnett County Hispanic Heritage Month in partnership with the **Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GHCC)** in an event that recognized the contributions of that community to the County.

Board of Commissioners Chairwoman Charlotte Nash presented a proclamation recognizing Gwinnett-based organizations that provide support and critical programming to the Latino and greater Gwinnett community during the commission's public hearing meeting at the Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center, in Lawrenceville, GA, on Tuesday, September 24th.

"It is important that we recognize the contributions that Latinos have made in our community and we will continue to foster opportunities that promote a shared sense of belonging, said Nicole Hendrickson, Community Outreach Program Director for Gwinnett County Government. "We are so fortunate, in Gwinnett, to have the rich diversity that affords us the opportunity to learn, grow and build a vibrant community that connects us all and results in a community we can all be proud of."

GHCC president and CEO Santiago Marquez emceed the event that showcased Alex R. Rivera, a Senior Manager for Lending Solutions Operations from Assurant, Hector Montalvo from the U.S. Census Bureau and State Representative Pedro Marin (D-Duluth)

"Gwinnett is perhaps the most diverse county in metro Atlanta," said Marquez, "and we are proud to join with county leaders to recognize the achievements of the Hispanic community in making Gwinnett great."

This year, the celebration displayed the spirit of the Hispanic community in Gwinnett county that included artwork, pictures, entertainment, sports, and the representation of 10 countries in the cultural exhibit.

Also, there were performances from the Maestros Cultural Arts Center and the Academy of Performing Arts/Norcross.

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*About the GHCC*

*Established in 1984, the GHCC is one of the largest Hispanic Chambers in the United States, with over 1,000 members. Its primary focus is on business formation, business growth, and civic and leadership development and engagement. It serves entrepreneurs and business owners through consultations, workshops and seminars and partners with organizations such as the Small Business Development Center to bring quality programming to the Hispanic business community.*