

Long Range Planning NEWSLETTER

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DeKalb County
Planning & Sustainability

**Special Edition:
World Planning Day**

November 08, 2023

9AM–3PM

178 Sams St,

Decatur GA 30030



The DeKalb County Planning and Sustainability Department hosted World Planning Day on November 08, 2023.

The event was a success and are grateful to all the community members who showed support throughout the event.

In honor of the event, this issue is dedicated to recapping the event. Thank you!

Statistics

- Over 125 Participants
- 70 Students and Teachers
- 15 Trees Planted
- 25 Free Rain Barrels
- 1 Great Day!

World Planning Day

The DeKalb County Planning and Sustainability Department celebrated World Planning Day on November 8, 2023. More than 125 community members and students attended the event to learn more about urban planning, sustainability, and tactical urbanism.

Students from DeKalb County accompanied many guests throughout the day to learn from our partner organizations, including MARTA, DeKalb History Center, DHL, Kimley Horn, Community Development, Watershed Management, DeKalb County Soil & Water Conservation District, and the Planning and Sustainability Department staff. In addition to speaking with experts, guests had the chance for hands-on participation through workshops and interactive activities throughout the day.

Aligned with the event's theme, "Tactical Urbanism in the Built Environment," community members learned about what Tactical Urbanism is, and actively participated in the exhibit spaces to better understand its applications in local communities and how they could incorporate similar practices in their surroundings. Students engaged with the activated parklet space throughout the day, as well as contributed to our illustrative crosswalk display.



World Planning Day

To complement the tactical urbanism exhibit list, a food truck park was installed. Sunshine Alchemy and Untitled Food Truck provided not only delicious food but also became focal points for social interaction.

The Tree Planting workshop, held in collaboration with Trees Atlanta, garnered enthusiastic engagement and reflected the community's commitment to environmental stewardship.

Additionally, the Rain Barrel Workshop, led by the Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, and the Home Weatherization workshop with Southface, provided hands-on learning experiences that empowered attendees with practical knowledge for sustainable living. Students and guests left the event with a better understanding of ways to create an impromptu tactical urbanism in their community and ways to continue to help our environment.

The collaborative efforts of participants, workshop leaders, and official partners made this World Planning Day an impactful and memorable occasion, highlighting the community's dedication to building a more sustainable and connected future.

For more information about this year's World Planning Day such as the day-of agenda, more pictures, tactical urbanism resources and more, visit the [World Planning Day Project Page](#).



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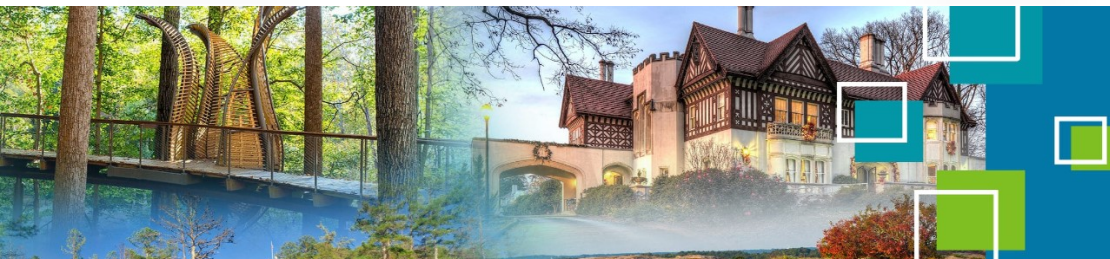
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DeKalb County's Planning and Sustainability department has launched Engage DeKalb! This engagement platform is a new way for you to provide input to county staff quickly and easily. New projects will be added onto Engage DeKalb so be sure to register and keep updated on major projects happening around DeKalb County.

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