

OPEN for BUSINESS

Opening the doors of a new business requires licenses, permits, and lots of planning. This publication provides key contact information and encourages the process to begin with the Clarkesville Main Street Program. Staff and volunteers are available to assist businesses locating within the central business district with information and financial incentives. They can also help you navigate through the business start-up phase. Use this resource list of agencies and departments to successfully walk through the process. Don't delay contacting relevant agencies, as some processes may take several weeks.



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PERMITS

BUSINESS LICENSE.....706-754-4216

A license is required to operate any business

BUILDING INSPECTION.....706-754-4216

Any change to a building requires a building permit including new signs, awnings and additions.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.....706-754-4216

If plans to include alcohol sales, call Clerk's Office

DEPT. OF REVENUE/Alcohol Unit.....706-295-6688

A State Alcohol Beverage License is also required

FIRE PREVENTION.....706-754-2024

Get valuable answers on code requirements

HABERSHAM COUNTY HEALTH

DEPARTMENT.....706-778-7156

Restaurants must contact the Health Department

PLANNING COMMISSION.....706-754-4216

Check zoning to confirm business is allowed and any associated restrictions.

UTILITIES

HABERSHAM ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP

CORPORATION.....706-754-2114

GEORGIA POWER..... 706-754-3161

WINDSTREAM.....706-778-2500

CITY WATER.....706-754-4216

RECYCLING CENTER.....706-968-8310

SANITATION.....706-754-4216

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

MAIN STREET OFFICE.....706-754-2220

Business, Marketing & Financial Assistance

HABERSHAM COUNTY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.....706-778-4654

Business Resource Center-offered through Piedmont College