



# Board of County Commissioners

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## Press Release

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### Camden County Celebrates

## NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH

### April is National County Government Month

Camden County is joining with counties across the United States in celebrating National County Government Month (NCGM). The 2013 Theme is "Smart Justice" Creating Safer Communities. Across the nation, 3,068 counties provide a wide variety of essential public services to communities serving more than 300 million Americans.

Camden County is one of the fastest growing counties in Georgia and provides a large array of services for over 50,000 citizens.

### Why Camden County Matters

Camden County provides responsive, innovative and cost effective services, promotes a smart growth, effective communication with the citizens, improves infrastructure and technology, preserves the health, welfare, safety and environment while maintaining the outstanding quality of life that makes Camden a desirable place to live and work.

Camden County has produced "Why Camden County Matters" a flyer designed to help citizens understand the services provided by Camden County.

### Fun Facts & Information About Camden

Camden County has set up tables at the Public Library, Public Service Authority (PSA) and the Government Complex Service Building in Woodbine with information to better inform the citizens of all the services available to them.

### April 22nd—27th: National Crime Victims Rights Week

A Memorial Wall will be on display at the Camden County Courthouse all week in memory of all crime victims'. Camden County District Attorney will recognize crime victims' with a Crime Victims' Memorial Ceremony Friday April 26th.

To create awareness of the relationship between government and community, the Board of Commissioners promote "Showcase Camden County" Photo Contest. Citizens submit their best photos of Camden County, Georgia. Winning photos are featured at the Government Complex Building and in various publications throughout Camden County.

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## WHY CAMDEN COUNTY MATTERS



Camden County provides  
**ESSENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICES**  
Including many mandated by  
**FEDERAL** and **STATE** laws and regulations

**History of Counties**

Traditionally, counties performed state-mandated duties, which included assessment of property, record keeping (e.g., property and vital statistics), maintenance of rural roads, administration of election and judicial functions, and poor relief. Today, counties rapidly are moving into other areas, undertaking programs relating to child welfare, consumer protection, economic development, employment/training, planning and zoning, and water quality, to name just a few.

Service delivery responsibilities, however, vary widely among counties. For most, construction/maintaining local roads is one of their prime duties. Wide variations also exist in the social service responsibilities and the types of utility services (e.g., water supply) provided by county governments..

Camden County  
Employs

**371  
Employees**

Delivering a  
variety  
of services

- Sheriff's Office, Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services
- Parks & Recreation (PSA)
- Criminal and Civil Courts
- Vital Records
- Public Safety
- Detention and Monitoring of Criminals
- Land Use Planning
- Economic Development
- Elections: Federal, State & County
- Emergency Preparedness
- Roads and Bridges
- Solid Waste collection and its disposal
- Record Keeping
- Library
- Property assessment and tax collection

**Services Offered**

Confidential CRIMELINE	912-510-5163
Are You OK? Program Assists Local Citizens	912-510-5100
"CodeRed" Weather Warnings	912-729-5602
Community Emergency Response Team Training , Borrow an AED or CPR Training	912-729-3911
Parks & Recreation (Leisure Services)	912-729-5600

NACo Prescription Discount Card Program  
[www.ccsmark.com/harsco](http://www.ccsmark.com/harsco)

There are **5** elected **County Commissioners**



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