



# The Lifeline

The Official Newsletter of Commissioner Emma I. Darnell

“THE TIME COMES WHEN SILENCE IS BETRAYAL”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. - APRIL 4, 1967

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SUBJ: **SPECIAL REPORT: DISTRICT 6 NEWSLETTER: LIFELINE RELEASED**

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## **INSIDE THIS ISSUE**

**COMMISSIONER'S CORNER**: Commissioner Darnell discusses “Resources” and “Decisions”: “Beyond the Bottom Line”.



### **FY2015 TENTATIVE BUDGET UNDER REVIEW; TAX INCREASE FOR SOUTH FULTON; CUTS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

The Budget Commission presents a “Tentative” FY2015 Budget to the Board of Commissioners for approval; county-wide services to senior, children and youth, homeless and disabled persons cut by 50%; millage (property) tax increase for South Fulton residents.



### **GRADY (HEALTH SYSTEM) FAILS TO MEET BENCHMARKS ON “QUALITY OF CARE” CUSTOMER SATISFACTION REPORT. 66% PATIENTS REPORT “ROOMS AND BATHROOMS NOT ALWAYS CLEAN.”**

Developed by the U.S. Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services, the Press-Ganey Report contains responses from Grady patients who are contacted after discharge to access “customer satisfaction.” Grady fails to meet benchmarks in Q3, 2013 – fails to submit data in Q3, 2014. Other categories include “patients reporting they were given instructions about what to do while recovering at home”.

### **DISTRICT 6 SERVICES DIRECTORY RELEASED**

Contact Information for County-Wide Neighborhood Service Centers located throughout District 6 and Contact Information for Commissioner Darnell released. Includes County agencies funded but not operated by Fulton County including the Board of Tax Assessors, Tax Commissioner, Registration and Elections, Courts and Grady Health System.

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