



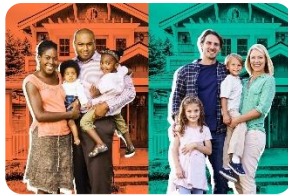
# Douglas

## Housing Authority

**Affordable  
Housing**



**Equal  
Opportunity  
Housing**



**Drug-Free  
Housing**



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## FROM THE DESK OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



There is “Hope” in the Storm .....

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as the Executive Director of the Housing of the City of Douglas, Georgia. This role has provided me with an opportunity to lead a dynamic Agency at a time when the government is in an uproar stemming from the Government Shutdown that affected so many different areas of Federal Government. The COVID-19 and the DELTA VARIANCE has left a bad taste in the world mouths on today. They have robbed us of our families, friends, co-workers, freedom to socialize, and mandates that cause us to live shelter lives.

As an Agency, our primary goal is to provide safe, decent and sanitary housing for Coffee County and our surrounding Communities. DHA also provides so much more than housing. We offer individuals, families, and senior citizens a foundation from which to build their lives and invest in their community through our housing opportunities and programs.

Our team consists of dedicated employees, experienced management staff, and housing professionals. With the continued leadership and assistance of our Board of Commissioners, we remain confident and excited about the opportunities we are able to offer to the Community. DHA continues to play a vital role in maintaining the health of our Community by building strong public and private partnerships, maintaining a high standard of property maintenance, and assisting in housing as many individuals and families that are in need of housing. We want to especially reach out to the homeless and the needy.

Although we have challenges, we have a much brighter future. We must all come together residents, staff, governments, businesses, and partners, in our mission/commitment to serve the Community with housing opportunities and options.

At DHA, we are committed in serving our residents and we believe it shows in everything we do. We look forward to continuing to serve the Community.

**Clara S. Graham**  
**Executive Director**

# THE LAW OFFICE



## TONI SAWYER, ESQ

**Ladies and Gentlemen:**

**Truly, it has been our pleasure to serve as counsel to the Housing Authority of the City of Douglas, Georgia, for the past fiscal year. We thoroughly enjoy our relationship with the Housing Authority and look forward to continuing to serve you as legal counsel. We are pleased to report that, from a legal perspective, all matters seem to be in order and believe that the Housing Authority has done an excellent job of carrying out its responsibilities. As a result, we have had no major matters during the last fiscal year outside of the ordinary scope of our representation and are unaware of any threatened litigation that should be of significant concern. Should such arise, we will certainly disclose the same to the Board of Commissioners as we are required to do under such circumstances.**

**Despite much of the year being severely affected by COVID-19, this Housing Authority's performance has exceeded expectations. By taking necessary and preventative measures to protect its tenants and staff, the Housing Authority has done an excellent job creating stability for its residents. We also believe the staff of the Authority has done an outstanding job in persevering throughout the pandemic. Both the staff and the exemplary leadership of the Housing Authority deserve recognition for their dedication and hard work throughout this battle with the global pandemic.**

**Once again, thank you for allowing us to serve as counsel to the Housing Authority of the City of Douglas, Georgia.**

# Housing Authority



## Board of Commissioners

Linetha Munford  
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*Chairman*

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*Commissioner*

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Oscar Dewitt  
*Resident Commissioner*

The Douglas Housing Authority Board of Commissioners has played an important part of a very prosperous and productive year for the Authority in the year of 2021. This was accomplished because as commissioners we believe that it is possible to transform communities and the people who live in our units for the better. It was such a delight to see our units maintain the occupancy percentage of 98% and roll into a waiting list. Our property is drug-free and we have 24-hour security in place to assist our residents and maintain our drug-free policy.

We continue to prepare ourselves to transition into a diligent, well-knowledge board because we are a policy making body. We strive to continue attending all available trainings provided by Georgia Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities (GAHRA) and National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO).

The year of 2020-2021 have been challenging for the Douglas Housing Authority due to the Covid 19 pandemic and the changes, adjustments, etc. that had to be made. The Commissioners extends their heartfelt gratitude to the Executive Director, Mrs. Clara Graham and her amazing staff as they carry on their duties during this pandemic. It is greatly appreciated.

As Chairman of the Douglas Housing Authority Board of Commissioners I am elated to say **“We have helped put pieces together to build a better community”** and we must continue to move forward ~ turning back is not an option!

**Ernestine Thomas-Clark/Chairman**



**The Douglas Housing Authority hosted its Annual Back To School Giveaway on August 12, 2021. This event was held in front of our new office building located on Thrash Circle. We even had one of our dedicated police officers on site greeting the parents & the kids as they receive their book bags filled with school supplies.**



# DHA HEALTH & WELLNESS

The Douglas Housing Authority conducts monthly wellness check for residents who have been under the weather. This time DHA decided to do something a little different. DHA held a wellness check drawing and all the names of residents that a wellness check was conducted on, had their names entered into the drawing. We would like to congratulate Ms. Sharon Gibson for being selected as the winner of the Wellness Care Basket Drawing.



# DOUGLAS HOUSING AUTHORITY

## TENT A TREAT

*The Douglas Housing Authority Resident Service Department held its 4th Annual Community Wide Tent a Treat on October 21, 2021. We had all Treats and not Tricks. We had so much fun watching the kids in their costumes as we gave out candy.*



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## Christmas In November

Everyone was in the giving spirit this year. The Douglas Housing Authority teamed up with PCC Airfoils this year in what they called “**Christmas In November**”. PCC donated gift baskets to the Housing Authority to be given out to the elderly residents.





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## ACT OF KINDNESS GIVEAWAY

Due to the Pandemic, we are living in a world that has experience so much tragedy and in a time in which some of us are better off than others. People have gotten away from what it is to be kind to others. We wanted to let our residents know that there are people still left in this world that have a caring heart and don't mind showing it. So, the Douglas Housing Authority decided to hold an Act of Kindness Giveaway to award two very deserving residents with a token of love from us to them. Jasmine Gifford was awarded a free nail appointment and Mr. Jerome Black was awarded a sanitizing gift basket.



**BE KIND!**

# Douglas Housing Authority



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## DHA MISSION

The mission of the Housing Authority of the City of Douglas, Georgia is to be a leader in providing affordable, safe and quality housing for the elderly, disabled and eligible families in our community.

24 Hour Maintenance

24 Hour Security

### Business Hours:

Monday – Thursday  
8:00 a.m.— 6:30 p.m.

## Important Numbers

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