

# Seniors



**Shortly after taking office, I was presented with a report from our Community Development Director, which studied the distribution of Senior Centers throughout DeKalb County. Upon reviewing the report, what became apparent is that District 4 is the only district in DeKalb County that does not have one. Since then, I have been on a mission to change this.**

My initial efforts to secure funding from our general fund budget were unsuccessful, but we were undeterred in this effort and went to plan B. Bottom line: sometime soon, we will be breaking ground on a brand-new, state-of-the-art 24,000 square foot senior and community center – equipped with a swimming pool – in the heart of my district. This facility will be something that District 4 and DeKalb County citizens will enjoy for many years to come.

Growing up, I was fortunate to spend a significant amount of time with all four of my grandparents. I have also known other senior citizens who have positively impacted my life. My caring and commitment to our senior citizens are heartfelt. When this facility is completed, I will be so proud to deliver this amenity to the senior citizens of my district and all of DeKalb County. And since I am approaching senior citizen status myself, I look forward to enjoying it in the future as well.

Visiting with constituents at The View Senior Residences in Stone Mountain.





District 4 Senior and Community Center meeting at Antioch AME Church in Stone Mountain.

## DeKalb County – District 4

# Accomplishments

- Secured HUD Section 108 federal funding loan of \$7.8 million to construct a 24,000 sq. ft. community and senior center for the citizens of District 4
- Allocated \$324,720 of District 4 Park Bond funds to augment construction funding

Renderings of the District 4 Senior and Community Center meeting spaces and swimming pool.

I am very proud of Commissioner Bradshaw and our Community Development Department for making the senior center happen. I cannot thank Commissioner Bradshaw enough for his leadership in this area. I hope that he continues his good work.

Linda Rice, District 4 Resident