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County to offer Taxpayer Academy; registration open now

GEORGETOWN COUNTY — For residents who have wondered how their county tax dollars are spent or who just want to know more about what their local government does, Georgetown County has a program for you.

In celebration of National County Government Month, which takes place each April, Georgetown County will offer a Taxpayer Academy. The program will take place each Wednesday in April and will give participants a behind the scenes look at the operations of various county departments and divisions, from law enforcement, to the airport, to the county recycling facilities and everything in between.

This is the first time the county has offered this program. It was inspired by a week-long summer camp program for kids the county hosted in 2018.

“While the program was for kids, they of course had adult chaperones with them, and the adults were as interested in the activities as the kids. Then we also heard from adults who weren’t on the trips, but heard about them from their children who were. We heard quite a few adults say they wished the county offered something similar for adults, so we decided to give it a shot, and it seemed like a perfect way to celebrate County government month,” said Jackie Broach-Akers, the county’s Public Information Officer.

Space in the program is limited to just 20 to ensure a better experience as participants visit various facilities and talk to staff. Participants must be at least 18 years old and able to attend all five sessions of the program. Find an application at www.gtcounty.org contact Broach-Akers at jbroach@gtcounty.org or (843) 545-3164 for more information.

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