

To report graffiti on city property:

Call the Graffiti Hotline
number

404-546-4288

For public property only



Remove Graffiti as a
Community Effort when
it is located...

- ◆ On brick walls
- ◆ On the street
- ◆ On a street sign

Contacts to request a Graffiti Removal Kit:

City Council District 2

Bass Recreation Center—404-658-6381

City Council District 4

Dunbar Recreation Center—404-658-7117, or
Pittman Park Recreation Center—404-215-2824

City Council District 5

Lang Carson Recreation Center—404-215-2856

City Council District 10

Adamsville Recreation Center—404-505-3181

City Council District 11

Ben Hill Recreation Center — 404-346-5891

All other City Council Districts

Department of Public Works—404-330-6333

Request use of Pressure Washer

for private and public property

Department of Public Works—404-330-6333

Graffiti Removal kits include:

- ◆ 16oz. Bare Brick, Stone and Masonry Graffiti Remover
- ◆ Iron Scrubbing Brush
- ◆ Volunteer Brush
- ◆ Towel
- ◆ 2 Gloves
- ◆ Goggles
- ◆ Instructional Guide



Step Up and Take Control of Your
Neighborhood!

The City of Atlanta
Graffiti Prevention and Eradication Program



Taking Control in Your Neighborhood

Graffiti is...

- ◆ Marking, drawing, etching and scratching on public and private property without the owner's permission.
- ◆ Usually created by those seeking recognition within their peer groups.
- ◆ A serious crime of vandalism. Like a "broken window," it's a signal of more serious criminal activity and graffiti to come.
- ◆ Not necessarily gang-related—only about 10% of graffiti is associated with gangs—but still a malicious violation of property owner's rights.

Graffiti Removal Team

- * Keep Atlanta Beautiful
- * Atlanta City Council
- * City of Atlanta Dept. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
- * City of Atlanta Dept. of Public Works
- * Mayor's Office of Constituent Services
- * Georgia Dept. of Transportation
- * Fulton County District Attorney
- * Atlanta Police Department
- * Atlanta Public Schools

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Prevention and Removal Tips

- ◆ Act by removing or painting over graffiti immediately. This is the best way to prevent a recurrence. Patience and perseverance are needed, but you can win out if you keep at it.
- ◆ To remove graffiti on a wall, paint the entire wall (or at least up to seven feet high), making a straight line across the top with a matching wall color. If this is not possible, use a matching color to cover the graffiti-damaged area in neat, squared off shapes.
- ◆ Wash or clean all surfaces to be painted. Avoid applying latex painting over oil-based paints.
- ◆ Install fencing or plant spiny, evergreen shrubbery such as hollies in the area. Contact Trees Atlanta at 404-522-4097 for help creating plant-based barriers on public right-of-ways.
- ◆ Keep your neighborhoods clean and litter-free, applying the "broken window" theory of crime prevention to discourage graffiti.
- ◆ Organize your neighbors for a cleanup and volunteer to point out graffiti on private and public property. Ask your local merchants and resident to remove graffiti from their property.



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- ◆ Report graffiti on dumpsters to the management company written on the container and ask for an immediate paint over. Graffiti on dumpsters on public property is a violation of city ordinances.

Call City Removal Team if ...

- ◆ Gang graffiti is suspected* For residents' safety, DO NOT attempt to remove without a police officer present.
- ◆ Removal could permanently damage surface.
- ◆ Graffiti is on city-owned art work. Contact Cultural Affairs at 404-546-6823.

*While only around 10% of graffiti is gang-related, it is especially dangerous for neighborhood. Report suspected gang graffiti on public and private property to Atlanta Police Department (APD):

Zone 1— 404-799-2487

Zone 2—404-848-7231

Zone 3—404-624-0674

Zone 4—404-756-1903

Zone 5—404-658-7054 / 7830

Zone 6 — 404-371-5002