

Below are community resources and contact persons related to concerns that were brought up at the Boulevard Neighborhood Association public safety meeting in September 2023. If you have an emergency situation or concern about someone's safety or well-being, you can always call 911 or the ACCPD non-emergency line at your discretion (706-613-3345).

Issue	Community contact person	Organization	Additional info
Neighborhood general safety concerns; follow up on incidents or other information	Lieutenant Joseph D. Geiger Phone: 762-400-7097 Cell: 706-255-7505 Email: <a href="mailto:joe.geiger@accgov.com">joe.geiger@accgov.com</a>	ACCPD	
Homeless individuals or encampments	John Morris (he/him), THRIVE Community Programs team lead Cell: 762.234.6535; Email: <a href="mailto:John.Morris@advantagebhs.org">John.Morris@advantagebhs.org</a>	Advantage Behavioral Health Systems 240 North Avenue	Agencies working within the homeless community meet frequently with police officers and collaborate to address issues. Camping on public property is not allowed and, of course, private property owners can always call 911 about any unauthorized camping on their property
Mental or behavioral health concerns	Sgt. Robie Cochran Phone: 762-400-7163 Email: <a href="mailto:Robie.Cochran@accgov.com">Robie.Cochran@accgov.com</a> For immediate concerns, call 911.	ACCPD Behavioral Health Unit	The Behavioral Health Unit is composed of co-responder teams. Each team consists of a sworn ACCPD officer who is paired with a mental health clinician, staffed by Advantage Behavioral Health Systems.
Noise concerns	911 or ACCPD non emergency line: 706-613-3345	ACCPD	In order to have a residence or business cited in violation of the noise ordinance, you should ask to

			meet with an officer and request a citation. The officer will need to come to your residence to observe the noise level.
Water related emergencies, including water main breaks, sewer overflow, or unusual sewer odors.	<a href="https://www.accgov.com/1211/Report-a-Problem">https://www.accgov.com/1211/Report-a-Problem</a> Normal business hours M-F 8am-5pm: phone 706-613-3495	ACC Public Utilities Department	For after hours or weekend water/sewer emergencies please call 706-613-3481.
Animal bites, animal welfare concerns, sick or injured wildlife.		ACC Animal Services 125 Buddy Christian Way Athens, GA 30605 Phone: 706-613-3540 (Mon-Sat 9am-5pm) After hours, call 911.	Other options for sick/injured wildlife: <a href="#">UGA Small Animal Hospital</a> (call before you go to verify they can help) Local wildlife rehabbers: <a href="#">Primarily 'Possums</a>
Traffic safety concerns	Sgt. Bob Schulte, ACCPD Traffic Division Phone: 762-400-7093 Email: <a href="mailto:Robert.Schulte@accgov.com">Robert.Schulte@accgov.com</a>	ACCPD Traffic Division	The traffic division has the authority to clock speeds on roads that have a county speed permit, which in our area are typically larger volume streets (EG, Prince, Chase) while most of our smaller connecting streets are not on county speed permits. This means officers cannot clock cars for speeding; however, they offered that what they can do are traffic control studies and visual estimations of speed which can be used to cite drivers for running stop signs and speeding. If you are concerned about the safety of an intersection or roadway, please file a traffic complaint.

## Resources for unhoused persons in Athens

Organization	Location	Services and hours
<a href="#">Advantage Behavioral Health Systems</a>	240 Mitchell Bridge Road Phone: 1-800-715-4225	Crisis Center for behavioral health crises; Outpatient clinical services (walk-ins Mon-Sat at 8am) 24/7 Behavioral Health Crisis Line: 706-583-7307
<a href="#">Bigger Vision of Athens</a>	95 North Avenue Phone: 706-340-6062	Night-by-night emergency shelter; dinner, breakfast, showers, laundry. Call in is at 4pm to reserve a bed for the night. 706-340-6062, extension 2.
<a href="#">DIVAS Who Win Freedom Center</a>	645 Hawthorne Avenue Phone: 706-850-5945	Recovery Community Organization with groups and supportive services for women to overcome sex trafficking, prostitution, and addiction.
<a href="#">Homeless Day Service Center</a>	240 North Avenue Phone: 706-354-1154 extension 1700	10am-4:30pm; Food, Clothes, Showers, Laundry, Mail services, Housing / Case Management
<a href="#">Our Daily Bread</a>	Athens First Baptist Church 355 Pulaski Street	Breakfast Tuesday through Thursday (8-9am); Lunch Monday through Friday (12-1pm)
<a href="#">People Living in Recovery</a>	115 Sycamore Drive Phone: 706-850-8855	Recovery Community Organization with groups and supportive services
<a href="#">Project Safe</a>	995 Hawthorne Avenue Hotline: 706-543-3331 Teen Textline: 706-765-8019	Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence Shelter and supportive services
<a href="#">Salvation Army</a>	484 Hawthorne Avenue Phone: 706-543-5350	Dinner at 4:30; 60-90 day shelter for individuals and 2-4 families
<a href="#">The Sparrow's Nest</a>	745 Prince Avenue Phone: 706-549-6693	Breakfast and lunch on weekdays - except Thursday. Showers, Laundry, Clothes, other basic human needs



## Mental health resources in Athens

Organization	Contact info
211 United Way	Website: <a href="http://www.navigateresources.net/uwng/">http://www.navigateresources.net/uwng/</a> Phone: 211
988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline	Website: <a href="https://988ga.org">https://988ga.org</a> Phone: 988 Text: GA 741-741
Advantage Behavioral Health Systems	Website: <a href="https://advantagebhs.org">https://advantagebhs.org</a> Phone: 706-389-6789
The Cottage: sexual assault and children's advocacy center	Website: <a href="https://www.northgeorgiacottage.org/">https://www.northgeorgiacottage.org/</a> Phone: 706-353-1912 24/7 crisis hotline: 1-877-363-1912
Mission 6 Veteran Support	Website: <a href="mailto:miss6on@gmail.com">miss6on@gmail.com</a> Phone: 706-614-9432
National Youth Crisis Hotline	Phone: 1(800) 442-4673
Pathways Transition Programs	Website: <a href="https://www.pathwaystransitionprograms.com">https://www.pathwaystransitionprograms.com</a> Phone: 404-378-2300
Project Family	Website: <a href="https://projectfamilygeorgia.com">https://projectfamilygeorgia.com</a> Phone: 706-705-2881
UGA Health Center Counseling and Psychiatric Services	Website: <a href="http://www.caps.uga.edu">www.caps.uga.edu</a> Phone: 706-542-2273 (24/7 mental health support line) 706-542-SAFE (24/7 sexual assault support line)