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### Browns Mill Rec Center gets exterior facelift thanks to staff, 60 volunteers

Stonecrest, GA – Nearly 60 volunteers joined the city staff and the South DeKalb Family YMCA team in beautifying the front of Browns Mill Recreation Center. Mayor Jason Lary and Councilwoman Jazzmin Cobble were among those who gathered last Saturday to plant more than 100 plants and improve the landscaping of the recreation center.

Stonecrest recently purchased the recreation center and began interior renovations that are near completion. Sean DePalma, the city’s parks and recreation director joined forces with Curtis Winston, the YMCA’s South DeKalb’s executive director on the Metro Atlanta YMCA’s Annual Days of Service which were September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. “It was a great day for the YMCA’s Days of Service in the City of Stonecrest. It was a perfect way to exemplify how partnerships and volunteers of all ages are the key to a successful and thriving community,” Winston said.

“We are overjoyed to see our plans come to light,” Mayor Lary said. “The inside and outside of the Browns Mill Recreation Center has been completely renovated. But most importantly we took care of our constituents, improving their quality of life, as we said that we would do,” the mayor added.

The pine straw and pine bark were donated by Home Depot and the South DeKalb Family YMCA donated \$500 toward the beautification project, according to DePalma. “We are implementing a new standard of excellence and its going to be great for our residents,” DePalma added.

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