

Brief History of Flowery Branch

Soon after the Southern Railway System laid its tracks from Charlotte to Atlanta in 1873, this town where "cotton was king", established itself as the City of Flowery Branch in 1874.

Main Street Flowery Branch, the central core, is steeped in history today with "turn of the century" buildings including a Railroad Depot (built in 1901) which was rehabilitated with Federal Highway Administration Transportation Enhancement Activity (TEA) and Local funding through the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Main Street was listed on the National and State Registers for Historic Places as a Commercial Historic District in 1985.

In 2000 a Historic Preservation Ordinance was passed and the H.P. Commission named; in 2001 a Historic District Ordinance was passed designating two Historic Districts; and in 2002 Flowery Branch became a Certified Local Government.

Flowery Branch was designated by the Department of Community Affairs as a "**Better Hometown Community**" in 1999. This program offers technical assistance in the revitalization of cities with populations of 1,000 to 5,000, and is made up of 4 committees of **Volunteers: Organization, Promotion, Design, & Economic Development**. We need YOU.

Please join in the fun.

It's your Community!! Be a Part of It!!

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