



# Behind the Seal

## City of Stonecrest



# MEET OUR TEAM

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# What is Code Enforcement and its purpose

- Code enforcement is a vital part of the service delivery team for the City of Stonecrest.
- Our team works to help educate our citizens, while enforcing the city's ordinances as well as the International Property Maintenance Code. All in part to help maintain a great quality of life for our Stonecrest community.
- To protect property values of residents and business.
- To reduce vandalism and deter crime.
- To establish a framework for community involvement to resolve public nuisances.



# Common Code Enforcement Violations

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International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) 302.4: states all premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds, plant growth in excess of 10 inches.

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## Inoperable/Unlicensed Vehicles and Parking on Unapproved Surfaces



IPMC 302.8 states no inoperable vehicle or unlicensed vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any premises, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.



Vacant Property with accumulation of Trash & Debris

IPMC 301.3: All vacant structures and premises or vacant land shall be maintained in a clean, safe, secure and sanitary condition.

# Code Enforcement Process

- Cases are started through complaints received at (770)224 - 0200, or Email: [codeenforcement@stonecrestga.gov](mailto:codeenforcement@stonecrestga.gov) or other media and proactive enforcement by the assigned officer for the designated council district.
- If violations are found, then a Notice of Violation is issued with a 7 Day compliance period to resolve by the Property Owner, or Tenant or Individual with control and custody of the location which includes photos for the file.
- A follow up inspection is done after the 7 Day period and if all the violations are resolved then the case is closed. If the violation(s) are not corrected by the compliance deadline, then a citation can be issued for the violator, Property Owner or Designee to appear at a hearing before the Municipal Judge.

## Code Enforcement Program Goals

The goal of this division is to educate, promote and keep the City of Stonecrest a clean, safe and a beautiful place to visit and live. Code Enforcement is responsible for enforcing the city's ordinance, zoning codes, and the International Property Maintenance codes.

These code address health and safety issues, including regulations related to rubbish, debris, nuisances, vegetation, abandoned vehicles, etc.

We try to be proactive when it comes to violations, however; nearly 85% of the violations come through complaints.

Remember that “voluntary compliance” is our ultimate goal.







# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

