

October 20, 2014
City Manager's Office
509 N. McDonough Street
Decatur, GA 30030

To the Board of Commissioners for the City of Decatur,

The residents of Decatur Terrace present our petition to be included in the City of Decatur's annexation plan. Of the 147 properties in our neighborhood, 110 participated in our petitioning effort. Eighty-six percent of those that participated support inclusion in the City of Decatur's annexation plan.

We would like to briefly describe our neighborhood and present the reasons why we believe annexation would mutually benefit our neighborhood and your city.

Where we are located:

Decatur Terrace is a small neighborhood located a mile from downtown Decatur, adjacent to the Derrydown neighborhood, between College Avenue and Craigie Avenue. We are also in close proximity to the planned mixed-use development at the Avondale MARTA station (Avondale LCI).

Who we are:

Decatur Terrace, consisting of seven short streets, is filled with small bungalows and quaint cottages as well as newer homes. The majority of Decatur Terrace residents are homeowners. We are a tight-knit, diverse and progressive neighborhood. We are a community of artists, musicians, puppeteers, sign language interpreters, educators, clergy, health care professionals, police officers, and firefighters. At the heart of our neighborhood, we gather as a community to play music and tend our community garden on Arcadia Avenue.

Our Decatur identity:

We work, play, shop, dine, and worship in the City of Decatur. The transparent and progressive city government is a good fit for our neighborhood. We share a strong sense of community and are civically engaged.

Where we stand:

The City of Avondale has included us on their annexation plan. As of today, representatives of Decatur Terrace are presenting a petition to the City of Avondale requesting that we be removed from their annexation plan.

We respectfully request that you consider adding Decatur Terrace to the City of Decatur's annexation plan.

Best Regards,
Residents of Decatur Terrace