

Mayor Deana Holiday Ingraham – Bio

Deana Holiday Ingraham, the 34th Mayor of East Point, is a champion public servant, wife, mother, and advocate who is dedicated to public service. Mayor Holiday Ingraham's parents reared her to think out-of-the-box and lead change to improve the lives of others. She believes "service is the rent we pay for our room here on earth."

The residents of East Point re-elected Mayor Holiday Ingraham to serve a second term on November 2, 2021. People-focused best describes Mayor Holiday Ingraham. As Mayor, she championed East Point being designated as a "Welcoming City," an AARP Network of Age Friendly States and Communities, livable wages for City employees and led the creation of "The Healthy Point Initiative" to increase healthy lifestyle choices of East Point residents. Additionally, she launched several programs including the Mayor's Scholars Program, My Brother's and Sister's Keepers in The Point, Mentoring Monday, East Point Eats Well, Volunteering In the Point (VIP), Extra Mile Day Celebration, Back to School 2.0 Refresh Drive, and an annual Community Table Thanksgiving Brunch. Mayor Holiday Ingraham is committed to working with courageous councilmembers, staff, partners, residents, businesses, and other stakeholders to ensure the great city of East Point attracts innovative smart equitable growth while ensuring legacy residents and local businesses remain stable and benefit from new investments.

Mayor Holiday Ingraham received a Bachelor of Science degree from Florida A&M University in Business Administration, Master of Science degree from Nova Southeastern University, and a Juris Doctor degree from Howard University School of Law. In 2018 and 2019, Mayor Holiday Ingraham was named as one of "Atlanta's Top 100 Black Women of Influence." She serves as a board member of the National League of Cities, National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, Georgia Municipal Association, Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance, WellStar Atlanta Medical Center Regional Health Board and the Clayton State University College of Arts and Sciences Advisory Board. She is the President of the South Fulton Municipal Association, Chair of the Environmental Justice Working Group of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Local Government Advisory Committee and has also served as Co-Chair of the National League of Cities Youth Education and Families Council, President of the Georgia Municipal Black Caucus and is an esteemed member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. An advocate for children, Mayor Holiday Ingraham has held strategic leadership roles in Georgia's largest school district and is currently the Quality Manager for the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network. She and her husband Willie Ingraham, Jr. are the proud parents of their daughter Nia.