



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.



Who knew? That off the beaten path at 3400 Summit Ridge Parkway in Duluth, Georgia, are the people you “call before you dig” for the state of Georgia.

Flat Shiner got a tour of our building and learned about calling 811 before you dig with Digger Dog our Goodwill Ambassador for Safe Digging! His normal routine takes him across Georgia to elementary schools where he shares safe digging information through a free, interactive program. Today, however was a treat for Digger as he visited with Flat Shiner. Digger started by telling him the basics about our business starting with our phone number, 811.

811 is the national call before you dig number, dialing it in Georgia connects you to us, Georgia 811. Anyone wanting to dig, for any reason, should call at least two business days before they want to begin their project. Our CSR's gather information from you about where you are going to dig, what kind of digging project you are doing and how long will it take you to complete the job. This information is then transmitted to our member utility companies so they may locate and mark their underground lines with colored paint or flags. Each color represents a specific utility type: red is power, blue is water, yellow is gas, orange is communication, etc...



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As you can see from his pictures Flat Shiner is learning some new tricks today! He spent some time with one of our CSR's Whitney learning what it takes to keep Georgia Safe and Connected, he even tried taking a few calls himself with a bit of help from Digger!

Digger explained to Flat Shiner that calling before you dig keeps you and your family safe, keeps vital underground infrastructure connected to our homes and businesses and that it is the law in Georgia.

Flat Shiner has learned that he, and everyone else, needs to know what is below and call 811 before digging. Every project, every time.

Notify Georgia 811 at least two (2) business days before excavation begins on public and private property, rights of way and easements. Know what's below. Call before you dig. Simply dial 811 or log onto www.Georgia811.com.

Established in 1974, Georgia 811 is a non-profit organization comprised of over 700-member utility companies, including cities and counties throughout Georgia that benefit through reductions in lost time, accidents, service interruptions and costly repairs. Georgia 811 has been an industry leader in preventing damage to underground utility facilities and promoting safety and efficiency through high quality and economical notification services. In addition, Georgia 811 provides training and education while encouraging compliance with all applicable laws.

Georgia 811 strives to encourage four Dig Safely practices: 1) Call before you dig. 2) Wait the required amount of time for marking. 3) Respect the marks. 4) Dig with care.

Georgia 811, works to keep Georgians safe and connected. Call Before You Dig, every project, every time, dial 811 or (1-800-282-7411) from any part of the state. For more information, visit the Georgia 811 web site at www.Georgia811.com. For more about the Georgia "Dig Law", visit the Georgia Public Service Commission's website at www.psc.state.ga.us.