2008 Highlights by the Numbers

- Initiated city-wide ethics workshops for employees and board members and provided ethics training in 21 training sessions to 202 new employees, 152 current employees, and 82 board members and NPU officers
- Gave timely advice on the Code of Ethics in eight formal advisory opinions, two informal advisory letters, and 99 advisory emails; and responded to 61 requests for verbal advice and 75 requests for general information about ethics
- Investigated and settled three ethics cases and administratively dismissed 24 complaints for lack of jurisdiction
- Received 129 new Integrity Line calls, referred 35 calls to departments for investigation, referred 86 calls to departments for internal review, and closed 109 Integrity Line cases
- Resolved 11 financial disclosure cases involving delinquent filers, held six board hearings, issued four reprimands, and referred two cases to the Office of the Solicitor
- Collected \$8,633 in recovered gratuities and fines from settlement agreements in ethics cases and \$1,450 in fines from late filers in financial disclosure cases
- Improved timely filing rate to 92 percent and overall filing rate to 99 percent of the 1646 persons required to file the 2008 Financial Disclosure Statement
- Awarded the Transparent Diamond Award to six departments and twelve boards with exemplary financial disclosure filing records
- Held two efiling days in the Atrium, helped 151 persons file electronically, and responded to 550 other requests for assistance with filing
- Received 38 Gift to the City Reports, 14 Expense Reimbursement Reports, and 15 Conflictof-Interest Disclosure Reports in the Electronic Filing System
- Mailed "Ethical Guidelines for Board Members" to 66 new city board members and "Ethical Guidelines for NPU Officers" to 28 new NPU officers
- Published three issues of the enewsletter, Ethics Matters, and began city-wide distribution with the Summer 2008 issue
- Distributed 150 copies of new poster in the Integrity Matters campaign
- Participated in panel discussion on new ethics programs and led roundtable discussion of local ethics boards at annual conference of Council on Governmental Ethics Laws
- Four new board members appointed Carol Snype Crawford (Atlanta Planning Advisory Board); Charles B. Crawford, Jr. (Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce); Charmaine Ward (Atlanta Business League); and Caroline Tanner (Atlanta Bar Association)
- Held seven board meetings, three committee meetings, and two board retreats