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### **Greenhaven Safer than Virginia Highlands, Buckhead, and Lenox Square**

**Decatur, GA** – “Stereotype Busting: Some “Bad” Neighborhoods Have Lower Crime Rates than “Good” Neighborhoods” is a new article written by Ari Meier for the Concerned Citizens for Cityhood of South DeKalb Inc. (CCCSD) that compares crime scores in Greenhaven to some prestigious areas in Atlanta and DeKalb. Looking at crime index scores calculated by an independent outside source, the article concludes that the Greenhaven area, a proposed city in southern DeKalb, is significantly safer than many prestigious areas such as Virginia Highlands, Buckhead, Lenox Square and Morningside. One zip code within Greenhaven, 30088, was found to have the second lowest crime score in all categories.

Mr. Meier challenges the perception of high crime associated with the proposed Greenhaven area and notes the economic implications, which negatively impact home values, investment and economic development. Forming the city of Greenhaven can act as a catalyst notes Mr. Meier; however, citizens of proposed Greenhaven are currently being denied the right to vote on such an option in the Georgia State Legislature.

Mr. Meier’s article and a link to his research can be found on the Greenhaven website – [www.GreenhavenGA.org](http://www.GreenhavenGA.org) under Media and on the blogspot – [www.GreenhavenGA.blogspot.com](http://www.GreenhavenGA.blogspot.com).

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