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ACCG North Policy Meeting

**Supporting Every Georgian: The Evolving Landscape of
Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities in Georgia**

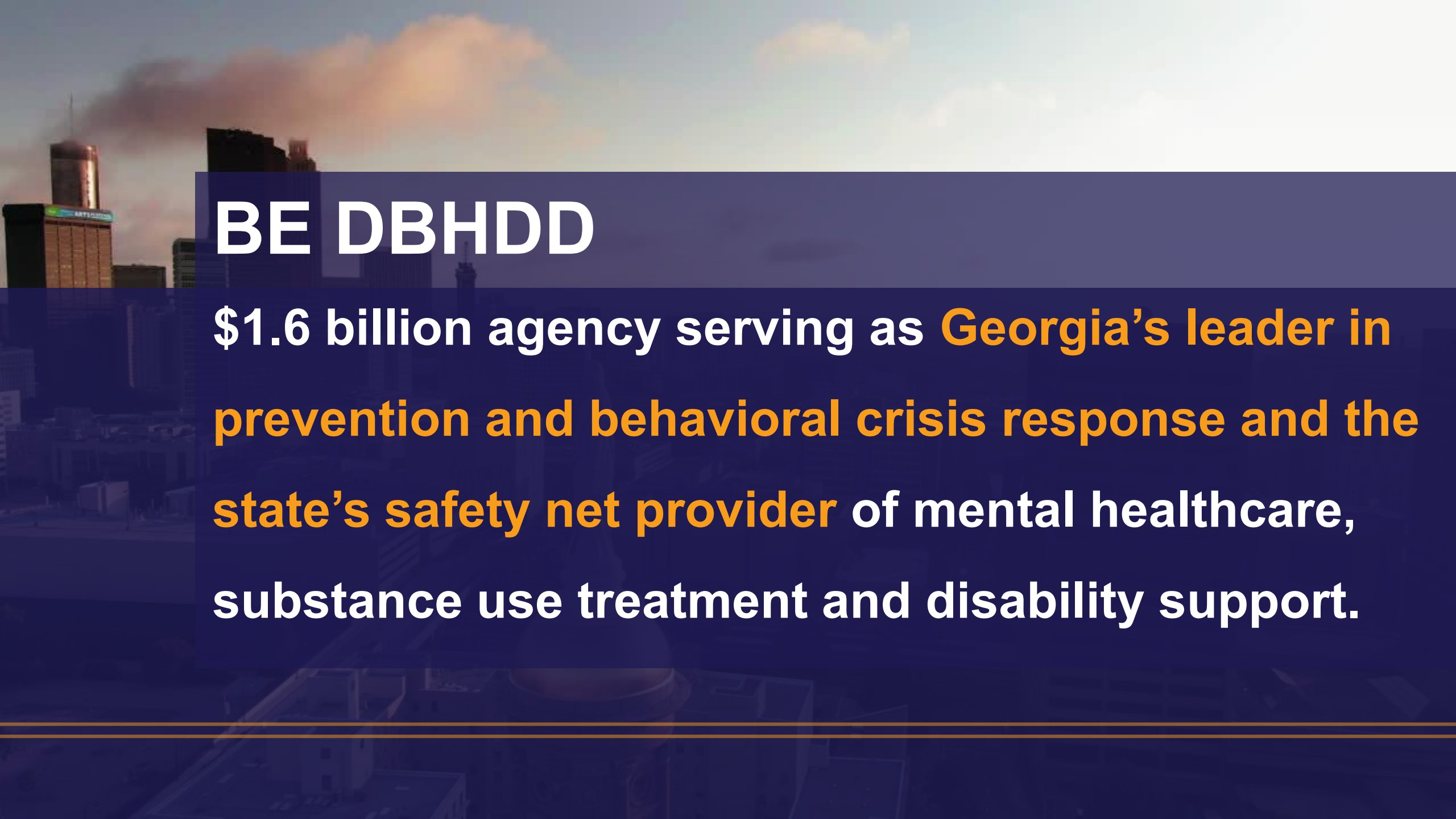
Kevin Tanner

Commissioner

**Georgia Department of Behavioral Health
and Developmental Disabilities**





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BE DBHDD

\$1.6 billion agency serving as Georgia's leader in prevention and behavioral crisis response and the state's safety net provider of mental healthcare, substance use treatment and disability support.



AREAS OF FOCUS

TODAY'S GROWTH TOWARD A MORE IMPACTFUL TOMORROW



2025 SUCCESSES

A YEAR-TO-DATE STATUS UPDATE

988

SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE

988 is a direct, national three-digit line that will connect individuals with suicide prevention and mental health crisis resources.

- **Free and confidential**
- **Available 24/7**
- **Call, text, or chat online (988lifeline.org).**



988
SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE

GEORGIA

FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL

Some of 988's key features include:

- Connect a person with immediate and ongoing resources
- Promote cost efficiency
- Reduce burden on safety resources
- Help end stigma of seeking care
- Less than 15 seconds to answer





MEETING PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE

ACTIVATION

TEAM

GOAL

COVERAGE

MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS

CALL
TEXT
CHAT

988



CLINICIAN-LED
MULTI-DISCIPLINARY
TEAM



CRISIS ASSESSMENT, STABILIZATION,
LINK TO RESOURCES AND SERVICES



STATEWIDE IN
ALL COUNTIES

CO-RESPONDER TEAMS

CALL
IN
TO

911



CLINICIAN +
LAW ENFORCEMENT
PARTNER

DE-ESCALATION
ON SCENE;
JAIL DIVERSION



LIMITED,
BUT GROWING



DELIVERING ON A PROMISE

REACHING EVERY CORNER OF GEORGIA

2024-2025 Accomplishments: Expanding Bed Capacity

Operation New Hope at GRHS

- 30 beds for vocational and life skills training
- Opened November 2024

Operation New Hope at CSH

- 17 beds for vocational and life skills training
- Opened January 2025

Operation New Hope at WCRH

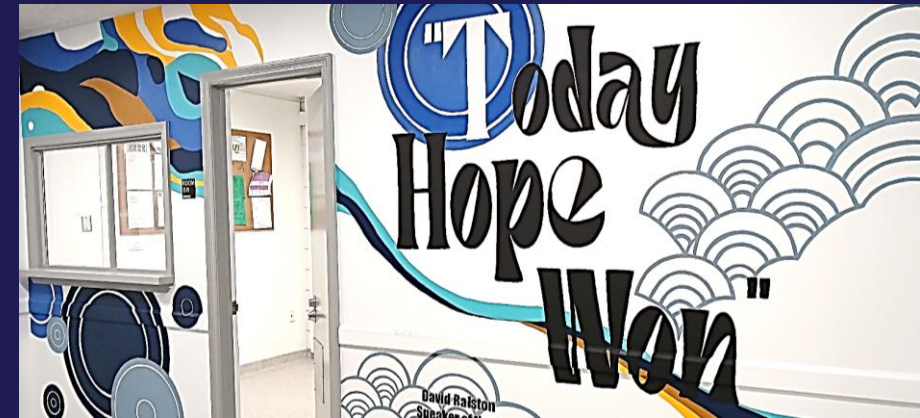
- 30 beds for vocational and life skills training
- Projected Opening: January 2026

Jail Restoration Center in Dodge County

- 30 beds to reduce forensic waitlist backlog
- Opened December 2024

Skilled Nursing Unit at GRHA

- 16 beds for those in need of nursing home level of care
- Opened June 2025





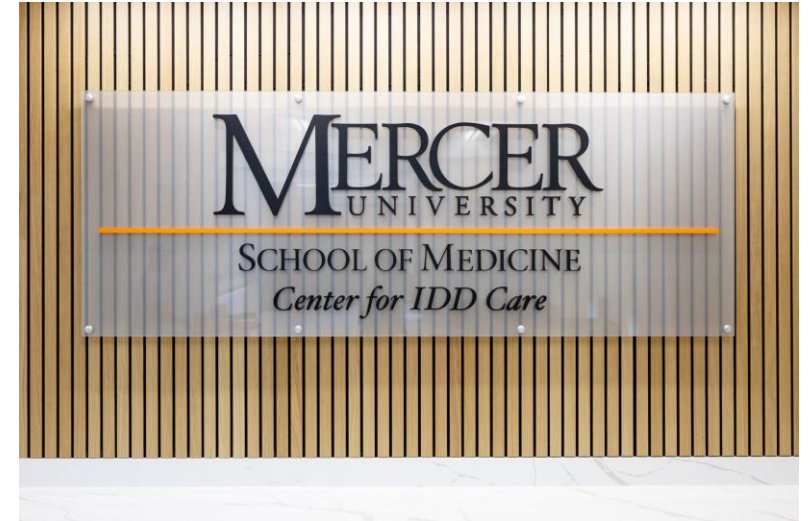
CRISIS SERVICES DIAGNOSTIC CENTER

MACON, GEORGIA

36,000 SQ. FT.

16 BEDS FOR IN-PATIENT CRISIS CARE





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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH and DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

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Day Nurse Administrator – Milledgeville

Milledgeville, GA

4 months ago

Job Summary: Supervises and provides clinical guidance to nurses and nursing staff working with inpatients assigned on Day shift. Work with the Treatment plans to improve mental and physical health...

Community Integration Home Team Lead- Stone Mountain

Stone Mountain, GA

4 months ago

Job Summary: The Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) is seeking a qualified candidate for the position of Team Leader - Community Integration Home (CIH) in Savannah,...

Social Worker 3 (Licensed)-Milledgeville

Milledgeville, GA

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Job Summary: Under general supervision, provides persons, families or vulnerable populations with the psychosocial support needed to cope with chronic, acute or terminal illnesses and physical or developmental disabilities. Provides...

Behavioral Specialist – Milledgeville

Milledgeville, GA

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Job Summary: Counsel with emphasis on prevention and/or positive behavior supports. Works with individuals and groups to promote optimum mental health. Primary Responsibilities: • May help individuals deal with addictions...

Physical / Occupational Therapy Tech- Health Aide 3 (Milledgeville)

Milledgeville, GA

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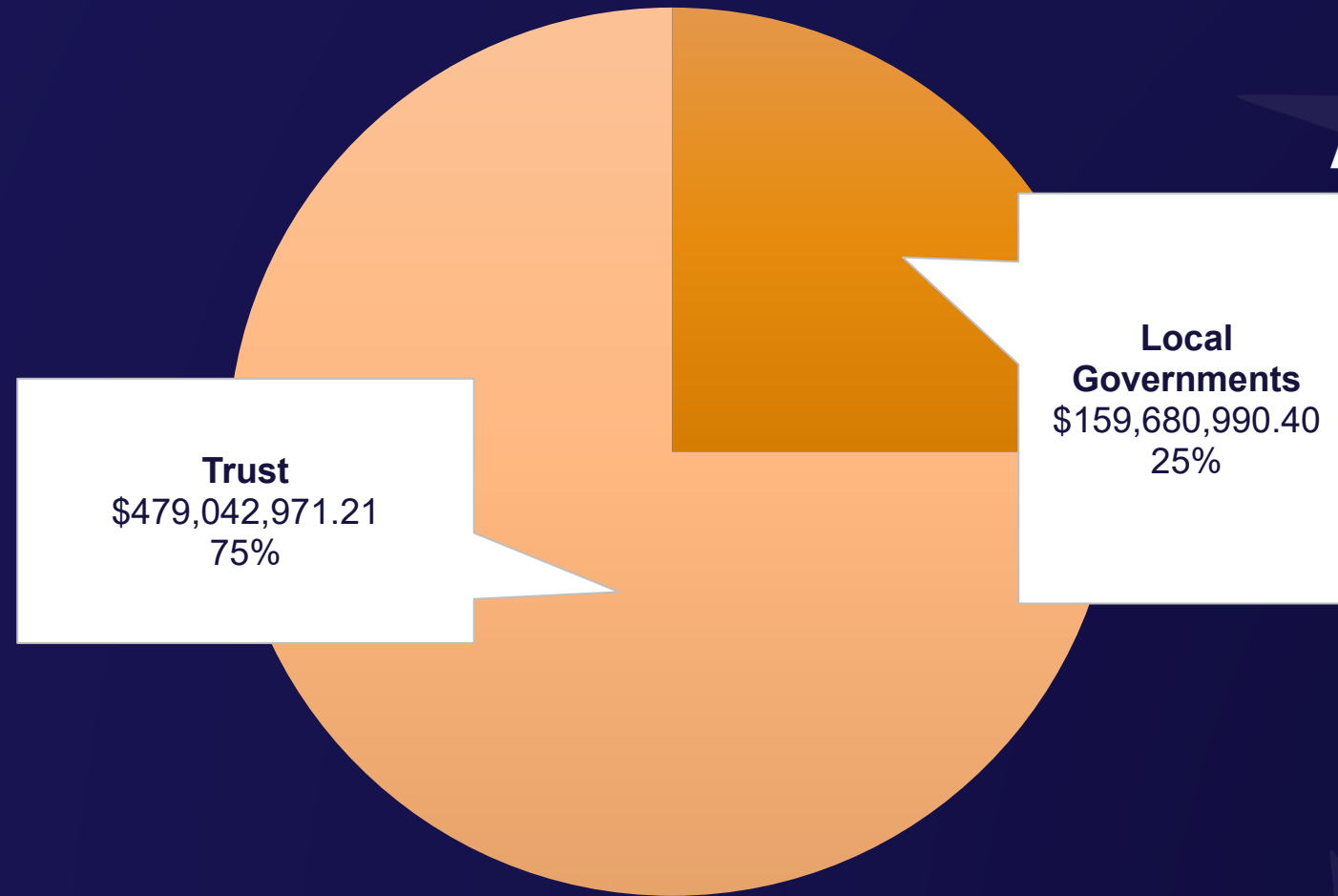
Job Description: • Assist our physical and occupational therapist with providing physical and occupational treatment



A NETWORK OF PARTNERS

BUILDING A BETTER SYSTEM OF CARE TOGETHER

Allocation of Settlement Funds: \$638 million over the next 18 years



■ Local Governments ■ Trust

GEORGIA
OPIOID CRISIS
ABATEMENT TRUST





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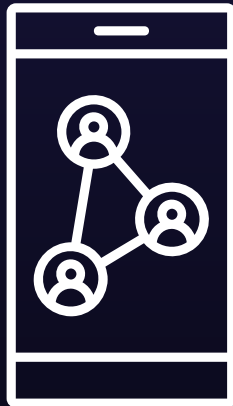
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