

STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE HOMELESS COMMISSION

Annual Report: 2018

Homeless



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MISSION

The mission of the State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless (HTF) is to support the efforts of organizations that provide housing and essential services for individuals and families striving to end their state of homelessness. These groups include:

- Nonprofits
- Faith-Based Organizations
- Community Homeless Provider Networks
- Local Governments and other public entities

The mission of the State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless will be accomplished by:

- Providing resources for the groups listed above
- Supporting organizations that promote self-sufficiency
- Forming partnerships with organizations that embrace the goal of ending homelessness in Georgia

STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Homelessness Prevention

By definition, the prevention of something means to stop it from happening, altogether. The Commission supports programs that provide assistance to individuals and families who are facing imminent homelessness. Providing this support on the front end works to stop the movement towards a loss of housing. Homelessness prevention includes financial assistance with utility bills, rent arrears, and moving costs, as well as case management.

Number of Persons in Household	Total
Adults	240
Children	236
Total	476

Rapid Re-Housing

Rapid Re-Housing works to quickly move individuals and families into permanent housing, as opposed to spending extended periods of time in the homeless system. Assistance includes funding for utility bills, rental assistance, and case management.

Number of households supported through Rental Assistance

Adults - 977

Children - 960

Total - 1,937

STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Street Outreach

Street outreach programs are designed to reach out to the unsheltered individuals and families and meet them where they are, geographically, but also emotionally, as these people are often the most reluctant to enter programs or accept assistance. Providing funding for street outreach enables programs with specially trained staff to work to build relationships and trust with these individuals.

Persons Served

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	924
Children	16
Total	940

Emergency Shelter

Emergency shelter offers immediate accommodations for individuals and families who are homeless, providing a short-term program that works to connect people with more permanent housing and services.

Persons Served

Number of Persons in Households	Total
Adults	5,257
Children	1,986
Total	7,243

The three following categories capture other significant data collected on individuals served in programs funded by the State Housing Trust Fund.

Mental Health Problem	2,536	Drug Abuse	625
Both Alcohol and Drug Abuse	387	Physical Disability	1,370
Developmental Disability	534	Alcohol Abuse	442
Chronic Health Condition	1,460		

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Individuals who were asked if they had experienced domestic violence at any point (duplicated numbers):

Yes: 1,974

No: 6,634

Individuals who stated they were fleeing domestic violence (duplicated numbers):

Yes: 1,246

No: 746

Shelter Plus Care

Under the premise that housing and services need to be connected in order to ensure the stability of housing for homeless people with disabilities and their families, the Shelter Plus Care (S+C) program provides permanent housing in connection with supportive services. The program provides rental assistance for a variety of housing choices, accompanied by a range of supportive services funded by other sources. Through the support of the Housing Trust Fund, S+C providers are able to wrap client-focused services and other supports with permanent housing.

In State Fiscal Year 2017, the Shelter Plus Care program provided permanent supportive housing to more than 3,332 persons in 1,852 units. These units are located across Georgia and in all nine Continuum of Care jurisdictions.

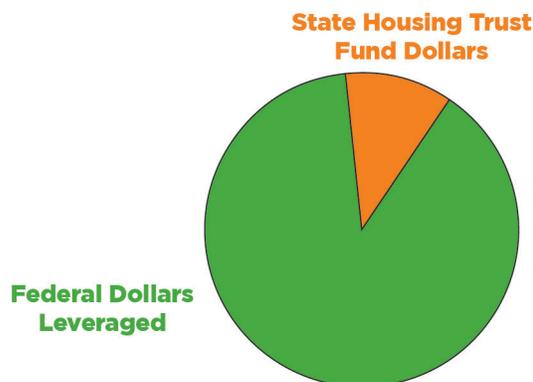
STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND FINANCES

State Fiscal Year 2018

	Administration	State Funds
Admin		
Match		\$300,000
	Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)	\$176,000
	Balance of State Continuum of Care Planning	\$84,250
	Balance of State Continuum of Care Assessment	\$89,176
	Other Match	\$35,574
Services		
	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) which include emergency shelter, transitional housing, homeless prevention and supportive services	\$738,000
	Permanent Supportive Housing (formerly Shelter Plus Care (S+C))	\$1,150,000
	Other Training and Technical Assistance	\$370,000
	Total State Funding	\$2,943,000

Federal Dollars Leveraged with State Funds	Federal Funds
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$5,123,930
Permanent Supportive Housing (formerly known as Shelter Plus Care)	\$15,680,593
Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)	\$663,400
Coordinated Assessment Grant	\$446,800
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$2,683,787
Total Federal Dollars Leveraged	\$24,784,686

For every \$1 committed to Georgia programs by the State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless, \$8 is leveraged in federal funding.



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