

# **STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE HOMELESS COMMISSION**

Annual Report: FY2019



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## STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR THE 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.

<b>Number of Persons in Household</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Adults</b>	<b>303</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b>344</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>647</b>

# STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## 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 - 918**

**Children - 1,001**

**Total - 1,919**

## 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.

### Number of Persons in Households

<b>Adults</b>	<b>446</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>460</b>

## 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.

### Number of Persons in Households

<b>Adults</b>	<b>7,018</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b>2,491</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,509</b>

# STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

Individuals who had a physical and/or mental health condition at the start of an Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program (duplicated numbers):

<b>Mental Health Diagnosis</b>	<b>2,544</b>	<b>Drug Addiction</b>	<b>453</b>
<b>Both Alcohol and Drug Abuse</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>Physical Disability</b>	<b>1,566</b>
<b>Developmental Disability</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>Alcohol Abuse</b>	<b>285</b>
<b>Chronic Health Condition</b>	<b>1,691</b>		

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

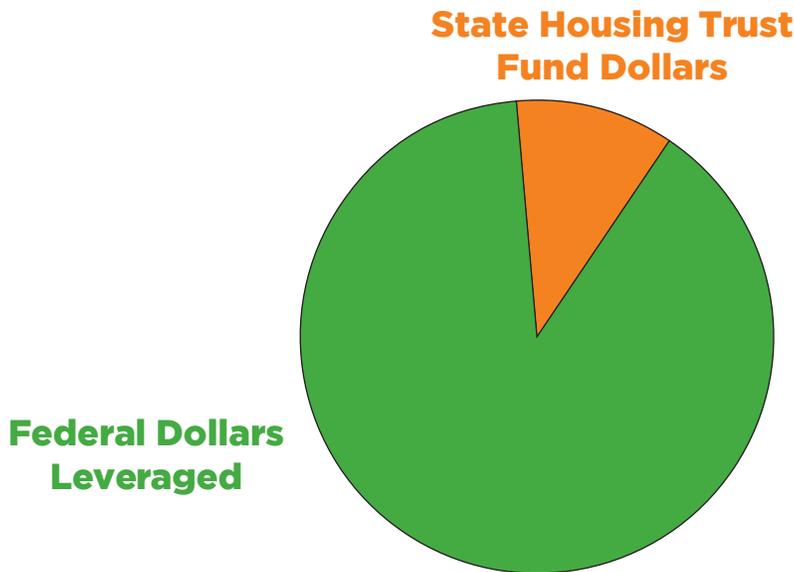
**2,150**

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

**1,490**

# STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**For every \$1 committed to Georgia programs by the State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless, \$8.37 is leveraged in federal funding.**



## **Georgia Housing and Finance Authority Permanent Supportive Housing (GHFA PSH)**

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 Georgia Housing and Finance Authority Permanent Supportive Housing (GHFA PSH) 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, GHFA PSH providers are able to wrap client-focused services and other supports along with permanent housing.

**In State Fiscal Year 2019, the GHFA PSH program provided permanent supportive housing to more than 3,000 persons in 1,800 units. These units are located across Georgia and in all nine Continuum of Care jurisdictions.**

# STATE HOUSING TRUST FUND

## STATE FISCAL YEAR 2019 EXPENDITURES

		<b>State Funds</b>
<b>Admin</b>	Administration	\$300,000
<b>Match</b>	Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)	\$166,000
	Balance of State Continuum of Care Planning	\$111,700
	Balance of State Continuum of Care Assessment	\$89,176
	Other Match	\$8,124
<b>Services</b>	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) which include emergency shelter, transitional housing, homeless prevention and supportive services	\$357,035
	Permanent Supportive Housing (formerly Shelter Plus Care (S+C))	\$1,150,000
	Other Training and Technical Assistance	\$780,857
<b>Total State Funding</b>		<b>\$2,962,892</b>
<b>Federal Dollars Leveraged with State Funds</b>		<b>Federal Funds</b>
	Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$4,239,224
	Permanent Supportive Housing (formerly known as Shelter Plus Care)	\$16,216,952
	Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS)	\$663,400
	Balance of State Continuum of Care Planning	\$446,800
	Balance of State Coordinated Entry	\$189,176
	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$3,040,147
<b>Total Federal Dollars Leveraged</b>		<b>\$24,795,699</b>

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