

FY2025

ANNUAL REPORT



**SOUTHERN GEORGIA
REGIONAL COMMISSION**

REGIONAL SERVICES • COMMUNITY FOCUSED

MISSION STATEMENT

To develop, promote, and provide services that make the Southern Georgia region a better place to live and work.



The Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) is a regional planning and intergovernmental coordination agency that serves 45 municipalities and 18 counties in Southern Georgia. For more than six decades, the SGRC has provided a comprehensive range of services and resources designed to address the evolving needs of its member governments.

The Commission is supported by a staff of over 60 professionals, including subject matter experts in a variety of specialized disciplines. Through a sustained commitment to excellence, the SGRC strengthens communities and benefits partner agencies by delivering programs and initiatives that support regional development and enhance the overall quality of life in Southern Georgia.

SGRC REGION

Atkinson, Bacon, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brantley, Brooks, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Cook, Echols, Irwin, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Tift, Turner, and Ware Counties

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A MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN NEAL BENNETT



NEAL BENNETT, CHAIRMAN

It is my privilege to present the Southern Georgia Regional Commission's 2025 Annual Report, which reflects another year of exceptional service, innovation, and collaboration across our 18-county region. The achievements detailed in these pages exemplify SGRC's enduring commitment to improving quality of life, strengthening local economies, and supporting the communities we proudly serve.

Throughout 2025, SGRC's dedicated staff continued to deliver measurable results across all divisions. The Area Agency on Aging provided vital programs to enhance the well-being and independence of older adults and individuals with disabilities, serving tens of thousands of residents through nutrition, case management,

and caregiver support services. Our Regional Transit program expanded access to essential destinations, providing more than 150,000 trips across Southern Georgia.

The Workforce Development Division empowered nearly 550 individuals to overcome barriers to employment, while the Community and Economic Development team helped secure over seventeen million dollars in grant funding to improve infrastructure, housing, and public facilities. The Planning and GIS divisions advanced regional preparedness and local decision-making through comprehensive plans, hazard mitigation updates, and award-winning geospatial innovations.

SGRC's impact was further recognized on the national stage with three 2025 NADO Impact Awards honoring outstanding projects led by the GIS, Planning, and Community and Economic Development divisions. These achievements underscore the organization's role as a leader in regional cooperation and creative problem solving.

Fiscal responsibility remains at the core of SGRC's success. For every one dollar in local dues, the Commission leveraged thirty-five dollars and sixty-seven cents in federal, state, and local funding, demonstrating the strong partnerships and sound stewardship that sustain our region's progress.

On behalf of the SGRC Council, I extend my sincere appreciation to our member governments, partner agencies, and the exceptional SGRC staff. Together, we are building a stronger, more connected, and more resilient Southern Georgia.

LENDING

The SGRC Lending Division supports small business owners by providing financing for both new ventures and the expansion of existing businesses through a variety of loan programs. Lending operations are structured as two nonprofit agencies, guided by a single Loan Board of Directors.

The Southern Georgia Area Resource Development Agency (ARDA) manages an EDA and USDA Rural Development-funded revolving loan fund (RLF) with assets totaling nearly \$6 million. The Southern Georgia Area Development Corporation (ADC) is a Certified Development Corporation with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). ADC administers SBA 504 loans for commercial businesses and packages SBA 7(a) guaranteed loans in partnership with local lending institutions.

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LOANS FROM
TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS
(3 SBA 504, 2 RLF)

TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$14,545,956

SGRC PORTION
OF ALL LOANS

\$5,823,867

PRIVATE
INVESTMENT

\$8,722,089



121
JOBS
CREATED



INDUSTRIES SERVED

Daycare
Grocery Store
Merchant Wholesaler
Insurance Agency
Restaurant



3
COUNTIES



LOANS SUPPORTED
BUSINESSES IN
3 COUNTIES

Tift
Chatham
Lowndes





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SOUTHERN
GEORGIA
AREA RESOURCE
DEVELOPMENT
AGENCY DIRECT
LOAN

LENDING



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PRIVATE LEVERAGE
RATIO



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PARTICIPATING
LENDERS

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COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The SGRC's Community and Economic Development Division provides technical assistance to local governments by helping identify projects that improve community programs and facilities, preparing grant and loan applications, and administering funded initiatives.

This division's work focuses on promoting regional economic growth, building local capacity for development, and securing funding to support the location and expansion of new and existing industries. By facilitating projects that encourage business development and job creation, the division helps strengthen communities and enhance the quality of life for residents across Southern Georgia.

ALL GRANTS RECEIVED IN FY25

5 Community
Development
&
3 Economic
Development

Total Grant Amount
\$4,560,658

Community Development
\$2,484,601

Economic Development
\$2,076,057

Total Project Cost
\$6,606,026

Community Development
\$3,599,930

Economic Development
\$3,006,096

**Beneficiaries or Jobs
Created/Retained**
6,919

Community Development
6,889 Beneficiaries

Economic Development
30 Jobs Created/Retained

FY25 PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: 55 PROJECTS

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT
..... \$85,324,230

TOTAL PROJECT AMOUNT
\$141,818,995

Street Paving & Drainage



Water



Sewer



Rail - 0



Housing



Multi-Infrastructure



Public Facilities



Communication Infrastructure



Recreational Facilities



FY25 PROJECT ADMINISTRATION: 55 PROJECTS

TOTAL BENEFICIARIES OR JOBS CREATED RETAINED

161,709

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  18

Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP)  1

CDBG-Mitigation (MIT)  2

CDBG-Coronavirus (CV)  1

EDA Public Works  3

OneGeorgia Equity  8

Community HOME Investment Program (CHIP)  6

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)  4

State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF)  12

A FEW OF THE MANY PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION DURING FY2025



Health Department
LANIER COUNTY

Jacob's Circle
COFFEE COUNTY



Workforce Housing
CITY OF ALMA

PLANNING

The SGRC's Planning Division supports local governments with comprehensive plan updates, local development regulations, hazard mitigation plans, and other specialized planning studies. Planning staff also assists with needs identified in adopted community work programs and provides training and development workshops for local officials.

The division delivers data, analysis, and public policy options to help communities make informed decisions. Through ongoing outreach, the Planning Division ensures that local governments maintain Qualified Local Government (QLG) status, which is essential for receiving state and federal funding. Planning activities are centered on advancing community and regional goals while protecting the region's environmental and cultural resources.



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES COMPLETED

- CHARLTON COUNTY
- COOK COUNTY
- ECHOLS COUNTY

7

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES IN PROGRESS

- BEN HILL COUNTY
- BRANTLEY COUNTY
- CLINCH COUNTY
- LANIER COUNTY
- LOWNDES COUNTY
- TURNER COUNTY
- WARE COUNTY

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PRE-COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE WORKSHOPS COMPLETED

- BERRIEN COUNTY
- CHARLTON COUNTY
- CLINCH COUNTY
- COOK COUNTY
- ECHOLS COUNTY

1

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS COMPLETED

- CITY OF NICHOLS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS

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REGIONAL PLANNING EXCELLENCE COMMUNITIES

- CITY OF ALAPHA
- CITY OF ASHBURN
- BERRIEN COUNTY
- CITY OF DASHER
- CITY OF FITZGERALD
- IRWIN COUNTY
- LANIER COUNTY
- LOWNDES COUNTY
- CITY OF NASHVILLE
- CITY OF REMERTON
- TURNER COUNTY
- CITY OF VALDOSTA

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE

Local Governments Received
Comp Plan Implementation
Assistance

38

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE AND AMENDMENT ACTIVITIES

13

PUBLIC HEARINGS

18

WORKSHOPS

31

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS

3

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS IN PROGRESS

BEN HILL COUNTY / CITY OF FITZGERALD

CLINCH COUNTY / CITIES OF ARGYLE, DUPONT, FARGO,
& HOMERVILLE

ECHOLS COUNTY

6

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANS ADOPTED

ATKINSON COUNTY / CITIES OF PEARSON & WILLACOOCHEE

BERRIEN COUNTY / CITIES OF ALAPAHIA, ENIGMA, NASHVILLE,
& RAY CITY

BROOKS COUNTY / CITIES OF BARWICK, MORVEN, PAVO,
& QUITMAN

COFFEE COUNTY / CITIES OF AMBROSE, BROXTON,
DOUGLAS, & NICHOLLS

COOK COUNTY / CITIES OF ADEL, CECIL, LENOX, & SPARKS

LANIER COUNTY / CITY OF LAKELAND

PLANNING & ZONING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Zoning Technical Assistance

7

BROOKS COUNTY
LANIER COUNTY
PIERCE COUNTY
CITY OF ALAPAHAN
CITY OF LAKE PARK
CITY OF LAKELAND
CITY OF QUITMAN

DEVELOPED
NEW ZONING
FEE SCHEDULES
FOR
3
LOCAL
GOVERNMENTS

AMENDED
PIERCE COUNTY
AND THE CITIES OF
BLACKSHEAR,
OFFERMAN,
AND PATTERSON
ZONING
ORDINANCE

PLANNING
COMMISSION
MEETINGS
ATTENDED

5

STAFF
REPORTS AND
SPECIAL EXCEPTION
REQUESTS

3

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

4

PEDESTRIAN CRASH SCREENING REPORTS

BRANTLEY COUNTY
CITY OF DOUGLAS
CITY OF TIFTON
CITY OF VALDOSTA

2

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WORKSHOPS HELD

CITY OF TIFTON
CITY OF VALDOSTA

4

DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT (DRI) REVIEWS

LOWNDES COUNTY:
7-11 Store Truck Stop

LOWNDES COUNTY:
Racetrack Valdosta

CITY OF VALDOSTA:
Circle K

CITY OF VALDOSTA:
Water Plan

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT VERIFICATION LETTERS

BEN HILL COUNTY
BERRIEN COUNTY
CLINCH COUNTY
COFFEE COUNTY
COOK COUNTY
IRWIN COUNTY
WARE COUNTY
CITY OF NAHUNTA
CITY OF NASHVILLE
CITY OF NICHOLLS

2

PLAN FIRST APPLICATIONS

COOK COUNTY
CITY OF DOUGLAS

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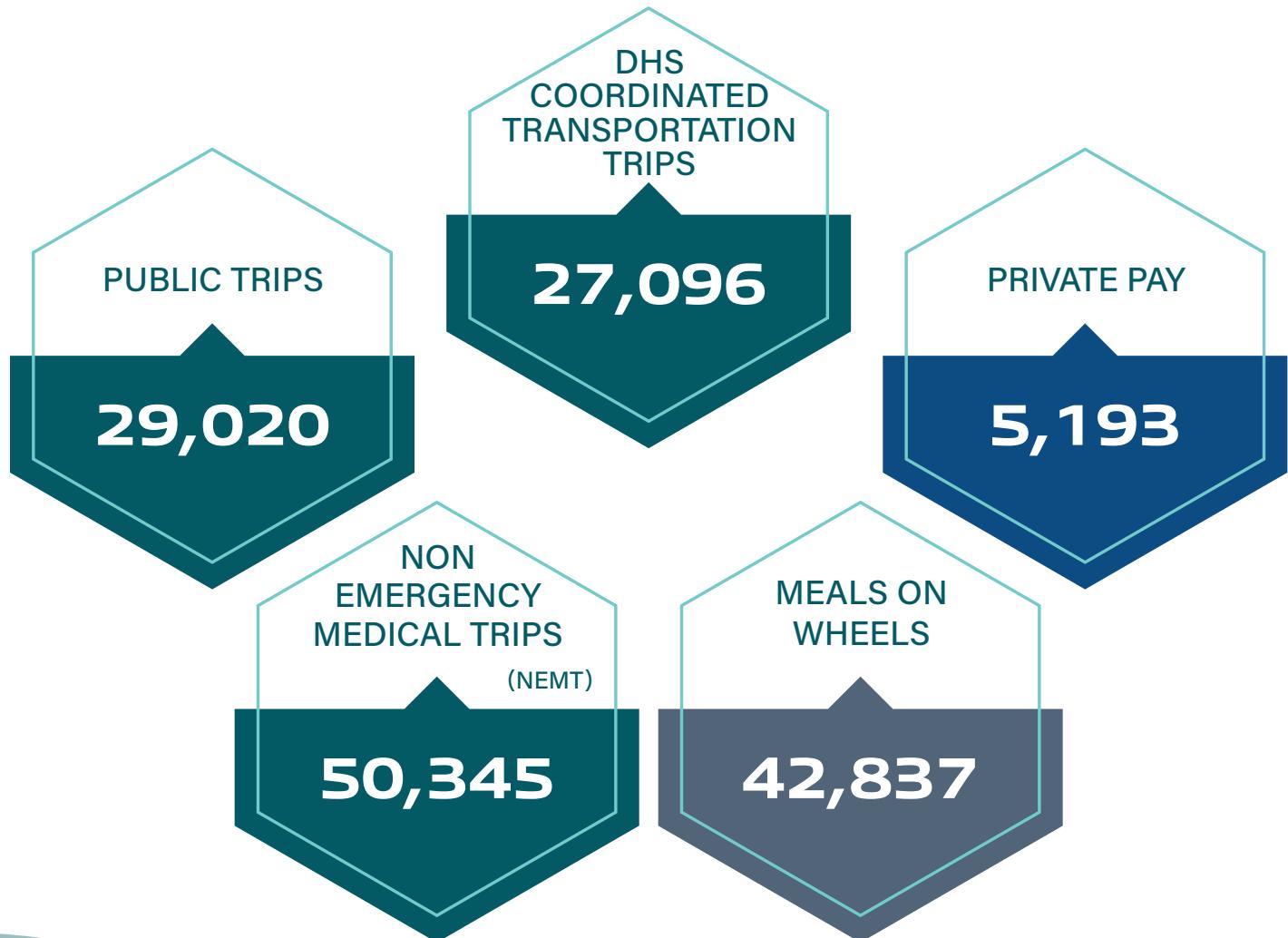
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

REGIONAL TRANSIT

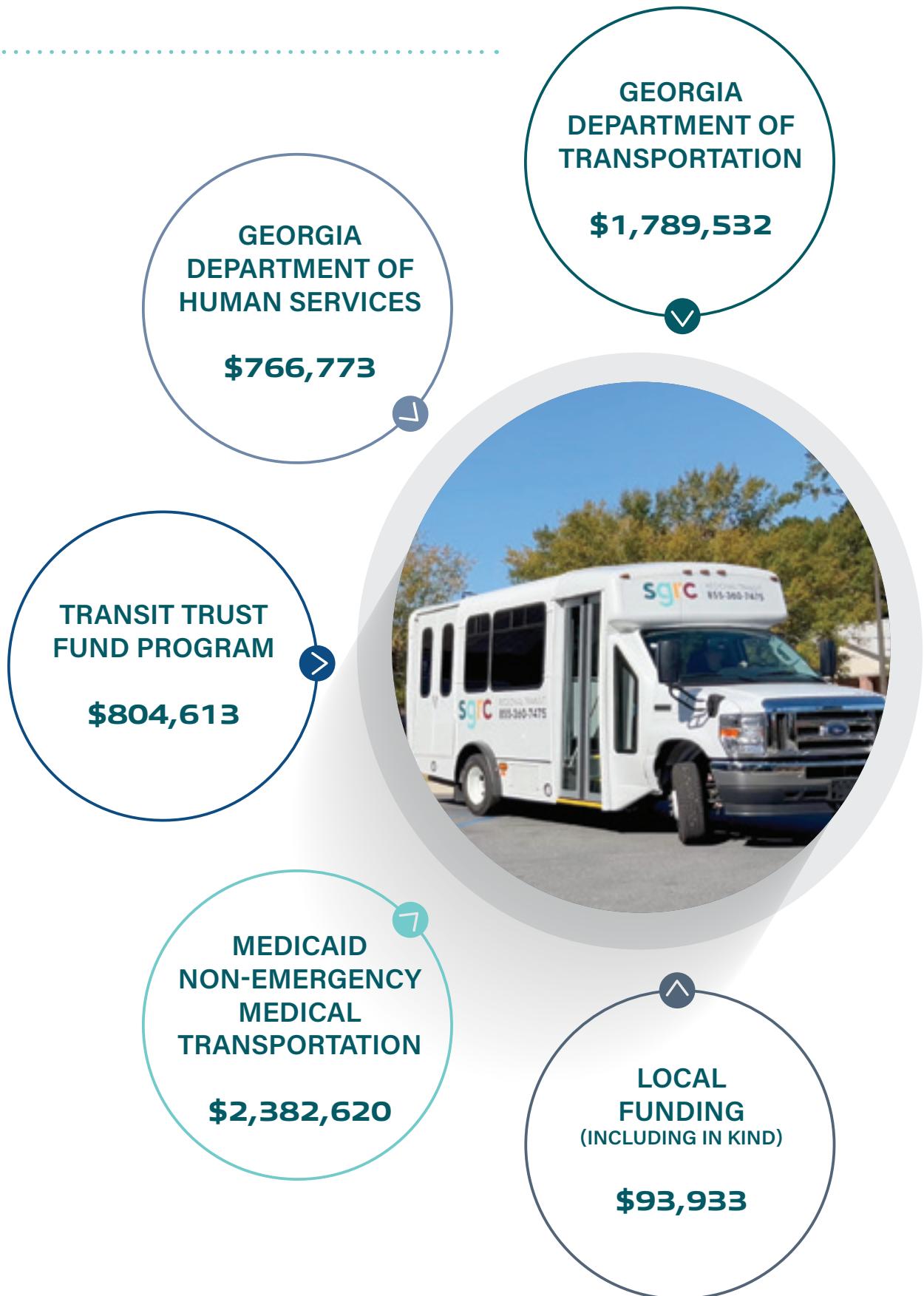
Through its Regional Transit program, the Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) delivers essential rural transportation services that connect the region's residents to the places they need to go. Serving the general public as well as older adults, individuals with disabilities, and those without reliable access to a vehicle, the program plays a critical role in supporting mobility and independence across our 18-county region.

By coordinating funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS), Medicaid, and private contracts, SGRC provides an average of 305 trips each day. These rides help residents reach healthcare appointments, jobs, schools, shopping, public services, and recreational opportunities—improving quality of life, strengthening economic participation, and fostering greater independence for Southern Georgia's citizens.

REGIONAL TRANSIT



REGIONAL TRANSIT



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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND VLMP

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) Transportation Division supports local governments by delivering vital transportation planning services and advancing strategies that protect, improve, and expand the region's transportation network. As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Valdosta Urbanized Area, the division leads both immediate and long-range planning initiatives to guide growth, improve mobility, and strengthen infrastructure within and around metropolitan Valdosta.

Beyond the urban area, SGRC extends its expertise across the region's rural counties, providing multi-modal transportation planning, rural transit development, and support for a wide range of transportation infrastructure projects. By integrating local priorities with state and federal resources, the division works to ensure a safe, efficient, and connected transportation system that meets the diverse needs of Southern Georgia's communities—today and in the future.



DOCUMENTS PRODUCED

**FY2025
VALDOSTA-LOWNDES
MPO CRASH REPORT**

**FY2025
VALDOSTA-LOWNDES
MPO UNIFIED PLANNING
WORK PROGRAM**

**FY2025
VALDOSTA-LOWNDES
ANNUAL REPORT**

**HORIZON YEAR 2050
METROPLITAN
TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

**REGIONAL TRANSIT
DEVELOPMENT PLAN**



TRANSPORTATION PLANNING FUNDS LEVERAGED

All Programs Combined

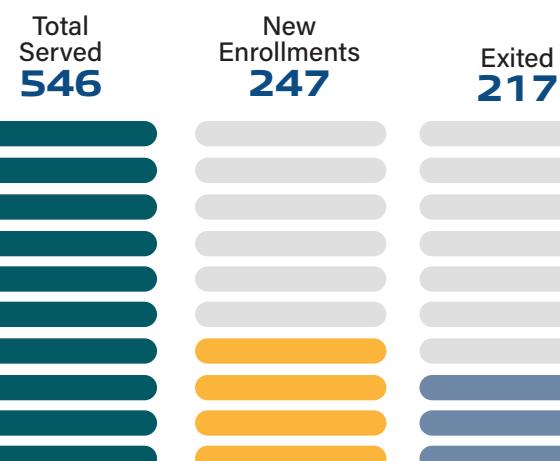
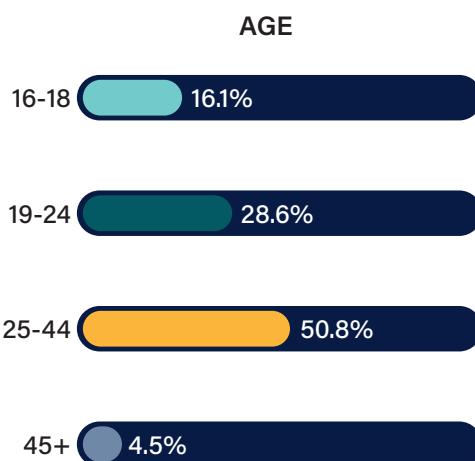


WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Workforce Development division of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) is guided by a vision to empower employers, individuals, and communities across the region to achieve long-term prosperity and to foster economic growth through a workforce development system that is seamless, customer-centered, and results-driven. In pursuit of this mission, the division administers the federally funded Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program. Enacted as landmark legislation, WIOA seeks to (1) strengthen and modernize the nation's public workforce system, (2) expand access to high-quality employment and career opportunities for all Americans, including youth and individuals who face significant barriers to employment, and (3) support businesses in hiring, training, and retaining a skilled and competitive workforce.



PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS



TOP FIVE TRAINING OCCUPATIONS

Licensed Practical Nurses	124
Registered Nurses	114
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	57
Nursing Assistants	49
Radiological Technologists	17

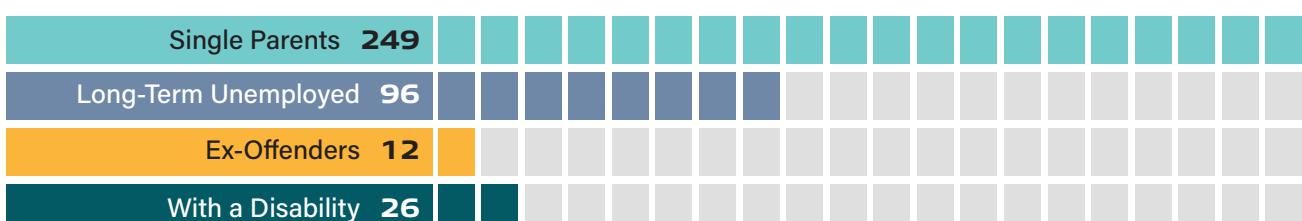
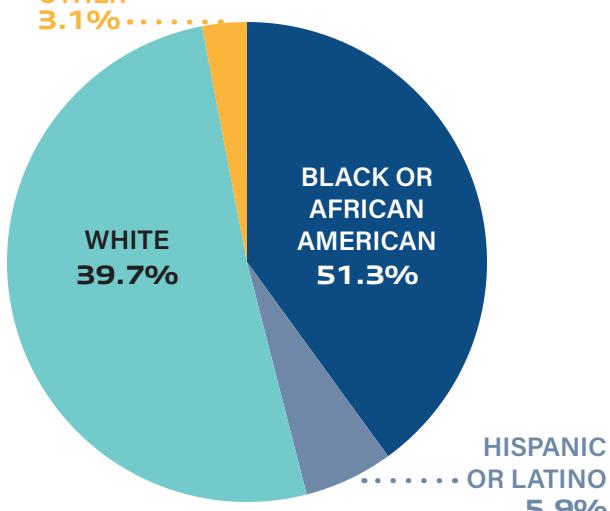
PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS



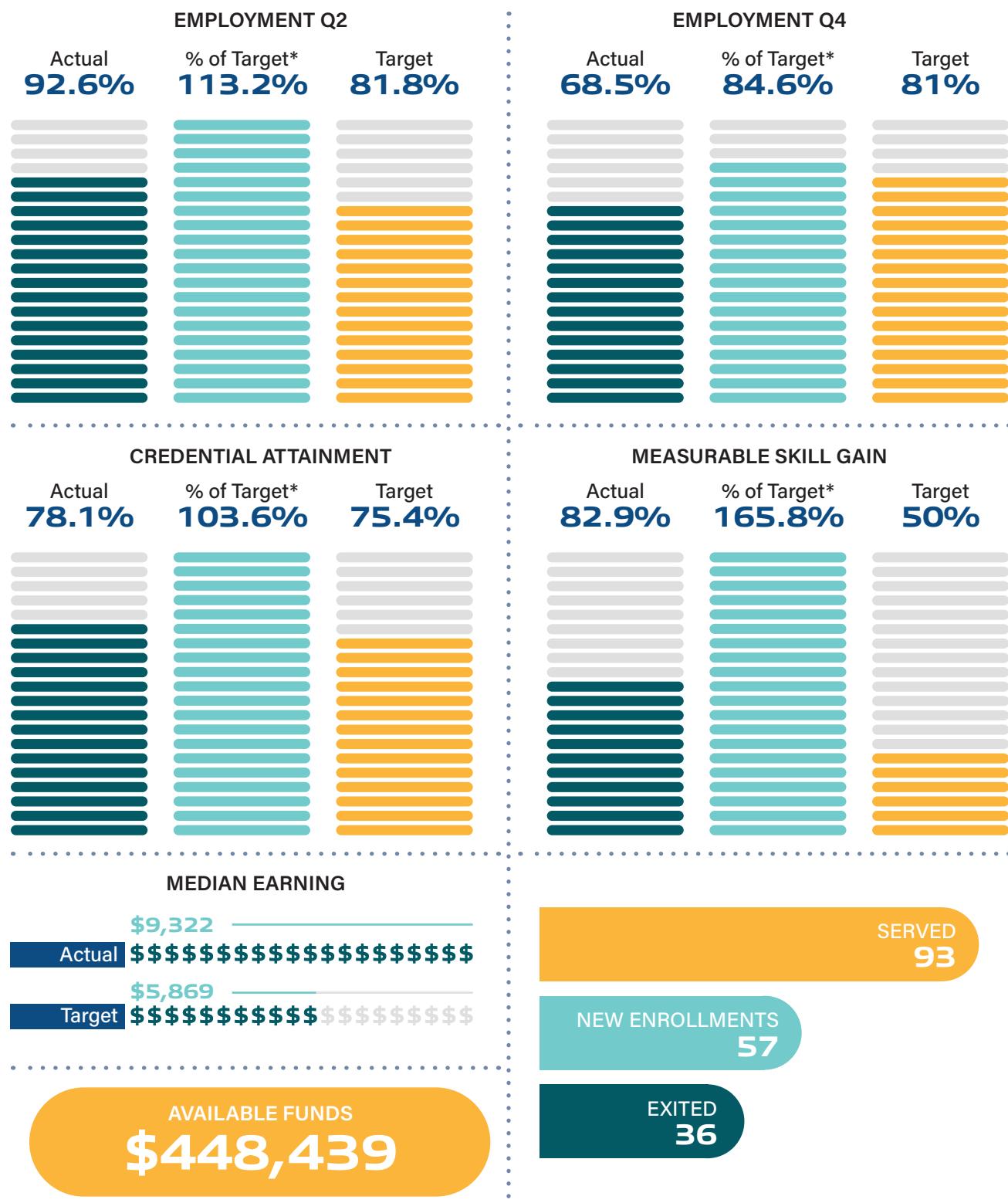
GENDER



RACE

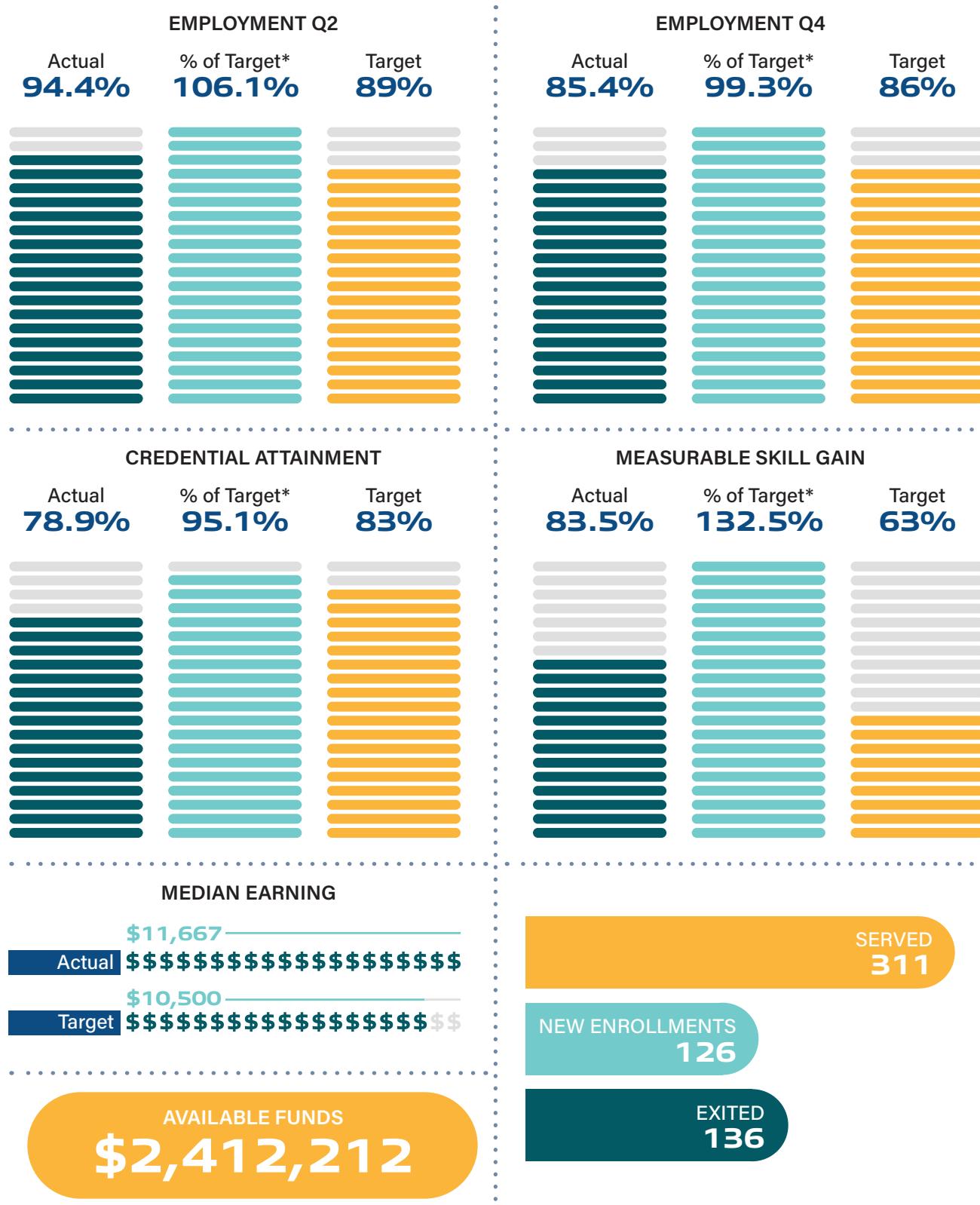


DISLOCATED WORKER DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT PERFORMANCE MEASURES



* 90% & Above = Exceeding Expectations
50-89% = Meeting Expectations

ADULT PERFORMANCE MEASURES



* 90% & Above = Exceeding Expectations
50-89% = Meeting Expectations

DISLOCATED WORKER PERFORMANCE MEASURES

EMPLOYMENT Q2

Actual **92.9%** % of Target* **113.6%** Target **81.8%**



EMPLOYMENT Q4

Actual **69.2%** % of Target* **85.4%** Target **81%**



CREDENTIAL ATTAINMENT

Actual **100%** % of Target* **132.6%** Target **75.4%**



MEASURABLE SKILL GAIN

Actual **87.5%** % of Target* **175%** Target **50%**



MEDIAN EARNING

\$11,756

Actual **\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$**

\$5,869

Target **\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$**

AVAILABLE FUNDS
\$270,965

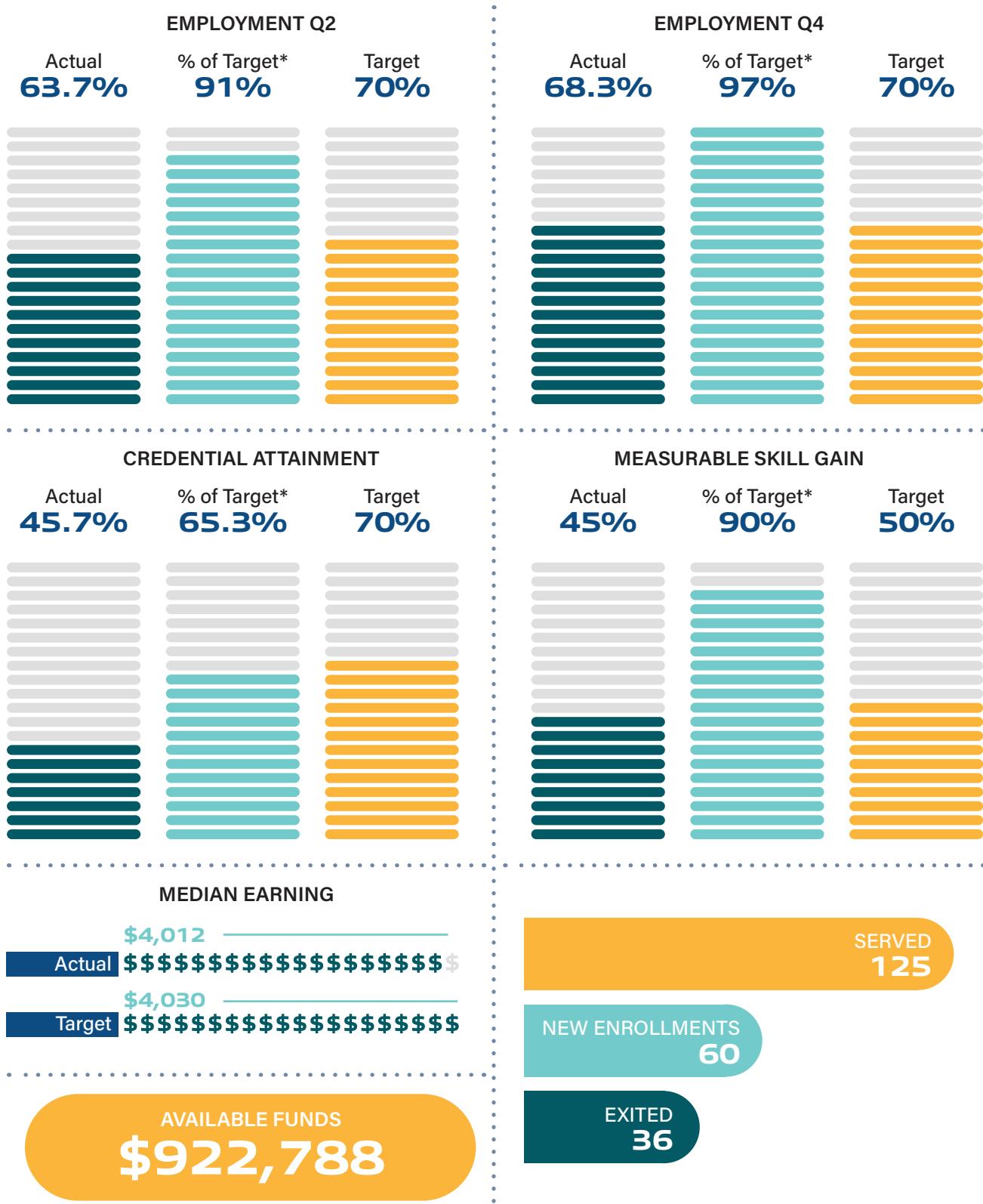
SERVED
17

NEW ENROLLMENTS
4

EXITED
9

* 90% & Above = Exceeding Expectations
50-89% = Meeting Expectations

YOUTH PERFORMANCE MEASURES



* 90% & Above = Exceeding Expectations
50-89% = Meeting Expectations



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AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission's Area Agency on Aging (AAA) develops, coordinates, and advocates for programs and services that support older adults, at-risk individuals, persons with disabilities, their families, and caregivers. Guided by its vision of helping people Live Longer, Live Safely, and Live Well, the AAA works to ensure access to resources that improve quality of life and independence.

AAA programs are funded through federal and state allocations via contracts with the Georgia Department of Human Services and the Georgia Department of Community Health. While some services are delivered directly by AAA staff, most are subcontracted to local governments and community organizations, which also invest local funds to provide services within their own communities.

SOUTHERN GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION'S AREA AGENCY ON AGING HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING AND WELCOMING CEREMONY AT BAZEMORE PARK



On February 21, 2025, the Southern Georgia Regional Commission's Area Agency on Aging dedicated a new gazebo and benches at Bazemore Park in Waycross with a ribbon-cutting and welcoming ceremony.

Funded through an AARP Community Challenge Project Grant written by the Agency on Aging, these additions were designed to make the park more welcoming and age-friendly. The screened and covered gazebo, along with comfortable outdoor benches, provide shaded, inviting spaces that encourage older adults and community members alike to enjoy nature while staying protected from the sun.

These improvements reflect a commitment to strengthening both the built environment and the natural spaces that bring people together.

Bazemore Park
1700 Riverside Drive
Waycross, Georgia 31501

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CONNECTION (ADRC) OUTREACH

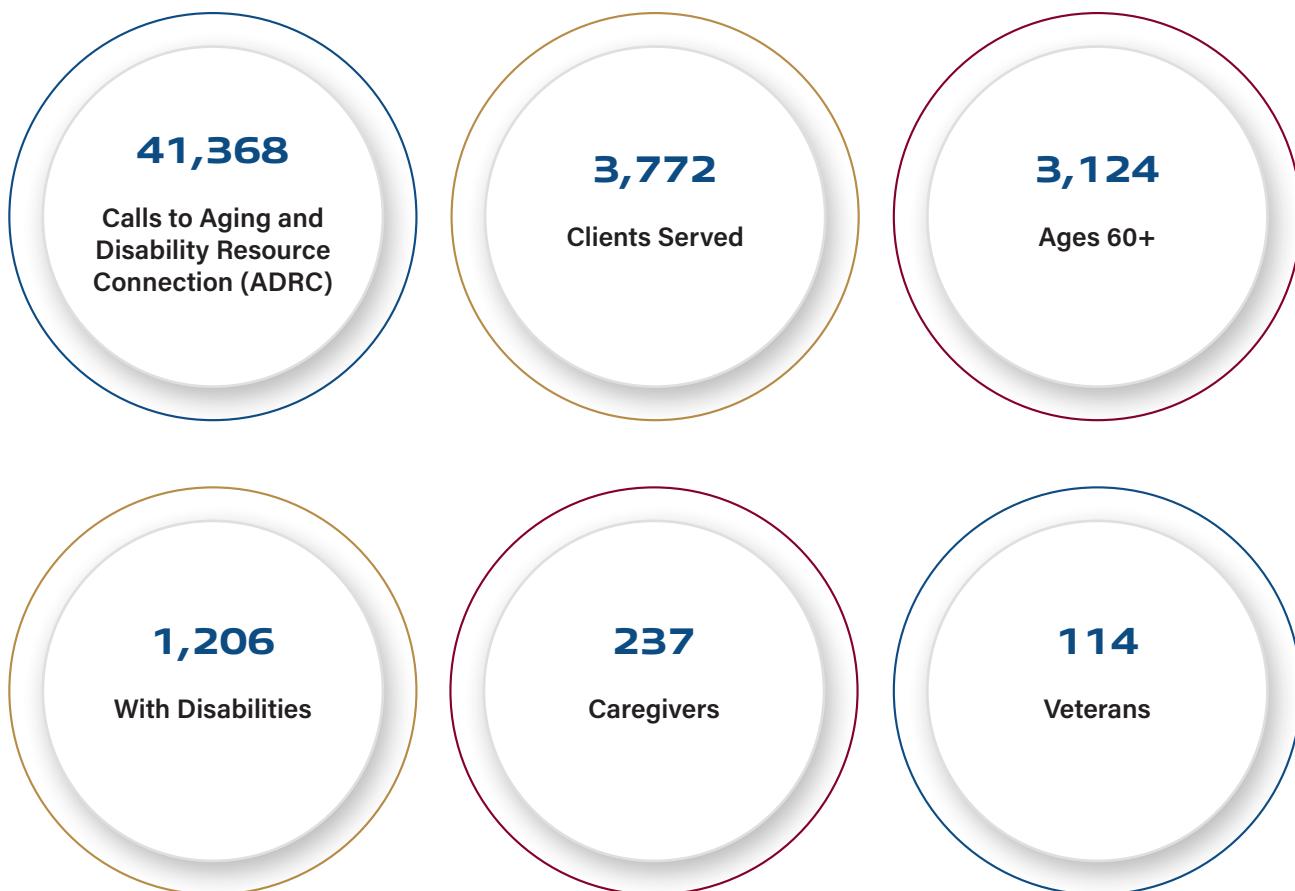


AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CONNECTION (ADRC)



SGRC-AAA ADRC staff members provide intake and assistance with accessing community resources and services.

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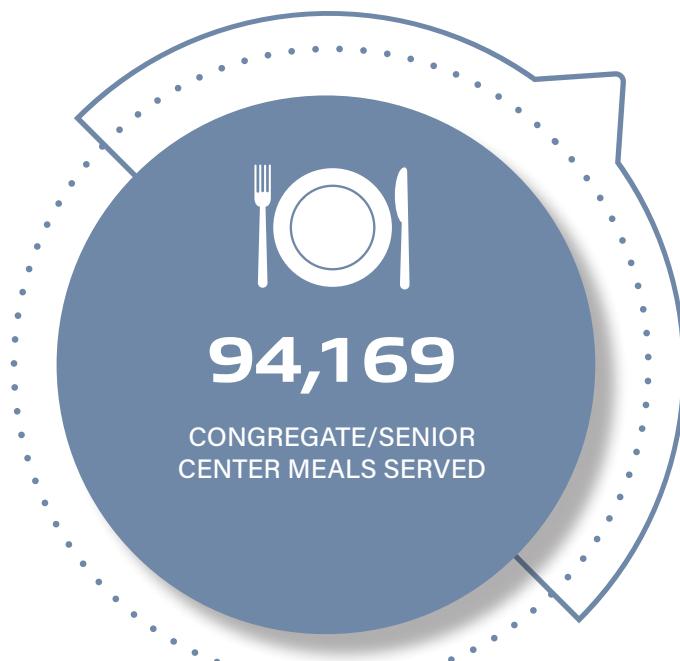


MOST FREQUENT ADRC CALL TOPICS

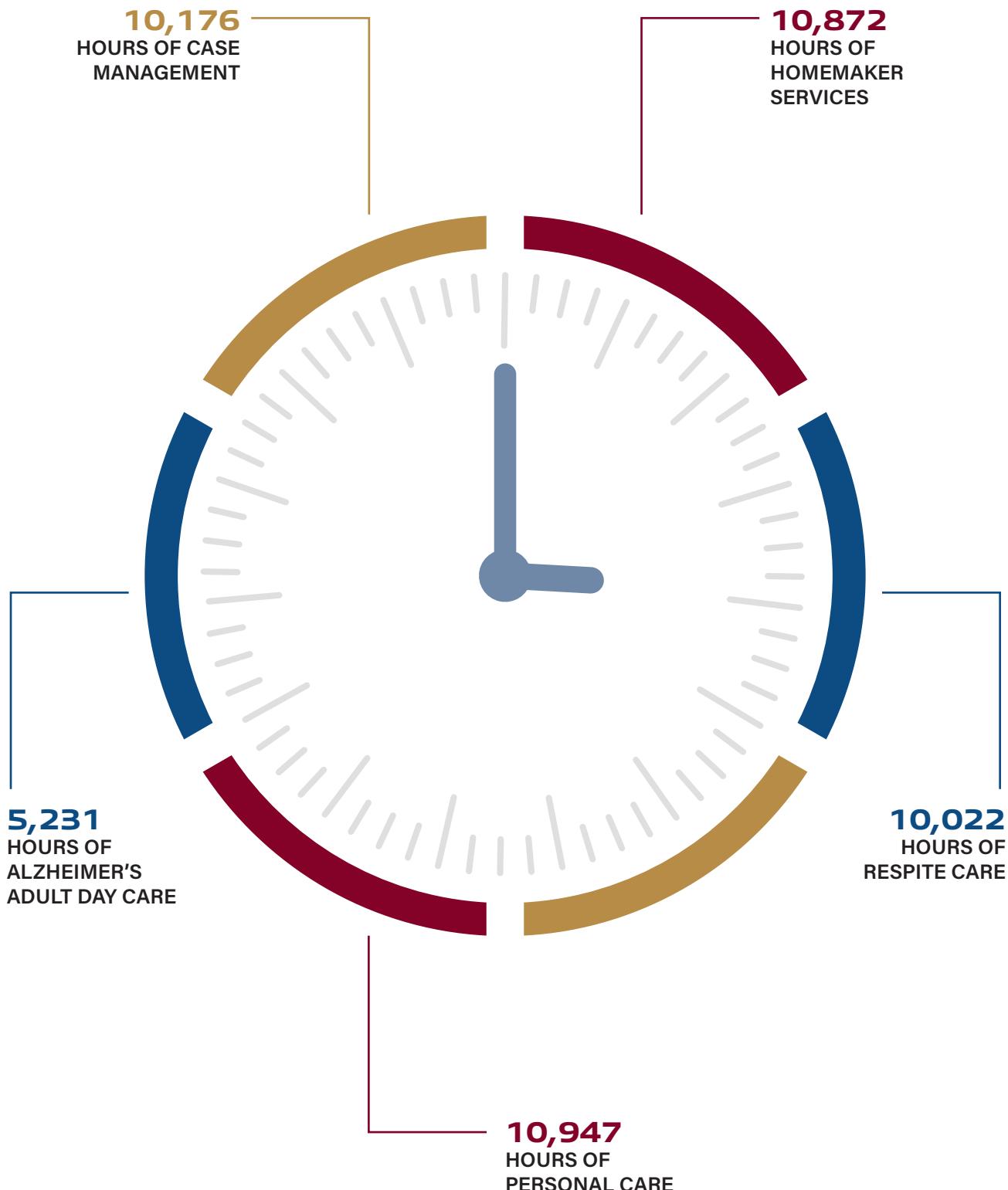
Elderly & Disabled Waiver Program (EDWP)
Home Delivered Meal Services
Homemaker Services



PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FY2025



PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FY2025



PARTICIPANTS SERVED IN FY2025

285

Elderly and Legal Assistance
Program (ELAP)
Cases Represented by
Georgia Legal Services for

221

CLIENTS

14,207

Trips Provided through
the Georgia Department of
Human Services Coordinated
Transportation Program

7

Referrals made for
Community Transitions
Programs

86

Persons assisted through
the Material Aid Program

64

Telephone
Reassurance Clients

628

Phone Calls



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GIS

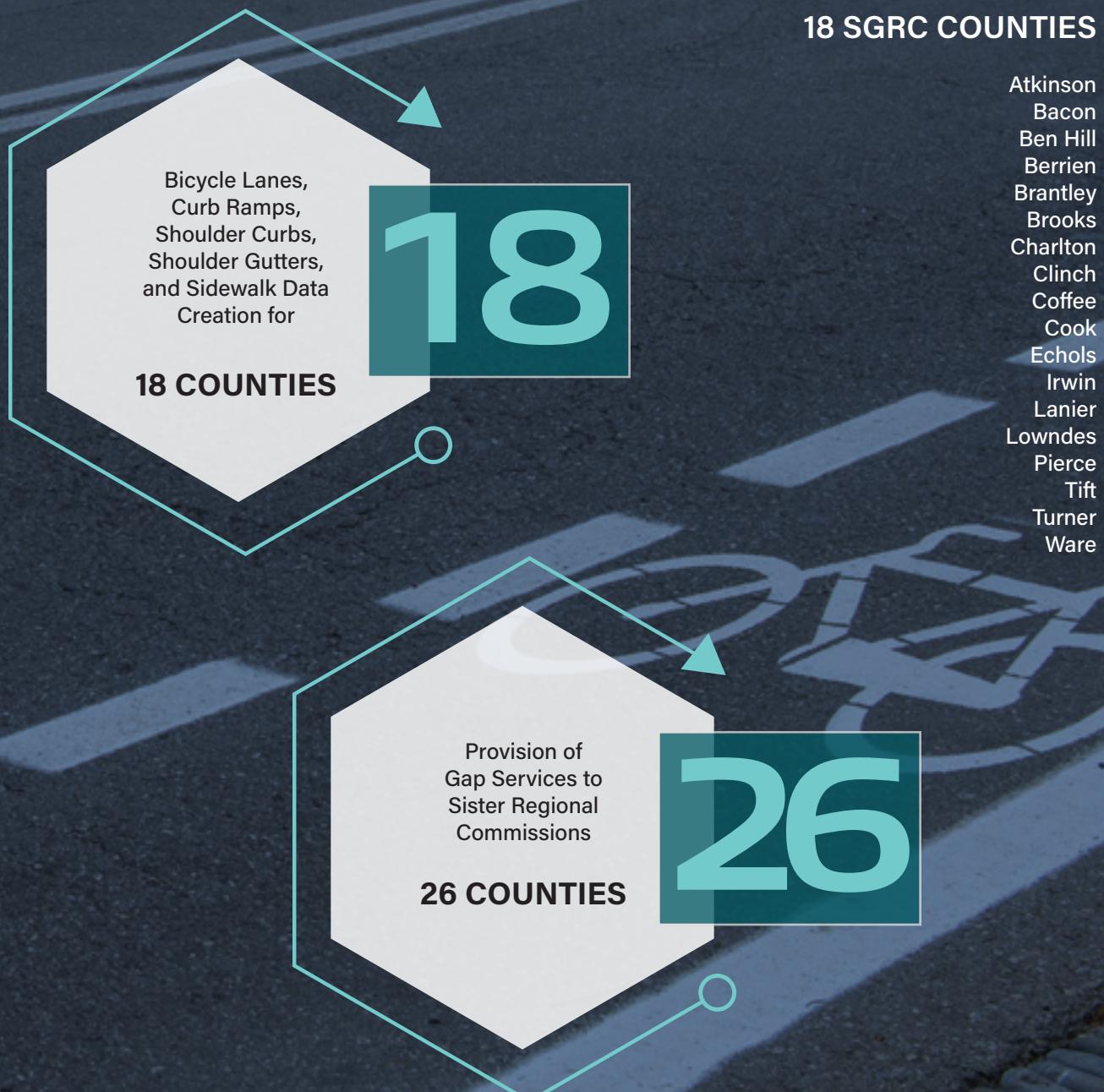
The Southern Georgia Regional Commission's (SGRC) Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Division develops, maintains, and supports GIS data and applications for local governments and organizations throughout Southern Georgia and beyond. GIS technology empowers communities to make informed decisions through the visualization, query, and analysis of spatial data.

Across the region, local governments rely on SGRC's GIS expertise and datasets to support a wide range of activities — from monitoring growth and managing land parcels to conducting crime analyses and planning for emergency response. By integrating advanced mapping tools with accurate geographic data, SGRC helps communities enhance efficiency, improve public services, and plan strategically for the future.

GRANT MAPS



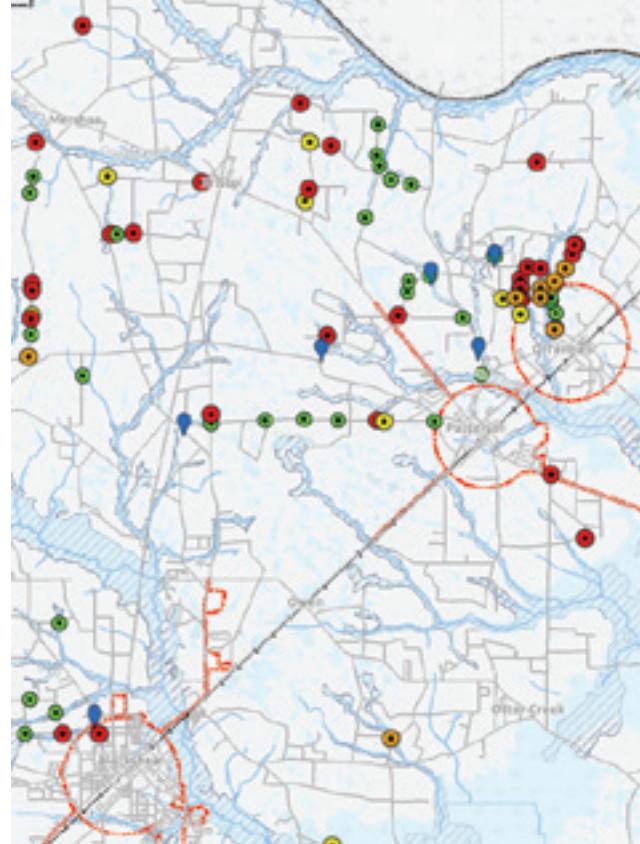
ROADWAY ELEMENT VALIDATION AND MAPPING PROGRAM (REVAMP) PROJECT WITH GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



3 COMMUNITIES

Submitted Census
Boundary and Annexation
Surveys updates for
3 communities

City of Alma
City of Douglas
City of Fitzgerald



4 INTERACTIVE MAPS

Maintained 4
Interactive Web Maps
for Department
of Public Health

247

GIS WEB MAPS

Create or Maintained 247
Interactive GIS Web Maps
Serving 36 Communities
within the Region

7 REGION-WIDE MAPS

MAINTAINED 7 INTERACTIVE MAPS

- Regional Basic Interactive Map
- Georgia Election Interactive application – Showing the new Georgia Election districts (Congressional, Senate, and House)
- City Hall Locations

MAINTAINED 4 REGION-WIDE INTERACTIVE WEB MAPS

- Regional Voting Precinct Map
- SGRC Region Flood Map
- Regional Emergency Center of Operation
- Community Boundary Review



PLANNING SUPPORT

SWOT ANALYSIS
SURVEYING
& STATISTICS

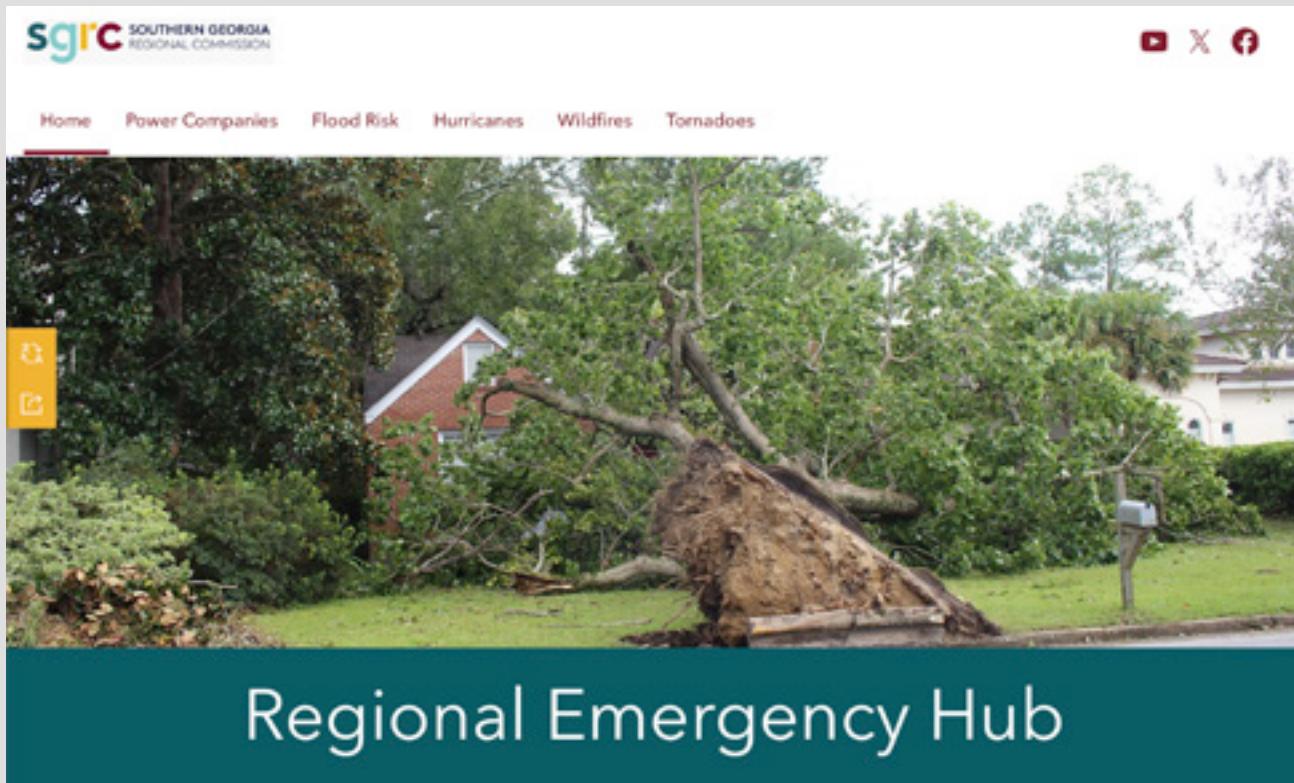
NATURAL
HAZARDS APP

Fire, Flooding,
Winds/Hurricanes,
Tornado Archive + Current
and Proposed Shelters

CITY OF
QUITMAN
ZONING
UPDATES

CITY OF
DOUGLAS
ZONING

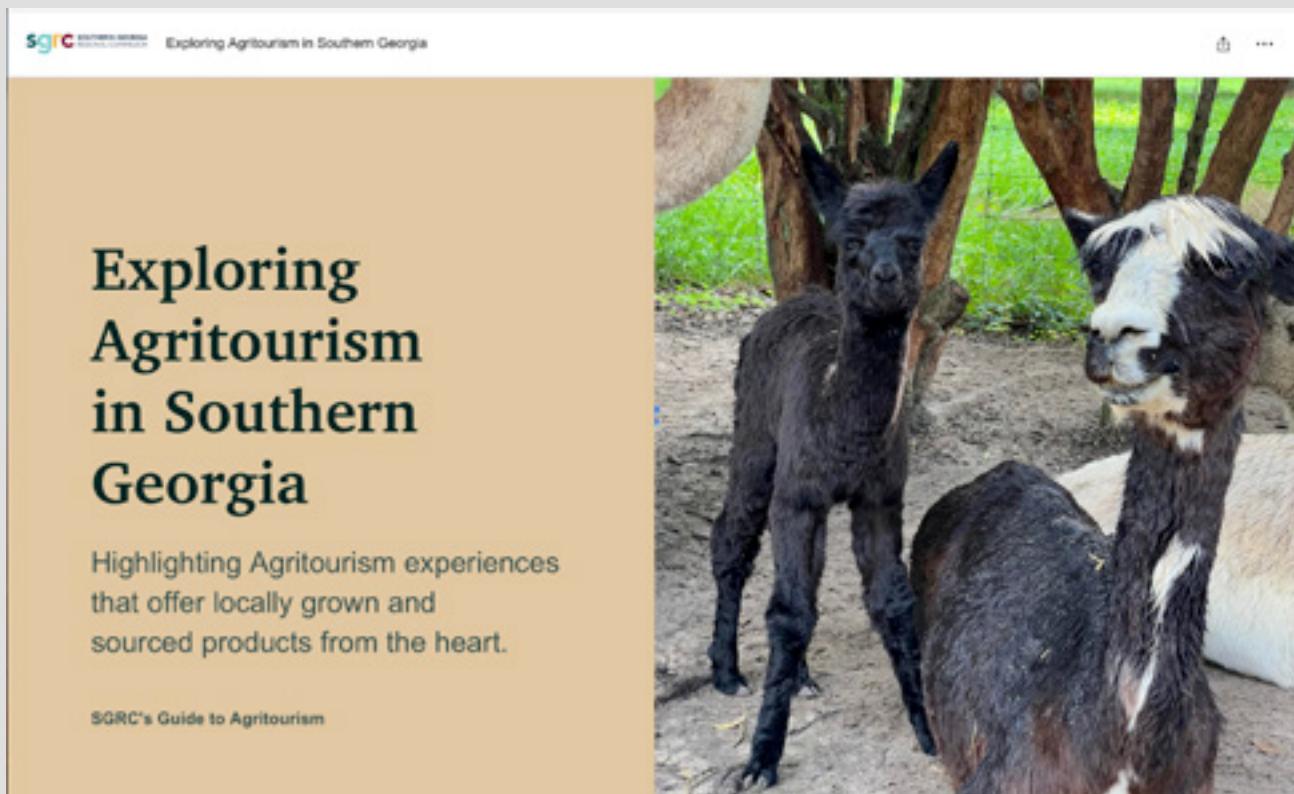
HUB MAINTENANCE AND CREATION



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) website. The header includes the SGRC logo and navigation links for Home, Power Companies, Flood Risk, Hurricanes, Wildfires, and Tornadoes. Below the header is a large image of a destroyed building with a collapsed roof and debris, set against a backdrop of trees and houses. A yellow navigation bar with icons for search and location is visible on the left side of the image. The text "Regional Emergency Hub" is overlaid on the bottom right of the image.

Regional Emergency Hub

CREATED: REGIONAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS HUB



The screenshot shows a section of the SGRC website dedicated to agritourism. The header includes the SGRC logo and the text "Exploring Agritourism in Southern Georgia". The main content features a large image of two llamas, one black and one white, standing in a fenced enclosure. To the left of the image is a text block with the title "Exploring Agritourism in Southern Georgia" and a subtitle "Highlighting Agritourism experiences that offer locally grown and sourced products from the heart." At the bottom of the text block is the link "SGRC's Guide to Agritourism".

Exploring Agritourism in Southern Georgia

Highlighting Agritourism experiences that offer locally grown and sourced products from the heart.

SGRC's Guide to Agritourism

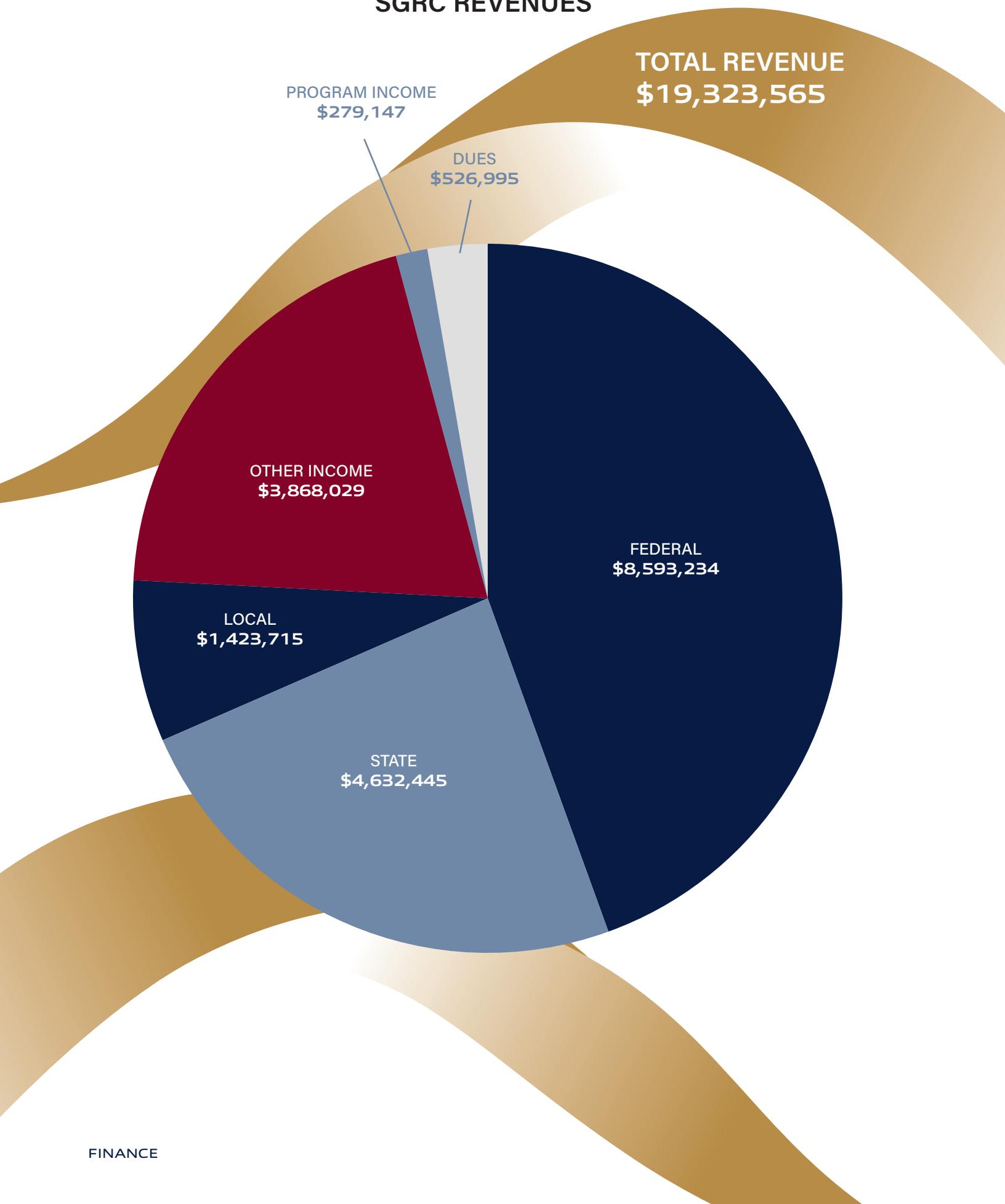
MAINTAINED: REGIONAL AGRITOURISM HUB

FINANCE

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission's (SGRC) Finance Division manages a multi-million-dollar budget funded by more than a dozen Federal and State agencies. The division ensures the sound stewardship of public resources through precise accounting, transparent financial reporting, and strict compliance with all applicable government regulations and contractual requirements.

With a focus on accountability and efficiency, the Finance Division maintains detailed financial records, supports program operations across all SGRC departments, and upholds the fiscal integrity of every dollar received and expended.

SGRC REVENUES



SGRC EXPENDITURES

PLANNING | \$481,049

CED | \$701,349

TRANSPORTATION | \$691,186

REGIONAL TRANSIT | \$6,078,869

GIS | \$715,201

AREA AGENCY ON AGING | \$7,465,402

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT | \$2,530,196

LENDING | \$331,959

ITS | \$136,930

MISC | \$53,889

TOTAL EXPENSES
\$19,186,030

RETURN ON INVESTMENTS

Local
Government Dues of

\$526,995

Leveraged

\$18,796,570

in Federal, State,
and Local Funding.

For Every

\$1
of Dues

SGRC Region Received

\$35.67

in Federal, State,
and Local Funding.

SGRC COUNCIL MEMBER LIST

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission's leadership and staff express their deep appreciation to the Council for its exceptional leadership, strategic guidance, and unwavering support. The commitment and public service of each Council member are vital to the continued success of the Commission's programs and initiatives, advancing regional progress and strengthening communities throughout Southern Georgia.

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ATKINSON

Parker Liles
Jeren Fullmore
Robbie Stone

CHARLTON

James Everett
Lee Gowen
Vacant

LANIER

Dennis Fender
Bill Darsey
James Barnes

BACON

Shane Taylor
Larry Taylor
Kevin Ellis

CLINCH

Henry Moylan
Tom Kennedy
Willie Hardee, Jr.

LOWNDES

Joyce Evans
Vivian Miller-Cody
Anthony Payton

BEN HILL

Hal Wiley
Jason Holt
Jason Dunn

COFFEE

Johnny Jowers
Tony Paultk
Adam Smith

PIERCE

Neal Bennett
Keith Brooks
Steven Paul

BERRIEN

Ronnie Gaskins
Travis Brown
Lisa Smart

COOK

Jeff Lane
Buddy Duke
Vacant

TIFT

Tony McBrayer
Michael Franks
Vacant

BRANTLEY

Skipper Harris
Marty Lee
Vacant

ECHOLS

Kenneth Petty
Vacant

TURNER

Nick Denham
Sandra Lumpkin
Brandi Giddens

BROOKS

Patrick Folsom
Don Morgan
Zurich Deshazior

IRWIN

Carl Hutchinson
Melvin Harper
Mona MacKenzie

WARE

Elmer Thrift
Michael-Angelo James
Barbara King

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

3 Vacancies

LT. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Keith Stone

SPEAKER'S OFFICE

Matt Seale

SGRC'S 2025 NADO IMPACT AWARDS



GIS RESPONSE
AND ASSISTANCE
TO HURRICANE
HELENE

ACTIVE
TRANSPORTATION
AND BIKE
PEDESTRIAN
SAFETY
TRIFOLDS

A NEW
HEADQUARTERS
FOR SECOND
HARVEST OF
SOUTH GEORGIA

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Impact Awards recognize member organizations for their innovative and effective approaches to advancing regional economic development and enhancing quality of life. Award recipients exemplify excellence in service delivery, strategic collaboration, and community impact, demonstrating the vital role regional development organizations play across the nation.

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) was honored to receive three 2025 NADO Impact Awards for exceptional projects spearheaded by its Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Planning, and Community and Economic Development divisions. These recognitions highlight SGRC's commitment to innovation, collaboration, and measurable results that strengthen communities throughout Southern Georgia.



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