

Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Services (GVRS)

Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 8th, 2020

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Chairman's Welcome

- Welcome & Remarks
- Roll Call and Agenda
- Previous Board Meeting Minutes Approval

Executive Director's Report

Chris Wells, Executive Director



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Vocational Services Report

Dr. Christine Fleming, Vocational Services
Director



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Vocational Rehabilitation

- **Unified State Plan Approved**
 - Performance Measure Goal Negotiated
 - 25.8%
- **Corrective Action Plan**
 - Reset with RSA this summer
- **Rehabilitation Services Administration**
 - Continue to develop internal controls and performance strategies



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Vocational Rehabilitation

As of May 2020

- Approximately 67 counselors, 99 career specialists,
 - Hired 7 new counselors July 2020, 3 vacancies posted
 - New Employment Relations Coordinator started 7/1/2020

As of June 24, 2020

- 24,140 individuals being served
 - 7,260 potentially eligible students
 - 2,235 individuals successfully secured employment and maintained for 90 days
 - 8,085 individuals exited without employment



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VR Performance Goals

	SFY 20 Goal	As of 6.30.2020
Applicants	9,600	7,166
Eligibility	6,400	6,546
IPE	4,267	4,078
Services		13,685
Job Ready		829
Employed		761
Closed successfully employed over 90 days	2,250	2,235



Highlights

- **VR Strategic Planning**
 - Examining options from CSNA and Accenture findings
 - Initiated Restructuring within VR

- **AWARE**
 - Exploring the functionality of AWARE
 - Identifying opportunities for improvement
 - As restructure organization will modify CIS



Highlights

- **Client Services**
 - 911 changes/policy updates
 - Rehabilitation team training
- Inclusive Post-secondary Education (IPSE)
- External partnerships



Highlights

- **Provider Management**
 - Provider Guidelines Manual
 - Remote Service Delivery guidance
 - Provider Agreements Distributed

- **Transition Services**
 - PreETS Agreements distributed

Office of Information Technology

Don Privitera, Chief Information Officer





New CIO

- Recent experience cybersecurity bus dev + KSU faculty teaching IT & cybersecurity
- Decade+ leading a security services company
- Decade in big corporate IT mgmt.
- Decade in commercial software dev.
- 1990 BS CS, 2017 Cert IT Security, 2019 MS IT cybersecurity focus



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Information Technology

Executive Summary:

- **People** = working on cross training
- **Process** = working on more formal processes
- **Technology** = working on reducing costs, working on improving cybersecurity



COVID Challenges

- Never anticipated teleworking > 30 days
- Updates designed for agency network
- Agency is facing cybersecurity risks in teleworking
- Cloud migration is recommended solution



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Recommendations

- Refresh Windows 10 & Office
- Address high priority cybersecurity risks
- Move infrastructure to cloud
- Re-engineer data network & phone system to save a million a year

SFY'20 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency Financial Performance Presentation

Jessime McGarity - Director, Planning & Budget



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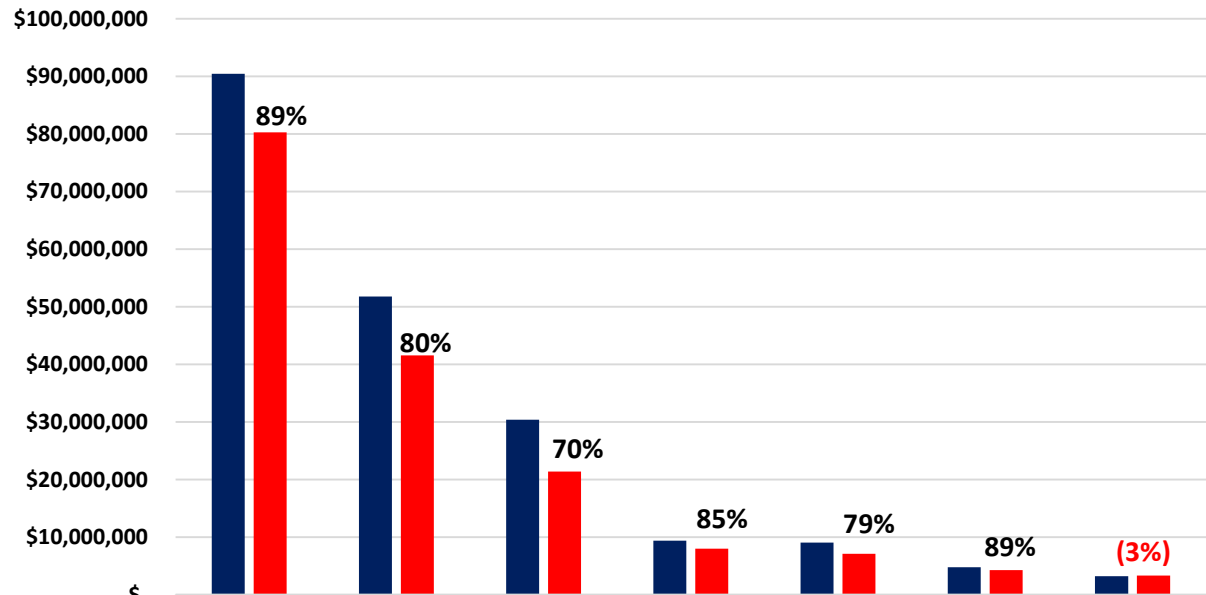


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Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency Financial Performance as of June 2020

Budget vs Actuals by Object Class



	Personal Services	Grants & Benefits	Contractual Services	Real Estate Rentals	Regular Operating Expenses	IT Expenditures	Other Expenses
■ SFY20 Budget	\$90,454,891	\$51,805,524	\$30,390,456	\$9,418,481	\$9,045,903	\$4,780,566	\$3,255,168
■ Actual Expenditures & ENC thru June	\$80,285,744	\$41,552,829	\$21,422,477	\$8,031,186	\$7,138,382	\$4,259,291	\$3,351,873



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Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency SFY'21 Budget Highlights

- On June 30, 2020 Governor Kemp signed the FY 2021 Budget.
- The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency FY 2021 Budget is **\$19M** in state funds and **\$167M** in federal and other funds for a total budget of **\$186M**.
- GVRA Departmental Administration budget saw a reduction from last years appropriated amount of **\$14M** to **\$12M** in FY 2021. There were reductions in printing, sponsorships, registration, events and advertising. As well as reductions in lease payments.
- Vocational Rehabilitation saw a net decrease of **\$17.9M** bringing the FY 2021 appropriated amount from the prior year, **\$111.5M**, to **\$91.2M**. Reductions resulted from savings realized in personnel and certain contracts and services as a result of program realignment and enhanced internal controls due to program reorganization.
- The Business Enterprise Program, Disability Adjudication Services and Georgia Industries for the Blind saw little to no reductions.

New/Old Business

Tom Wilson, Chairman



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New/Old Business

- None

State Rehabilitation Council Report

Kate Brady, Chair



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Statewide Independent Living Council Report

Becky Ramage-Tuttle, Assistant Director



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***Congratulations &
Welcome Mr. Chris Wells!***

SILC & the Centers for
Independent Living look
forward to working with you!

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State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL)

State Plan for Independent Living has been submitted to ACL for approval!!!

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SILC & CILs Operations

The SILC & CILs continue to slowly open for business.

CILs are taking *appointment only* consumers at this time.

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SILC & CILs Operations

SILC & GILN Quarterly Board meeting

July 16, 2020 - Zoom meeting

Please visit www.silcga.org for agenda
and Zoom info

Employment First Council

John Wells, Chairman



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Public Comment

Tom Wilson, Chairman



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Adjournment

Tom Wilson, Chair



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