

Coordinated Entry in the Balance of State CoC



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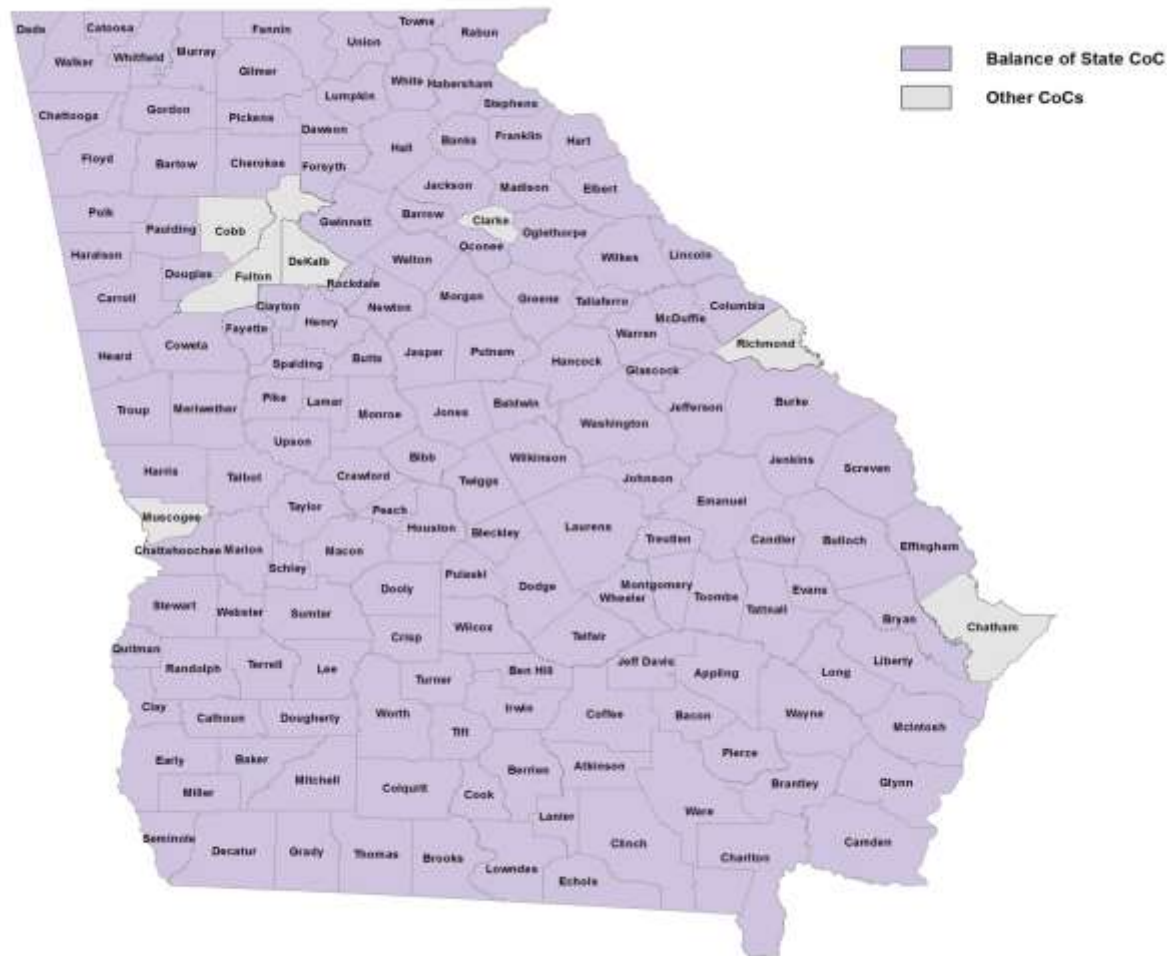
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Background Info on BoS Continuum

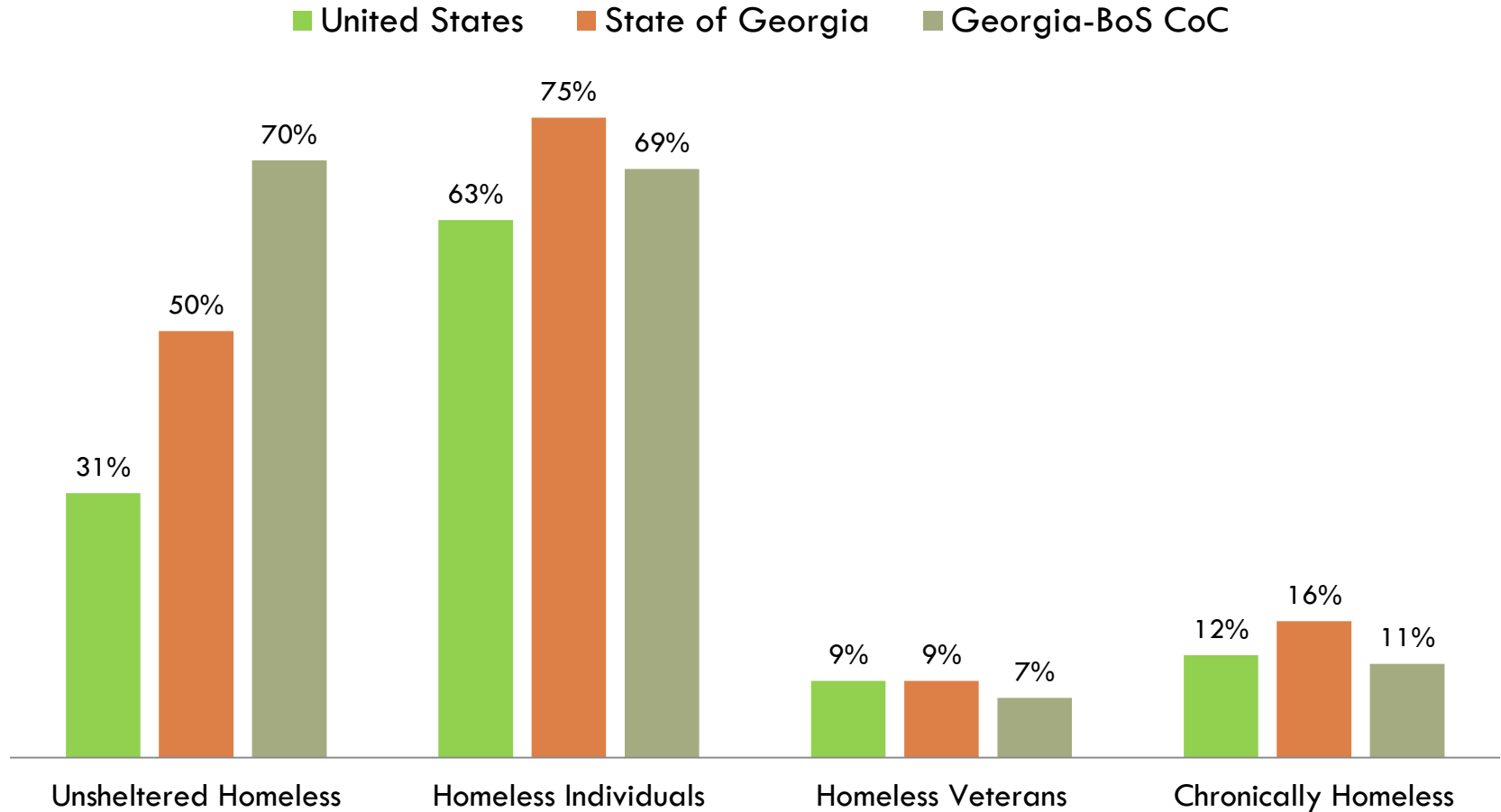


- 152 counties excluding major metropolitan cities in Georgia
- First submitted in 1998 – nearly \$4 million dollars awarded
- Currently approximately \$15.5 million

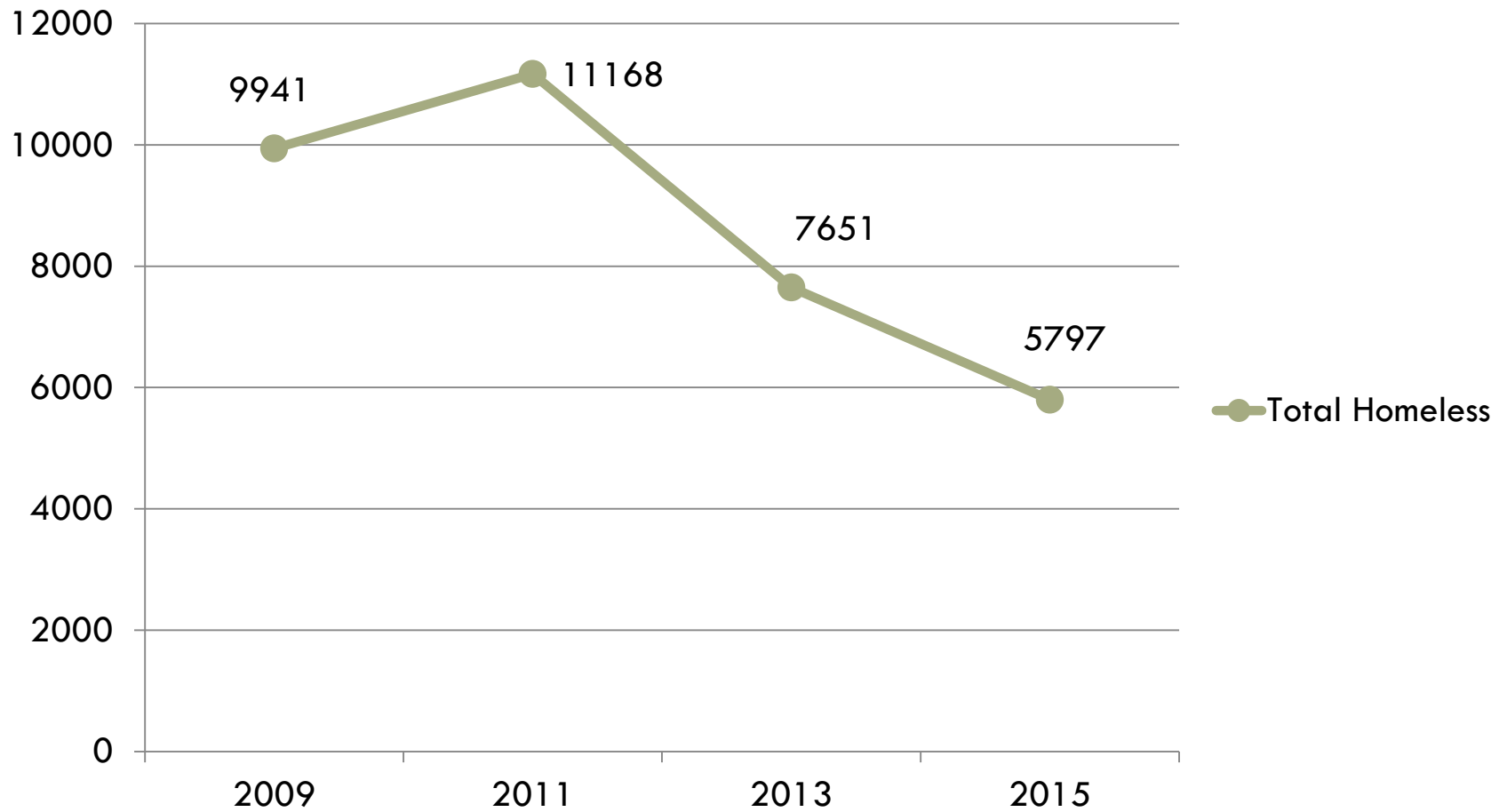
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2013 Homeless Population Comparisons



Homeless Trend



Uniqueness of Balance of State CoC

- 152 county region
 - Mostly rural
 - Some pockets include communities outside major metro areas
- Limited homeless resources in many areas, particularly shelters
- Existing resources in a given area may be limited to certain subpopulations
- Significant variation in economy, housing market, employment opportunities, referral processes

Responses to Unique Challenges-CE

- Need for “no wrong door” approach
- System must be virtual/accessible from anywhere
- Keep it in HMIS as much as possible
- Need for increased partnerships with non-homeless housing providers
- Respect regional differences and allow some discretion in referral process

Efforts So Far

- Planning began in summer 2015
- Receiving HUD TA
- Committee and subcommittee structure
 - Access – public access to system
 - Assess – common assessment and pre-screen
 - Assign – referrals for housing/services
- Developing web portal for DCA housing resources
- Adopted a common assessment tool
 - Barriers to Housing Stability vs. VISPDAT

Future Planning Efforts

- Research on Barriers to Housing Stability Assessments (BHSA)
 - By project type
 - Connect barriers to outcomes
 - Revision of BHSA to prioritize
- Adopt regional planning model
- Do research/hold listening sessions in regions
- Partnering for call center- 800 # for public access
- Develop API for interaction with HMIS



Questions?



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