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## Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust Awards \$3.9 Million to Recovery Community Organizations

Ceremony Highlights Grassroots Leadership in Georgia's Recovery Efforts

ATLANTA – The Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust, led by Trustee Kevin Tanner, recently held a ceremonial grant signing recognizing the Georgia Council for Recovery and 12 Recovery Community Organizations (RCOs). The combined total of \$3.9 million in opioid settlement funding will advance peer-led, community-based recovery support and drive solutions to the opioid crisis across Georgia.

"These organizations represent the heart of recovery in Georgia," said Kevin Tanner, Trustee of the Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust. "They are run by people who have lived it—who understand the road to recovery and walk alongside others every day. These grants are an investment not only in programs but in people, and in the power of peer support to change lives and strengthen communities."

RCOs serve as critical access points for individuals and families affected by substance use and cooccurring mental health challenges. Grant-funded projects include peer recovery coaching, outreach in jails and emergency departments, transportation for rural communities, services for women and youth, and development of a responsive, community-based recovery workforce.

The following organizations received grant awards through the Trust:

- Georgia Council for Recovery
- Coweta Force (Coweta County)
- Divas Who Win (Clarke County)
- Fayette Factor (Fayette County)
- Freedom Through Recovery (Bulloch County)
  - Gardens of Hope (Toombs County)
    - Macon Recovers (Bibb County)
  - Paulding County RCO (Paulding County)
  - People Living in Recovery (Clarke County)
    - Reboot Jackson (Jackson County)
    - Self Discovery 24 (Stephens County)
- The Never Alone Clubhouse (Douglas County)
  - Walton Empowers (Walton County)

The event was held at the Georgia Council for Recovery in Atlanta and brought together state leaders, RCO representatives, and partners from across Georgia's recovery landscape. It marked a significant step in the Trust's commitment to building strong, locally driven solutions to the opioid crisis.

Georgia's Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust is projected to receive \$638 million in settlement funding over the next 18 years. For more information on the Trust and its efforts to combat the opioid crisis, visit <a href="https://www.gaopioidtrust.org/">https://www.gaopioidtrust.org/</a>.

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