### Two-Generation Innovation

Connecting Early Learning, Postsecondary, and Workforce in Georgia

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## DECAL Serves ALL of Georgia's Young Children

#### Child and Parent Subsidy Program (CAPS)

- · Family Support
- Scholarship Administration
- Quality Rated Subsidy Grants
- · 2Gen Initiatives

#### **Quality Child Care**

- Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) -Quality Rated
- Technical Assistance for Child Care Providers
- 1-877-ALLGAKIDS

#### Safe Child Care

- Applicant services
- Licensing
- Complaints
- Enforcement
- · Technical assistance
- Quality improvement
- School Age Before & After School



#### Quality Innovations & Partnerships

- Early Education Community Partnerships
- · Two-Gen Georgia
- Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships
- · Research and Policy Team
- Child Care Access Supports for Families

#### Pre-K & Instructional Supports

- Georgia Universal Prek program
- · Quality initiatives
- Inclusion & Behavior Support
- Early Learning Workforce Development

#### **Quality Nutrition**

- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- Summer Feeding Service Program
- Farm to Preschool

#### Quality Infant and Toddler Care

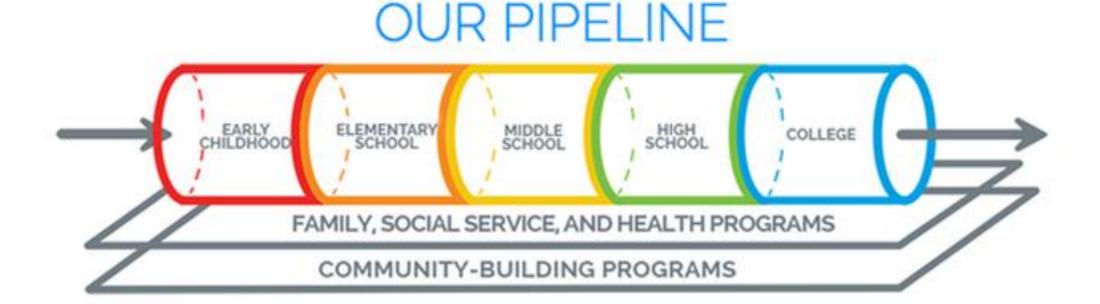
- Georgia Program for Infant and Toddler Care
   Instructional Support
  - Services
- LITTLE Grants

#### **Head Start Collaboration**

- Child Welfare
- Early Intervention
- Homelessness
- Family Services
- Community Partnerships



## How we collaborated in the past?



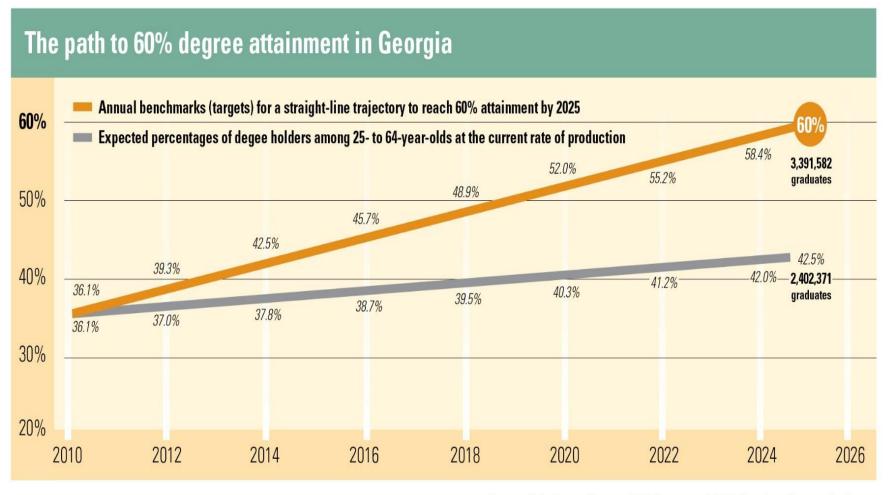


# Georgia's Parents and Children Thriving Together (PACTT) Grant

- Georgia was one of five states selected in late 2016 to promote two-generation strategies in state policy
- Award from the National Governor's Association & the Center for Law & Social Policy
- DECAL was the lead agency of this two-year, \$90,000 investment in Georgia
- Key outcomes Georgia promised:
  - 1. Increase cross-agency coordination
  - 2. Provide professional learning on two-gen
  - 3. Pilot new and expand existing two-gen strategies
  - 4. Increase two-gen evaluation efforts
  - 5. Pursue policy changes to scale successful two-generation strategies.

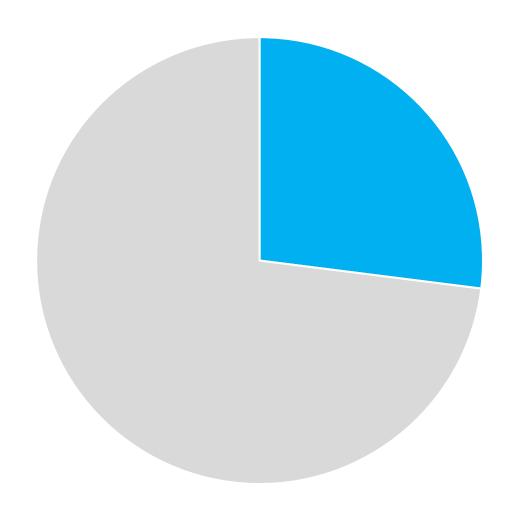


# By 2025, it's anticipated that 60% of jobs in Georgia will require some form of higher education.



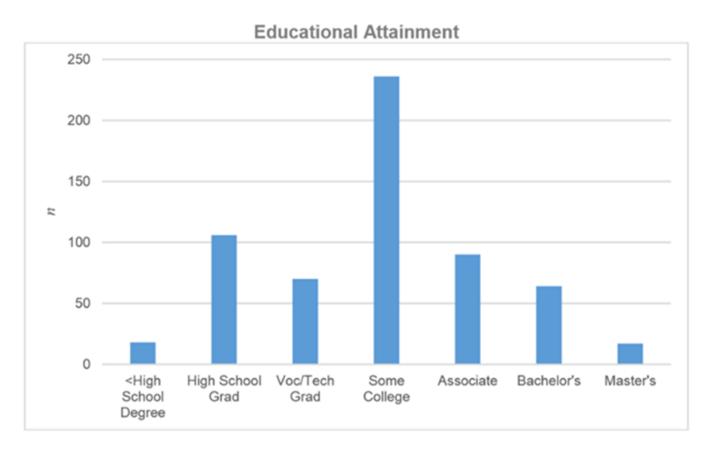


# In 2015-16, 27% of all students enrolled in TCSG institutions were women with dependents.





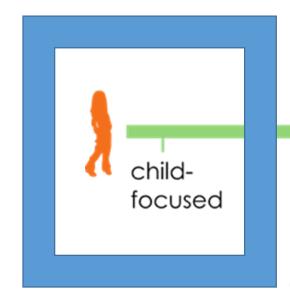
# Many parents who receive CAPS child care assistance in Georgia have some college experience but no degree.





**Source:** GEEARS, Summer 2016, online survey distributed to all CAPS recipients, completed by 602 CAPS recipients

### Our Two Generation Approach



childfocused
with parent
elements
e.g. early childhood
development, parenting
skills, family literacy, and
health screenings



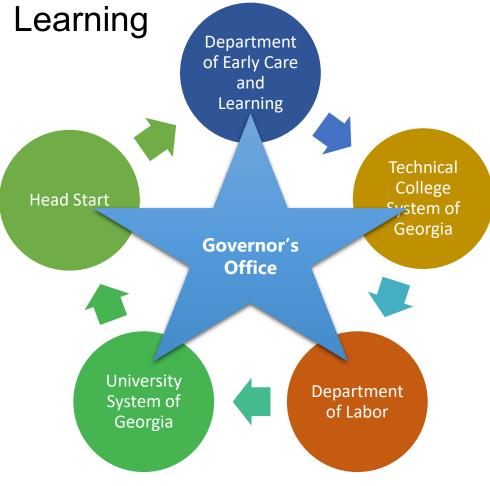
parentfocused
with child
elements
e.g. child care and
workforce programs, food
and nutrition, and supports
for student parents



# Result: Increased cross-agency coordination

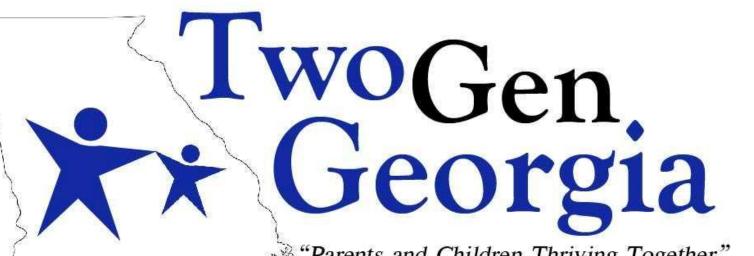
Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

- Technical College System of Georgia
- Georgia Department of Labor
- University System of Georgia
- Head Start





**Georgia's PACTT Accomplishments** 



3 "Parents and Children Thriving Together"

### Two-Gen Professional Learning Opportunities

- Georgia hosted a Two Generation State Policy Summit for leadership.
- DECAL and the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) partnered deliver training to front line state employees working with families.







### Increased 2Gen at the local level

- Piloted Two Gen Innovation Grants for three counties in 2018 and expanded this opportunity in 2019.
- Implementation partners:
  - Adult Serving: Technical College, University System Institution, Workforce Development Board, and/or community non-profit serving these populations.
  - Child Serving: Child Care Program with a significant number of children receiving CAPS, a Quality Rated Subsidy Grant, or an Infants Matter grant; a Head Start or Early Head Start Grantee, and/or community non-profit serving these populations.
- Outcome measures
  - Applicants had to include at least one child and one parent, OR one family outcome measure from Ascend at the Aspen Institute's Two-Gen Outcomes Bank.



### Increased Evaluation with a 2Gen focus

- Commissioned a Two-Gen Landscape Analysis from Georgia
   Center for Non-Profits.
- Conducted a survey with Athens Technical College staff and students to identify barriers that parents face when trying to complete post-secondary education.





### Policy changes to scale up 2Gen

 CAPS now considers enrollment in associate degree programs at HOPE-eligible institutions to be state-approved activity, as of July 2018.

 CAPS now allows for part-time enrollment in education and vocational training programs in combination with work, instead of requiring fulltime enrollment.





Moving forward: Where are we now?



# 2019 Two-Generation Innovation Project

- In partnership with the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, two new funding opportunities to pilot or expand community strategies that connect the early learning, postsecondary, and workforce systems at the local level.
  - 1. Capacity Building Grants
  - 2. Implementation Funding Grants



# 2019 Capacity Building Grants

- Awards of up to \$15,000 will fund a one-year project operating from March 1, 2019 to Feb 28, 2020.
- Projects must help connect parents of young children in early learning system supports.



#### Capacity Building Grant Recipients:

Georgia Northwestern Technical College – Whitfield/Murray Campus Southern Crescent Technical College – Spalding County



# 2019 Implementation Funding Grants

- Awards of up to \$35,000 will fund a one-year project operating from March 1, 2019 to Feb 28, 2020.
- Projects must help connect parents of young children in early learning system supports.



Implementation Funding Grants Recipients:

Two-Gen Clayton County

Central Georgia Technical College



# Implementation Funding Grant - Clayton County

#### Two-Gen Clayton

- ✓ Create and sustain systematic services at both postsecondary institutions and Quality Rated child care programs.
- Plan of Implementation includes:
  - ✓ Project Coordinator
  - ✓ Parent Peer Mentors
  - ✓ PBS Kids Ready To Learn Workshops
  - ✓ Website Parent Access to Resources
  - ✓ Partner with Quality Rated Child Care Providers
  - ✓ Family-Friendly Campus



# Implementation Funding Grant – Bibb County

- Central Georgia Technical College Connect-2-Complete
  - ✓ Increase family engagement, ensuring educational success as a core family value.
- Plan of Implementation includes:
  - ✓ Survey and Focus Groups

Findings: What makes it difficult to attend college?





Money 31%



Time 31%



Not Interested 20%



Transportation 9%



# Implementation Funding Grant – Bibb County

- Central Georgia Technical College Connect-2-Complete
  - ✓ Increase family engagement, ensuring educational success as a core family value.
- Plan of Implementation includes:
  - ✓ On-Site Child Care Add Evening Care
  - ✓ Family Engagement Activities
  - ✓ Family Advisory Boards/Quality Rated Child Care Advisory Council
  - ✓ Family-Friendly Campus
  - ✓ Partner with United Way of Central Georgia 211 System



# Central Georgia Technical College Bibb County

- Technical College System of Georgia
- Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
- Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) – 2018

#### Two-Gen Clayton

#### **Clayton County**

- Technical College System of Georgia
- Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
- Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) – Begins October 2019
- BOOST Child Care Initiative

Partnerships to Offset or Eliminate Child Care Tuition Costs

# DECAL's Commitment to Two-Gen in Georgia Policy and Sustainability

- Partnership with Technical College System of Georgia
  - CAPS Family Support/TCSG Student Navigators, Special Populations
  - Two-Generation Innovation Grants
- CAPS Portal for Two-Gen Resources for Parent Access
- Two-Gen Network -website
- Two-Gen Innovation Summit -Fall 2019
- Expand Workforce Professional Development and Learning Supports
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