

1,217 WAIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Advocates and Providers are **united** in our ask

WHAT IS A WAIVER?

The NOW and COMP waivers support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live in their communities.

“Urgent” means someone has a dire need - like someone stuck in a hospital, or whose caregiver died, or is at risk of homelessness, or 60 or older, and more.

7,800+

GEORGIANS ARE
ON THE WAITLIST
TO RECEIVE A
WAIVER

DBHDD DATA
SHOWS

1,217

NEW WAIVERS ARE
URGENTLY NEEDED THIS
YEAR

+ 26

DBHDD EMPLOYEES TO
ADMINISTER THEM

BREAK DOWN THE DATA*

*DBHDD DATA, SHARED WITH GCDD JAN 2026

NEW WAIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED

328 QUALIFIED BUT NOT PROCESSED
410 GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL
50 TRANSITION FROM YOUTH SVCS
255 60 OR OLDER
449 OTHER URGENT
150 UNKNOWN
36 INSTITUTIONALIZED
-461 DIE, MOVE OUT OF GA, SENT TO
NURSING FACILITY

~1217 NEW WAIVERS = \$129M

26 DBHDD EMPLOYEES

16 PLANNING LIST
ADMINISTRATOR (PLA)
2 PLA SUPERVISORS
1 SOCIAL WORKER
5 NURSES
1 BEHAVIOR SPECIALIST
1 OPERATIONS ANALYST

26 NEW DBHDD EMPLOYEES
= \$2.5M

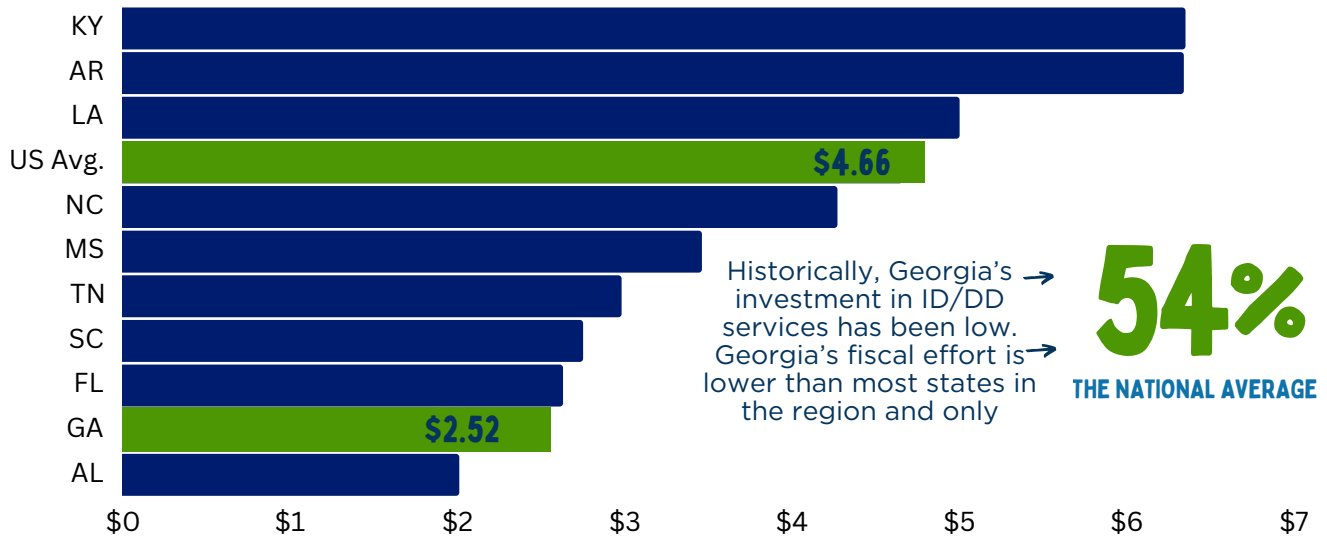
TOTAL COST = \$131.5 MILLION



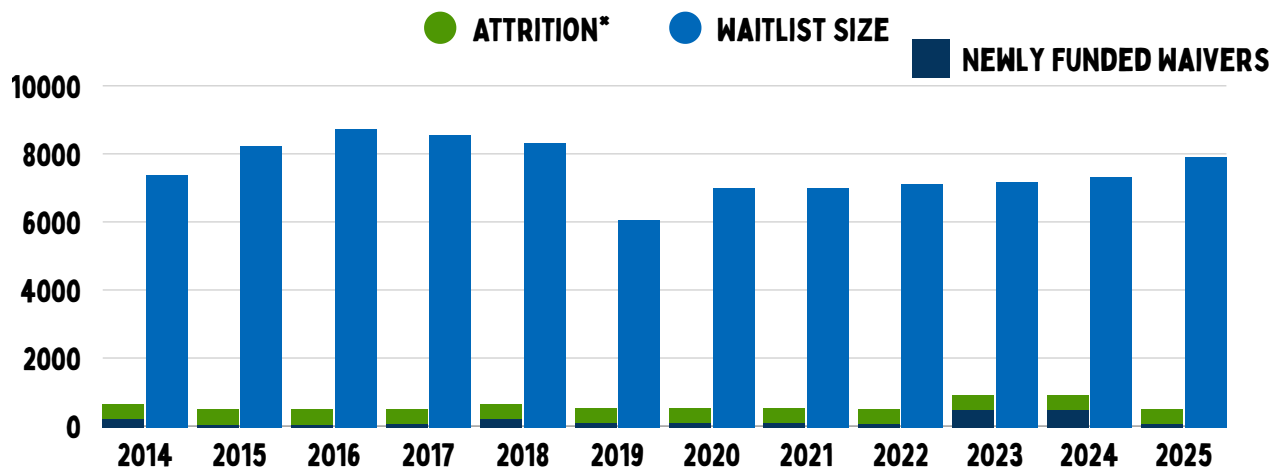
NOT ALL STATES HAVE A WAITING LIST. GEORGIA NEEDS TO INVEST.



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GEORGIA'S INVESTMENT IN HOME & COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES WAIVERS



\$131.5 MILLION IS A CRITICAL INVESTMENT

for Georgians and their families who desperately need a waiver ASAP*

*Average cost per Comprehensive Supports Waiver - DBHDD

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