KINSHIP CARE IN GEORGIA

According to the 2016 American Community Survey, 263,332 grandparents in Georgia are living with their grandchildren.

12 percent of older adults age 60 and older in Georgia live below the poverty level. However, 23.6 percent of older adults age 60 and older who are responsible for grandchildren live below the poverty level.

23.5 percent of all grandparents responsible for grandchildren live below the poverty level.

25.3 percent of all grandparents responsible for grandchildren have a disability, and 29.0 percent of grandparents over age 60 responsible for grandchildren have a disability.

58.1 percent of grandparents who are responsible for grandchildren are still in the workforce. Only 46.7 percent of grandparents living with grandchildren but not responsible for them are still in the workforce.

CHILD CARE SERVICES
The Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) program helps low-income families in Georgia pay for early childhood and school age care programs. The CAPS program subsidizes the cost of child care for eligible children age birth to age 13, or up to age 18 if the child has special needs.

Childcare And Parents Services: caps.decal.ga.gov/en/EligibilityRequirements

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES
The Division of Aging Services provides supportive services to grandparents and relative caregivers of any age, throughout each 12 regional Area Agencies on Aging.

Visit: aging.georgia.gov/locations

FINANCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES
Programs include Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), child support, relative care subsidy, Right from the Start Medicaid and many more.

Visit: dfcs.georgia.gov/temporary-assistance-needy-families

LEGAL SERVICES
The Relative Caregiver Hotline / Georgia Senior Legal Hotline of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society provides advice, brief services and referrals on issues such as custody, adoption, public benefits and housing.

Georgia Legal Services Program: 800-745-5717

HEALTH & WELLNESS SERVICES
A number of health and wellness services are available through state agencies to support kinship families in achieving the healthiest lifestyle possible.

Project Healthy Grandparents - Metro Atlanta: 404-413-1118

In 2012, Georgia had the sixth-largest number of grandparents living with grandchildren in the United States.