

## SERVICES AVAILABLE TO GRANDPARENTS

### 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.

### 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 (AAA).

### Financial Support Services

Programs include TANF, Child Support, Relative Care Subsidy, Right from the Start Medicaid and many more.

### 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.

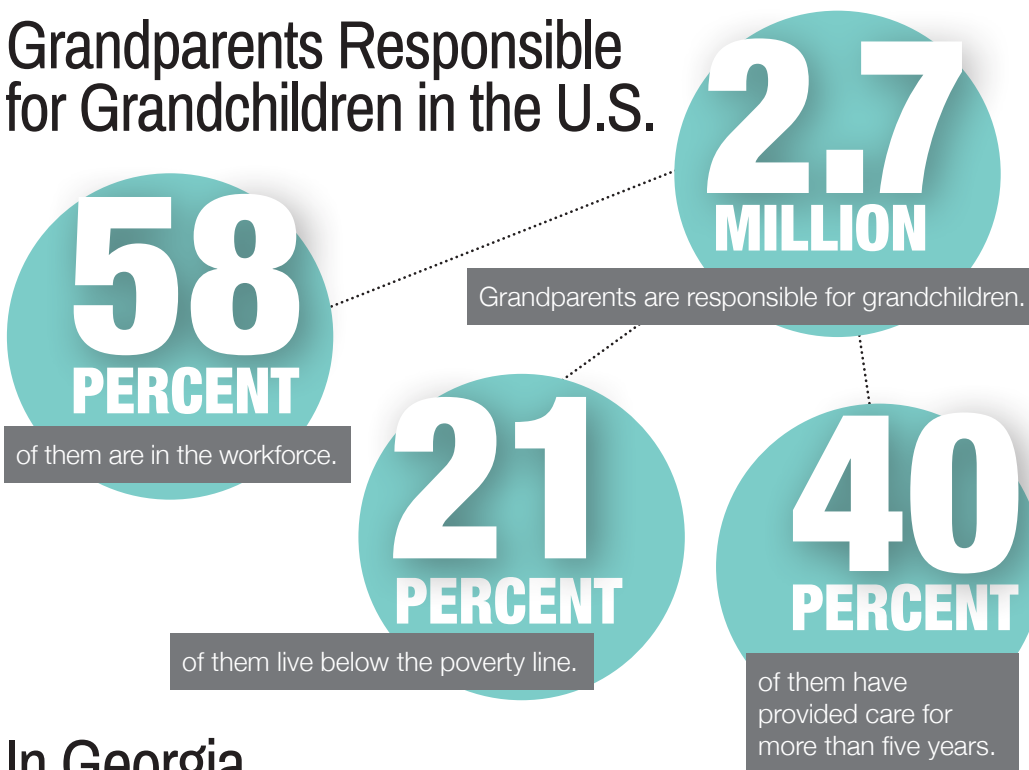
### Health & Wellness Services

A number of health and wellness services are available through state agencies to support Kinship families in achieving the healthiest lifestyle possible.

# Kinship Care in Georgia

In 2012, Georgia had the 6th largest number of grandparents living with grandchildren in the U.S.

## Grandparents Responsible for Grandchildren in the U.S.



## In Georgia

According to the 2013 American Community Survey, approximately 253,127 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, **22.6 percent** of older adults age 60 and older who are responsible for grandchildren live below the poverty level.
- **25.2 percent** of all grandparents responsible for grandchildren live below the poverty level.
- **27.8 percent** of all grandparents responsible for grandchildren have a disability, and **35.1 percent** of grandparents over age 60 responsible for grandchildren have a disability.
- **56.1 percent** of grandparents who are responsible for grandchildren are still in the work force. Only **39 percent** of grandparents living with grandchildren but not responsible for them are still in the work force.

\*Data from 2013 American Community Survey