

Fulton County COVID-19 Response Update

August 3, 2022 Board of Commissioners

OVERVIEW

- Incident Response Update
- Service Updates
- ERAP Update
- Court Backlog Update/Project ORCA
- COVID 19 Reserve & ARPA Spend

INCIDENT RESPONSE REVIEW

RED

All tracked metrics are in the red & are trending upward.

(Highest Levels)

The current reported 7-day case average is 330

19.2%

Percent Positive Rate

reporting): Analysis suggests the real daily caseload is 2310

Case-loads (under (7 times reported case rate)

- CDC Health System Risk is ORANGE The highest risk level – 3rd consecutive week
- CDC community spread level is RED The highest risk level – 14th consecutive week

92%

Unvaccinated account for over 92% of hospitalizations & Deaths in Fulton County

Hospitalizations continue to grow at a faster rate. Last night FC hospitals had a one day jump with 22 additional COVID patients taking the county total to 334 COVID patients

VACCINATION RESPONSE



SUCCESSFUL BACK TO SCHOOL VACCINATION EVENTS





Banneker High School

100 vaccinated

North Springs High School

41 vaccinated

Back to School BASH 86 vaccinated



Fixed Site Vaccination Schedule

Fulton County Government Center

141 Pryor Street Atlanta, GA (near the Pryor Street entrance) Wed., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

South Fulton Service Center

(Pfizer vaccine only)
5710 Stonewall Tell Road College Park, GA 30349
Thu., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

4700 North Point Parkway

4700 North Point Parkway Alpharetta, GA 30022 Tues., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

College Park Health Center

1920 John Wesley Avenue College Park, GA 30337 Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Adamsville Health Center

3700 M.L.K. Jr Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30331 Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Neighborhood Union Health Center

186 Sunset Ave NW # 186, Atlanta, GA 30314 Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

North Fulton Regional Health Center

3155 Royal Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30022 ₄ Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

7/28/22 Fulton County Risk Level (New)



250.01

Cases per
100K
(previously 221.72)

16.21

COVID Hospital Admissions per 100K 7.1%

% of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients

COVID-19 Community Levels – Use the Highest Level that Applies to Your Community

New COVID-19 Cases Per 100,000 people in the past 7 days	Indicators	Low	Medium	High	
Fewer than 200	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	<10.0	10.0-19.9	≥20.0	
	Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	<10.0%	10.0-14.9%	≥15.0%	
200 or more	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	NA	<10.0	≥10.0	
	Proportion of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	NA	<10.0%	≥10.0%	

CDC's CURRENT Risk Matrix

(High)

Based on a 7 day average

- >200 cases per 100K
- > 10 New
 COVID Hospital
 Admissions
- < 10 Percent of staffed Beds



Recommended Response Actions for Current Risk Level

- Stay up to date on vaccinations (Get Boosted)
- Wear a face mask in all indoor public settings & crowded outdoor spaces.
- Avoid non-essential activities & crowded spaces
- Maximize social distancing in all public settings, including workplaces.
- Get tested if you have symptoms; exposed; traveled; interacted with non-household members.
- Stay home, especially if sick or exposed.

^{*}The COVID-19 Community Level is based on the higher of the new admissions and inpatient beds metrics.



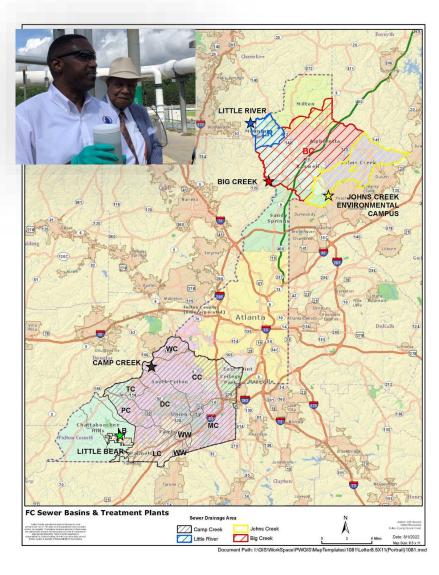


How wastewater surveillance works....

People infected with SARS-CoV-2 can shed viral RNA (genetic material from the virus) in their feces, and this RNA can be detected in community wastewater.

- Wastewater data is an important early warning signal and will be used alongside other data..
- Early warning systems, such as wastewater surveillance, can detect small changes as a signal for early action.
- More data over time can give better, more reliable trends.
- Fulton County, in partnership with Emory University Rollins School of Public Health, is conducting the tests at 4 of our largest wastewater treatment facilities.

Waste-Water





7-27-2022 Daily Fulton County Comparison

Cases				Charts			
	27 July	26 July	24 hr change	1-week ago	7 Day Average	% 14 Day Change	
Fulton Cases	212,819 Roswell Atlanta	212,514	305	210,512 Roswell Atlanta	330 299	3,000 7-27-22 Fulton county Cases 14-Day Change = 12% 2,000 1,000 B.A2 Ba.2.17 BA,4 BA,5 William A BA,5 William A BA,5 BA,5 BA,5 BA,5 BA,6 BA,7 BA	
GA Cases	2,126,403	2,123,483	2,920	2,104,785	3,088 2,821	20,000 cases 15,000 10,000 7-day awaya Feb. 2023 M.M. Dec. May 2022 Cases 3,734 +35% 2,644,193	
US Cases	90,808,162	90,580,909	227,253	89,881,058	131,377 _{127,758}	600,000 cases 600,000 400,000 7-day 7-d	



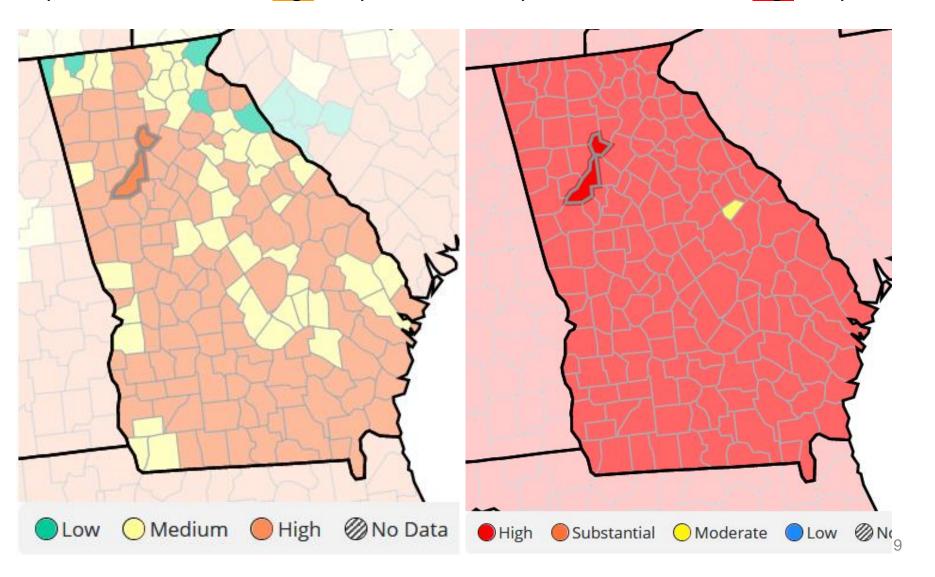
7-27-2022 Daily Fulton County Comparison

Deaths						Charts	
	27 July	26 July	24 hr change	1-week ago	7 Day Average	% 14 Day Change	
Fulton Deaths	2,180	2,178	2	2,170	1.4 1.3	7-27-22 Fulton County Daily Deaths 14-Day Change 5 58% 10-8-6-7-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	
GA Deaths	32,396	32,376	20	32,304	13 14	27-day 28-day 300 Sept. Feb. 2021 Jul. Dec. May 2022 Deaths 16 +10% 37,407	
US Deaths	1,025,198	1,024,679	519	1,022,134	439 426	2,000 deaths 2,000 Jul. Dec. May 2021 Oct. Mar. 2022 Deaths 439 +2% 1,025,198	

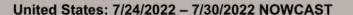


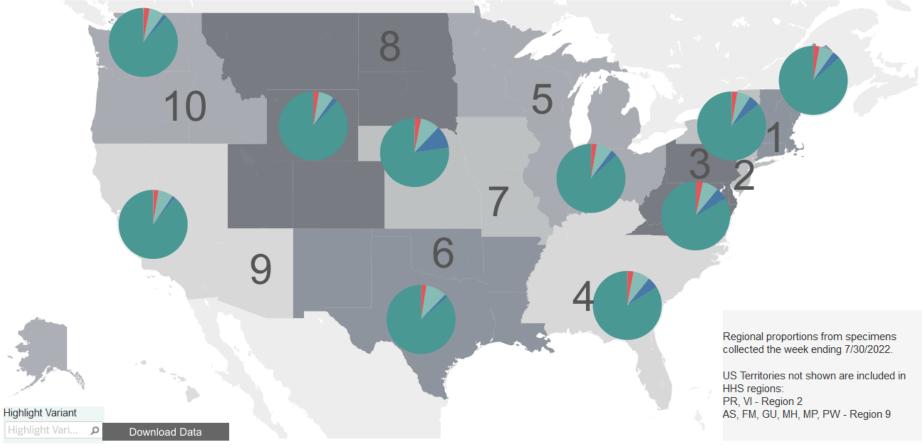
Community Health Care Risk Map (3rd Consecutive week in High level)

Community Transmission Map (14th consecutive week in High level)









Lineages called using pangolin v4.1.2, pangolin-data v1.12 and usher v.0.5.4. Lineage BA.1.1 and its sublineages are aggregated with B.1.1.529 at the regional level as they currently cannot be reliably called in each region.

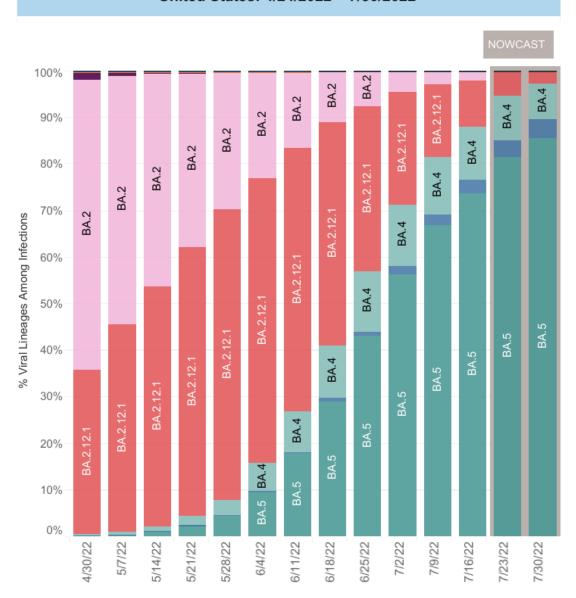
Updated August 2, 2022

- BA.5 (Green) is the dominant variant in the US & Georgia accounts for 84% of new cases
- > BA.4 Variant (Light Green) now accounts for 8% of all new cases in Georgia
- BA.2.12 Variant (Orange) now accounts for 3% of all new cases in Georgia
- > BA.4.6 Variant (Blue) now accounts for 5% of all new cases in Georgia

Incident Response Update Variant Bar Graph

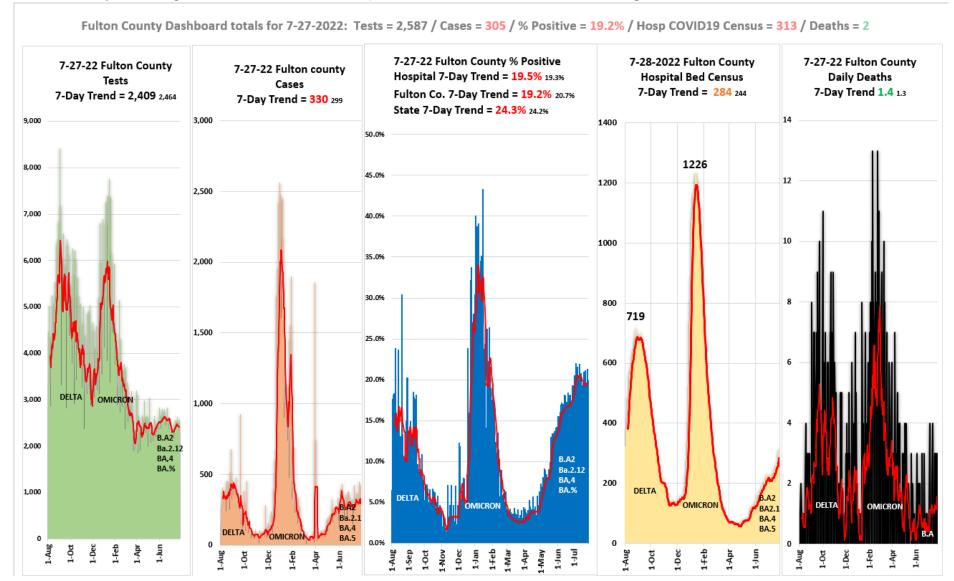


United States: 4/24/2022 - 7/30/2022



Fulton County COVID-19

- 7-day average for cases is 330, up 28% since the last BoC mtg.
- 7-day average for % positive is 19.2, down 0.5% since last BoC mtg.
- 7-day average, hospitalizations is 311, up 50% since the last BoC mtg.
- 7 day average, for deaths is 1.4, up 250% since the last BoC mtg.



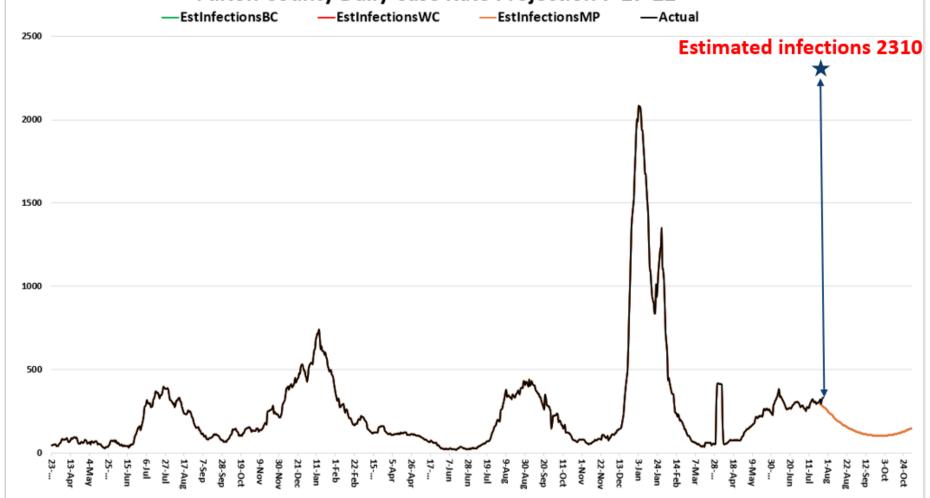




COVID-19 Cases Projection











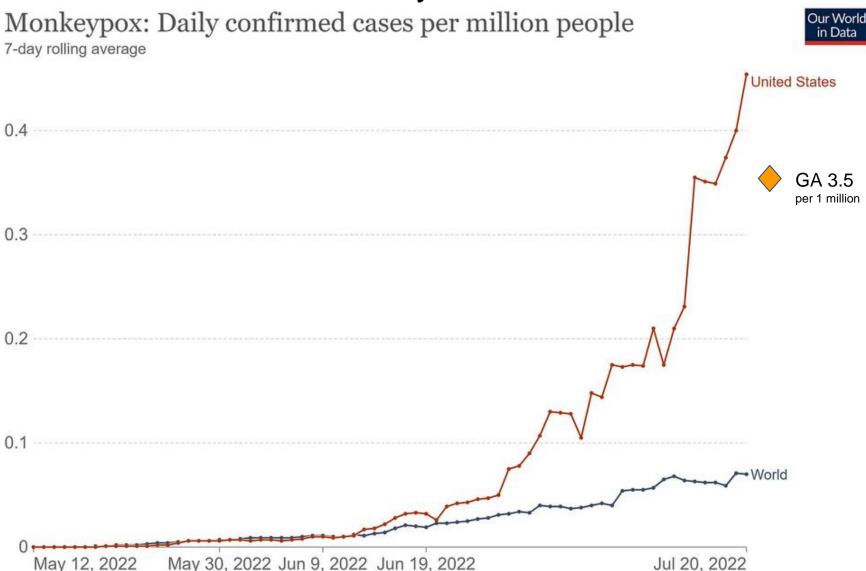
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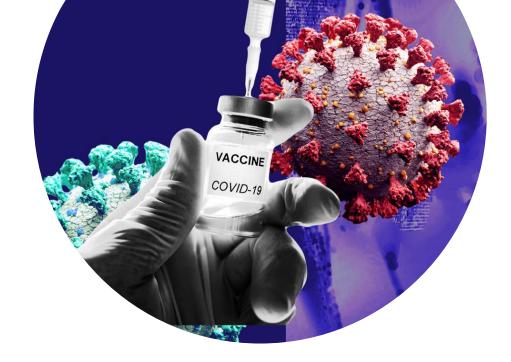
What You Need to Know:

- CDC is tracking an outbreak of monkeypox that has spread across several countries that don't normally report monkeypox, including the United States.
- The monkeypox virus is spreading mostly through close, intimate contact with someone who has monkeypox.
- You can take steps to prevent getting monkeypox and lower your risk during sex.
- CDC recommends vaccination for people who have been exposed to monkeypox and people who are at higher risk of being exposed to monkeypox.
- If you have any symptoms of monkeypox, talk to your healthcare provider, even if you don't think you had contact with someone who has monkeypox.
- CDC is urging healthcare providers in the United States to be alert for patients who have rash illnesses consistent with monkeypox.
- Case Counts: World 22,485 US 5,189 Georgia 351 Fulton County 300
- Vaccination in short supply, Allocation allotment is administered by CDC.
- Fulton County will be administering the Jynneos vaccine (2 doses 4 weeks apart)
 @ Neighborhood Union Health Clinic on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9-3.
 More days may be added when the vaccine supply is increased.
- Due to limited supply these vaccines will be by appointment only and either have a positive case of Monkeypox, or who are at higher risk group of being exposed



MonkeyPox





Questions?







Fulton County Government Service Delivery Update

Gating Criteria

CASES





Downward trajectory in the 7-day average of new positive tests within a 14-day period, and positivity rate below 5%

VAX OR TEST



Ability to vaccinate employees to 80% goal and to test employees who choose alternative with results within 48-72 hours

EQUIPMENT





PPE and supplies for all employees interacting with public.



COVID POSITIVE EMPLOYEES

JULY 11, 2022 - August 31, 2022

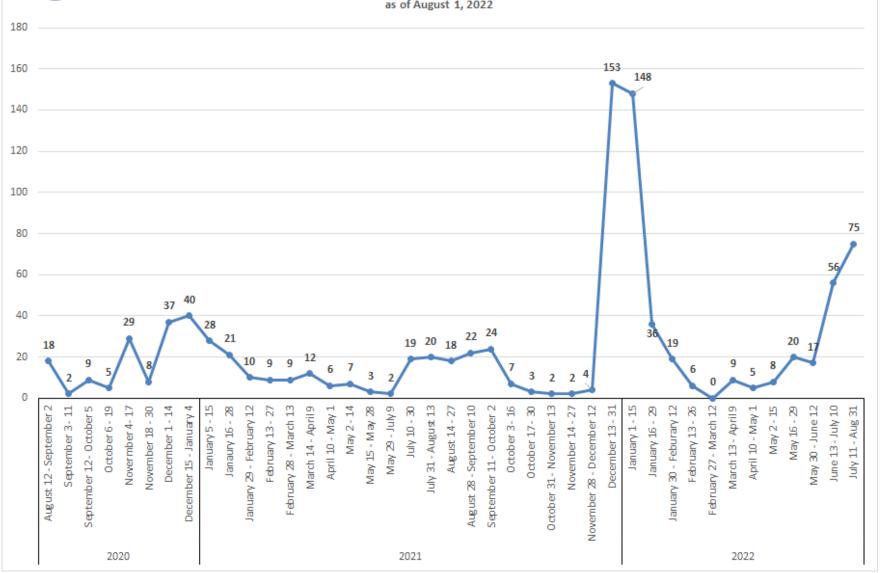
DEPARTMENT	COUNT	DEPARTMENT	COUNT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	1	PROBATE COURT	1
CHILD ATTORNEY	1	PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE	5
COUNTY MANAGER	1	PUBLIC WORKS	5
COUNTY MARSHAL	1	REAL ESTATE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT	4
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	1	REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS	1
EMERGENCY SERVICES	3	SUPERIOR COURT-CLERK	10
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	4	SUPERIOR COURT-GENERAL	10
LIBRARY	8	TAX ASSESSOR	8
MEDICAL EXAMINER	4	TAX COMMISSIONER	6
POLICE	1	TOTAL	75



Fulton County

Reported Employee COVID Positive Tracker

as of August 1, 2022



CUMULATIVE COVID POSITIVE EMPLOYEES

DEPARTMENT	POSITIVE	DEPARTMENT	POSITIVE
ARTS/COOPERATIVE EXT	1	MAGISTRATE COURT	6
BHDD	10	MEDICAL EXAMINER	15
BOARD OF HEALTH	28	POLICE	21
BOC/ COMMISSION CLERK	9	PROBATE COURT	11
COUNTY ATTORNEY	4	PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE	37
COUNTY MANAGER	9	PUBLIC WORKS	81
COUNTY MARSHAL	30	PURCHASING	9
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	3	REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS	12
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	17	SENIOR SERVICES	39
DCRC	1	SHERIFF	8
DREAM	53	SOLICITOR GENERAL	19
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	5	STATE COURT-ALL JUDGES	4
EMERGENCY SERVICES	59	STATE COURT-GENERAL	9
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS	11	SUPERIOR COURT-ALL JUDGES	4
FINANCE	31	SUPERIOR COURT-CLERK	103
HUMAN RESOURCES	4	SUPERIOR COURT-GENERAL	70
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	15	TAX ASSESSOR	80
JUVENILE COURT	32	TAX COMMISSIONER	91
LIBRARY	74	GRAND TOTAL	1,020

Workforce Messaging

Leadership:

 Department Directors are empowered to implement precautions to address or prevent COVID-19 outbreaks among their employees.

Prevention Strategies:

- Mask wearing is encouraged among employees, and may be required in some circumstances.
- PPE is distributed to departments monthly.
- Vaccines, including boosters, are strongly encouraged.

Monitoring:

- Home test kits were distributed to all departments. In addition, employees may order more test kits from the federal government.
- Employees are still required to report COVID-19 positive status for monitoring in HR system, whether from at-home (antigen) test or PCR test.

Bottom Line:

We are taking common-sense steps to protect our employees from the impact of COVID-19.





QUESTIONS



Fulton County Government

Emergency Rental Assistance Updates

Emergency Rental Assistance

PROGRAM UPDATES

As of August 1, 2022

\$50M Reallocation	Additional Funding Requests	SAFE	
4,037 Households	1568 Households	766 Households	
\$30.8M	\$13.1M	\$7.7M	



Emergency Rental Assistance

TRANSITION NEXT STEPS



Close application portal



Implement transition staffing plan at Magistrate Court

Develop transition messaging to redirect constituents to Georgia DCA

ERA application portal

Complete close out reporting

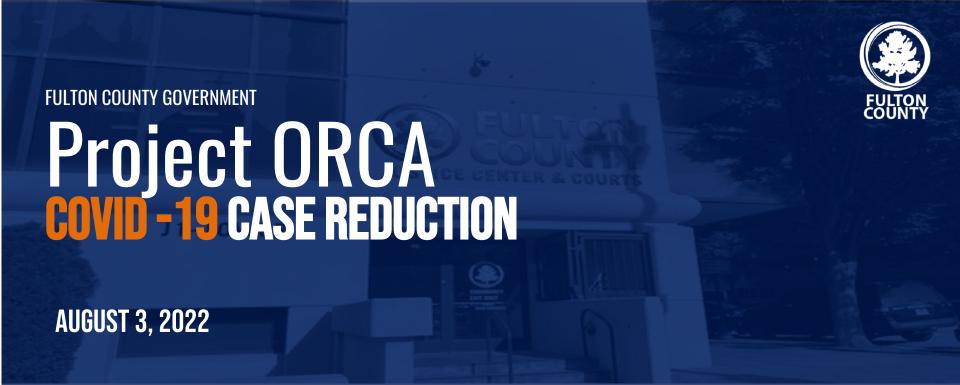




QUESTIONS



Court Backlog/Project ORCA Update



AGENDA

- PROJECT OVERVIEW
- CASE DISPOSITION PROGRESS
- HIRING PROGRESS
- ISSUES & RISKS

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Since the beginning of COVID-19, the Fulton County Court System has amassed a significant and unprecedented level of cases. Project ORCA will address this challenge by utilizing a combination of capacity expansion and productivity enhancement initiatives to expedite the case adjudication process.

CASE ACCUMULATION DEFINED

All cases (hearings, filings, applications) that were initiated before and during the pandemic (including those currently awaiting formal charging or filing) that have been impacted due to current limitations at various stages of the case administration process.

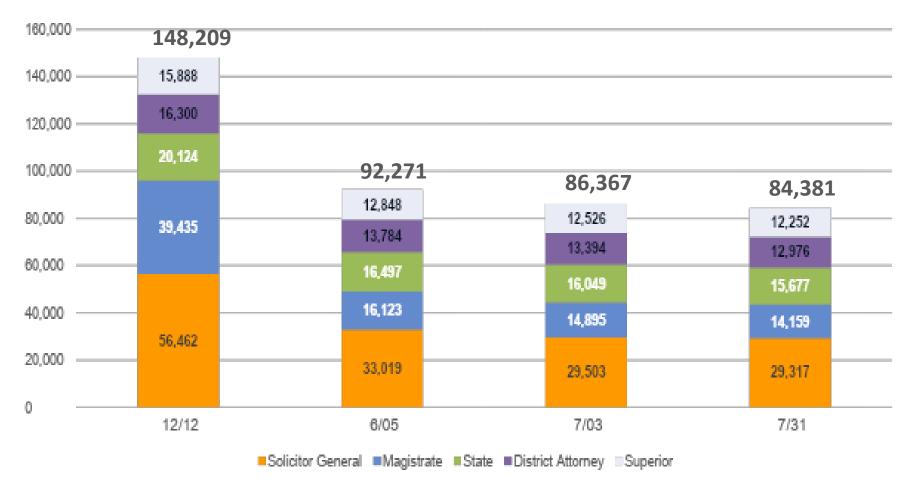
The COVID-19 Case Resolution Project began on **December 6, 2021** with **149,200** open and active cases.

As of July 31, 2022, there are 84,381 pending open and active cases.



CASE DISPOSITION PROGRESS DISPOSITION STATUS BY OFFICE





CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY PROJECT ORCA CASE DISPOSITION

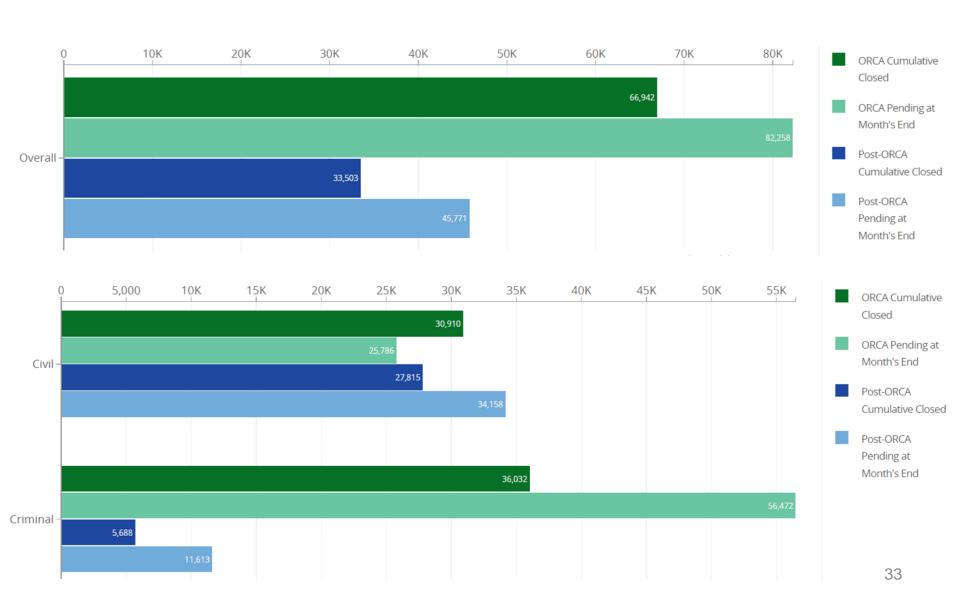


Office	July 17 through July 31, 2022 (Last 2 full weeks)			Project To Date		
	Target	Actual	Variance	Target	Actual	Variance
Superior	306	194	(112)	5,195	5,710	515
District Attorney	313	211	(102)	5,486	3,436	(2,050)
State	386	305	(81)	6,559	6,714	155
Solicitor General	1,065	3,490	2,425	18,109	29,470	11,361
Magistrate	756	221	(535)	12,847	25,417	12,570
Overall	2,869	4,239	1,370	50,212	66,942	16,730

ORCA & POST-ORCA CASE SUMMARY

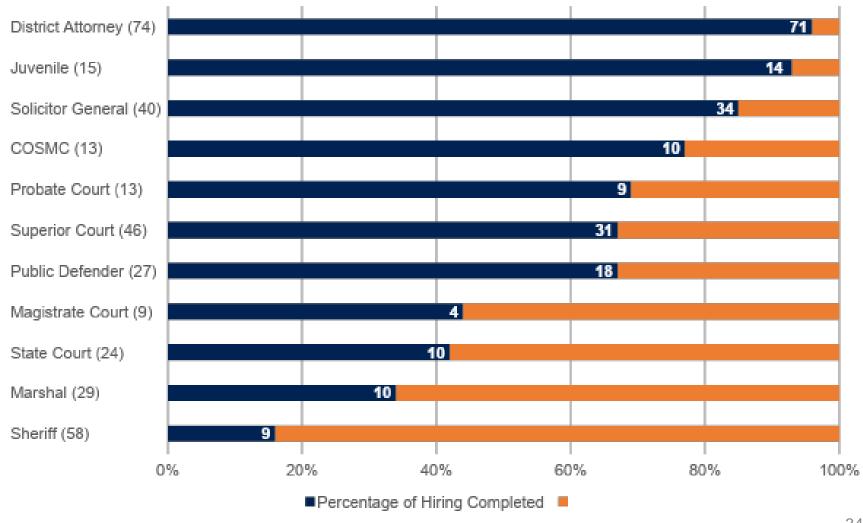


CUMULATIVE CLOSED CASES AND CASES PENDING AT MONTH'S END AS OF 8/1/2022



HIRING PROGRESS BY DEPARTMENT AS OF 8/1/2022





PROCESS ENHANCEMENTS

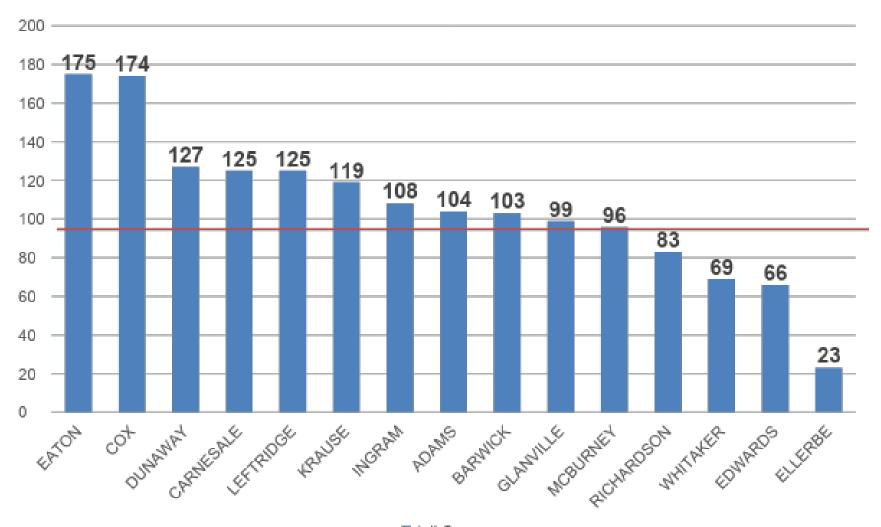


Deliberate data review and continuous improvement in key areas help to maintain case resolution velocity.

- ✓ Case Triage
- ✓ Courtroom Management System
- ✓ Additional ZOOM Rooms
- ✓ Evening Hearings
- ✓ General Diversion Night Court

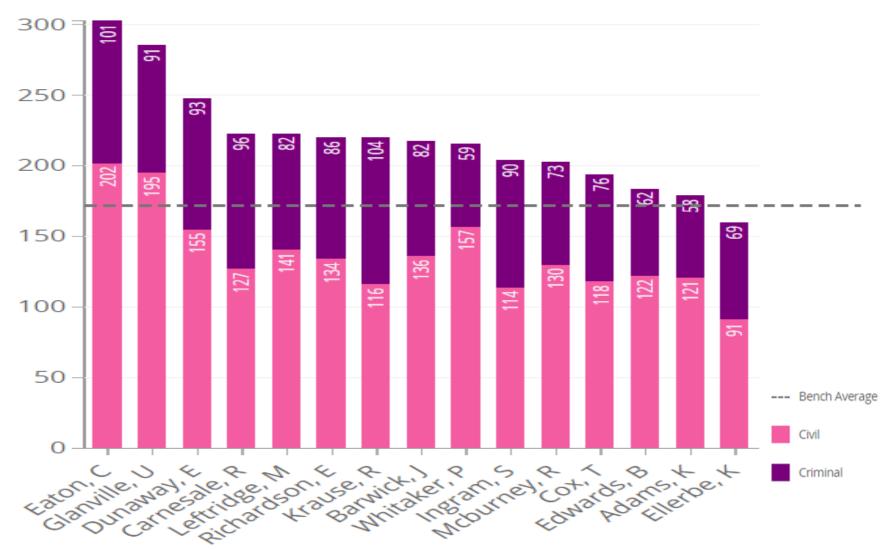
DETAINEES BY JUDGE AS OF 8/1/2022





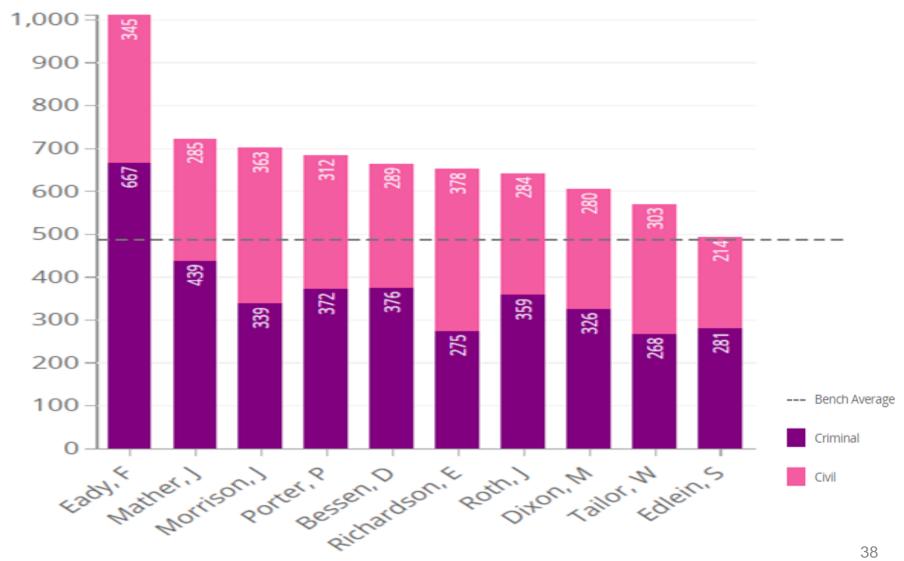
PROJECT ORCA: SUPERIOR COURT DISPOSED CASES AS OF 8/1/2022





PROJECT ORCA: STATE COURT DISPOSED CASES AS OF 8/1/2022





ISSUES & RISKS



- ✓ Increase in violent crime
- ✓ Increase in jail population
- Impact of increased violent charges
- ✓ Sheriff and Marshal recruitment
- ✓ Uptick in COVID cases





PROJECT ORCA COVID-19 CASE REDUCTION PROJECT

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

KEY MESSAGES

- While every justice system in the world experienced an accumulation of cases during the COVID-19 pandemic, <u>Fulton County has prioritized addressing these cases through a \$75 million investment in staffing and resources</u>. Fulton County has been recognized by justice leaders for this commitment to COVID-19 case reduction.
- Fulton County recognizes the COVID-19 case reduction will address includes an array of cases, from divorces, small business claims, criminal cases, and more -- each representing multiple interested parties.
- Fulton County is committed to <u>transparency and accountability</u> to allow all stakeholders to observe and track the COVID-19 case log reduction process. Published dashboards allow all stakeholders, to observe and track COVID-19 case backlog reduction progress, including case loads by agency and each judge.
- The <u>COVID-19 case reduction project is working</u>: This project began with 149,200 open and active cases in December 2021; as of July 11, 2022, this has been reduced to 85,675 open and active cases.
- Project ORCA and associated <u>innovations provide an opportunity to improve the efficiency of the Fulton County justice system</u>, now and into the future.

COMMUNICATION GOALS

- Raise awareness of Fulton County's COVID-19 case reduction project in order to build/maintain trust in the Fulton County justice system
 - Commitment to upholding the rights of victims, defendants and other stakeholders
 - Commitment to operating efficiently and effectively
- Position Fulton County as a leader in implementing innovative justice solutions.
- Provide <u>continuous</u> updates throughout the COVID-19 case reduction project.

AUDIENCES

Elected Officials

Federal, state and municipal elected officials

Law Enforcement Agencies

Police departments and state/federal law enforcement agencies operating within Fulton County

Media

 Special focus on journalists covering the Fulton County Justice System

Legal Community

 Associations of attorneys/legal professionals interfacing with the Fulton County Justice System

Justice Advocates

 Individuals and organizations advocating for protection of the rights of victims and defendants and the effective operation of the justice system

Public at-large

All residents of Fulton County

TACTICS

Earned Media

- Briefings with local and national reporters who cover the Fulton County Justice System
- Announcements at Key Milestones

Owned Media

- Prepare monthly updates highlighting case resolution rate and linking back to published dashboards to be published in owned communication channels, including:
 - FGTV
 - Social Media
 - Dedicated Email Blast to Key Stakeholders
 - Website

Community Relations

 Hold a series of community meetings to highlight the COVID-19 case reduction project and other Fulton County initiatives addressing public safety



QUESTIONS



Emergency Response Reserve & American Rescue Plan Act Funds Update

COVID-19: Recovery Funds Plan

Economic Recovery and Operational Resiliency Plan August 1, 2022



Consolidated Covid Response Plan

	8.01.2022	8.1.2022	8.1.2022			
In Millions \$	Budget	Commitments	Expenses	Change in Budget	Change in Expenses	
EERF - General Fund	\$ 10.5	\$ 10.5	\$ 10.5	\$ -	\$ -	
Communications	1.7	1.7	1.6	-	-	
Child Care / Healthcare / Other	0.5	0.5	0.5	_	-	
Payment to Employees	6.6	6.6	6.6	-	-	
2020 Obligation	1.7	1.7	1.9	-	-	
American Rescue Act	227.5	104.3	82.8	-	6.1	
Health Infrastructure	15.6	-	-	-	-	
Pandemic Proof County Facilities	28.0	1.9	0.9	-	0.4	
Day Porters / Cleaning	1.9	1.9	1.5	-	0.0	
Child Care	0.7	0.4	0.3	-	-	
Other Emergencies	1.4	0.9	0.5	-	0.1	
Premium Pay for Employees	3.4	3.4	3.4	-	-	
PPE- County Employees	2.4	2.4	1.6	-	0.1	
Court Backlog Project	75.0	20.2	18.8	-	1.9	
Information Tech - Virtual Support	8.0	1.1	1.1	-	-	
Safety Net Services - CSP	8.1	6.8	6.8	-	(0.1)	
Diversion Center	1.7	1.7	-	-	-	
Summer Youth	0.5	0.5	0.4	-	0.4	
Employees Covid Healthcare	4.0	4.0	3.3	-	3.3	
General Administration	1.0	1.0	0.2	-	_	
Long Term Revolving Loan Program	3.9	3.9	3.9	-	-	
Food Insecurity	4.3	3.3	2.2	-	0.0	
Job Training	1.6	1.6	0.4	-	-	
ERAP 2 & High Need	29.0	29.0	29.0	-	-	
ERAP Additional Operational Costs	8.6	8.3	7.6	-	-	
Vaccination and Testing - Shared Cost of FEMA Reimbursable Items 3Q22+	0.1	0.1	_			
Grady Hospital	11.0	11.0	_	_	_	
Testing Vaccination	16.2	0.7	0.6	_	0.0	
Vaccine Incentive Program	1.2	0.4	0.4	_	-	
Consolidated Appropriations Act	18.0	18.0	17.8		0.0	
ERAP 1	18.0	18.0	17.8	_	0.0	
			-	_	0.0	
ERAP Reallocation	50.0	36.6	33.1	-	4.0	
ERAP 4	25.0	25.0	24.1	-	0.5	
ERAP 5	25.0	11.6	9.1	-	3.5	
FEMA Related Expenses	28.5	\$ 28.5	\$ 26.8	0.8	0.3	
Total	\$ 334.5	\$ 197.8	\$ 171.1	0.8	10.4	
Reserve	\$ 20.7					
		-			48	

Cash Flow Projections - COVD 19 Response

Cash Flow Projection COVID-19 Response

In Millions \$

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Uses of Funds	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
A EERF - General Fund	10.5	-	-	-	10.5
B American Rescue Act	51.8	111.8	61.4	2.6	227.5
Consolidated Appropriations Act	17.4	0.6	-	-	18.0
D ERAP Reallocation		50.0	-	-	50.0
FEMA Related Expenses	21.2	7.3	-	-	28.5
Projected Annual Uses	\$ 100.9	\$ 169.7	\$ 61.4	\$ 2.6	\$ 334.5
Sources of Funds	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
A EERF	10.5	16.4			26.9
B American Rescue Act	128.4	103.4			231.8
Consolidated Appropriation Act	18.0				18.0
D ERAP Reallocation	-	50.0			50.0
FEMA Reimbursement at 100% until 2Q 22/90% 3Q 22+	5.9	6.1	6.3	10.2	28.5
Projected Annual Sources	\$ 162.8	\$ 175.9	\$ 6.3	\$ 10.2	\$ 355.2
Cash Balance EOY - 100% FEMA Reimbursement	61.9	68.1	13.0	20.7	20.7



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