



100 Edgewood Avenue
Suite 975
Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: 404-523-6674



STATEWIDE
17 COMMUNITY
REHABILITATION
PROVIDERS



ECONOMIC
PROVIDING LOCAL
BUSINESSES WITH
SKILLED WORKERS



VISION
BRIGHT FUTURE FOR
CITIZENS WITH
DISABILITIES

**OUR Economic
IMPACT
FY 2014**

\$134 million
Impact to Georgia's
Economy

3,031
People Employed by
CRPs

37%
People with
disabilities employed
in CRPs

2,421
People with
disabilities placed
into private sector
jobs by CRPs

159
Georgia Counties
Served

\$28.5 million
From Community
Contributions &
Donations

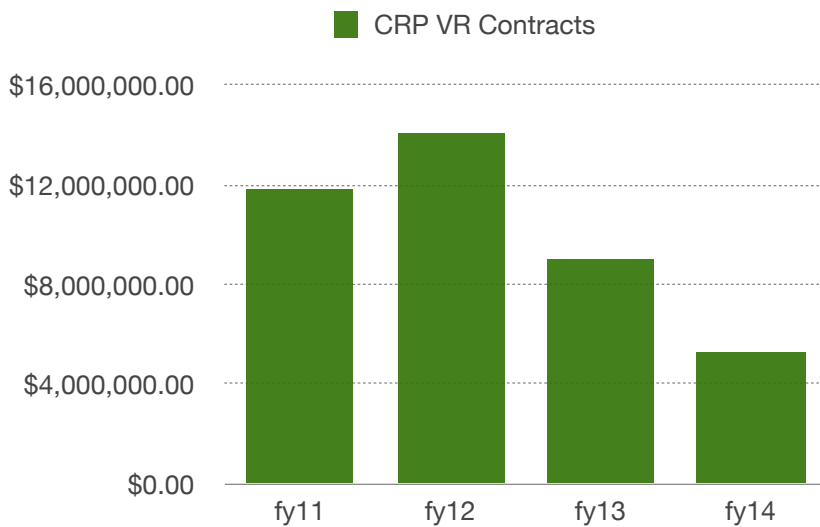


GATES is a statewide organization representing community rehabilitation providers (CRPs) that serve people with disabilities and other barriers to employment. GATES is governed by a ten member Board of Directors, which meets quarterly. Each CRP is operated as an independent non-profit corporation. Our CRPs offer the full spectrum of services to people throughout Georgia, including individuals with cognitive, emotional or physical disabilities, and some specialized programs for people with developmental disabilities, mental illness, deaf and/or hearing impairment, blind and low vision, in addition to traumatic brain injuries. Collectively, GATES member agencies are instrumental in assisting participants toward full integration into the community and competitive employment.

**Georgia's Economic
Recovery & Growth
MUST include
employment of citizens
with disabilities...**

GATES partners with GVRA to train, employ and support workers

GATES member organizations provide a critical service to the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency through contracts with the Vocational Rehabilitation Division. Due to the state budget deficit over the past several years, Georgia has not had enough state funds to match the full amount of federal 110 allocation available to Georgia. With the creation of an independent agency even more state funds were lost in the transition.



*Fully Fund
GVRA with only
\$7.7 million in
additional state
investment
would provide*

more TRAINING



more EMPLOYMENT



more SUPPORTS



**\$8.8 million
statewide is
63% Cut in
Services!**

There are tens of thousands of Georgians with disabilities who could benefit from these federal “vocational rehabilitation” funds to help them find competitive and integrated employment.

Community rehabilitation providers have had to turn away

hundreds of potential program participants and had to eliminate jobs for Georgia citizens during the twelve months of closed waiting lists at GVRA.

**Thousands
without
Employment**