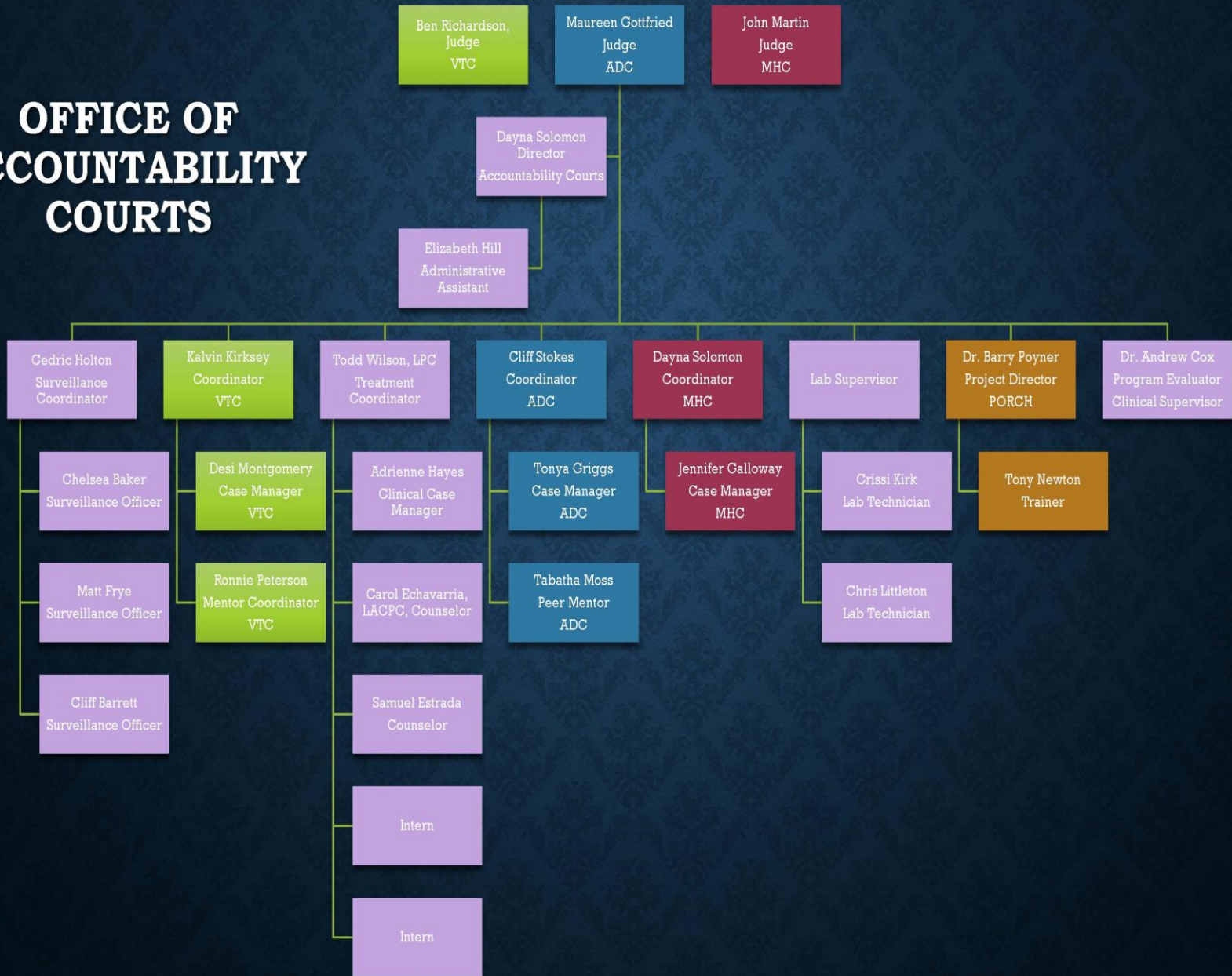


# THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS CHATTAHOOCHEE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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# OFFICE OF ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS



# THE JUDGES

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- Maureen C. Gottfried – Adult Drug Court
- Ben Richardson – Veterans Treatment Court
- John T. Martin Sr, Mental Health Court

# WHAT ARE ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS?

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- ADC Began in 2007
- Created by statute in GA
- Behavior Change vs incarceration
- ADC, VTC, MHC
- Minimum of 18 month programs
- Driven with solid evidence based treatment models
- Led by a team representing all aspects of the legal system in a non adversarial role.
- Consists of Court status hearings, treatment, drug testing, surveillance and case management.



# TARGET POPULATION

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- The population of focus for this project is adults ages 18-65 charged with one or more criminal offense or probation violation, motivated by addiction and/or untreated mental illness and not solely for profit. The participant must show a willingness to live a drug free lifestyle and a desire to participate in the program.

# HOW DO WE DO IT?

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- 5 phase program lasting a minimum of 18 months
- Surveillance –
- Curfews
- DRUG TESTING
- Court status hearings
- Case management
- Evidence based treatment
- Clinical Evaluations
- Treatment driven incentives and sanctions

# WHO SITS ON AN ACCOUNTABILITY COURT TEAM?

- Judge
- Coordinator
- Prosecuting Attorney
- Public Defender
- Case Manager
- Peer
- Treatment Team
- Law Enforcement/ Probation
- Jail Liaison from the MCSO

# TREATMENT!

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- In house treatment team (licensed positions, Spanish speaking, Veterans)
- New Horizons CSB/ Midtown/ JTR
- American Works
- **Dr. Andrew Cox - Licensed Professional Counselor Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Master Addiction Counselor Certified Rehabilitation Counselor Certified Vocational Evaluation Specialist, Certified School Psychologist Certified School Social Worker Certified Vocational Evaluation Specialist ABDA Senior Disability Analyst and Diplomat Georgia Registry of Substance Abuse Clinical Evaluators and Treatment Providers**



# GRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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- Partnering with local colleges and universities
- Troy, CSU, online school
- Clinical Mental Health and Social Work students
- Practicum and Internship hours
- Employment pipeline for post graduation and path to licensure

# ADULT DRUG COURT COMMUNITY VALUE BREAKDOWN

Estimated Community Value:

**\$1,911,566.08**

Community Value Breakdown:

Incarceration Cost Value: 77.77 %

Program Benefits: 2.87 %

Community Savings: 19.36 %

Participants In Program: 88



# MENTAL HEALTH COURT COMMUNITY VALUE BREAKDOWN

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Estimated Community Value:

**\$239,954.16**

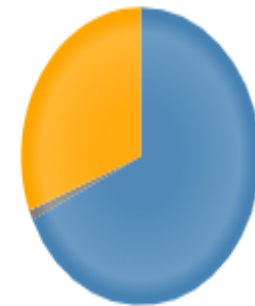
Community Value Breakdown:

Incarceration Cost Value: 68.03 %

Program Benefits: 1.06 %

Community Savings: 30.92 %

Participants In Program: 19



# VETERANS TREATMENT COURT COMMUNITY VALUE BREAKDOWN

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Estimated Community Value:

**\$413,559.91**

Community Value Breakdown:

Incarceration Cost Value: 75.05 %

Program Benefits: 1.49 %

Community Savings: 23.46 %

Participants In Program: 19



# FUNDING SOURCES

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Currently:

- City of Columbus  
Criminal Justice  
Coordinating Council

- SAMHSA
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- Byrne JAG





- TraumAnon is a peer-led 12-step support group focused on sharing healing and creating community for those who have experienced trauma.
- The Savannah Trauma Institute
- Columbus is first satellite location
- Recently held training of over 15 community advocates

# COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS ARE ESSENTIAL

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- New Horizons Behavioral Health
- American Works
- Safehouse Ministries
- Home for Good
- Gloria Strode
- Truth Springs
- The Fort Church
- Local Churches and Missions

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