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Wholesome Wave Georgia works with community partners across Georgia to increase food access through SNAP benefits.

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## We accomplish our mission through our programs.

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# WHAT IS GEORGIA FRESH FOR LESS?

Georgia Fresh For Less is a **SNAP nutrition** incentive program that matches **SNAP** shoppers' purchases dollar-for-dollar on fresh, locally grown food, which:

- Improves fresh food access
- Puts money directly into Georgia farmers' pockets
- Supports the local economy







### WE WORK ACROSS OUR STATE

77 Community Partner Sites in 47 cities and 37 counties in Georgia

- 44 Farmers Markets
- 24 Farm stands
  - 4 Mobile Markets
  - 5 Brick-and-Mortar Outlets



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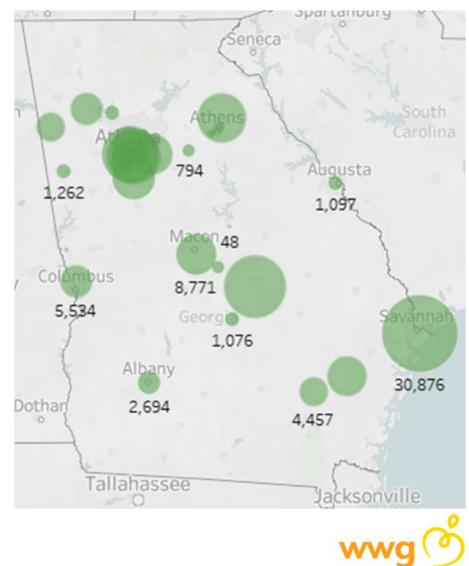
### WE STRIVE TO INCREASE FOOD ACCESS FOR ALL GEORGIANS

Partner Sites **outside of metro Atlanta** comprise 60% of total program activity\*

#### Target areas for expansion include:

- Rural communities
- Low Income, Low Access communities
- South Georgia

\*Source data: 2020 incentive activity by Partner Site ZIP code



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# ACCESS AGLANTA » Ride Share to Market



EBT recipients SIGN UP once a month at a Community Site. RIDE for \$2 4 round-trips or 8 one-way rides. SHOP at participating local market. Double EBT \$ at farmers markets.



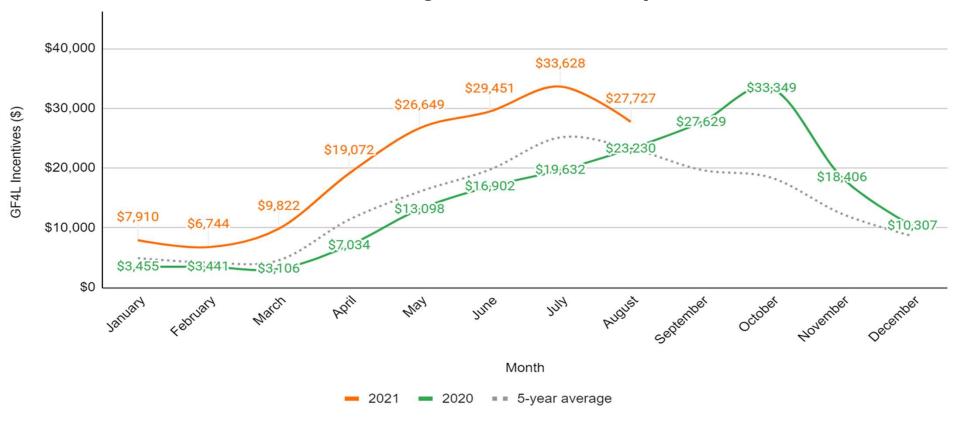


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### **OUR PROGRAM IS GROWING TO MEET DEMAND**



#### 2021 Program Incentive Activity

# **OUR ONE-PAGER**

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# Thank You For The Opportunity To Share Our Work!

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