

# THE TIME IS NOW

## GEORGIA'S DRUG & DUI COURTS

### Georgia's Drug & DUI Courts Providing Accountability, Saving Families, Cost Effective

#### The Time is Now

- 1 in 13 Georgians is in prison, on probation or on parole: the highest rate of correctional control in the nation.
- \$1.2 billion annual cost to the state.
- Most offenders incarcerated were intoxicated at the time of their offense or the offense is otherwise tied to drug use.

#### There is an Alternative...

- Drug Courts and DUI Courts provide a cost-effective, life-changing alternative to business as usual.
- Drug Courts and DUI Courts combine judicial oversight with community supervision, therapeutic intervention, frequent drug testing along with additional components demonstrated to be effective at curbing recidivism while enhancing public safety.

One Year Cost Comparison of Criminal Justice Alternatives  
For Drug Offenders in Georgia



- According to the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts Performance Audits Operations Report, the average daily cost per drug court participant is \$13.54 per day.
- That is 70% to 80% less than the average daily cost of most traditional sentencing

#### The cost of Drug Court per Offender/per year is \$4,942

- 2009-2010: 2,151 participants graduated from a Georgia drug court or DUI court.
- Two year recidivism rates for 2005 drug courts was 7%, probation 15%, probation detention centers 18%, probation substance abuse treatment centers 22%, and state prison 29%.
- 32 Adult Felony Drug Courts
- 16 DUI Drug Courts
- 12 Juvenile Drug Courts
- 9 Family Dependency Treatment Courts

TWO YEAR RECIDIVISM COMPARISON

