Youth Advocates

Young people who give voice and hope to those who are facing mental health challenges

“You’re not the only one who has this problem, other kids have this problem. By working together, you can get through it.”

In response to a growing epidemic in Georgia, a group of young people have taken part in a statewide awareness campaign to prevent suicide. Suicide is the second leading cause of death for teenagers aged 10-18.

These brave teenagers spoke out about their experiences with depression, anxiety and other issues teenagers are facing today. A series of public service announcements gathered their stories to raise awareness and share the message: “you are not alone.” As voices of hope, these youth play an important role in raising awareness by sharing warning signs with parents and teachers and reducing stigma.

Voices is honored to recognize these strong youth for sharing their inspiring messages of hope.

The PSAs were produced by Georgia Child Fatality Review (Georgia Bureau of Investigation), Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Department of Education, Georgia Department of Human Services Division of Family and Child Services, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, and Voices for Georgia’s Children.

Barbara “Bobbi” Cleveland
Executive Director, The Tull Charitable Foundation

For more than 40 years, Bobbi Cleveland has made the lives of Georgia’s children better. First as a social worker and now as the Executive Director for The Tull Charitable Foundation where she supports Georgia-based non-profit organizations to serve thousands of our most vulnerable families. With her belief that anything is possible, Bobbi encourages out of the box thinking, which has transformed the landscape of the systems that lead to improved child well-being in our state.

A leader in the philanthropic community, Bobbi has spearheaded countless initiatives that address the needs of at-risk children and families, including launching and serving on the Executive Committee of the Family Connection Partnership, a statewide organization that supports the work of 159 local Family Connection Collaboratives, as well as serving as a founding board member for Voices for Georgia’s Children, The Atlanta Education Fund, EMBRACE (The Foster Family Foundation of Georgia), and, most recently, Partners for Home, Inc.

Realizing that children benefit when we are strategic in our priorities, Bobbi founded the Philanthropic Collaborative for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health and the Policy Committee of the Georgia Grantmakers Alliance, further demonstrating her ability to galvanize the advocacy community to action.

Voices is honored to recognize this champion in child welfare and children’s mental health.
About Voices

Founded in 2003, Voices for Georgia’s Children is the only comprehensive policy and advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of children in Georgia.

We believe that all children deserve to have their needs met so they can reach their full potential. And while there are many service organizations that impact children in our state, very few touch as many lives. Voices is highly regarded by legislators, policymakers and the community at large because we are proudly non-partisan, pragmatic and data-driven. Nowhere else is there an organization supporting all of Georgia’s children on such a diverse array of issues. That is why our work matters so much.

And while that work may take many forms, from educating policymakers with research, to convening all the stakeholders around a certain children’s issue, to influencing policy through vocal advocacy, our purpose could not be simpler:

We exist to improve the well-being of all of Georgia’s children.

When we are successful, the impact can be immense. Virtuous changes to laws and policies affecting children can tangibly improve the lives of thousands or even hundreds of thousands of kids in Georgia – today, tomorrow and for years to come.
Sponsorship Levels

Influencer: $25,000 • Convener: $15,000 • Educator: $10,000 • Big Voice: $5,000 • Advocate: $2,500

Influencer
$25,000

Benefits:
- 15 Tickets to Big Voice for Children Awards
- Speaking opportunity at dinner
- Credited sponsor of the Big Voice Awards video
- Featured logo placement on event invitation/program
- Featured logo placement on event signage
- Logo spotlight on georgiavoices.org
- Recognition on Voices’ social media platforms

Convener
$15,000

Benefits:
- 10 Tickets to Big Voice for Children Awards
- Listing sponsor of the Big Voice Awards video
- Prominent logo placement on event invitation/program
- Prominent placement on event signage
- Logo spotlight on georgiavoices.org
- Recognition on Voices’ social media platforms

Friday, November 8, 2019
6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The FAIRMONT
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Thank you for supporting our mission and Georgia’s kids!
Educator
$10,000

Benefits:
- 8 Tickets to Big Voice for Children Awards
- Prominent logo placement on event invitation/program
- Prominent logo placement on event signage
- Recognition on georgiavoices.org
- Recognition on Voices’ social media platforms

Big Voice
$5,000

Benefits:
- 6 Tickets to Big Voice for Children Awards
- Logo placement on event invitation/program
- Logo placement on event signage
- Recognition on georgiavoices.org
- Recognition on Voices’ social media platforms

Advocate
$2,500

Benefits:
- 4 Tickets to Big Voice for Children Awards
- Name listed on event invitation/program
- Name listed on event signage
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