# United Way of Greater Atlanta 2-1-1 Contact Center





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The UWGA 2-1-1 Contact Center was the first established full-service contact center dedicated to connecting the community to social service resources that address the everyday challenges of living as well as those that develop during community emergencies or natural disasters.

Presently, UWGA 2-1-1 acts as the only fully accredited I&R center by the "Alliance of Information & Referral Service" (AIRS) within the state of Georgia.









In addition to the UWGA 2-1-1 Contact Center, there are 243 centers nationwide, including ten in Georgia:

- Albany
- Athens \*
- Augusta
- Columbus \*
- Dawson & Forsyth Counties \*
- Dalton
- Hall County \*
- Macon \*
- Savannah
- UWGA
- \*UWGA 2-1-1 serves as contracted contact center to handle calls and e-services (texts, chats). (76% state is covered).

To find other 2-1-1's across the country, visit: 211.org







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### **Ways to Connect**

- -Dial 2-1-1 from any phone to speak with a community connection specialist, or text your need and zip code to 898211
- -Text the keyword "211od" to 898211 and enter your zip code for resources near you
- -Visit 211online.unitedwayatlanta.org and:
  - use our self-service comprehensive database
  - access the digital agent aka "Charlie" bot
  - select the e-mail or chat option to connect with a specialist

Download the 2-1-1 mobile app to access our comprehensive database









# Navigate 2-1-1's Database System

- Web-base platform
- Database includes more than 3,500 local and statewide resources and programs
- Reporting capability: Reports can be generated according to an array of demographics and ranges:
  - State
  - City
  - County
  - Zip Code
  - Gender
  - Household Composition
  - Employment status
  - Public Assistance status
  - Age Range
  - Need









### Needs Categories

### 2-1-1, YOUR EVERYDAY CONNECTION



HOUSING SEARCH EMERGENCY SHELTER



ASSISTANCE WITH PAYMENTS: ELECTRICITY, GAS, WATER, ETC.



HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE \* PARENTING SENIOR CENTERS



FOOD PANTRIES • FOOD STAMPS Soup Kitchens



LEGAL AID . CHILD SUPPORT ID & LICENSES



DONATION PICKUPS BABY CLOTHES - DIAPERS



FURNITURE \* CLOTHING APPLIANCES



COMMUNITY CLINICS • COUNSELING PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE



JOB SEARCH • GED PROGRAMS
SCHOOL READINESS & ENROLLMENT



TAX PREPARATION • BUDGET COUNSELING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION



MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION PREMARITAL COUNSELING & MORE



# Stats:

During the 2019 – 2020 fiscal year, our 2-1-1 Contact Center handled 496,777 contacts:

- 361,873 E-Contacts (live chats, emails, text & web searches)
- 134,904 Traditional Contacts (phone & postal)

Total contacts: 1997 – June 2020 10,011,877









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# **Average Monthly Contacts Handled:**

Phone: 9,590

1,240 Text:

Live Chat: 151

Email: 160

Website: 27,587

Text On Demand: 1,016

Postal: 5-7







### **Top Referrals for FY 19-20**

#### **Contacts:**

• Rent assistance: 29,233

• Electric bill: 18,530

• Food: 18,217

# Volunteer & Donations Contact:

Donations: 5637

Volunteers: 462

### **Online Searches:**

Rent assistance: 46,697

• Electric bill: 28,365

Food pantries: 21,046

#### **Volunteer & Donations**

Volunteer: 5,993

Donations: 9,402









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### **United Way of Greater Atlanta**



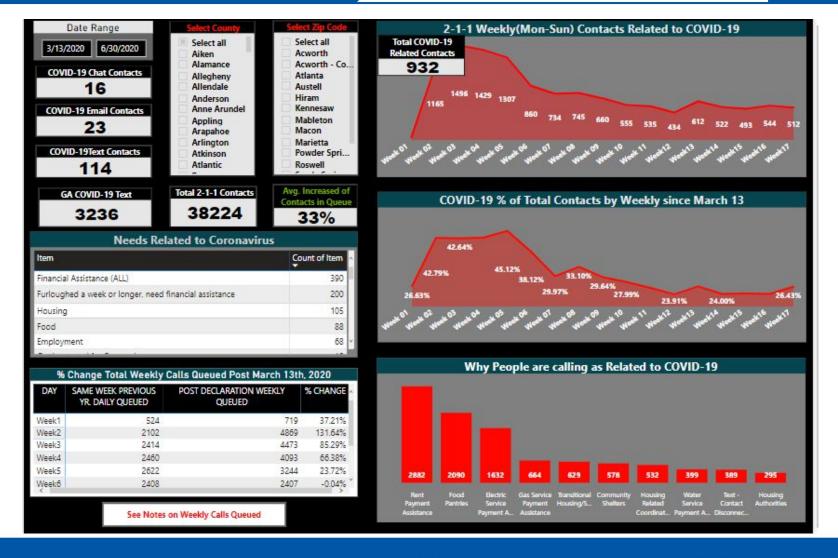
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### **Directories & Guides:**

- Critical Needs Guide
- Health Guide
- Resources for Drug Alcohol,
   Mental Health & Recovery
- Job Resource Guide
- Comprehensive guide is \$35.00, including shipping

- Resource for People With Disabilities
- Resources for Affordable Housing
- Spanish Guide
- Resources for Ex-Offenders
- Please visit www.unitedwayatlanta.or g/need-help







### **Special Initiatives Through the Texting Platform**

**Opioid abuse prevention:** Texting "opioid" to 898211 provides automated listings of opioid addiction awareness, prevention and treatment resources.

**UCAN Stop Human Trafficking:** Texting "UCAN" to 898211 provides resources on awareness, prevention and assistance to help those affected by human trafficking.

The Opioid service is currently being used by other 2-1-1's around the nation, while the UCAN service is only available across the greater Atlanta region.





Ride united is a partnership between United Way Worldwide, Lyft & local United Way 2-1-1s

It was created to assist the communities with their transportation needs









Types of rides available:

FOOD ACCESS: Food pantry, grocery store

**HEALTHCARE**: Any time of non-emergency medical appointment such as medical, vision or dental appointments, ER return home, behavioral health (substance abuse rehab, mental health services), physical therapy, to and from VA or access to other non-emergency healthcare services.

**EMPLOYMENT**: Job interviews, job fairs, job training or completing other pre-employment steps like fingerprinting.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**: Appointment to apply for financial or public assistance





#### **Restrictions:**

- -Passengers must call 2-1-1 to request a ride
- -Rides are only scheduled between 8am to 6pm Mon FRI
- -If passenger miss their ride, it cannot be rescheduled
- -Drop off address must be within a 25 mile radius from the original pick up address
- -Clients must provide their own child car seat, if needed
- -There are no special vehicles to accommodate the disabled community in wheelchairs. Wheelchairs must be foldable and able to fit in a regular 4-door sedan







- Rides can be scheduled within 2 days of appointment
- No rides to services offered through "drive thru" format
- Passengers are now required to wear mask/face coverings
- Maximum 3 individuals per ride
- No rides are scheduled for Saturday or Sunday
- Success stories











FAQ's

How many clients can you refer to 2-1-1? Unlimited

When can you start referring clients to 2-1-1? Now

How long is the program? Until Aug. 31st or when credits run out

What should the client say when calling 2-1-1? I have an appt, with "x" agency, for "x" day & time

Any other questions? Contact Marioly Botero <a href="mailto:mbotero@unitedwayatlanta.org">mbotero@unitedwayatlanta.org</a>







### **Customer Satisfaction and Quality Measurements**

Varying types of customer experience surveys are offered through each channel of service:

- Individualized Website Search Experience: immediate automated questionnaire
- Live chat experience: follow-up survey
- Live text experience: immediate automated questionnaire and direct followup survey
- Caller experience: direct follow-up survey

The overall survey satisfaction rate averages between 95 – 98 percent each month









How can providers get listed in the 2-1-1 Database?

Please visit:

www.unitedwayatlanta.org/need-help/to download the application

For questions: Contact Nhora Plehn, Sr. Engagement & Outreach Community Manger

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### **Social Media Sites:**

Facebook.com/uwga211

Twitter.com/uwga211

Instagram.com/uwga211







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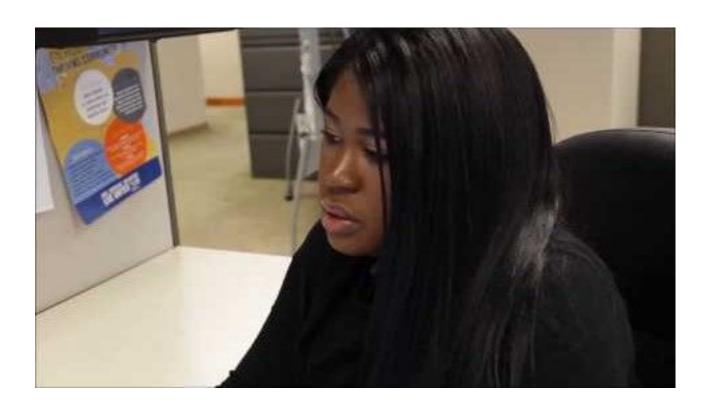
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### 2-1-1 website Demo

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### Questions & Answers







