

# *Awards Presentation Overview*

*Council of State Community Development Agencies  
Annual Training Conference*

**Traverse City, Michigan  
September 29 – October 2, 2019**



# 2019 COSCDA Sterling Achievement Award for Community Development

## State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs Allatoona Resource Center & Community Center



The Allatoona Community is an area of southeast Bartow County physically separated from the rest of the county by Lake Allatoona. The area is 84% low-to-moderate income. Most of the residences are mobile homes, brought to the area in the early 1980's. The area was plagued by high unemployment, low graduation rates, drug use and trash. This area of high need was not being adequately served by Bartow County. The residents lacked resources for food, clothing and shelter. There were no positive outlets for youth activities. These factors created a feeling of hopelessness among the residents. Bartow County applied for a \$500,000 CDBG Grant to construct a Resource Center in this area to deal with the problems described. The county also obligated funds to construct a recreational gym and a trash collection and compactor site. The residents now have many resources in their community to help them get through tough times and to better their lives. Over 2,000 residents have been served since the building opened in 2015.



**SOUTH BARTOW YOUTH FACILITY**

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**COME ENJOY GOOD FOOD AND OPEN GYM**

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**THEY HAVE GAMES TO PLAY**

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**FREE FOR KIDS**

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**DON'T MISS THE FUN**

**MAY 31 - JULY 22  
SUMMER MEALS**

**Children Summer Feeding Program**  
Summer is a particularly vulnerable time for growing children who depend on school meals for nutritional food. The program will be held at our

South Bartow Youth Recreation Facility  
**NO SIGN UP NEEDED**

**SUMMER MEALS**  
Monday - Friday  
10:30am - 2pm

### OPEN GYM AFTER SCHOOL AT THE SOUTH BARTOW YOUTH GYM!!



The South Bartow Youth Facility is now open after school for open gym. Bring your kids to enjoy a variety of activities and games for kids of all ages. We offer many different activities such as:

- A brand new Basketball gym
- A game room with board games, card games, and toys for toddlers
- Ping Pong table and Pool Table will be provided in the near future
- Soccer balls, Footballs, Volleyballs and other are available for checkout

**Mon-Fri 4PM-7PM**  
6505 Glade Rd Acworth GA  
For more info please call our office at 770-974-3255

Est. April 22, 2017

**Weekly Morning Volunteer Tuesday**

**Allatoona Resource Center  
COMMUNITY GARDEN**

6503 Glade Road  
Acworth, GA 30102  
770.975.3251

**Beginning June 4 Through  
December 17, 2019 From 7 to 8:30 AM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**For other opportunities to learn and get involved please like our Facebook page:**  
**@ARCCommunityGarden**

Learn to grow plants and food!  
Help supplement the local food pantry!

## 2019 COSCDA Sterling Achievement Award for Homelessness

### The State of Colorado



#### Fort Lyon Supportive Residential Community

##### Bent County, Colorado

After the Fort Lyon Correctional Facility was decommissioned in 2012, the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) re-purposed the facility as the Fort Lyon Supportive Residential Community to provide recovery-oriented transitional housing for homeless individuals. The program combines housing with peer led counseling and educational, vocational, and employment services for up to 250 homeless and formerly homeless persons from across Colorado, with an emphasis on serving homeless veterans. Located in rural southeast Colorado, Fort Lyon is a long drive from old habits; it provides a new kind of opportunity for people to get healthy, sober, and emotionally strong.

The state partners with community leaders to implement this innovative model. DOLA contracts with the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless to oversee the program and provide recovery-oriented supportive services, and with Bent County to manage the facility. Additional partners include Otero Junior College, Lamar Community College, Southeast Mental Health Services, Prowers Medical Center and Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc.

Residents fully engage in the overall operations of the campus to develop vocational skills, including food services, facilities maintenance, grounds maintenance, housekeeping, and wastewater management—in conjunction with their daily participation in peer support groups. Educational and other vocational opportunities are available through local colleges. Residents are also encouraged to explore and share their own creative passions to help build community while assisting with recovery.

The ultimate goal of this program is for residents to recover from homelessness and substance use, prepare for long-term housing stability, and reintegrate into their community of choice.



