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WAYNE COUNTY RECEIVES EMPLOYEE SAFETY GRANT FROM ACCG INSURANCE PROGRAMS

Wayne County, GA. (October 2021) - Wayne County was recently awarded an *Employee Safety Grant* from the ACCG - Group Self-Insurance Workers' Compensation Fund (ACCG-GSIWCF). The Employee Safety Grants are available to Fund members that are fostering a culture of workplace safety through additional training, equipment, or services.

The ACCG-GSIWCF Board of Trustees allotted \$1.5 million in grant funds over a three-year period, with \$500,000 available to eligible members in 2021. "We are pleased to offer this grant program to assist members in improving their safety efforts," said ACCG-GSIWCF Board of Trustees Chairman and McDuffie County Commissioner Frederick Favors. "The opportunity to receive the *Employee Safety Grant* is one of the many benefits of being a part of ACCG's member-owned workers' compensation program."

The ACCG-GSIWCF provides workers' compensation insurance to more Georgia county governments than all other insurers combined and has assets of approximately \$274 million. Since 1985, the program has returned \$99 million in dividends to the membership.

Loss control services are provided to all members of the workers' compensation program through Local Government Risk Management Services (LGRMS), a non-profit agency operated jointly with the Georgia Municipal Association. Each member appoints a Safety Coordinator to work with LGRMS to create and maintain safe working environments for government officials, employees and volunteers.

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