

FULTON COUNTY CO-RESPONDER (CORE) PROGRAM

Initial Launch Report | May 12-28, 2026

Deployment
Days:

5

Operational Hours:
10 AM-6 PM

128

Calls During
Operations:

22

CoRe Events:

11

Behavioral Health
Responses:

5

Hot Spot
Corridors:

5

Engagement Rate:

23%

Program Status:

**Pilot Launch
Complete**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Fulton County Co-Responder (CoRe) Program officially launched pilot operations in May 2026 to provide coordinated, care-first response to behavioral health crises. The program pairs a licensed behavioral health clinician with a Fulton County Sheriff's Deputy.

During five deployment days, the CoRe Team responded to 11 events and engaged in 23% of behavioral health calls occurring during operational hours. The team also provided officer consultation, information support, and criminal justice-related assistance demonstrated early adoption by law enforcement.

The launch period validated both the demand for behavioral health crisis response and the value of integrating clinical expertise into public safety operations.

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Behavioral Health Call Volume May 11-28, 2026

- 128 total PSYCH calls received
- 22 calls during CoRe operational days.
- Average 4.4 calls per day.

CoRe Team Response Activity

11 Total Events

- Grosbeak Street / Gotland Street
- Matisse Lane
- Senoia Road
- Cascade Road SW
- W. Cambellton Street
- Officer Support Activities
- Information for Officer Requests
- Criminal Justice Assistances



Behavioral Health Call Distribution

Behavioral health calls occurred throughout the day, with a substantial proportion taking place during the CoRe Team's operational hours of 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, indicating that current deployment schedules are well aligned with community demand and positioned to maximize service impact as program utilization grows.



GEOGRAPHIC HOT SPOT ANALYSIS

Cedar Grove Corridor

- This area generated multiple behavioral health-related incidents and may benefit from targeted engagement and service coordination.

Jonesboro Road Corridor

- The concentration of incidents suggests this corridor may be a priority area for behavioral health outreach and stabilization efforts.

Cascade Road Corridor

- The CoRe team was able to respond to one of the calls in this area

Leisure Lane Area

- The recurrence of incidents at this location may indicate an opportunity for coordinated follow-up services and case management support.

South Fulton Parkway / Old National Highway Corridor

- These corridors continue to generate behavioral health-related public safety calls and represent areas where continued CoRe engagement may have substantial impact.

Early Success

The Fulton County Co-Responder (CoRe) Team quickly demonstrated its value as a behavioral health crisis response resource. During the launch period, the Case Management Team maintained a caseload of 10 active clients, including 7 OTA follow-up clients and 3 individuals referred directly from CoRe crisis responses. The Crisis Response Team also completed three involuntary transports to the Behavioral Health Crisis Center (BHCC), connecting individuals in acute crisis to immediate treatment and stabilization services.

One early success involved a resident experiencing a mental health crisis. Through collaboration between the clinician and law enforcement officer, the situation was successfully de-escalated, the individual avoided arrest, and was transported to the BHCC for care. These early outcomes demonstrate the CoRe Team's ability to improve crisis response, connect individuals to services, and support public safety throughout Fulton County.