

## Tesserae: July 2023

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#### The Big Picture: A Momentous Milestone



Mosaic Georgia Celebrates 30 Year Anniversary of First Forensic Medical Exam at Center

30 years ago this month we conducted our very first forensic medical exam, forever changing the landscape of care for survivors across Georgia.

Help us celebrate this momentous milestone. <u>Donate to our "\$30 for 30" fundraiser today!</u>

Your donation will support critical, compassionate and trauma-informed forensic medical exams for survivors in a safe, nurturing environment.

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## Insights from 30 Years at the Forefront of Medical Care for Victims of Sexual Harms

We are thrilled to celebrate a significant milestone at Mosaic Georgia – 30 years of providing exceptional medical care for victims of sexual harms. Since July 1993, we have been at the forefront of delivering trauma-informed forensic medical services, setting a new standard of care in Georgia. As we reflect on our journey, we want to share some valuable insights and observations with you......Continue reading

### Connecting the Pieces: Secrets vs. Surprises



Secrets vs. Surprises: The Danger of Secrets

"This is our little secret, you better not tell anyone- or else."

Secrets are dangerous. Secrets are heavy. Secrets hurt.

My secret placed me in a prison that was filled with pain, isolation, loneliness, worry, fear, and immense hopelessness.
Breaking that secret only occurred when I was more afraid of keeping the secret than sharing it with another person... Continue reading

Parts of the Whole: Mosaic in Action

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## Amazing Collaborations Yield Special Outcomes

Our June Youth Art Gallery event was a culmination of the hard work, enthusiasm and gifts of the young people who participated in the Wholeness Collective's youth art class series. Through hugs, laughs and tears the children celebrated their beautiful and expressive works of art on this very special gallery night.

Feel the vibes and see the artistry brought to life by the talents of instructor Erica Ryde with @8thsenseartisty who guided the children with passion and purpose.

Other Wholeness Collective Classes and Workshops









Meet the Training & Education and Outreach Teams!

### Maryam • Liliana • Marilucia • Rachel (from left to right)

At Mosaic Georgia the needs are vast but hands are few. Our dedicated staff wears many hats to keep up with the intensive and diverse needs of our clients. Through their roles in education, training, advocacy and outreach, this fabulous four work diligently everyday to train, teach, create, converse, and support our clients with care and compassion.

Read some Fun Facts about the Outreach team and meet others on the Mosaic Georgia staff

### **Building Connection: Upcoming Events**



One Stop Buford Health Hero Fair 7/21 @ 10am

Genesis Outreach Back to School Fair 7/22 @ 10am

<u>Virtual Didactic SANE Training</u> Starting August 14th

New Offering! The Wholeness
Collective is partnering with R2ISE for an exciting new workshop series
blending art + recovery, for teens and adults. Embark on a journey of creative expression through drumming, singing, dancing, and acting to help break down barriers and heal the past.

Register for teen or adult workshops
Read workshop descriptions



Nueva oferta: Mosaic Ga Grupo de Apoyo para Mujeres New Offering: Spanish Finding Hope Support Group

Únete a nuestra primero clase hoy! • Jueves Julio 13 @ 6pm Join Our First Class Tonight! • Thursday July 13th @ 6pm

¿Se está recuperando del trauma de la violencia sexual? Ahora estamos ofreciendo un grupo de apoyo en persona.

Are you healing from the trauma of sexual violence? Mosaic Georgia is now offering an in-person support group for Spanish-speaking survivors.

Sign Up / Registrate!

Join the Mosaic Georgia Team:

Bilingual Advocacy Specialist Read the full job description and apply here.

### How You Can Help

Your donation is the most powerful way you can help Mosaic Georgia to empower those who have been impacted by sexual violence and abuse. Our services are always **free of charge** to those we help, but we can only do that with **your** help.

Donate to Mosaic Georgia today!

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