



206 Washington St. Atlanta, Ga 30303 | South Wing Steps
11:00 am – 1:00 pm

March 4, 2026

Dear Community Leader,

On Friday, March 20, 2026, CARE for Georgia will host the Second Annual “**Out The Trap Day**” at the Georgia State Capitol in Atlanta.

Out The Trap Day is a statewide cultural advocacy and civic engagement event designed to bridge the gap between Georgia’s communities and Georgia’s policymakers. This annual gathering creates a space where culture, public leadership, and legislative action intersect to advance meaningful dialogue around reform, reinvestment, and opportunity.

The purpose of this event is to elevate community voices inside the Capitol and foster productive conversations around economic development, health equity, criminal justice reform, and responsible cannabis policy modernization. Out The Trap Day reflects our belief that transformation is possible, not only for individuals, but for systems, when those most impacted by policy are included in shaping it.

As many across Georgia understand, our communities are strengthened when we approach public policy with wisdom, compassion, and a commitment to the well-being of our neighbors. Faith leaders and people of faith have long stood at the forefront of movements that bring healing, justice, and restoration to communities. In that same spirit, this gathering seeks to encourage thoughtful conversation about policies that affect families, patients, and communities across our state.

Georgia is currently at a critical turning point in cannabis policy. Licensed medical cannabis cultivation has already been approved, and the infrastructure for this industry is actively being built. At the same time, policymakers and advocates are working to transition Georgia’s existing low-THC program into a more comprehensive medical marijuana framework. There is active discussion around expanding patient protections and including whole-flower cannabis as an option for qualified patients who are seeking relief from serious medical conditions.

For many patients and families across Georgia, this conversation is not political, it is deeply personal. It is about compassionate care and ensuring that individuals suffering from chronic

illness, neurological disorders, cancer, and other serious conditions have access to safe and regulated medical treatment options.

This moment is also significant at the federal level. The United States government is moving to reschedule cannabis from Schedule I to Schedule III, a shift that would open the door for expanded medical research, clinical studies, and responsible pharmaceutical and agricultural innovation. This change creates new opportunities for research and development, universities, healthcare institutions, and public health leaders to better understand cannabis as medicine and develop safer, more effective treatments for patients.

For Georgia, this represents an opportunity not only to support patients but also to expand medical research, agricultural science, and economic development in a responsible and regulated manner.

With these developments underway, this moment requires thoughtful civic engagement. Out The Trap Day will serve as a public-facing town hall environment, connecting community members, city leaders, state legislators, patients, advocates, entrepreneurs, cultural influencers, and faith leaders. The goal is to ensure that Georgia's evolving policies reflect equity, compassion, access, and responsible economic participation.

CARE for Georgia (Cannabis Access Reform & Education) remains committed to advancing safe and equitable medical cannabis access, public education and patient awareness, criminal justice reform, and community reinvestment. Our work is grounded in the belief that good policy should reflect both public safety and compassion for those in need.

The event is supported by legislative leaders, including Representative Eric Bell, II, reinforcing the importance of collaboration between lawmakers, advocates, and the communities they serve.

Out The Trap Day is more than an event, it is a platform for civic visibility, moral reflection, and community leadership. It is an opportunity for leaders from every sector, including the faith community, to help guide conversations that shape the future of our state.

We would be honored to have your voice, wisdom, and presence as part of this important moment for Georgia.

We welcome your engagement and participation.

Respectfully,

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