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Clare's research focuses on budget and policy decisions related to economic security and social services. She has authored various reports including "Strategies Georgia Can Use to Reduce Rising Poverty," a ground-breaking review of successful TANF-funded state initiatives that increase families' self-sufficiency, including recommendations that Georgia policymakers and lawmakers can implement to reduce Georgia's rising poverty levels. Clare frequently presents to community and civic groups throughout the state, and has been quoted in several news outlets including WABE, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Rome News Tribune, and Macon Telegraph. She holds a master's degree in public administration from Georgia State University and was awarded the Public Administration Academic Achievement Award. Clare graduated magna cum laude from Brown University with a bachelor's in mathematical economics.

Policy Areas:

- *Economic Security Initiatives*
- *Human Services*
- *Unemployment insurance*

Recent Published Work:

- ***Georgia's Unemployment Trust Fund: A Plan Urgently Needed to Restore Solvency (September, 2011)***
Report provides an update on Georgia's unemployment insurance, offering suggestions for returning the state's fund to solvency and preventing future occurrences.
- ***Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training - Georgia Primer (June, 2011)***
Report provides an overview of how Georgia can maximize its Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment & Training program and help more food stamp recipients gain skills to obtain and maintain employment.
- ***Georgia's Decreasing TANF Funds (June, 2011)***
Report provides an overview of TANF funds allocation in the FY 2012 budget.
- ***Three Years of Deep Cuts: Overview of the Approved FY 2012 DHS Budget (May, 2011)***
Report provides an overview of the enacted FY 2012 budget for the Department of Human Services.