## **Erica Mortonson**

Erica Mortonson is the Statewide Human Trafficking Unit Supervisor with Georgia's Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC). At CJCC, she oversees the statewide project that includes the Human Trafficking Task Force. The Task Force coordinates and facilitates communication and collaboration among Georgia's anti-trafficking stakeholders. Erica provides guidance in the development of resources, such as training curricula for law enforcement, prosecutors, service providers, and students.

Erica has over seven (7) years' experience in human trafficking, sexual assault and child sexual abuse services. Previously, she was the Sexual Assault Program Director of The Cottage, Sexual Assault Center and Children's Advocacy Center. There she supervised the agency's team of advocates and clinicians and worked collaboratively with law enforcement and prosecutors in sexual assault cases in the Athens-Clarke County area. She also oversaw the mental health support groups for victims of sexual assault and child sexual abuse. Erica serves on the Georgia Sexual Assault Response Team State Expert Committee and has been recognized as a leader in the development of innovative training resources for law enforcement in their response to victims of crime.

Erica holds a Bachelor's degree in Sociology, Anthropology, and Gender Studies. She is a licensed clinician (LCSW). Erica earned her Master's degree in Social Work, graduating with honors from the University of Georgia.