



Department
of State

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

LGE PROGRAM MISSION



Assist local governments develop and implement new opportunities for savings and modernize service delivery; inform local government officials and boards.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT

\$8 million in 2026

- Up to \$7.2 million for implementation
- Up to \$800,000 for planning projects
- Application through the CFA Portal
 - Anticipated later in 2026



ELIGIBILITY

Local Governments Applicants

- Towns, villages, cities, counties
- School districts, BOCES, and public libraries
- Special districts, water and sewer authorities, regional planning boards

Expenses

- Contractual and professional services
- Capital and equipment
- Transitional personnel



APPLICATION TYPE/FUNDING LEVELS

Planning Projects

- \$20,000 per municipality per project
- Maximum of \$100,000 for a project
- 50% State Funds/50% Local Funds

Implementation Projects

- Capped at \$250,000 per municipality, per project
- Maximum of \$1,250,000 for a project
- 90% State Funds/10% Local Funds



QUALIFICATION GRANT

One-year grant of up to \$25,000 to allow Regional Planning Boards and counties leading a Regional Project to evaluate and select a project for the next round of the LGE program

Separate competitive applications including:

- Expected number of co-applicants
- Number of services and functions
- Regional planning experience
- Proposed Deliverable
- Budget and Work Plan



CITIZENS REORGANIZATION AND EMPOWERMENT GRANT

Implements General Municipal Law Article 17-A

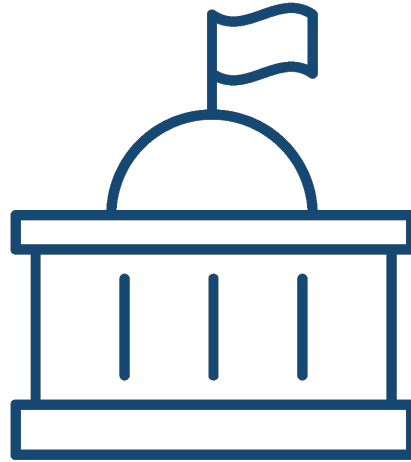
- Local Government, Special District Consolidation and Dissolution
- Non-Competitive, Monthly Deadline
- Maximum of \$100,000 per project
 - \$50,000 maximum for a study
 - \$25,000 expedited for petitioned local governments
 - \$50,000 maximum for implementation



CITIZENS REORGANIZATION AND EMPOWERMENT GRANT

Eligible Applicants

- Towns
- Villages
- Special districts



Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and processed the first Wednesday of each month

Eligible Expenses

- Contractual
- Capital, Construction and Equipment
- Transitional Personnel



EXAMPLES OF LGE AND CREG AWARDS

Implementation Grants

- Village of Avon – water main replacement project
- Village of Copenhagen – transition main between 3 villages and their joint water systems
- Livingston County water and sewer authority – pilot program to improve water efficiency and control water loss through a water system audit process.
- Wyoming County – centralized water meter reading and billing system

Planning Grants

- Montgomery County - intermunicipal water and sewer study
- City of Rensselaer study to improve intermunicipal water supply line and address unaccounted water expenses.
- Town of Niagara – sewer district consolidation study
- Town of Schodack – sewer district consolidation study
- Town of Moreau – water district consolidation study
- Seneca County – study to establish Seneca County Water and Sewer Authority



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