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## **Local Government Funding Programs**

Local Government Efficiency (LGE) and Shared Services Programs

- Local Government Efficiency Grant (LGE Grant)
- Citizens Reorganization and Empowerment Grant (CREG)
- Countywide Shared Services Initiative (CWSSI)

**Community Development Programs** 

- Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)
- Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)



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## Local Government Efficiency and Shared Services







### **Program Mission**

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









### **Municipal Re-organization**

#### <u>Government Consolidation</u> –

Dissolution of one local government into another or the combination of two or more local governments

<u>Functional Consolidation</u> – One municipality provides a service or function for another municipality, which no longer engages in that service or function"





### **Shared Services**

The joint provision, performance or delivery of a service, facility, activity, project or undertaking by two or more municipalities which each may lawfully undertake separately





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## Local Government Efficiency Grant (LGEG)



### **LGE Grant Funding**

### \$4 million in 2023

- Up to \$3.6 million for implementation
- Up to \$400,000 for planning projects
- Application in the CFA





## **Project Funding Levels**

#### **Planning Projects**

\$12,500 per municipality, per project Maximum of \$100,000 for a project 50% State Funds/50% Local Funds

#### **Implementation Projects**

Capped at \$200,000 per municipality, per project Maximum of \$1,000,000 for a project 90% State Funds/10% Local Funds



## 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



### **Recent Infrastructure Awards**

- 1) Town of Tupper Lake North Country Regional GIS Infrastructure \$346,050
- 2) Wyoming County Centralized Water Meter Reading and Billing \$243,000
- 3) Oswego County County-Wide Infrastructure Authority Feasibility \$60,000
- 4) Essex County County Solid Waste Management Study \$20,000



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## Citizen's Reorganization and Empowerment Grant (CREG)



### CREG

### 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





#### **Eligibility Applicants**

- Towns
- Villages
- Special districts

### **Eligibility Expenses**

- Contractual
- Capital, Construction and Equipment
- Transitional Personnel

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## Countywide Shared Services Initiative (CWSSI)



Established in the FY 2018 State Budget to generate property tax savings through intergovernmental collaboration

Local government panel, chaired by the Chief Executive Officer of the County, develops and approves a County-wide Shared Service Property Tax Savings Plan (Plan)

Plan will create demonstrable property tax savings from actions identified in the Plans



### **CWSSI**

#### **Opportunity for State Match Funding**

 Plans that create actual and demonstrable savings across multiple jurisdictions may be eligible for a one-time match of the net savings resulting from new actions implemented pursuant to the CWSSI.





### **CWSSI Match Guidelines**

- Match only applies to projects implemented in the one-year period beginning January 1st of the year following adoption of the CWSSI Plan
- Starting in 2021, the implementation period can start either January 1st or July 1st
- Savings must be from new actions included in your approved Plan



### **CWSSI Match Parameters**

- Savings must result from shared services between two or more participating local governments
- Only net savings are eligible; implementation costs and grant funds must be subtracted from gross savings
- Capital costs and savings are amortized using the straight-line method of depreciation for the asset class (found in the State's "Period of Probable Usefulness" tables)



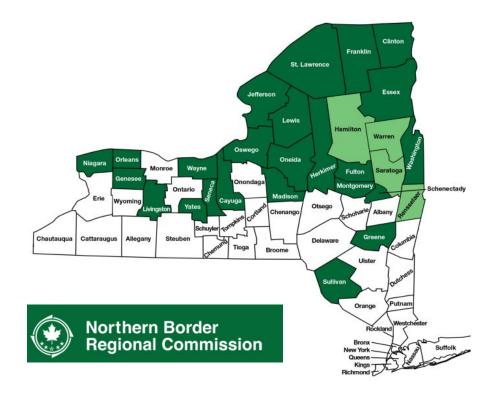
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## Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)





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- Four-state Partnership Program
- Federal Funding/State Priorities
- Municipalities and non-profits
- Match (80/20 or 50/50)
- Planning and implementation

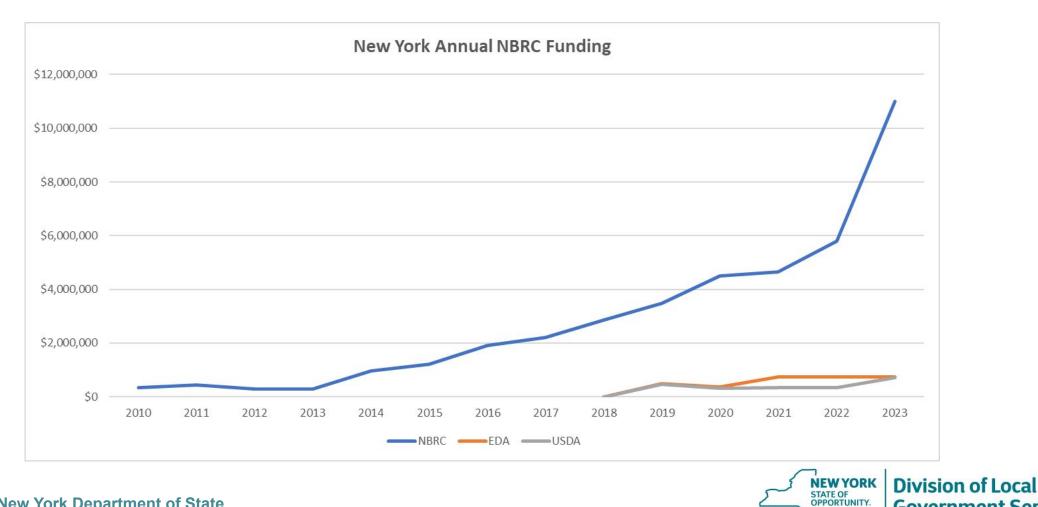


- 1. Infrastructure Priorities
  - Transportation
  - Water and Sewer
- Telecommunications Renewable and alternative energy
- 2. Workforce, entrepreneurship, and business development
- 3. Basic health care for distressed areas
- 4. Conservation, tourism and recreation for economic development





- \$12.4 million for New York in 2023
  - Catalyst Program \$5.8MM/State Annual Appropriation
  - o IIJA Funding \$5.2MM/State
  - o EDA \$750,000/State
  - o USDA \$712,500/ State
- $\,\circ\,$  69 applications for 62 million
- $\,\circ\,$  15 projects approved for funding
- $\circ~$  Other programs
  - Outdoor Recreation
  - Forest Economy
  - State Capacity
  - o Broadband



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**Government Services** 

Federal Agency Partnerships

- EDA Economic Development Projects
- USDA Economic Development/Outdoor Recreation
- DOL WORC Program Partnership
- FHWA Pilot projects that demonstrate the capabilities of wood-based infrastructure
- HRSA Rural Health Outreach/Rural Communities Opioids Response Program

Project Funding and Match

\$1,000,000 for an infrastructure project

\$500,000 for all other project types Grants are reimbursements of previously paid and eligible expenses Up to 80% federal funding per project





### **New York 2023 NBRC Infrastructure Projects**

- 1) Cayuga County Water and Sewer Authority \$605,385 Cayuga County Industrial Park Water Line – Economic Development/Business Expansion
- 2) Town of Henderson \$1,000,000 Wastewater Treatment and Collection Outdoor Recreation/Tourism
- 3) Fort Ticonderoga Association \$200,000 Water Line Replacement Economic Development/Tourism
- 4) Town of Lawrence \$750,000 (EDA Funds) St. Lawrence County Wastewater Upgrades Economic/Hamlet Development

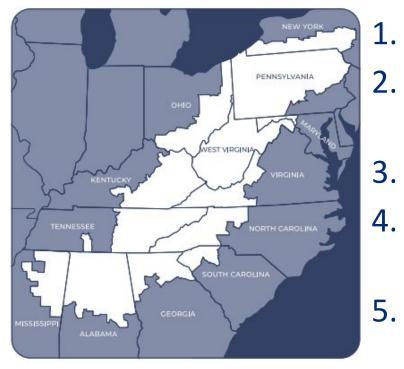


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## Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)







#### **ARC Strategic Goals:**

- . Building Businesses
- . Develop Workforce Ecosystems
- . Improve Infrastructure
- 4. Enhance Regional Culture and Tourism
- 5. Strengthen Community Leaders and Capacity



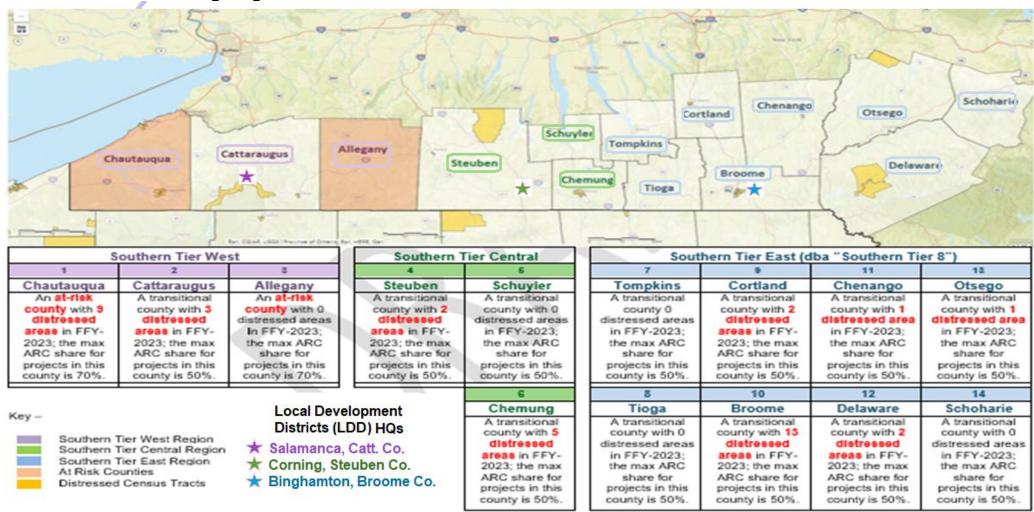


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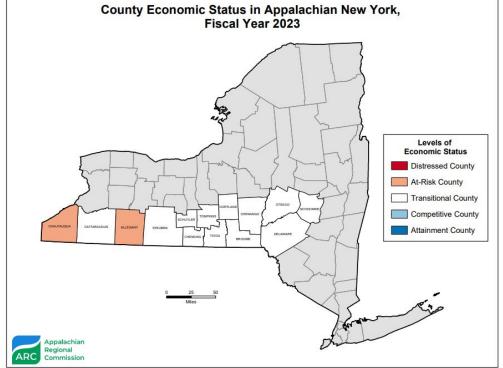
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#### **US Expenditure \$200 Million/Year**

- NYS's Allocation:
  - \$3.4 Million Area Development
  - \$3.9 Million IIIJA (thru FFY-26)
- Competitive Opportunities for all ARC locations:
  - \$65 Million POWER (Partnerships for Opportunity & Workforce & Economic Revitalization)
  - **\$13 Million INSPIRE** (Investments Supporting Partnerships In Recovery Ecosystems)
  - **\$61 Million/3 years WORC** (Workforce Opportunities For Rural Communities [USDOL])
  - **\$5 Million** Energy Hub Development



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- IIJA (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) 2021
- \$1 Billion/5 years
  - \$100 Million Annually for Regional Development
    - \$3.9M/yr for NYS
  - \$80 Million Annually for ARISE (Appalachian Regional Initiatives for Stronger Economies)
  - \$10 Million Capacity Development





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#### **Non-Financial Initiatives & Opportunities:**

- Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS)
- Summer Education Programs
  - ARC STEM at Oak Ridge National Lab (Programs for teachers & students)
  - Appalachian Entrepreneurship Academy
- READY Appalachia (Technical Assistance for Foundations, NFPs, and LDDs)
- Appalachian Leadership Institute
- ARC Goal Area Technical Assistance
- Grant-Writing Workshops & Webinars
- LDD-based Training & Technical Assistance
- Funding Opportunity Notifications & CFA Advice
- NYS EFC/DOS Co-Funding Initiative



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