Local Government Efficiency (LGE) Program

- Helps local leaders identify best practices and implement actions focused on reducing municipal expenses and increasing efficiencies in service delivery.
- LGE funds are available annually to local governments through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA).
- All projects must demonstrate new opportunities for financial savings and operational efficiencies.

Example LGE projects

- Lewis County – Southern and Central Lewis County Regional Water ($596,022)
- Yates County – Countywide Water Feasibility Study ($22,500)
- City of Cortland – Implementation of Smart Water Network ($400,000)
- Town of Erwin – Town of Erwin WWTP and Disinfection ($400,000)
- Village of Briarcliff Manor - Tri-Village Water Supply Consolidation ($602,879)
Citizens Re-Organization Empowerment Grant (CREG)

- Provides financial and technical assistance to local governments for planning and implementation activities necessary for the re-organization of municipal government and government functions.
- Specifically, the CREG program can assist with the dissolution or consolidation of a local government entity in accordance with General Municipal Law (GML), Article 17-A, including town special improvement districts.

Examples of projects funded through the CREG Program

- Town of Tupper Lake – Consolidation of Water and Sewer Districts
- Town of Cazenovia – Water District Consolidation
- Town of LeRay – Water District Consolidation
- Town of Corning – Water District Consolidation

Municipal Restructuring Fund (MRF)

- One-time $25 million fund to stimulate property tax reductions resulting from significant municipal service reorganizations.
- Projects should substantially transform the delivery of services by local government entities or completely consolidate government entities, yielding significant property tax reductions.
Municipal Restructuring Fund (MRF)

MRF project examples:

- Herkimer County – Regional Water Transmission Line ($3.1 million maximum funding)
- Village of Heuvelton– Wastewater Consolidation ($1.3 million maximum funding)
- Onondaga County Water Authority - OCWA & MWB Water Consolidation ($3.77 million maximum funding)
- Montgomery County – Multi-town Wastewater Treatment Consolidation planning – ($24,597)

Start Early - Plan for 2-4 years from concept to construction

Regional Development Programs
Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)

Catalyze regional, collaborative, and transformative community economic development approaches to alleviate economic distress and position the region for economic growth.

Northern Border Regional Development

1. Transportation infrastructure
2. Basic public infrastructure
3. Telecommunications infrastructure
4. Workforce, entrepreneurship, and business development
5. Basic health care in economically distressed areas
6. Resource conservation, tourism, and recreation for economic development
7. Renewable and alternative energy development

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

To innovate, partner, and invest to build the capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia.
Appalachian Regional Development

Goal 1: Economic Opportunities
Goal 2: Ready Workforce
Goal 3: Critical Infrastructure
  - Water and Wastewater for Economic Development
  - Broadband
  - Transportation
Goal 4: Natural and Cultural Assets
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