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PROGRAMS LINKED TO QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT (QLG) STATUS

Local governments must meet the statutory definition of "Qualified Local Government"[1] to be eligible for the programs listed, below. Local governments which do not fulfill the requirements articulated by statute are, by definition, *dis*qualified from participating in these programs. Locally created authorities are likewise disqualified from participation when their creating governments are disqualified.

- AmeriCorps Program
- Appalachian Regional Commission Economic Development Grant Program
- Bond Allocation Program
- CDBG Loan Guarantee Program (Section 108 Program)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Continuum of Care
- Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund (DDRLF)
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Employment Incentive Program (EIP)
- Georgia Heritage Grant
- Historic Preservation Fund Grant
- Home Investments Partnership Programs (HOME)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
- Immediate Threat and Danger Grant (ITAD)
- OneGeorgia Programs (EDGE, Equity and Rural Innovation)
- Redevelopment Fund Program (RDF)
- Regional Economic Business Assistance (REBA) Program
- State Housing Trust Fund
- State Re-Entry Partnership Housing Grants

These are examples of loan and grant programs operated by partner agencies that are withheld from disqualified Local Governments (and locally created authorities). Contact other state agencies, directly, to determine if any specific program is linked to QLG status.

- Georgia Environmental Finance Authority
  - All funding/financial programs
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources:
  - Coastal Incentives Grant
  - Land and Water Conservation Programs

NOTE: QLG STATUS IS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH COMPLIANCE WITH GEORGIA'S SERVICE DELIVERY ACT (OCGA 36-70-20). NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE SERVICE DELIVERY ACT ADVERSELY AFFECTS ELIGIBILITY FOR ALL GRANTS/LOANS/PERMITS PROVIDED BY ALL STATE AGENCIES, INCLUDING AND BEYOND THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH "QLG" STATUS.

[1] O.C.G.A. § 50-8-2 and elsewhere