

NYS Department of State
Division of Local Government Services
Local Government Efficiency Grant

Request for Applications # 15-LGE-2

Questions & Answers

The responses to questions included herein are the official responses by the State to questions submitted by potential applicants and are hereby incorporated into RFA # 15-LGE-2 issued on May 1, 2015. In the event of any conflict between the RFA and these responses, the requirements or information contained in these responses will prevail.

Q1: Is the \$1 million threshold, per grant, or cumulative? For instance, would an existing project be eligible for any further funding, if we've already exceeded \$1 million with two prior grants?

A1: The \$1million threshold is for the individual grant and not cumulative per local government.

Q2: If we are eligible, and there are four entities involved, the maximum would be \$200,000 per municipality or \$800,000 for implementation, correct?

A2: With 4 eligible local governments as part of an application – a maximum of \$800,000 would be available as grant funding.

Q3: Is construction an eligible expense under implementation?

A3: Capital improvements or construction is an eligible expense when it is integral to implementation of a consolidation.

Q4: Can one of the applicants provide considerable match toward the Total Project Cost that is in the \$2-4 million range?

A4: As long as the match provided is from local municipal funds and the LGE program criteria of 10% is met.

Q5: Is the County allowed to put multiple applications in during the same funding round? Or are we competing with ourselves?

A5: There are no restrictions on either the number of applications submitted or on the number of projects. The award will be made to the highest scoring applicants until funds are exhausted.

Q6: Would this grant allow a county to ask for funding on behalf of all county municipalities to hire a consultant to study the status of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in the entire county?

A6: As the coordinator of EMS services, the county could be the lead for this grant.