



# *Appendix A - Funding Sources for Quality Growth*

## **Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)**

### **Quality Growth Grant Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/grants/qualitygrowthgrant.html>

- Grants for projects directly promoting growth management concepts, infill housing, brownfield development, or similar projects that discourage urban sprawl; preparation of local ordinances, regulations, or intergovernmental agreements promoting growth preparedness, sustainable development, and other quality growth strategies; public education on quality growth topics; programs to preserve community heritage, sense of place, and regional identity; alternative/multi-modal transportation facilities; preservation of critical environmental resources, wildlife habitat, prime farmland, or sensitive ecosystems; start up cost of new programs for implementing quality growth initiatives; and physical development projects that are particularly critical to local implementation of quality growth.

### **Community Development Block Grant – Loan Guarantee Program (Section 108 Program)**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/economic/section108.html>

- An economic and community development financing tool authorized under Section 108 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.
- The program is a method of assisting non-entitlement local governments with certain unique and large-scale economic development projects that cannot proceed without the loan guarantee.

### **Community Development Block Grant Program – Regular Round**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/grants/grantprogram.html>

- Grants for housing improvement projects, public facilities such as water and sewer lines, bulidings such as local health centers or headstart centers, and economic development projects.

### **Community Home Investment Program (CHIP)**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/grants/homeinvestment.html>

- Grants to stimulate the creation of local public/private partnerships whose goals are to expand the availability of decent, safe, sanitary, energy efficient, and affordable housing in the community.

### **Downtown Development Revolving Loan Fund (DDRFLF)**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/economic/ddrflf2.html>

- Loans to non-entitlement cities and counties for small and middle-size communities in implementing quality downtown development projects.

### **Employment Incentive Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/economic/eip.html>

- Grants for local projects intended to facilitate and enhance job creation and/or retention, principally for persons of low or moderate income.

### **Georgia Commission for National and Community Service/AmeriCorps State**

[http://www.nationalservice.org/stateprofiles/ga\\_intro.html](http://www.nationalservice.org/stateprofiles/ga_intro.html)

- Grants to meet community service needs which match national need areas as determined annually by the Corporation for National Service.

### **Regional Assistance Program (RAP)**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/economic/rap.html>

- Grants for Regional Economic Development

### **Rural Rental Housing Development Fund (RRHDF)**

[http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/rrhdf\\_memo.html](http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/rrhdf_memo.html)

- Construction Financing and permanent financing for the costs of constructing up to ten (10) units of new rental housing, including land acquisition, hard construction costs, and soft costs. Rental dwelling units financed through the RRHDF must be affordable by low and moderate-income households as defined in the Manual and this Program Description.

### **Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/lihtc.html>

- Provides federal and state income tax credit for the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of rental housing affordable to low-to-moderate income families and individuals.

### **HOME CHDO Loan Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/nonprofit.html>

- Loans for construction financing and/or permanent financing for the costs of constructing or rehabilitating rental housing as defined in the State of Georgia's 1999 Qualified Allocation Plan. Rental dwelling units finance through the program must be affordable by low-to-moderate-income households as defined in the State of Georgia's 1999 Qualified Allocation Plan, the OAHF Application manual, and the HOME investment Partnerships Program Final Rule (24 CFR Part 92).

### **HOME CHDO Predevelopment Loan Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/chdopre.html>

- Loans for the predevelopment costs associated with a CHDO Program-eligible project, incurred up to the closing of the CHDO Program loan (construction and permanent debt financing), as listed in the Sources and Uses Form (CHDO-025) in the Application. These costs include, but are not limited to, market study and title search costs which are incurred before applying for CHDO Program funds, and environmental review and appraisal costs which are incurred after being approved for CHDO Program Funds.

### **HOME CHDO Permanent Supportive Housing Program**

[http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/pshp\\_nofa\\_memo.html](http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/pshp_nofa_memo.html)

- Grants to create the best possible projects recognizing the difficulty of coordinating the activities necessary for special needs populations.

### **HOME Rental Housing Loan Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/rentalfin.html>

- Loans for constructing financing and/or permanent financing for the costs of constructing or rehabilitating rental housing as defined in the State of Georgia's 1999 Qualified Allocation Plan. Rental dwelling units financed through the program must be affordable by low-to-moderate-income households as defined in the State of Georgia's 1999 Qualified Allocation Plan, the OAHF Application Manual, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Final Rule (24 CFR Part 92).

### **OwnHOME Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/housing/index.html>

- Loans for first-time home buyers with a deferred payment to cover most of the down payment, closing costs and prepaid expenses associated with their home purchase.

# Georgia Department of Natural Resources

## **319(h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant**

<http://www.dnr.state.ga.us/dnr/environ/>

- Grants to implement activities and projects to reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. Activities may include:  
Phase II Stormwater National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES)  
Best Management Practices Demonstrations  
TMDL Implementation  
And more

## **Georgia Heritage Grants**

<http://www.dnr.state.ga.us/dnr/histpres/>

- Grants to assist eligible applicants with the rehabilitation of Georgia Register-listed historic properties and related activities.

## **Recreational Trails Program (RTP)**

<http://www.serve.com/bike/georgia/trails>

- Grants for acquisition and/or development (80% Federal / 20% local) of motorized and non-motorized recreational trails including new trail construction, maintenance/rehabilitation of existing trails, trail-side and trail-head facilities.

# OneGeorgia Authority

## **OneGeorgia Equity Fund Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/onegeorgia/funds.html>

- Grants and loans to finance activities that will assist in preparation for economic development. Eligible projects include traditional economic development projects such as water and sewer projects, road, rail, and airport improvements and industrial parks as well as workforce development projects, technology development or tourism development proposals, just to name a few.

## **OneGeorgia Regional E9-1-1 Fund**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/onegeorgia/funds.html>

- Grants and loans to finance activities that assist the mostly rural counties in Georgia that are currently without enhanced 9-1-1 emergency telephone services (“E-9-1-1”).

## **OneGeorgia EDGE Fund Program**

<http://www.dca.state.ga.us/onegeorgia/funds.html>

- Provides financial assistance to eligible applicants that are being considered as a relocation or expansion site and are competing with another state for location of a project; and, where the EDGE Fund is used when the health, welfare, safety and economic security of the citizens of the state are promoted through the development and/or retention of employment opportunities.

# Other State Programs

## **Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Program**

<http://www.gfc.state.ga.us/Services/UCF/FinancialAssistanceProgram.cfm>

- Grants designed to encourage citizen involvement in creating and supporting long-term and sustained urban and community forestry programs throughout the state.

### **Transportation Enhancement Program**

<http://www.dot.state.ga.us/dot/plan-prog/planning/projects/te/index.shtml>

- Federal grants for twelve categories of transportation enhancement activities

### **Capital Outlay for Public School Facilities Construction**

<http://www.doe.k12.ga.us/schools/facilities/index.asp>

- Grants for new Construction, renovation, and modifications of public school facilities

## **Federal Sources**

### **EPA Funding for Smart Growth**

[www.epa.gov/livability/topics/funding.htm](http://www.epa.gov/livability/topics/funding.htm)

- EPA developed a guide of funding resources to assist local and state governments, communities, and non-governmental organizations addressing the varied aspects of smart growth.

### **Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)**

[http://www.nps.gov/lwcf/contact\\_list.html](http://www.nps.gov/lwcf/contact_list.html)

- Grants for acquisition of real property and development of facilities for general purpose outdoor recreation.

## **Private Sources**

### **Grassroots Art Program**

[http://www.gaarts.org/grants\\_programs/gap\\_program/index.html](http://www.gaarts.org/grants_programs/gap_program/index.html)

- Grants to arts organizations and other groups to support Grassroots arts activities that broaden and deepen public participation in the arts.

### **Organizational Grants**

[http://www.gaarts.org/grants\\_programs/organizational\\_grants/index.html](http://www.gaarts.org/grants_programs/organizational_grants/index.html)

- Designed to provide support to arts organizations and other groups administering arts projects.

### **Georgia Cities Foundation Program**

<http://www.georgiacitiesfoundation.org/>

- Loans to cities requesting financial assistance in their efforts to revitalize and enhance their downtowns areas.

### **Funders Network for Smart Growth and Livable Communities**

[www.fundersnetwork.org](http://www.fundersnetwork.org)

- The Funders Network offers a searchable database of approximately 52 private foundations that support various elements of smart growth.