



WNY Regional Council Meeting

*Tuesday, August, 20th, 2013
Conference Center Niagara Falls
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.*



CFA Competition 2013

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Empire State Development Corporation



Competition History

2011

- **\$100.3M** awarded to the WNY Region to 96 projects
- **\$23.5M** allocated towards WNY REDC Priority Projects

2012

- **\$52.8M** awarded to the WNY Region to 58 projects
- **\$5M** allocated towards WNY REDC Priority Projects

2013

- In competition against the other **9** Regional Economic Development Council's for **up to \$25M in ESD Grant Fund competition funds**



CFA 2013 Timeline

June July August September

Applicants Submit CFA Requests ✓

6/17-8/12

State Agencies Remove Incomplete & Ineligible Applications ★

8/13-8/23

Eligible Applications Scored by REDC Scoring Committees

9/5-9/6

Select ESD Grant Fund applicants invited to present their projects to the REDC PRC

9/11

Council Co-Chairs Reviewed Top Scoring Projects & Recommended Priority Projects

9/16

Finalize Recommended Slate of Priority Projects

9/18

Submit Priority Project Recommendations & Opportunity Agenda to Governor's Officials in 2013 Progress Report

9/24

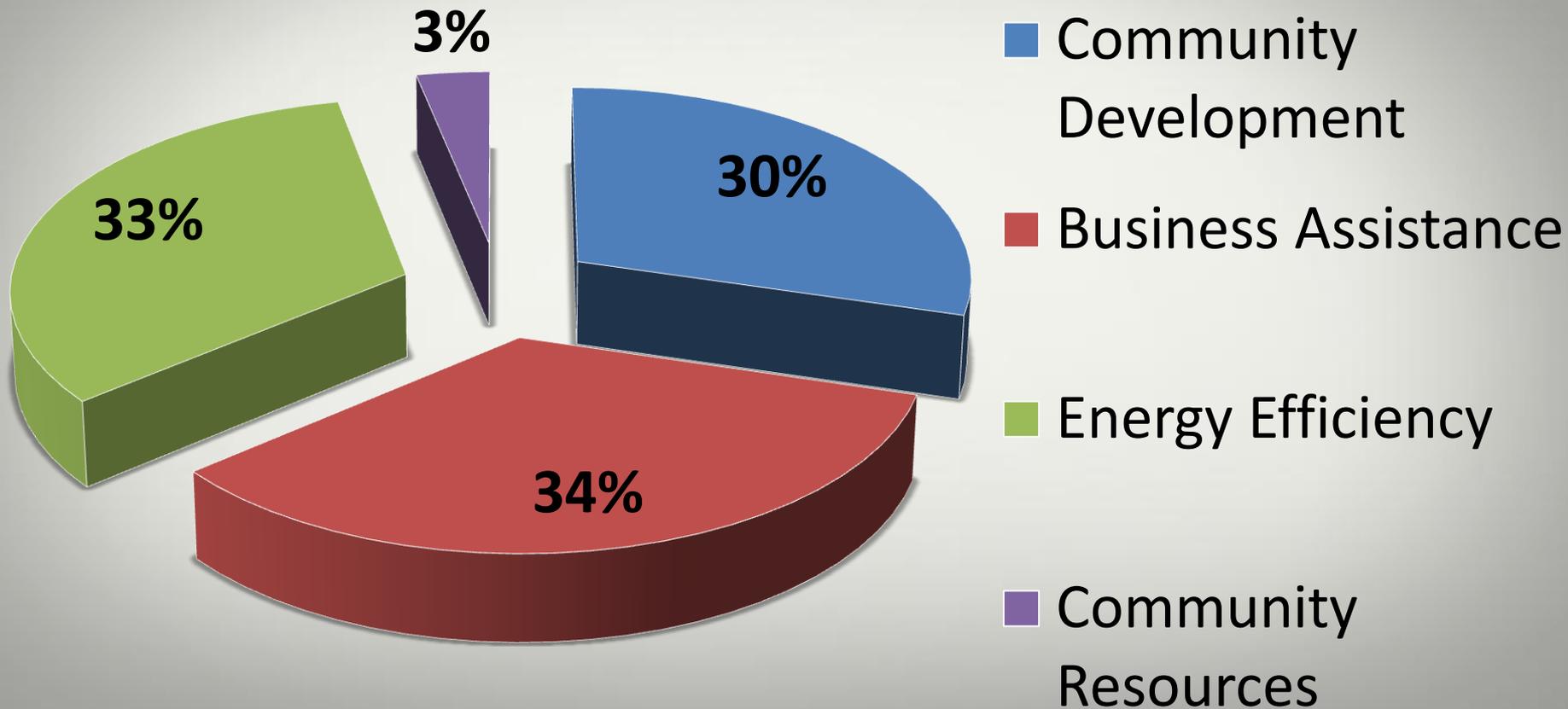


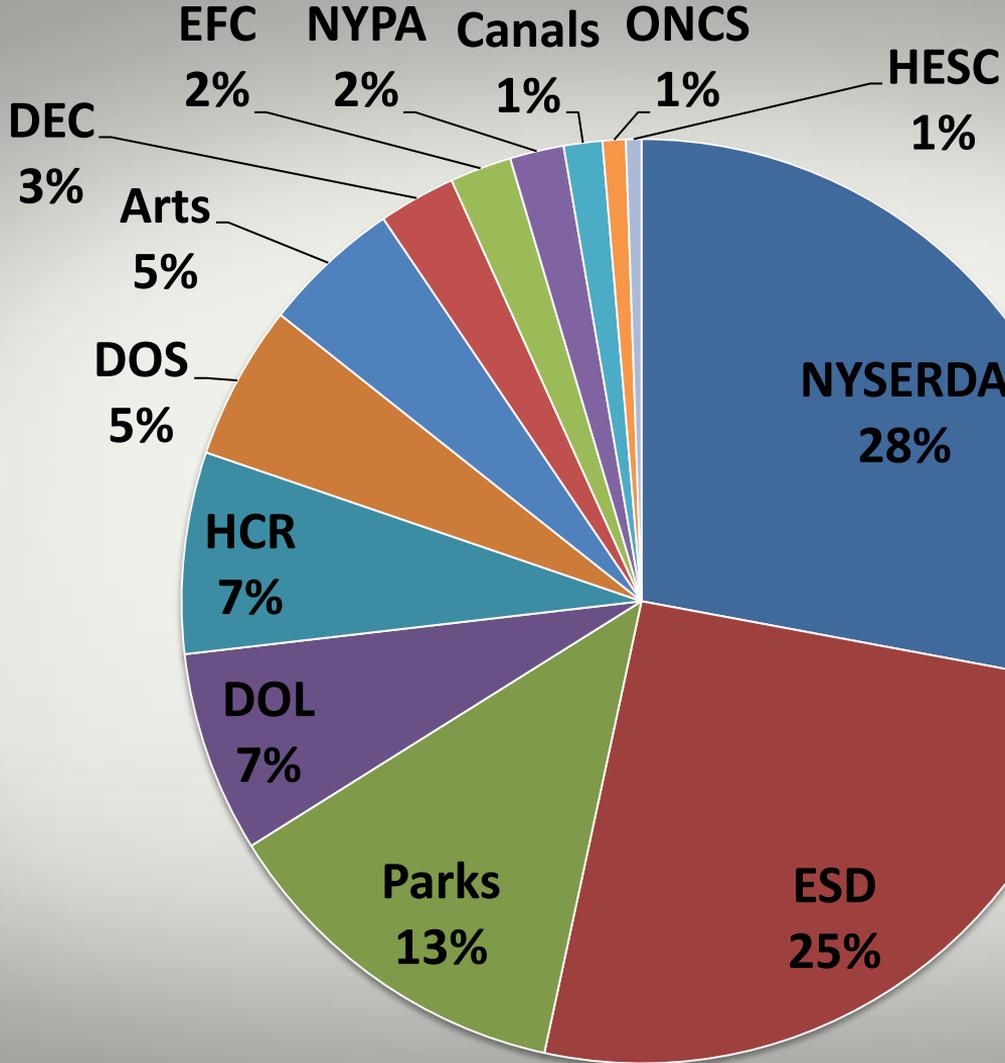
WNY CFA Summary

- **305** CFA applications were finalized & submitted by the 4pm deadline on Monday, August 12th
- **64** applicants requested funding from multiple state agencies
- **44** applicants applied to Empire State Development Grant funds and may be eligible for CFA Competition Funds & “Priority Project” status
- Applications are now in the process of being reviewed for eligibility by each state agency
- Eligible applications will move on to be scored by both the WNY REDC & state agencies



Submission Type





Agency



WNY Program Summary

Agency	Program	Count
Arts	Artistic Program Capital Equipment	2
Arts	Arts Culture and Heritage Program	11
Arts	Digital Film Projector Conversion Program	5
Canals	NYS Canalway Grant Program	5
DEC	Engineering Planning Grant	10
DOL	Existing Employee Training	13
DOL	Unemployed Working Training	10
DOL	New Hire	3
DOS	Community Services Block Grant	5
DOS	Local Government Efficiency	2
DOS	Local Waterfront Revitalization	13
EFC	Green Innovation Grant	8
ESD	Empire State Development Grant Funds	44
ESD	Environmental Investment Program - Capital	4
ESD	Environmental Investment Program - R & D	2
ESD	Excelsior Jobs Program	8
ESD	Industrial Development Bond Cap	3
ESD	Market New York	19
ESD	New York State Business Incubator and Hot Spot Innovation Program	3

Agency	Program	Count
ESD	Strategic Planning and Feasibility Studies	3
ESD	Technical Assistance and Training Grants - Opportunity Agenda	8
HCR	Community Development Block Grant - Public Facilities	1
HCR	Community Development Block Grants - Public Infrastructure	7
HCR	New York Main Street	6
HCR	New York Main Street Technical Assistance	2
HCR	Rural Area Revitalization Program	5
HCR	Urban Initiatives	5
HESC	College Access Challenge Grant	2
NYPA	Recharge New York	7
NYSERDA	Cleaner Greener Communities Category II	4
NYSERDA	Energy Efficiency	86
NYSERDA	Cleaner Greener Communities Category III	13
ONCS	New York State Americorps	3
Parks	Heritage Areas Systems	2
Parks	Historic Property Acquisition	14
Parks	Park Acquisition Development and Planning	18
Parks	Recreational Trails	13
TOTAL REQUESTS		369



Scoring Process



REDC Scoring Criteria

Regional Council reviewers determine the degree to which the application implements the regional strategic plan and assign the corresponding number of points.

Regional Council Endorsement



Agency Technical Review

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN	DEGREE	POINTS
The proposal is identified as a priority project by the Regional Council.	Priority	20
The proposal is identified in the plan and has regional benefits.	Very Strong	15
The proposal advances the plan and has local benefits.	Strong	10
The proposal is consistent with the plan and has project level benefits.	Moderate	5
The proposal has limited relationship to the plan.	Weak	0



Recusal Information

Council members must disqualify & remove themselves from review, discussion and vote on an application if any conflict of interest exists including:

- Direct/indirect financial interests
- Board member of applicant organization
- Applicant or direct beneficiary



Progress Report 2013

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Smart Growth Coordinating Council *Score Card*

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Smart Growth Coordinating Council Chair



Purpose

The Smart Growth Scorecard is intended to help the Western New York Regional Economic Development Council evaluate project proposals along accepted Smart Growth principles identified in the 2011 strategic economic development plan, "A Strategy for Prosperity."



Membership

Greater Buffalo Niagara Regional Transportation Council

Southern Tier West

Buffalo Niagara Partnership

Buffalo Office of Strategic Planning

Uniland Development

Heart of the City Neighborhoods, Inc.

Niagara County Department of Economic Development

Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority

Erie County Department of Environment & Planning

Chautauqua County Planning

Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)

Jamestown Renaissance Corporation

Allegany County

Cattaraugus County



Scoring Criteria

- 1. Support of Existing Communities:** *Does the project support the NYS Smart Growth Infrastructure Act and the WNY REDC's commitment to reinvest in downtowns, village main streets, and brownfield development?*
- 2. Community Character & Vibrancy:** *Does the project support the unique local community character and heritage?*
- 3. Transportation Choice & Accessibility:** *Is the project accessible by public transportation or will it advance/embrace alternative transportation options (like biking or walking)?*
- 4. Environmental Stewardship:** *Does the project utilize green technology and/or avoid negative impacts on our landscape, waterways, or eco-system?*
- 5. Project Impact and Readiness:** *Does the project have the needed financing and support to be implemented within this grant cycle? Will it have a catalytic impact for the surrounding community or geographic area?*



Smart Growth Score Card

CORE STRATEGY



Smart Growth Scorecard

Criteria with a non-shaded response box will be scored via Geographic Information Systems (GIS) analysis of a project's location; criteria with a *blue outlined response box* will be scored by the Smart Growth Coordinating Council member based on information provided in the project description.

1. Support of Existing Communities & Growth Centers

Does the project support the NYS Smart Growth Infrastructure Act and the WNY REDC's commitment to reinvest in downtowns, village main streets, and on brownfields?

	Possible Answers	Points	Response	Score
1.1. Will the project be located in a city, a village, or a "rural town center"?	Yes	4		
	No	0		
1.2. Will the project be located within a downtown area or a Main Street?	Yes	4		
	No	0		
1.3. Will the project be located in a Brownfield Opportunity Area or a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program area?	Yes	3		
	No	0		
1.4. Will the project be located in an environmental justice area or a hardship area (Census Tract with a poverty rate of at least 20%)?	Yes	3		
	No	0		
1.5. Will the project require an extension of the water and sewer service?	Yes	0	<input type="text"/>	
	No	3		
1.6. Indicate how many service and amenities (see below) will be within ¼ mile of the project location (use ½ mile for rural areas) . See Glossary of Terms for amenities included.	10+	4		
	6 to 9	3		
	3 to 6	2		
	0 to 3	0		
SUBTOTAL:			<input type="text"/>	



SART

Community Outreach

Christopher Grant

New York State Department of State



strengths of
our people

our rich tradition
of human innovation

natural
beauty

abundant
natural
resources

our unique and
strategic location



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