



DEEP SOUTH
REGIONAL MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

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I. ELIGIBILITY:

- a. This program is open to all member governments of the Deep South Solid Waste Authority to include: Berrien County and the City of Nashville; Lowndes County and the City of Valdosta; Lanier County and the City of Lakeland; and Echols County.
- b. Further eligibility is contingent on the member government having an approved *Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP)* on file with the appropriate Regional Commission (RC) and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Applicants must be able to demonstrate implementation of this Plan.
- c. Grant applicants must be members of the Authority who are currently utilizing the Veolia landfill facility for disposal of their MSW; eligible county members may apply on behalf of a non-member community within that county only if the non-member community is utilizing the Veolia facility for MSW disposal.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- a. The local government must provide a minimum twenty percent (20%) match to the awarded grant with a minimum ten percent (10%) in the form of a cash match.
- b. Awards may be used in conjunction with state or federal grants for matching purposes.

III. AWARDS:

- a. All applications will be reviewed and recommended by a grant review committee prior to approval by the complete Deep South Solid Waste Authority.
- b. Grant awards for single jurisdictions will not exceed \$20,000, or \$1.23 per capita of the jurisdiction's estimated annual population, whichever is greater. Multi-jurisdictional grant awards will not exceed \$1.23 per capita of the proposed service area population (i.e., countywide), or \$40,000, whichever is less.
- c. The estimated annual population shall be based on the US Census Bureau's annual update provided on its website (<https://www.census.gov/en.html>).
- d. Funds for all awarded grants must be expended within one year of the original award date. Under extenuating circumstances, communities may apply for a one year extension.