

July 9,
2026

READY

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Pre-Application Webinar



Agenda

- ① Welcome and housekeeping
- ② About ARC & *READY Appalachia*
- ③ Strategic Consulting Partners introduction
- ④ *READY Local Governments* overview
- ⑤ Grant opportunity
- ⑥ How to apply
- ⑦ Deadlines and important dates
- ⑧ Q&A

General Housekeeping

- ❖ Webinar attendees are **automatically muted** throughout the presentation.
- ❖ Put all **questions in the Q&A box**. We hope to answer your questions in real-time throughout the presentation or during Q&A time toward the end of the webinar. The FAQs document will also be updated after the webinar to include answers to many of your questions.
- ❖ **Remember:** posting your question will not only help you but likely others as well. We encourage you to ask anything that comes to mind!
- ❖ A link to the recording and a PDF version of this **PPT will be provided via email** within the week following the event.



ARC & READY Local Governments

Appalachian Regional Commission



- Created in 1965
- Federal, state and local government partnership
- 13 states
- 423 counties
- 206,000 square miles
- 26+ million people
- 74 local development districts

Appalachian Regional Commission

ARC **invests** and **partners** in the Appalachian Region to **strengthen economic development** and help the region **reach its full economic potential.**

ARC Strategic Investment Goals



Building Appalachian Businesses



Building Appalachia's Workforce Ecosystem



Building Appalachia's Infrastructure



Building Regional Tourism and Culture



Building Community Leaders and Capacity

Purpose of *READY Appalachia*

READY Appalachia is an ARC initiative that helps Appalachian communities, organizations, and individuals obtain the **skills, knowledge, and resources** necessary to strengthen their local economies.

Offerings include **training** and **funding access**, with special emphasis on serving Appalachia's most economically **distressed counties and areas**.



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Strategic Consulting Partners Introduction



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Regional
Commission

About Strategic Consulting Partners

- ❖ **Strategic Consulting Partners** is a full-service management **cross-sectoral** consulting firm committed to shaping the future of our world by **building organizational and leadership capacity**.
- ❖ **A 32-year history providing the following services:** Strategic Planning, Organizational Development, Operational Effectiveness, Leadership Development, Training, Coaching, Organizational Health and Wellness, and Organizational Assessments.
- ❖ **We are a certified Women-and Minority-Owned Business (SBA, PA, VA)** located in Mechanicsburg, PA with cross-sectoral clients internationally.
- ❖ More than **500,000 individuals trained!**



Monica Gould



Monica Gould, MBA, CMC, is the President and founder of Strategic Consulting Partners (SCP), bringing more than 30 years of experience advising federal, state, and local governments, nonprofits, and corporations. She is an award-winning strategist and national speaker who has led hundreds of strategic planning and training initiatives and equipped more than 250,000 leaders to build stronger, more effective organizations.

As a *READY* training leader, Monica leverages deep expertise in organizational development and leadership to help local government teams strengthen capacity, navigate change, and achieve sustainable results for their communities.

Jenny Gallagher Blom



Jenny Gallagher Blom, MA is a nonprofit and community impact leader, consultant, and facilitator who serves as Vice President of Community Benefit and Strategic Innovation at Strategic Consulting Partners. With more than 20 years of experience in human services, community and organizational development, and strategic leadership, Jenny brings deep expertise in helping organizations strengthen capacity, improve performance, and achieve sustainable impact.

Jenny has extensive experience working across sectors to support strategic planning, program development, grant management, and organizational change. She has successfully secured and managed complex federal, state, and local funding portfolios and has led initiatives that expanded programs, strengthened operations, and improved outcomes for communities.

READY Local Governments Training Team

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Facilitator



READY Local Governments Overview

Goal/Objective of the Training Program (Phase I)

The *READY* Local Governments Training Program objective:

Train Appalachian **municipal staff and/or elected officials** in federal grant application and grants management principles with the purpose of strengthening infrastructure, business and workforce development, and other long-term solutions to grow the region's economy.

Eligible Applicant Organizations

This program is open to **Local Governments serving Appalachia.**

The following entities are eligible to apply:

- An eligible “local government” for the purposes of this program means a borough, city, county, municipality, parish, town, township, or federally recognized Indian tribe in the **423 county** Appalachian Region.

Up to **60 municipalities** will be selected to participate.

Local Governments who meet *any* of the following criteria are *encouraged to apply*:

Serve economically distressed counties and areas*

Municipalities with limited resources

Local government entities located in remote areas of the region

Municipalities who have not worked with ARC before

Entities That Are NOT Eligible

The following entities are not eligible to apply:

- Local public authorities (including any public housing agency under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937)
- Special districts
- School districts
- Intrastate districts
- Councils of government (such as local development districts), whether or not incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under state law
- Any other agency or instrumentality of a multi-state, regional, or intrastate government.
- Local governments that participated in prior READY Local Governments rounds
- Individuals applying on their own
- Organizations that **do not serve** communities in the Appalachian Region, as defined by the Appalachian Regional Development Act (ARDA), 40 USC 14102(a)(1).

→ Please review the [map of Appalachian Region](#)

Eligible Participants

Two participants from each local government

The **Primary Participant** must be a staff member or elected official who works or will work on grant application and/or grant management

The **Secondary Participant** is selected at the discretion of the organization dependent on the goals of participating in the training program and can be:

A staff member, elected official, or other individual

Confirmation and Commitment Requirement

- **To be eligible for selection, the applicant must submit a letter** from the local government entity's highest-ranking official (e.g., Mayor, County Commissioner, City Manager, etc.) with their application, **confirming the entity's intent to participate in the program and commitment to the attendance and participation requirements** as described in the NOSA.
- Applicants **must upload this letter within the application platform** (i.e., the letter will not be accepted through other means). Any applications without this letter will be disqualified.

Course Schedule



The *READY Local Governments* training program will be offered **in two sessions:**

- **Group A: September 29-December 1, 2026,**
*Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ET **
- **Group B: October 8-December 10, 2026,**
*Thursdays, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET **

***Please note:** the Week 1 session only will last 3 hours and 15 minutes

- The total **time commitment** for the training program (to include assignments outside of course time) is estimated to be **35 hours.**

Structure of the Training Program

The 9-week virtual training program will be conducted via Zoom

- Cohort learning
- Sessions facilitated by experienced instructors and subject matter experts
- The course will include a **pre- and post-course survey**, as well as a **post-course evaluation**.



Cohort Structure

All *READY Local Governments* training program participants will complete a virtual, nine-week "Federal Grant Lifecycle" course. Participants can choose between Tuesday or Thursday sessions, and will be organized into cohorts of up to six local government entities (two participants per organization).

Group A

September 29 - December 1, 2026

Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. ET

One three-hour session for seven weeks, with one hour of assignments per session. Two one-hour, one-on-one consultations during weeks four and eight.



Cohort 1



Cohort 2



Cohort 3



Cohort 4



Cohort 5

Group B

October 8 - December 10, 2026

Thursdays from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. ET

One three-hour session for seven weeks, with one hour of assignments per session. Two one-hour, one-on-one consultations during weeks four and eight.



Cohort 6



Cohort 7



Cohort 8



Cohort 9



Cohort 10

Course Schedule

Week	Format	Activity	Schedule	Length
Week 1	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours and 15 minutes
Week 2	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Week 3	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Week 4	One-to-One	Consultation	Scheduled by org**	1 hour
Week 5	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Week 6	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Week 7	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Week 8	One-to-One	Consultation	Scheduled by org**	1 hour
Week 9	Cohort-based training	Module-Based Session	Set day/time	3 hours
Post Course*	Follow-up	Consultation	Scheduled by org**	1 hour

*The follow-up consultations will occur approximately one month post course.

**Participating organizations will schedule their one-to-one consultations within an identified time frame based upon availability and the instructor's schedule.

Local Governments Training Program

Federal Grant Lifecycle Course Outcomes

1. **Identify projects** that are **ready** for federal funding.
2. Evaluate federal funding opportunities and **determine whether to pursue** them.
3. Develop **stronger federal grant** applications, including project narratives, work plans, budgets, and supporting documentation.
4. Understand the responsibilities associated with **administering a federal grant** after award.
5. Conduct procurement, contracting, and financial management activities in **accordance with federal requirements**.
6. Maintain the **documentation** needed for reimbursement, monitoring, and audit.
7. Recognize common **compliance risks** and take steps to **avoid** them.
8. **Apply lessons** learned to **strengthen** future grant applications and project delivery.

Local Governments Training Course

Course Curriculum:

- Entities will participate in **one** course made up of **seven** sessions.

Course: Federal Grant Lifecycle

Session Topics:

1. Project Identification and Federal Grant Readiness
2. Project Development and Identifying Federal Funding Opportunities
3. Federal Grant Application Development and Submission Strategy
4. Federal Grant Management and Compliance, Part 1: Award Administration
5. Federal Grant Management and Compliance, Part 2: Procurement and Contracting
6. Federal Financial Management and Audit Readiness
7. Leveraging Federal Grants for Long-Term Success

Session 1:

Project Identification and Federal Grant Readiness



Session Overview:

Introduces local government participants to the foundational elements of identifying projects that are viable for federal funding.

- Assess project readiness
- Conduct a needs assessment
- Align project concepts with federal priorities and eligibility requirements
- Identify early compliance considerations
- Prioritize projects based on competitiveness and implementation capacity

Session 2:

Project Development and Identifying Federal Funding Opportunities



Session Overview:

Focuses on refining project scope and evaluating federal funding opportunities through a structured go/no-go decision-making framework.

- Refine a project's score of work to align with federal eligibility and evaluation criteria.
- Analyze NOFO requirements to identify competitiveness factors and hidden constraints.
- Assess match requirements and structure compliant match strategies.
- Apply a structured go/no-go framework to determine pursuit viability.

Session 3:

Federal Grant Application Development and Submission Strategy



Session Overview:

Reviews core proposal components, including project narratives, budgets, performance measures, stakeholder coordination, and required federal forms.

- Develop persuasive narratives aligned with federal evaluation criteria.
- Align scope, budget, and performance measures.
- Integrate compliance awareness.
- Complete required federal forms and attachments accurately.
- Avoid common mistakes and inconsistencies.
- Coordinate appropriately with external stakeholders before and after submission.

Session 4:

Federal Grant Management and Compliance Part I: Award Administration



Session Overview:

Introduces the administrative and compliance responsibilities that begin once a federal grant is awarded.

- Interpret federal grant agreements and award conditions.
- Establish compliant documentation and reporting systems.
- Understand ongoing progress and final reporting requirements.
- Implement internal controls consistent with federal standards.
- Recognize common compliance risks during post-award administration.

Session 5:

Federal Grant Management and Compliance

Part II: Procurement and Contracting



Session Overview:

Addresses procurement and contracting.

- Apply federal procurement standards to goods and services.
- Conduct and document costs and price analysis.
- Distinguish between contractors and subrecipients.
- Integrate labor, environmental, and domestic preference requirements into procurement.
- Avoid procurement errors that can result in audit findings or disallowed costs.

Session 6:

Federal Financial Management and Audit Readiness



Session Overview:

Focuses on financial compliance under federal grants.

- Apply federal cost principles to grant expenditures.
- Prepare accurate and compliant reimbursement requests.
- Maintain documentation sufficient for monitoring and audit.
- Understand match tracking and financial reporting obligations.
- Identify financial risks that could jeopardize funding.

Session 7:

Leveraging Federal Grants for Long-Term Success



Session Overview:

Synthesizes concepts from the full grant lifecycle and focuses on ensuring long-term success after the period of performance ends.

- Evaluate organizational abilities to maximize federal grant funding to meet goals.
- Develop a strategy for sequencing and leveraging federal grants.
- Use performance and compliance history to strengthen future applications.
- Institutionalize grant management systems for sustainability.
- Position the organization for long-term success.

Requirements for Participation

Participants who commit fully will get the most out of the program.

To be **eligible for the grant opportunity**, both participants must attend at least:

- **6 of the 7 virtual sessions**
- **All (2) of the one-to-one consultations**
- **Attend the (1) follow-up consultation**

ARC expects the two participants identified in the application will be the participants representing the local government throughout the duration of the program.

- Participants should **complete all assignments** before sessions each week.
- Failure to fully participate **could disqualify local governments** for Phase II (Grant Opportunity).



READY Local Governments Grant Opportunity

Grant Opportunity (Phase II)

Participating local government entities who successfully complete the training program will be eligible to **apply for up to \$50,000** in ARC funding, with no match required.

- Separate application process upon successful completion of the training program
- Projects can focus on an **organizational capacity need** for the organization itself
- **Note:** construction projects are not allowed
- Only the types of projects in the **Organization-Focused Section** of the **ARC's Community Resources and Skill-building Project Guidance** will be considered eligible projects





How to Apply (Phase I)

The Notice of Solicitation of Applications (NOSA)



READY Local Governments Training Program

Federal Fiscal Year 2026 Notice of Solicitation of Applications (NOSA) for Training Participation

This notice of solicitation of applications (NOSA) announces an opportunity to apply to participate in the Appalachian Regional Commission's *READY Local Governments* training program. This NOSA provides an overview of the training program and the specific requirements needed to complete and submit an application.

Potential program applicants are encouraged to read the **Notice of Solicitation of Applications (NOSA)** thoroughly before applying.

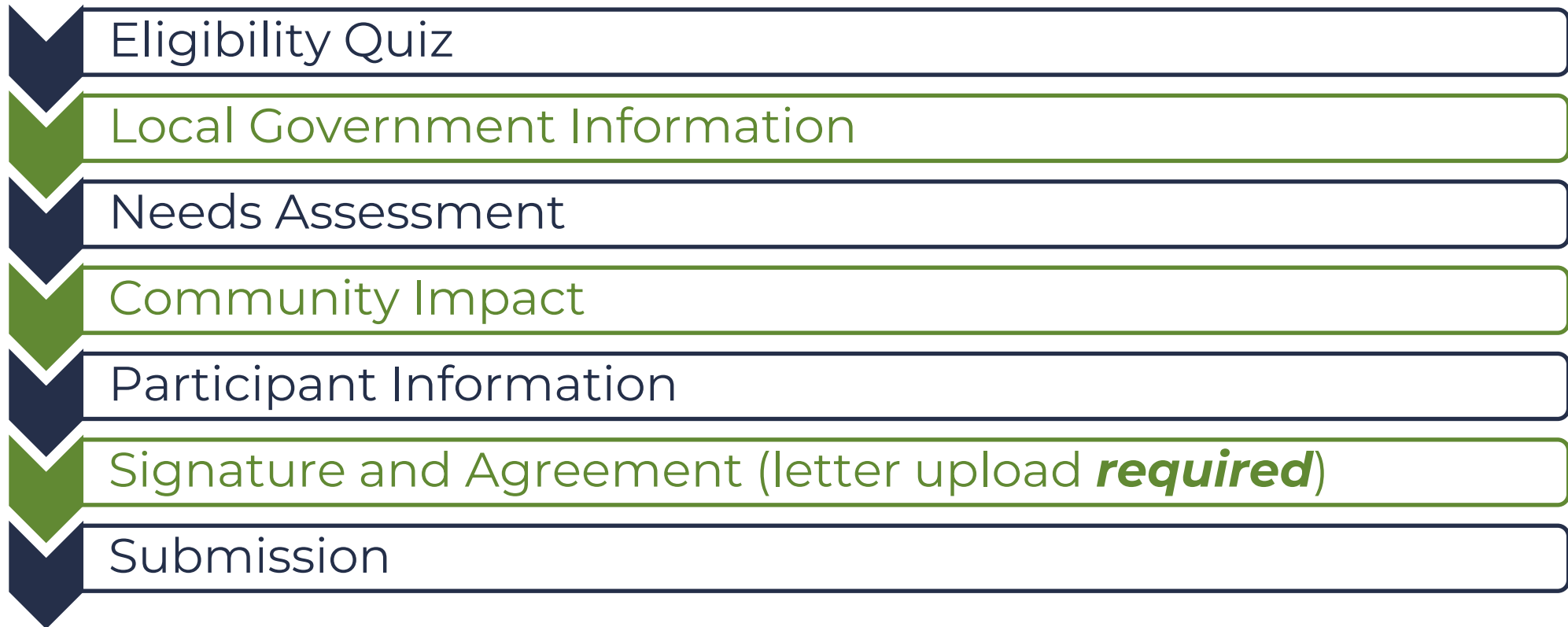
What You Need to Complete the Application

Scan QR code
for PDF of
Application



- Tax ID Number
- Financial information for the local government (budget, funding/revenue sources)
- Organizational information (staffing levels, strategic plan, community services)
- **Contact information** for primary and secondary participants
- **Understanding** of the Local Governments' **grant experience**
- **Data** about the Appalachian communities served by the Local Government

Sections of the Online Application



Application Portal

ARC READY Local Governments Federal Fiscal Year 2026

DESCRIPTION

Please complete and submit this application for consideration as a participant in the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) *READY Local Governments* Training Program.

The deadline to submit this application is July 31, 2026 (5:00 p.m. ET).

Instructions

Please share information about your Local Government so that we may better understand your level of experience and capacity. The goal of the *READY Local Governments* program is to train Appalachian municipal staff and/or elected officials (using an entirely virtual, cohort-based learning format) in federal grant application and management principles for the purpose of strengthening infrastructure, business and workforce development, and other long-term solutions to grow the region's economy. Local government entities that successfully complete the requirements of the training program will be eligible to apply for a separate grant of up to \$50,000 from ARC to address internal capacity needs of the applying entity.

DOWNLOADS

- READY LG Training Program NOSA
- READY LG Training Program Submission Form Sample



CREATE AN ACCOUNT/LOGIN

Create an Account?

The password must have at least 10 characters, one lowercase letter, one uppercase letter, one number, one symbol, and not be based on a dictionary word.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

6. Name of Local Government *

7. Name of Local Government’s highest-ranking official *

8. Street address of Local Government *

Address Line 1 *

Address Line 2

Navigation



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MY SUBMISSION

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SUBMISSION FORM

Eligibility  [EDIT](#)

ELIGIBILITY

1. Is the applying entity a "local government" (borough, city, county, municipality, parish, town, township, or federally-recognized Indian tribe) in the 423-county Appalachian Region?

- Yes

[CLICK HERE to see the list of ARC counties](#)

2. Local public authorities, special districts, school districts, intrastate districts, councils of government (such as local development districts) are NOT eligible to apply. Is the applying entity a local public authority, special district, school district, intrastate district, or council of government?

- No

3. Has the applying entity participated in (i.e. been selected for) a prior READY Local Governments round?

- No

4. The ARC READY Local Governments training program consists of nine weeks of virtual training and coursework, alongside a cohort of other local governments. The total time commitment for the training program is estimated to be 35 hours. Will the applying entity commit to two participants attending for the entirety of the program?

- Yes

(See the [NOSA](#) for more information.)

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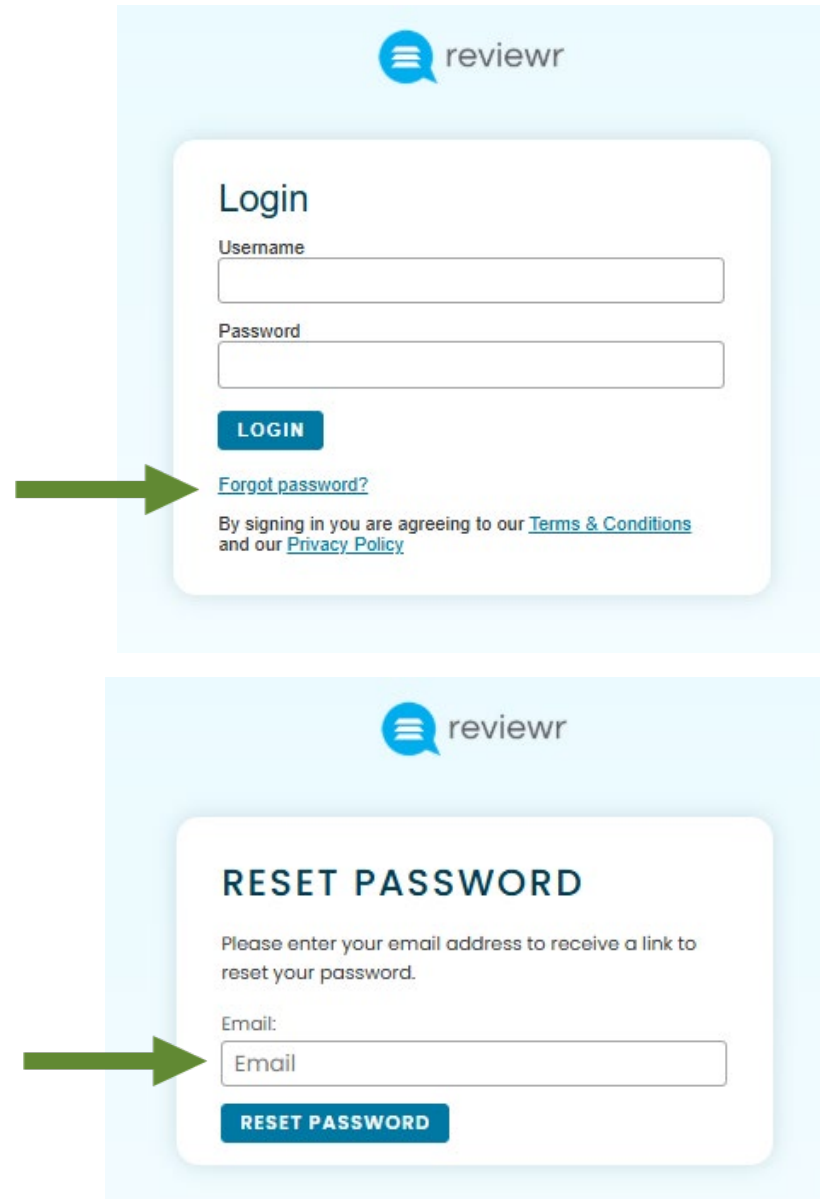
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⚠️ "County, State where your Local Government is located" is required.
⚠️ "Is your Local Government located in a distressed county?" is required.
⚠️ "Does your Local Government have a website?" is required.
⚠️ "Tax ID Number" is required.
⚠️ "Total number of full-time employees" is required.
⚠️ "Total number of part-time employees" is required.
⚠️ "Estimated total operational budget for the current fiscal year" is required.
⚠️ "Property Taxes" is required.
⚠️ "Sales Tax" is required.
⚠️ "Intergovernmental aid (state/federal grants)" is required.
⚠️ "User charges/fees" is required.
⚠️ "Other taxes/fees (hotel/lodging taxes, business license taxes, utility user taxes, fines/forfeitures, special assessments)" is required.
⚠️ "Other:" is required.
⚠️ "Street address of Local Government" is required.
⚠️ "In which ways, if any, has your local government worked with the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) in the past? Please check all that apply." is required.
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- All fields with an **asterisk are required**, and incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration.
- Provide **all information requested** in the application answering to the best of your ability.
- Some fields **require numbers** to be entered, and a prompt will appear if the entry is not the correct format.

⚠️ You must enter a number for the 13. Tax ID Number field.

Navigation



The diagram illustrates the navigation flow between two pages of the reviewr application portal. A large green arrow points from the 'Forgot password?' link on the Login page to the 'Email' input field on the 'RESET PASSWORD' page.

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Login

Username

Password

LOGIN

[Forgot password?](#)

By signing in you are agreeing to our [Terms & Conditions](#) and our [Privacy Policy](#)

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RESET PASSWORD

Please enter your email address to receive a link to reset your password.

Email:

RESET PASSWORD

General Tips

☒ Yes

☐ No

22. If yes, how often is it updated? *

Every five+ years

23. Does your Local Government have an emergency succession plan for unexpected staff turnover? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

24. If yes, how often is it reviewed and updated?

Annually

Please Select

Annually

Every two years

Every five+ years

Never

☐ Unsure

☐ No

25. Does your Local Government have a succession plan in place? *

26. Has your Local Government ever applied for a federal grant as the lead entity? *

30. Does your Local Government have a current fiscal year operating budget in place? *

☐ Yes

General Tips

Supported Browsers

The application portal supports the following browsers:

- Google Chrome (latest version recommended)
 - Microsoft Edge (latest version recommended)
 - Mozilla Firefox (latest version recommended)
 - Safari (latest version recommended)
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- Complete and submit your application to ARC via the online application portal no later **than 5:00 p.m. ET on July 31, 2026.**

Application Portal Troubleshooting:

Please email

READYLG@yourstrategicconsultant.com for additional assistance.

Eligibility Quiz

ELIGIBILITY

1. Is the applying entity a "local government" (borough, city, county, municipality, parish, town, township, or federally-recognized Indian tribe) in the 423-county Appalachian Region? *

Please Select ▼

[CLICK HERE to see the list of ARC counties](#)

2. Local public authorities, special districts, school districts, intrastate districts, councils of government (such as local development districts) are NOT eligible to apply. Is the applying entity a local public authority, special district, school district, intrastate district, or council of government? *

Please Select ▼

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Please Select ▼

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Please Select ▼

(See the [NOSA](#) for more information.)

5. A letter from the municipality's highest-ranking official (e.g. Mayor, County Commissioner, City Manager, etc.) will be required at the time of application that confirms the municipality's intent to participate in the program. Thus, highest-ranking official's approval of the application is an eligibility requirement. Is your application approved by your municipality's highest-ranking official? *

Please Select ▼

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Local Government Information

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

6. Name of Local Government *

7. Name of Local Government's highest-ranking official *

8. Street address of Local Government *

Address Line 1 *

Address Line 2

City *

State/Region *

Please Select ▾

ZIP/Postal Code *

Country *

United States ▾

9. County, State where your Local Government is located *

10. Is your Local Government located in a distressed county? *

Please Select ▾

To check, please refer to [ARC's list of distressed counties](#).

11. Does your Local Government have a website? *

Please Select ▾

13. Tax ID Number *

14. Total number of full-time employees *

Please Select ▾

15. Total number of part-time employees *

Please Select ▾

16. Estimated total operational budget for the current fiscal year *

Please Select ▾

Needs Assessment

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NEEDS ASSESSMENT

21. Does your Local Government have a current strategic plan? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

23. Does your Local Government have an emergency succession plan for unexpected staff turnover? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

25. Does your Local Government have a succession plan in place? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

27. Has your Local Government ever applied for a federal grant as the lead entity? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ Unsure
☐ No

30. Does your Local Government have a current fiscal year operating budget in place? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

32. How does your Local Government decide to add or delete programs or services? Please explain. *

33. Please rate your Local Government's skill level in the following topics as it relates to Federal Grants, using the terms:

Identifying Grant Opportunities: *

- ☐ No Prior Experience ☐ Beginner ☐ Proficient ☐ Expert

Project Identification *

- ☐ No Prior Experience ☐ Beginner ☐ Proficient ☐ Expert

Grant Writing *

- ☐ No Prior Experience ☐ Beginner ☐ Proficient ☐ Expert

Community Impact

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COMMUNITY IMPACT

38. Do the services and activities provided by your Local Government align with one or more of ARC's established investment priorities? Please check all that apply. *

- ☐ Goal 1: Building Appalachian Businesses: Strengthen the region's economy through expanding economic development strategies and investments in entrepreneurship and business development.
- ☐ Goal 2: Building Appalachia's Workforce Ecosystem: Expand and strengthen community systems (education, healthcare, housing, childcare, and others) that help Appalachians obtain a job, stay on the job, and advance along a financially sustaining career pathway.
- ☐ Goal 3: Building Appalachia's Infrastructure: Ensure that the residents and businesses of Appalachia have access to reliable, affordable, and resilient utilities and infrastructure in order to successfully live and work in the region.
- ☐ Goal 4: Building Regional Culture and Tourism: Strengthen Appalachia's community and economic development potential by preserving and investing in the region's local, cultural heritage, and natural assets.
- ☐ Goal 5: Building Community Leaders and Capacity: Invest in the capacity of local leaders, organizations, and communities to address local challenges by providing technical assistance and support to access resources, engage partners, identify strategies and tactics, and conduct effective planning and project execution.
- ☐ NA

39. Please briefly explain how your Local Government aligns with the investment priority(s) selected above. If not applicable, please enter, "NA" *

40. Does your Local Government currently track impact or performance measures? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

41. If yes, please briefly explain your system for tracking impact or performance measures. *

42. Please briefly share your impact or performance measures from last fiscal year (e.g., 100 Households served/improved, 50 Businesses served/improved, 2 Communities served/improved). *

Participant Information

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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

The **READY Local Governments Training Program** is scheduled to run September 2026 to December 2026.

What days and times of the week are both participants within your organization **AVAILABLE** to attend a three-hour virtual class?

- Group A will meet virtually from 9am to 12pm ET on September 29 (ends at 12:15pm), October 6, October 13, October 27, November 3, November 10 and December 1
- Group B will meet virtually from 1pm to 4pm ET on October 8 (ends at 4:15pm), October 15, October 22, November 5, November 12, November 19 and December 10

*Availability shared does not preclude participation or impact eligibility in the training program

**Every attempt will be made to provide participating Local Governments with their preferred meeting day and time but it is not guaranteed.

Please select **AVAILABLE dates and times:** *

- ☐ Group A: Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET
- ☐ Group B: Thursdays, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. ET
- ☐ No preference, either Group A or Group B

49. Primary Participant Information (A staff member or elected official who works or will work on grant applications and/or management on behalf of the municipality)

Organizational Position/Title *

First Name *

Last Name *

Email Address *

Phone Number *

☒ US/Canada ☐ Other Country

Example: 402-555-1212



Submission Confirmation

Please upload a letter from your municipality’s highest-ranking official (e.g. Mayor, County Commissioner, City Manager, etc.) confirming the municipality’s intent to participate in the program and commitment to the attendance and participation requirements as described in the NOSA. *

(none) **UPLOAD**

ADD ATTACHMENT

Add Attachment

Upload a file

Choose File

READY Local Governments Application FAQs.docx

Display Name

Reader-friendly file display name

If left blank, this display name will be generated based on your file name. It is recommended that you set this name manually as many file names do not clearly indicate what the file contains.

ADD ATTACHMENT

CANCEL

Form Submitters Attachments

UPLOAD ATTACHMENT

NAME	CREATED DATE
No Data	

Signature and Agreement

Once the application is submitted, **no further changes can be made**. All submissions are **final**.

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SIGNATURE & AGREEMENT

First Name of Submitter *

Last Name of Submitter *

Email Address of Submitter *

Position *

Please upload a letter from your municipality's highest-ranking official (e.g. Mayor, County Commissioner, City Manager, etc.) confirming the municipality's intent to participate in the program and commitment to the attendance and participation requirements as described in the NOSA. *

(none)

UPLOAD

Agreement *

By selecting yes, you are verifying the accuracy of the application information to the best of your knowledge. If selected to participate in the READY Local Governments Training Program, the applying entity agrees to participate in assessment activities including but not limited to follow-up surveys to determine program impact. I understand submitted applications are considered final.

☐ Yes

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SUBMIT

Submission Confirmation



YOU HAVE SUBMITTED THE ARC READY *LOCAL GOVERNMENTS* TRAINING PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM. A PDF VERSION OF YOUR APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE TO PRINT FROM THE SUBMITTER PORTAL.

APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED IF THEY HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR THE PROGRAM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7-11, 2026. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE EMAIL READYLG@YOURSTRATEGICCONSULTANT.COM.

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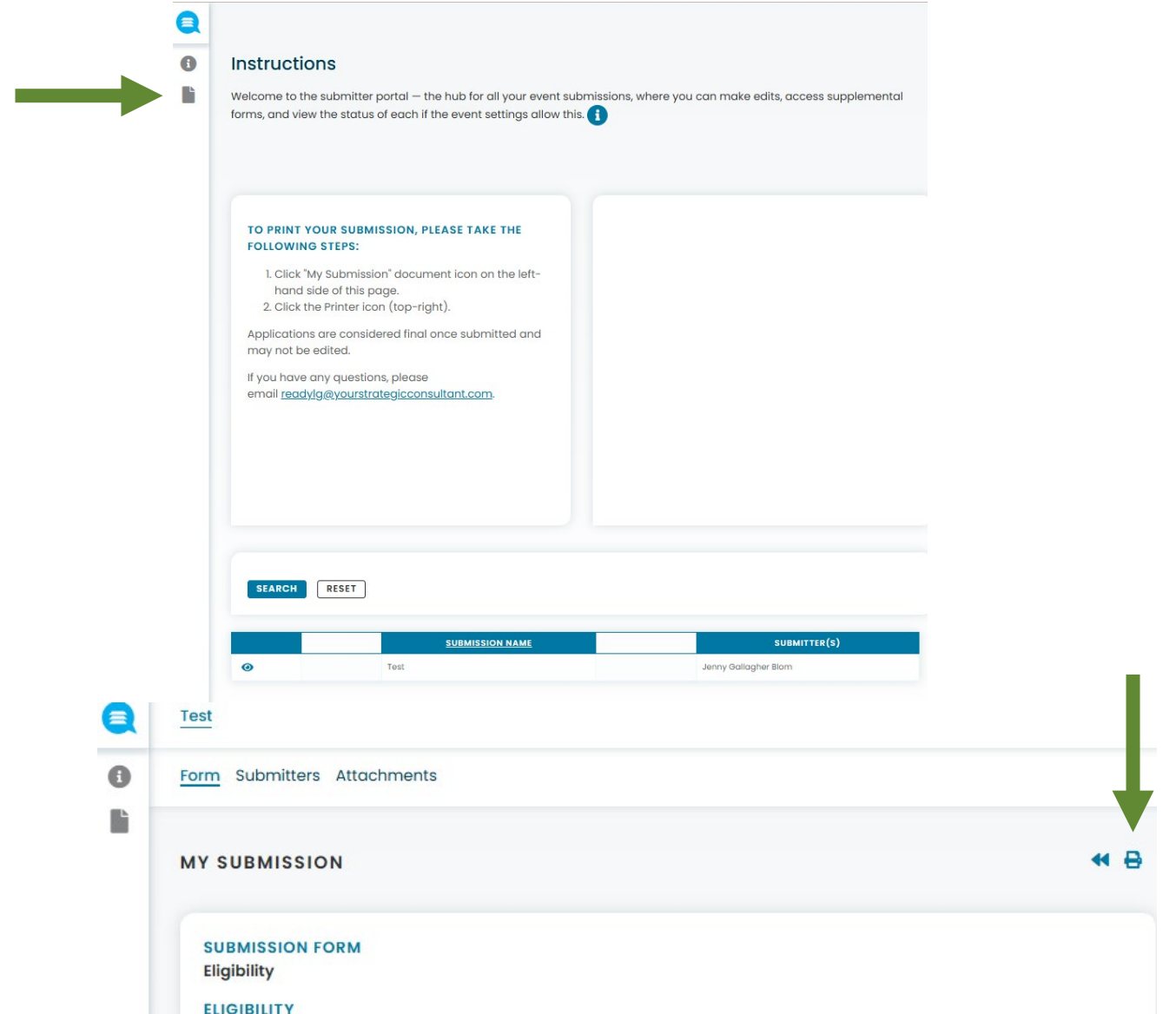
Dear Jenny Gallagher Blom,

You have successfully submitted the *ARC READY Local Governments* Training Program application form. You may print your submitted application via the Submitter Portal using the printer icon at the top right. Please note, submitted applications are considered final and editing is not permitted.

Applicant notifications will occur the week of September 7-11, 2026. If you have any questions, please email READYLG@yourstrategicconsultant.com.

Thank you.

Obtaining a Copy of your Submission



Instructions

Welcome to the submitter portal — the hub for all your event submissions, where you can make edits, access supplemental forms, and view the status of each if the event settings allow this. 

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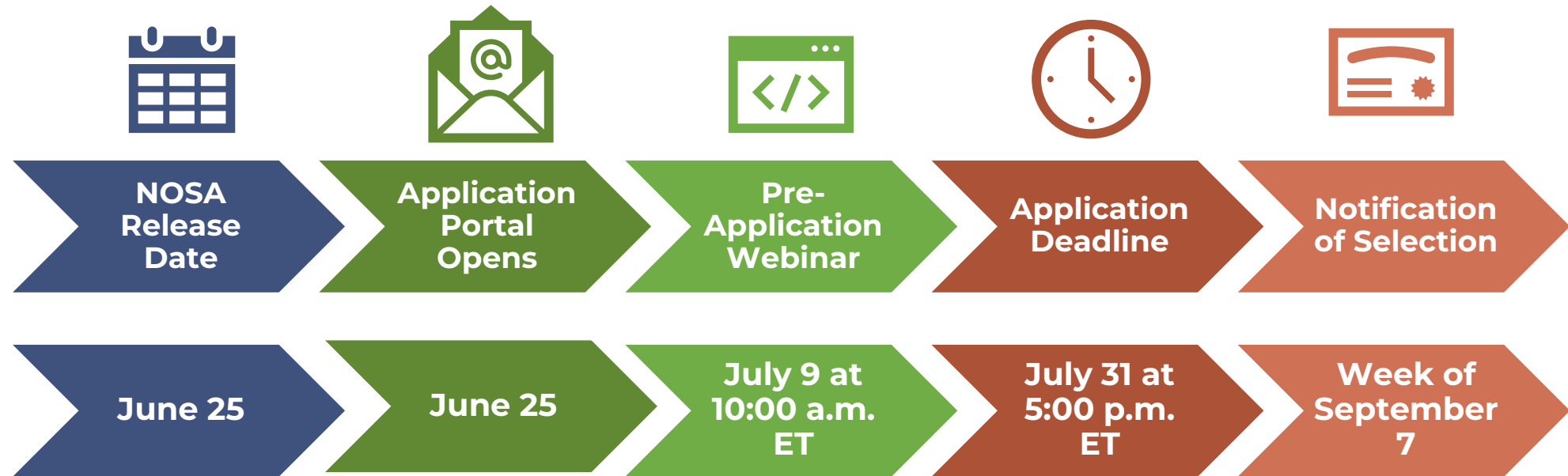
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Deadlines & Important Dates

Timeline of Application Process



Training Program Dates: *READY Local Governments* will be offered in two group options:

Group A: September 29 - December 1, 2026

Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ET

Group B: October 8 - December 10, 2026

Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET



Questions?

Have additional questions?

Scan QR Code to learn more and find a list of FAQs once available.



Contact us: READYLG@yourstrategicconsultant.com

Reminder: Within the week following the event, you will receive an email with a link to the recording and a PDF version of this presentation.

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