



CHAPTER VIII. INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

The County has worked extensively with the other governmental entities in Carroll County, especially during the development of this Plan. The County recognizes that the ultimate success of this Plan depends on intergovernmental coordination.

Existing coordination mechanisms between the County and other local governments, special districts, and authorities are described throughout this Plan. Specific discussions of coordination methods may be found in the following elements:

- Coordination of utilities with local governments and service providers – Chapter VI, Community Facilities and Services Element;
- Coordination with local school boards – Chapter VI, Community Facilities and Services Element;
- Coordination of Urban Growth Areas with local governments and development authorities – Chapter VIII, Land Use Element;
- Inter-governmental Agreements – Chapter X, Plan Implementation.

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is a federal-state partnership that works with the people of Appalachia to create opportunities for self-sustaining economic development and improved quality of life. The ARC was established in 1965 by the Appalachian Regional Development Act (ARDA) to promote economic and community development of the Appalachian Region. The Region includes an area of 200,000 square miles and about 22.9 million people. **Carroll County** is at the southern end of the ARC region in the State of Georgia.

For almost 40 years, the Commission has assisted a wide range of programs in the Region in areas such as highway construction; development of community water and sewer facilities, telecommunications, and other physical infrastructure; health, education, and human resource development; economic development; and local capacity building and leadership development. The ARC has funded thirty-seven projects in Carroll County since its inception, awarding over \$6 million in grants. **Exhibit 122** lists those projects funded since 1980.

**Exhibit 122: ARC Grants in Carroll County (1980 – 2003)**

Year	Project	Grant Amount
1980	Carroll County Vocational High School	\$650,000
1980	Study of Skills and Training Programs, Carroll County	\$18,000
1981	Carroll County Prenatal Services	\$75,000
1981	Bowdon Junction Family Day Care	\$50,235
1981	Airport Extension Project, West Georgia Regional Airport	\$100,000
1982	Bowdon Junction Family Day Care	\$36,934
1982	McIntosh Reserve Tourism Development Project	\$65,000
1982	Mt. Zion Medical Center	\$56,717
1983	Breman/Bowdon Industrial Child Care Program	\$181,160
1988	Villa Rica Water Project	\$120,500
1996	Villa Rica Sewer System Improvements	\$300,000
2003	Burson Center for Business Development	\$250,000

Source: Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center.

In addition to these mechanisms, the County has negotiated a Service Delivery Strategy with its local governments.