# Georgia Environmental Finance Authority Affordability Criteria

GEFA's affordability criteria uses data on median household income, unemployment rate, percentage not in labor force, poverty rate, percentage on Social Security, percentage on Supplemental Security Income (SSI), percentage with cash public assistance, percentage with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), age dependency ratio, and population trend from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2019 American Community Survey. The borrower's data is categorized in percentiles. GEFA will award principal forgiveness to Georgia's most disadvantaged communities.

#### 1. Median Household Income (MHI)

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(4 points)	(3 points)	(2 points)	(1 point)
MHI	\$32,699	\$42,444	\$54,555	\$54,556 and higher

#### 2. Unemployment Percent

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Unemployment Percent	2.0%	3.1%	4.6%	4.7% and higher

#### 3. Percentage Not in Labor Force

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Percentage Not in Labor Force	36.9%	43.5%	50.3%	50.4% and higher

#### 4. Poverty Rate

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Poverty Rate	12.3%	20.0%	27.4%	27.5% and higher

#### 5. Percentage on Social Security

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Percentage on Social Security	29.2%	36.1%	43.3%	43.4% and higher

## 6. Percentage on SSI

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Percentage on SSI	3.9%	6.8%	10.4%	10.5% and higher

## 7. Percentage with Cash Public Assistance

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Percentage with Cash Public Assistance	0.2%	1.3%	2.3%	2.4% and higher

## 8. Percentage with SNAP

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Percentage with SNAP	10.8%	18.8%	25.2%	25.3% and higher

#### 9. Age Dependency Ratio

State Percentiles	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	100th Percentile
	(1 point)	(2 points)	(3 points)	(4 points)
Age Dependency Ratio	58.6	67.4	77.3	77.4 and higher

#### 10. Population Trend

The following will be the categories used for determining scoring for change in population from 2011 to 2019.

- Positive growth or no growth (1 point)
- Between -0.01% to -1% (2 points)
- Between -1.01% and -2% (3 points)
- Greater than -2% (4 points)

# **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**

# 2021 Principal Forgiveness Methodology

Affordability	Percent of Project Cost Eligible	Principal Forgiveness Cap
Score	for Principal Forgiveness	
Score of 37	55%	\$1,300,000
Score of 32 - 36	50%	\$1,100,000
Score of 30 - 31	45%	\$900,000
Score of 27 - 29	40%	\$700,000

## **Clean Water State Revolving Fund**

# 2021 Principal Forgiveness Methodology

Affordability	Percent of Project Cost Eligible	Principal Forgiveness Cap
Score	for Principal Forgiveness	
Score of 35 - 37	60%	\$1,300,000
Score of 32 - 34	50%	\$1,100,000
Score of 30 - 31	45%	\$900,000