Quasi-Public Introduction

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Quasi–Public

Quasi–Public are those individuals who serve as a bridge between the public and private sectors. There are two types of quasi–Public agencies. One is funded by private dollars for the public good. Examples of these are the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and other types of organizations. These agencies were dealt with in the first section under the public sector. Another type of quasi–Public agency is that which is funded by public dollars and is meant to stimulate business in the private sector. The public sector benefits from this type of arrangement by the generation of additional revenue and growth within the community. An example of this type of development is convention and visitors bureaus. Usually, the normal pattern for this type of activity is the submitting of bids to national organizations and the selection of a community in which to hold the conference. The conventioneers, when they visit an area, pump dollars into the local economy in terms of food, lodging, entertainment and essential services. These dollars roll over in the community and increase the economic base. This is an example of a public effort to stimulate economic development.