USDA Rural Development’s Mission

• We are committed to helping improve the economy and quality of life in rural America

• More than 40 programs to assist rural Kansans
  • Business Programs
  • Community Programs
  • Housing Programs
  • Utilities Programs
In Fiscal Year 2021, USDA Rural Development invested $118.6 million in Rural Kansas

- 62 rural Kansas businesses received a total of $5.4 million in financing
- 1,572 families or individuals received a total of $196.4 million in financing to buy or repair a home in rural Kansas
- 33 rural Kansas community projects received a total of $27.8 million in financing
- 24 rural Kansas communities received a total of $50.9 million in financing to improve water/sewer infrastructure
Community Facilities – Program Purpose

• Enhance or improve essential community services and/or facilities
  • Public Safety
  • Public Service
  • Health Care

• Eligible Areas:
  • Rural areas with a population of 20,000 or less

• Eligible Applicants
  • Public Bodies – County, City, Special Purpose District
  • Not-for-Profit Organizations
  • Federally recognized Indian Tribes
Community Facilities – Eligible Projects

Health Care
- Hospital/Medical Clinic/Dental Clinic
- Medical Equipment
- Nursing Home/Assisted Living

Public Safety
- Fire Station/Fire and Rescue Equipment
- Ambulance
- Police Equipment

Public Service
- Storm Siren/Shelter
- Library/Museum
- Schools/Cafeteria

Public Facilities
- Courthouses
- Street Improvements
- Community Centers

Community Support
- Child care centers
- Fairgrounds
- Food Pantry/Farmers Market
Community Facilities – Funding Options

• Direct Loan – USDA Rural Development makes and services the loan
• Guaranteed Loan – Bank makes the loan, USDA Rural Development guarantees the loan up to 80%
• Grants – Can be grant only or offered in conjunction with loans

In the Last Three Years, 131 Projects have been Funded in Kansas

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Note: No Application Fee to submit an application and applications are accepted year round
Community Facilities Application Process

• Application is a two-stage process:
  • Preapplication
  • Application (builds on the preapplication)

• Applications are accepted year-round, and once completed are considered for funding

• Applicants compete within Kansas for funding
Community Facilities Application Navigation Chart

**Construction Project**

- Application conference
- Public notice of project
- Select professional services:
  - Architect and/or engineer
  - Legal representation
- Provide RD professional architectural and/or engineer report for project
- Complete environmental review process
- Engage CPA’s or other certified financial firm to prepare financial feasibility report

**Equipment Project**

- Application conference
- Public notice of project
- Select professional services:
  - Legal representation
- Provide RD with scope of project, need for project, estimated cost
  - Can use RD form
- Complete environmental review process
- Financial Feasibility Analysis
  - Can be prepared by borrower or qualified consultant
Community Facilities Project

Through the USDA Community Facilities Program, Chase County received a $1.213 million loan to renovate the Chase County Courthouse.
Riley County Rural Fire District #1 received a $650,000 Community Facilities Loan to build a new fire station.
Community Healthcare Systems received $17.59 million Community Facilities Direct Loan and $2 million USDA Rural Economic Development Loan to build a new hospital in Onaga.
USDA Funding Partners

- Kansas Department of Commerce
  - Community Service Program Tax Credits
  - Community Development Block Grant
- Kansas Department of Transportation
- FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency
- KDEM – Kansas Division of Emergency Management
- Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Lenders/Bankers – Guaranteed Loans
- Other USDA Rural Development Programs
- Other Federal programs such as HUD, EPA, etc.
- Foundations
- Others
Water & Environmental Program

- Water Projects
  - Distribution
  - Treatment

- Wastewater Projects
  - Collection
  - Treatment

- Storm Water Projects

- Solid Waste Projects
Water & Environmental Program

• Program Information
  • Population of 10,000 or less
  • Up to 40-year term or life of the facility
  • Applications taken year around

• Eligible Entities
  • Public Bodies
  • Special Purpose Districts
  • Federally Recognized Native American Tribes
  • Non Profit Organizations
Water & Environmental Programs – Funding Options

- Direct Loan – USDA Rural Development makes the loan and services the loan
- Guaranteed Loan – Bank makes the loan; USDA Rural Development guarantees the loan up to 80%
- Grants – May be combined with a loan if necessary, to keep user costs reasonable

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Water & Environmental Project

Lyon County Rural Water District #1 received $1.871 million loan to replace the water lines in the community of Americus.
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