



Nebraska USDA Rural Development

Briefing for the Nebraska League of Municipalities

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Rural Development in Brief


Rural America's Partner in Prosperity


USDA Rural Development is the lead Federal agency helping rural communities grow and prosper. We increase economic development and improve the quality of life in rural places and small towns.


We provide loans, grants and technical assistance to build critical infrastructure like broadband, water systems and hospitals. Our programs expand access to e-connectivity, electric and transportation infrastructure, support business growth, as well as healthcare, education, housing, and other community essentials.

We stand ready to be your partner in prosperity for rural America. Contact us today to learn more and connect with the local USDA Rural Development team that serves your area:

Contact the USDA Rural Development Office in your community to learn more

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WE HAVE MORE THAN 40 PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT RURAL AMERICA.



Telecommunications Programs



Electric Programs



Community Facilities Programs



Water and Environmental Programs



Business and Cooperative Programs



Single-Family Housing Programs



Multi-Family Housing Programs

Nebraska Statewide Investments

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Program	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	2021 YTD*
Single Family Housing	\$105,126,821	\$101,751,525	\$128,275,608	\$138,812,514
Multifamily Housing	\$8,207,595	\$9,244,965	\$9,496,992	\$8,296,418
Community Facilities Programs	\$29,291,574	\$30,593,304	\$12,706,057	\$35,012,791
Water & Environmental Programs	\$17,980,363	\$6,147,800	\$11,203,128	\$12,628,000
Business-Cooperative Programs	\$10,638,489	\$15,426,258	\$40,763,981	\$22,973,001
Electric Programs	---	\$9,100,000	\$8,218,000	---
Telecommunications Programs	\$1,861,723	\$500,000	\$5,734,822	\$516,922
Fiscal year subtotals:	\$173,106,565	\$427,230,262	\$216,398,588	\$218,239,646

USDA Rural Development Priorities





Housing



Community



Business

Community Facilities

- Hospitals, health clinics
- Schools
- Daycares
- Fire houses, first responder vehicles and equipment
- Community centers and more.
- Population < 20,000
- <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities>



City of Neligh Police Car Computers and Radios

- City Of Neligh – Police Department
- Police Car Computers & Radios
- Funded in 2020-Completed in 2021
- Community Facilities Grant Program - \$38,200 grant
- Brought City in compliance with a recent Nebraska Supreme Court revised rule amendment for citations.
 - Mandatory transition from paper to electronic citations unless prior approval was granted by State Court Administrator.





Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants

- Improve infrastructure
- Support public health and safety or
- Promote economic development.
- Population < 10,000
- <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs>

Village of Cook Water Tower Repair



- Village of Cook
- Water Tower Repair Project
- Funded and Completed in 2014
- Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant - \$134,490
- Repaired a leaking water tower that had to be taken offline for a time.
 - Before that, the Village was experiencing a significant decline in their quantity of water.

Additional Opportunities: Housing

- **SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING**

- Loans: Single Family Housing Home Purchase Loans
 - No down payment
 - 100% affordable fixed rate financing
 - Closing costs and repairs may be included
 - Income guidelines apply
- Grants: Housing Preservation
 - Grants help rural residents repair, improve, or modernize their homes
 - Up to \$10,000 for health and safety repairs
 - Available to low income seniors

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-programs>

Additional Opportunities: Business

- **BUSINESS PROGRAMS**

- Value Added Producer Grants:
 - The Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG) program helps agricultural producers enter into value-added activities related to the processing and marketing of new products. The goals of this program are to generate new products, create and expand marketing opportunities and increase producer income.
- Business and Industry Loan Guarantees:
 - This program offers loan guarantees to lenders for their loans to rural businesses.
- Energy Programs:
 - Our programs, authorized by the Agricultural Act of 2014, offer funding to complete energy audits, provide renewable energy development assistance, make energy efficiency improvements and install renewable energy systems.
- Rural Business Development Grants:
 - This program is designed to provide technical assistance and training for small rural businesses. Small means that the business has fewer than 50 new workers and less than \$1 million in gross revenue.
- MORE!! <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs>

Questions?

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