Community Facilities

Direct Loans

Guaranteed Loans

Grant Programs
Where?

*Eligible Rural Areas*

Cities, towns, and census designated places (CDPs) with populations of **20,000 or less** according to the latest decennial census of the United States.

No limitation on population in unincorporated rural areas except in CDPs.
Eligible Rural Areas

• Projects must **primarily** serve and benefit rural residents and communities.

• At least 51% of population served must be in an eligible rural area.
What Is An Essential Community Facility?

- Provides an essential service to the local community.
- Must be a public improvement needed for the orderly development of a rural community.
What Is An Essential Community Facility?

• The facility is the physical structure and the service to be provided.
Who Is Eligible To Participate?

Eligible Applicants

• Public Bodies
• Nonprofit Organizations
• Indian Tribes
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• A function/service typically provided by a local unit of government

• Operated on a non-profit basis

• Within the jurisdiction of the applicant
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An Eligible Facility Must Be:

- Able to demonstrate significant community support.

- Provide resolution or letter of support from affected local government(s) to indicate that:
  - Service is needed
  - Facility will not adversely impact other facilities providing similar services

- This is NOT a requirement for financial support
Eligible Applicants

Public Bodies

Such as:

– municipality
– county
– district
– authority, or,
– other political subdivision of a state
Eligible Applicants

Nonprofit Organizations

• An organization operated on a not-for-profit basis, such as an association, cooperative, or private corporation.

• Need to provide organizational documents to demonstrate nonprofit status.
Eligible Nonprofit Corporations

• Must have **significant ties** to local community
  
  – To ensure that a facility under private control will carry out a public purpose

  – Facility will continue to primarily serve rural areas
Evidence of Significant Ties

Three ways to demonstrate significant ties:

1. Close association with, or controlled by a local unit of government
2. Broadly-based ownership and controlled by members of the community
3. Substantial public funding
CF Direct Loans

- Up to 40 years for construction projects
- Feasibility Study required for most projects
- Current CF Market interest rate is 3.375%
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Percentage of Dollars Obligated Since FY 1974

- Health Care: 49%
- Fire/P. Safety: 22%
- Educ/Cultural: 08%
- Public Service: 14%
- Other: 7%
Healthcare

- Hospitals:
  - General
  - Surgical
  - Outpatient
  - Psychiatric
  - Specialty
  - Emergency rooms
Healthcare

• Clinics
  – Emergency
  – Outpatient
  – Physician’s
  – Dental
  – Dialysis
  – Rehabilitation
  – Mobile, etc.
USDA Rural Development & Health and Human Services Partnership

- Partnership between RD (USDA), Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (HHS), and Health Resources and Services Administration (HHS)

- Increase the availability of capital for healthcare facilities and health IT

- Focus will primarily be on the potential for RD programs to support rural health providers
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