



United States Department of Agriculture
Rural Development

A group of approximately 15 people, including men and women of various ages, are lined up outdoors. They are all wearing white hard hats and holding shovels, suggesting they are participating in a community or agricultural project. The background shows green trees and a grassy area.

USDA Rural Development California Water & Environmental Programs

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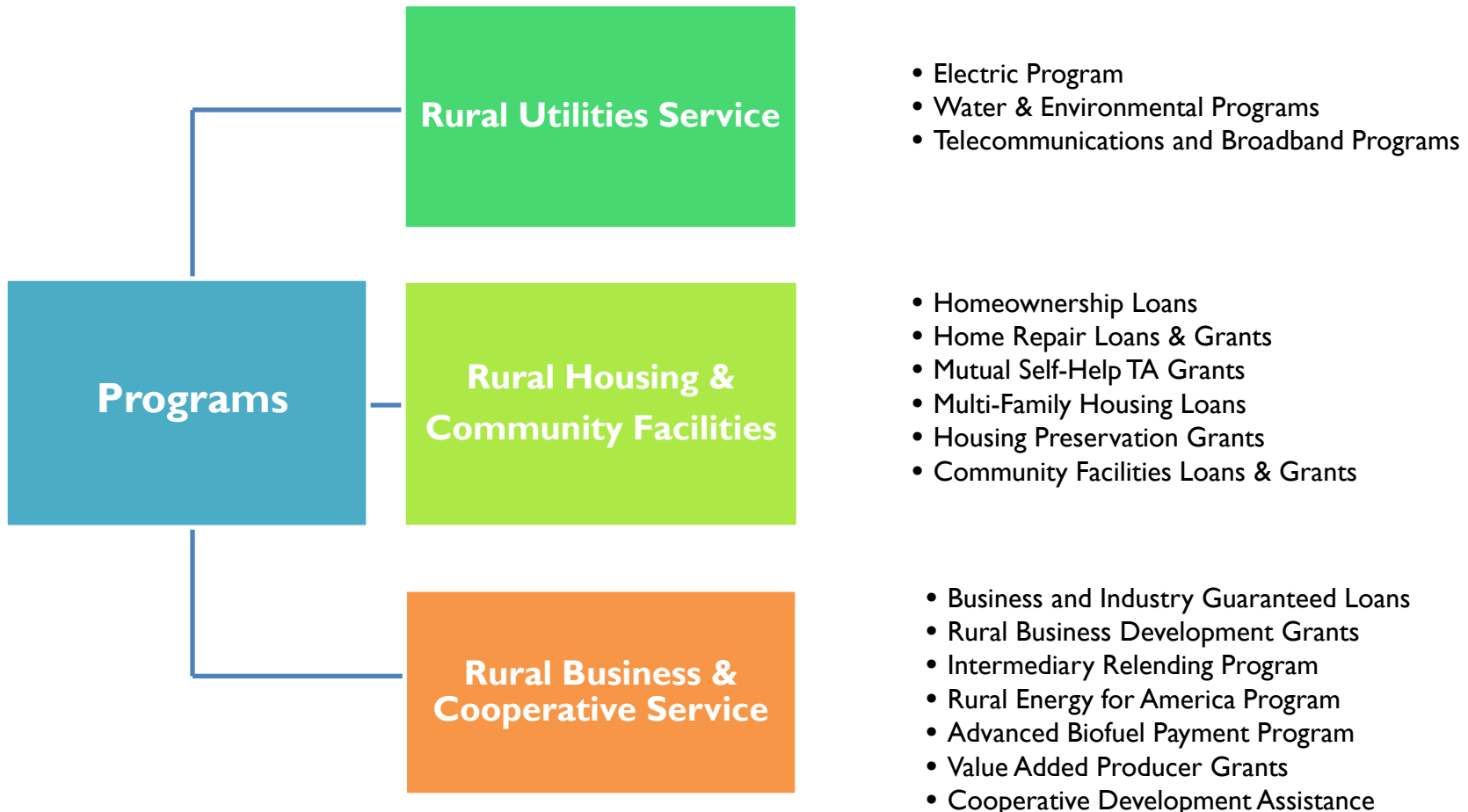
What do we do?



We are a federal agency that makes loans and grants to protect and preserve the livelihood of rural communities across the United States.



Rural Development Programs





Total Funding in FY2014: \$973 Million





Water and Environmental Programs

- Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant
- Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants
- Colonia Grants
- Native American Grants



Funding Opportunities

- Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program
 - Low interest rates extend for up to 40 year loans
 - Currently 2.125% - 3.5%
 - Grants are up to 75% of project cost



Funding Opportunities

- Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG)
 - Grants may cover 100% of project costs
 - Two levels of funding:
 - Under \$150,000: water line repairs, maintenance, extensions and connections
 - Under \$500,000: new water source or treatment plant construction
 - Both must be caused by an emergency



Funding Opportunities

- 306C Colonia Grants
 - Tribe (or other eligible entity) must be located in Imperial, San Diego, or southern Riverside County
 - \$3,000,000 is available for California



Funding Opportunities

- Native American 306C Grant
 - Per capita income must be $\leq \$18,590$
 - Unemployment rate must be $\geq 9\%$
 - \$2,000,000 maximum per project in FY14
 - Approx. \$19,500,000 nationally available FY14



Community Facilities Program

- Direct & Guaranteed Loans, Grants
- Rural Community Development Initiative
- Rates & Terms: Useful life or 40 years
- Population 20,000 or less
- Applications accepted all year





Eligible Areas



Applicants must be in or outside a city, town or census-designated place with populations under 10,000 for Water Programs and 20,000 for Community Facilities.



Eligible Applicants

- Nonprofit Organizations that are broadly based and have significant community support
- Federally recognized Native American Tribes
- Public Bodies – including cities, counties and special districts
- Mutual Water Companies



Eligible Purposes

- Construction
- Acquire Land and Rights
- Legal and Engineering/Architectural Fees
- Connection Fees



Rates and Terms

- Interest Rates
 - Established on a quarterly basis
 - Based on nonmetropolitan median household income
 - Poverty Rate: Below \$53,306 and the project corrects health or sanitary violations for water programs
 - Intermediate Rate: \$50,307 - \$62,883
 - Market Rate: Above \$62,883
- Terms
 - Useful life of the facility OR 40 years

Application Process

- Build community support
- Initial Meeting with USDA
- Pre-Application
- Full Application
- Letter of Conditions
- Obligate Funding
- Disbursement after loan/grant closing or start of construction





Funding Cycle

- Federal Fiscal Year: October 1st —
September 30th
- Applications are accepted all year
- Best time to apply: early in the Fiscal Year



Case Studies

WATER & ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS



San Antonio Del Desierto (St. Anthony's)- CVWD



Colonia Grant	\$2,540,600
CVWD	\$ 280,052
IRWM	\$ 740,000
Total	\$3,560,652



Santa Margarita-Garden Farms Intertie



IRWM	\$1,542,970
ECWAG Grant	\$367,000
Applicant	\$ 5,030
Total	\$2,048,000

Community Programs



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