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USDA Seeks Applications to Support Technical Assistance and Improve Rural Transportation Systems

WASHINGTON, April 1, 2021 – U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development Justin Maxson today announced that USDA is accepting applications for grants to improve rural transportation systems.

USDA is making the grants available under the [Rural Business Development Grant](#) program. Eligible applicants are organizations seeking to provide rural communities with training and technical assistance to improve transportation services and facilities. USDA does not provide funding directly to individuals under this program.

Applications will be scored, reviewed, and selected on a competitive basis. Applications must be submitted to the applicant's [nearest USDA office](#) by June 30, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. local time. Additional information is available on page 17112 of the April 1, 2021, [Federal Register](#).

Applicants are encouraged to consider projects that provide measurable results in helping rural communities build robust and sustainable economies through strategic investments in infrastructure, partnerships, and innovation.

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