

## **Stakeholder Announcement**

## USDA Announces the Availability of Funding for Farm Labor Housing

(Jan. 13, 2016) – Agriculture Under Secretary for Rural Development (RD) Lisa Mensah today announced that the Rural Housing Service (RHS) is soliciting applications for Section 514 Farm Labor Housing (FLH) loans and Section 516 FLH grants to construct new off-farm projects and acquire and rehabilitate non-RD off-farm projects for domestic farm laborers.

The purpose of these loans and grants is to increase the number of available housing units for domestic farm laborers. RHS will publish the amount of funding available for FY 2016 on its Web site: <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/farm-labor-housing-direct-loans-grants">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/farm-labor-housing-direct-loans-grants</a>

Applications are due April 12, 2016.

Applicants must contact the Rural Development (RD) State Office serving the state of the proposed project. Addresses and contact information for each RD State Office may be found on the web at: <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices">http://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices</a>

Additional details on how to apply for this funding can be found on page 1611 of the January 13, 2016 *Federal Register*.

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