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## **GROWTH AND EXPANSION PLANNED THROUGH USDA DOLLARS**

**Kearney, Neb., Feb. 27-**Maschka Building Center, L.L.C. is the recipient of loan funds from the USDA Rural Development to assist in the future growth and expansion of the Building Center located in Arcadia, NE. John and Jane Maschka, owners and operators of Maschka's Building Center for over seven years, secured the financing through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Business and Industry Direct Loan program.

The USDA loan will assist the Maschka's in meeting the future development plans for their business. Presently the Building Center employs 4.5 employees, but thanks to the recent USDA funding, this figure is likely to increase. In an area of Nebraska that is geared primarily to agriculture and has suffered from out migration, the Building Center is a key employer to this rural community. Located on Main Street in downtown Arcadia, the Building Center offers the community's 385 residents an array of lumber and hardware products.

The USDA Rural Development Business and Industry Direct Loan program provides loans to businesses to benefit rural areas. The program's primary purpose is to create and maintain employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities. This is achieved by making and servicing quality loans to provide lasting community benefits.

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