



Rural Development – Oregon

Community Programs

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USDA Rural Development's Community Facility Programs

USDA Rural Development delivers a variety of assistance to rural communities, non-profit and faith based organizations and tribes. All programs work in financial partnership with local economic development organizations – banks and lenders, economic development groups, local revolving loan funds, universities, cities, counties, tribes, and utility cooperatives.

USDA Program	Total Funds Available FY2009	Purpose (What is the program's goal?)	Program Type (How does it work?)	Eligible Applicants (Who can apply?)	Eligible Areas (What is rural?)	Authorized Purposes (What can funds be used for?)	Typical Amount of Assistance	Rates & Terms (rates subject to change)	Key to Success	When to Apply
Community Facility Loan Guarantee	\$206.4 MM (\$2,320 M Oregon allocation)	Improve, develop, or finance essential community facilities	USDA guarantees up to 90% of the loan for essential community facilities made by rural lenders. A 1% loan Guarantee fee applies	Banks and other lenders who make loans to rural communities and non-profit or faith based organizations	Areas outside the urbanized edge of cities of >20,000 population, and any rural community under 20,000	Critical Access Hospitals and other health services, fire and rescue, public safety, recreational facilities and other essential community facilities benefiting rural residents.	no limit but loans are usually under \$20 MM	Negotiated by applicant & lender. Fixed or variable rates, typically near Prime rate, Up to 40 years (No balloon) to repay	<u>Lender-driven</u> : there must be a bank willing to make the loan. (USDA only guarantees the loan.) May be combined with a direct loan or grant.	Year round
Community Facility Direct Loan Program	\$295 MM (\$4,039 M Oregon allocation)	Improve, develop, or finance essential community facilities	USDA RD makes a direct loan to an eligible applicant	Public body (e.g., cities, towns, districts, authority, state), Nonprofit, or Federally Recognized Indian tribes	Population must be under 20,000	Health services, fire and rescue, public safety, recreational facilities and other essential facilities benefiting rural residents	Up to \$5 MM; but may depend upon demand	Fixed at time of closing, usually about 4.5% Terms to 40 years	Priority given to Critical Access Hospitals and other Health Services; Public Safety; Child Care and Day Care, May be combined w/ Loan Guarantee	Year round.
Community Facility Grant	\$20.4 MM (\$199,310 Oregon allocation)	Assist in development of essential community facility projects in rural areas when necessary to facilitate repayment	USDA makes grants for up to 75% of a project cost. Priority is given to very low income, rural areas. Maximum grant not to exceed 50% of State allocation	Public body(e.g., cities, towns, district, authority, state), Nonprofit, or Federally Recognized Indian tribes	Cities, towns and rural areas under 20,000 population	Fire, rescue, and public safety; health services, and other facilities deemed necessary to beneficial and orderly development of a rural community; including renewable energy	Usually under \$90,000 but may be determined by ability to repay a loan	Grant	Priority is given to Fire, rescue, public safety, and health services and renewable energy.	Year round
Economic Impact Initiative Grant (EII)	\$9.9 MM (\$129,230 Oregon allocation)	Assist in development of essential community facility projects in rural areas	USDA makes grants for up to 75% of a project cost. Priority is given to very low income, very rural areas.	Public body(e.g., cities, towns, district, authority, state), Nonprofit, or Federally Recognized Indian tribes	Cities, towns and rural areas under 20,000 population and with Not employed rates > 19.5%	Fire, rescue, and public safety; health services, and other facilities deemed necessary to beneficial and orderly development of a rural community, including renewable energy	Usually under \$90,000 but actual amount is determined by financial need	Grant	Priority is given to Fire, rescue, public safety, and health services. and renewable energy	Year round
Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)	\$6.3 MM (No separate Oregon allocation) Funds announced annually by NOFA	To develop capacity and ability to conduct housing, community facilities, or community and economic development projects	USDA makes grants to Intermediaries for up to 50% of a project costs. Intermediaries provide financial and technical assistance to recipients.	Private, non-profit, including faith based and community organizations, and public intermediaries, including Federally recognized tribes	Cities, towns and rural areas under 50,000 population	Grants and matching funds are used to fund programs that provide new or expand existing programs to undertake projects in areas of housing, community facilities, or community and economic development	\$50,000 – ≤\$300,000	Grant	Funding is limited, Highest priority projects are areas with populations under 10,000 and with Median Household Incomes below \$30,000	Once-a-year. Annual national competition, announced in Federal Register

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USDA Rural Development's Programs for Water and Environmental Programs

USDA Program	Total Funds Available FY2009	Purpose (What is the program's goal?)	Program Type (How does it work?)	Eligible Applicants (Who can apply?)	Eligible Areas (What is rural?)	Authorized Purposes (What can funds be used for?)	Typical Amount of Assistance	Rates & Terms (rates subject to change)	Key to Success	When to Apply
WWD Loan Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Loan Guarantee	\$857.4 MM Direct Loan \$75 MM Loan Guarantees (\$12.492 M DL \$1.124 M GL Oregon allocation)	To finance water and waste disposal projects in rural areas to financially needy communities	Direct Loan or Loan Guarantee for projects modest in size, design, and cost	Public Bodies (such as municipality, county, district or authority); Non-Profit Organizations, Indian tribes	Incorporated & unincorporated areas with service area populations <10,000	Water, sewer, solid waste or storm wastewater disposal facilities; professional service fees, Interest during construction, Initial Operating costs	\$50 M to \$5 MM	Loan Guarantee - Rate negotiated w/ lender; terms to 40 years; no balloon Direct Loan 4.5% but varies quarterly; terms to 40 years	Comply with NEPA, submit complete Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report early if RD is expected to be a lender in the project	Year around
WWD Grant Water and Waste Disposal Grant	\$430.9180 MM Grant (\$4,221 M Oregon allocation)	To finance water and waste projects in rural areas to financially needy communities	Funds are used to reduce the end user cost of services to that comparable to a similar system; MHI may not exceed \$41,230	Public Bodies (such as municipality, county, district or authority); Non-Profit Organizations, Indian tribes	Incorporated & unincorporated areas with service area populations <10,000	Water, sewer, solid waste or storm wastewater disposal facilities; professional service fees,	\$50 M to \$2 MM	Grant - The grant is typically no more than 30% of the total RD funding; but is evaluated case by case and subject to funds being available	Comply with NEPA, submit complete Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report early if RD is expected to be a lender in the project	Year around
ECWAG Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant	\$13,000 M (No separate Oregon allocation)	Assist rural areas that have a significant decline in water quality or quantity	Priority given to rural areas under 5,000 and MHI below \$37,100	Public Bodies (such as municipality, county, district or authority); Non-Profit Organizations, Indian tribes	Incorporated & unincorporated areas with service area populations <10,000	Water system improvements to alleviate source or distribution problems and restore safe drinking water	\$150,000 distribution; \$500,000 for source	Grant;	Submit PER and ER early; May be used in combination with other funds.	Year round
Sect. 306 C WW Grant Native American	\$16,000 M (No separate Oregon allocation)	To provide water and waste disposal facilities to low income rural communities with a significant health risk	Priority given to rural areas under 5,500 population and less than \$28,161; with 5% or more joint financing	Native American Tribes and service areas.	Rural Area under 10,000 population with per capita income < \$15,110 and >5.875% Unemployed	Construct, enlarge, or otherwise improve community water or sewer disposal systems in which there is a residential component to the system design	\$1,000,000 maximum	Grant	Residential component; leverage with other funds	Year round.
PP Grant Predevelopment Planning Grant	(\$25,000 Oregon allocation)	To assist in developing applications for RD financial assistance	Priority to smallest communities with incomes below \$32,984; and > 50% Non-fed Financing	Public Bodies Non-Profit Organizations, Indian tribes (see above)	Priority to rural area populations under 1,000	Costs associated with developing a complete application for RD loan or grant	\$10,000 - \$15,000	Grant		Year around

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