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TOWN OF ST. JOSEPH TO BUILD NEW CITY HALL USDA Rural Development State Director Clyde Holloway Delivers \$500,357 to Town for Construction

ST. JOSEPH, November 2, 2007 – State Director Clyde Holloway presented \$500,357 in USDA Rural Development loan and grant funds to the Town of St. Joseph to construct a new city hall and convention center in ceremonies today.

“Residents will enjoy more convenient and efficient town services, as well as new meeting space,” said Holloway. “This is an exciting time for St. Joseph, and we are proud to be a part of this project.”

St. Joseph received \$200,000 in loan funds and \$300,357 in grant funds from USDA Rural Development to construct the new city hall.

The loan and grant funds were awarded through USDA Rural Development’s Community Facilities Program. This program offers loans, guaranteed loans, and grants to rural areas and towns up to 20,000 in population to develop essential community facilities—such as the new city hall in St. Joseph.

The new 6,000 square foot city hall will house city hall employees and offer meeting space for town meetings and other functions.

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