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**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TO GET A BOOST FROM USDA**

**Lincoln, Nebraska, March 14-**The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development awarded in mid February, \$100,000 in Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) funds to the city of Elgin. The RBEG funds will establish a revolving loan fund to finance the development and/or expansion of small and emerging private business enterprises located within the city of Elgin and a one-mile radius of the city limits.

Deborah Drbal, business & community programs specialist for USDA Rural Development stated, "The revolving loan funds will assist the city in developing its economic base through the creation of jobs via business expansion opportunities and new business start-ups. The city has already identified three businesses for assistance."

The revolving loan funds are available to eligible for-profit businesses. As the recipient businesses repay their loans, the monies are then relented to other businesses, thus the concept of the revolving loan fund.

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