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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR AZTECA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

DIMITT, TEXAS, September 1, 2004--Bryan Daniel, Texas State Director, USDA Rural Development, today announced that the Azteca Economic Development Corporation was awarded a \$3,700,000 grant and loan through the USDA Rural Development Farm Labor Housing Loan program. Through its support of the sustainable development of communities, USDA Rural Development works to improve the quality of life in rural America.

“USDA Rural Development is very pleased to be able to provide farm labor housing funding for rural Texans,” said Daniel. “It is our goal to ensure rural residents are afforded an opportunity to live in decent housing that meets basic health and safety standards and provides the benefits of energy efficient features.”

The loan and grant received from the USDA Rural Development will be used to rehabilitate the existing labor housing complex. The rehabilitation of the 80 units will consist of 48 one-bedroom units, 8 two-bedroom units, 16 three-bedroom units and 8 four-bedroom units.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Amarillo local office at: 806-468-8600, Ext. 4.

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USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 and includes Business Programs, Housing Programs, and Community Programs. Its mission is to use the resources of USDA to provide an improved quality of life for the nation's rural residents.

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