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## USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT TO HOLD COMMUNITY LEADER CONFERENCE

**COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, May 23, 2005** – Bryan Daniel, State Director for Texas USDA Rural Development, announced today that a Community Leader Conference will be held in College Station, Texas. The conference will bring together community leaders and elected officials to discuss issues that are important to rural communities such as housing, business development, and community facilities.

The conference will be held Wednesday, June 15, 2005, at 1:00 p.m., at the George Bush Presidential Library, 1000 George Bush Drive, College Station, Texas. Civic and economic development leaders and elected officials from Brazoria, Brazos, Burleson, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Grimes, Harris, Houston, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, Orange, Robertson, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, Waller, and Washington Counties are invited. The public is also invited to attend.

“This conference is designed to bring together people who make things happen. They are the people who have the ideas and solutions that can make a difference for their community,” said Daniel. “By providing the resources to these leaders, they can help ensure that jobs, housing and improved community services are available to rural Texans.”

The conference will feature a presentation and discussion of all USDA Rural Development programs. Presentations by the Office of Rural Community Affairs and the Texas Department of Agriculture will also be featured.

Through the numerous programs offered, USDA Rural Development is committed to enhance the quality of life in rural communities by improving the flow of capital to businesses and addressing the essential needs of housing, water, education and health care.

There is no cost to attend. Included in the conference is a complimentary admission to the George Bush Presidential Library. To learn more about the conference or to make reservations to attend, please call USDA Rural Development in Bryan, Texas, at (979) 846-0548, Extension 4.

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