



# RD NEWS FLASH

United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development  
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### **DOES YOUR COMMUNITY OR COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION NEED HELP FUNDING ESSENTIAL FACILITIES? APPLICATIONS FOR USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY FACILITY PROGRAMS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!**

- ◆ **Loans, grants and loan/grant combinations to:**
  - Construct, improve or purchase facilities and/or equipment that provide essential services to a rural community.  
Examples include public safety, health care, cultural, educational and public buildings.
- ◆ **Eligibility:**
  - Rural communities and non-profit organizations that serve communities with a population of 20,000 or less.
  - Grants based on need of project and median household income of community.
  - See grant eligible communities: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/vt/vtnhcfgranteligibility.htm>
- ◆ **Application deadlines:**
  - Grants and Loan/Grant Combos: **January 20, 2009**
  - Loans (long term, low interest/fixed rate): **Accepted anytime!**
  - **Special Disaster Funding May Be Available If You Apply Now!**
  - Projects located in the following Counties are eligible for special grant funding. The project does not have to be related to the disaster. Contact us now for details!
    - **Belknap, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Rockingham, Strafford:** Gregg MacPherson at 603-223-6054 or [Gregg.MacPherson@nh.usda.gov](mailto:Gregg.MacPherson@nh.usda.gov)
    - **Carroll, Coos, Grafton:** Anne Getchell at 603-447-3318 Ext. 5 or [Anne.Getchell@nh.usda.gov](mailto:Anne.Getchell@nh.usda.gov)
- ◆ **Upcoming NH Workshops and Contacts:**
  - **Belknap, Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Rockingham Strafford, Merrimack Counties:** 12/1 Concord Area Office Conference Room; 12/8 Keene; 12/12 Portsmouth. For details and to register, contact Gregg MacPherson at 603-223-6054 or [Gregg.MacPherson@nh.usda.gov](mailto:Gregg.MacPherson@nh.usda.gov)
  - **Carroll, Coos, Grafton Counties:** 12/3 Lancaster; 12/11 Plymouth Senior Center. For details and to register, contact Anne Getchell at 603-447-3318 Ext. 5 or [Anne.Getchell@nh.usda.gov](mailto:Anne.Getchell@nh.usda.gov)
- ◆ **For Detailed Program Information go to** <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>