

## Summary

<b>Type:</b>	Federal
<b>Agency:</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture
<b>CFDA:</b>	10.766
<b>Office:</b>	Rural Development
<b>Multipart Grant:</b>	No
<b>Next Due:</b>	Rolling
<b>Solicitation Date:</b>	Rolling
<b>Match Required:</b>	No
<b>Actual Funds:</b>	Unspecified

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### Summary:

The purpose of this program is to provide affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. Projects supported through this program must demonstrate substantial community support, and facilities must serve the rural area where they are or will be located. Rural areas must have no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census data, which can be found online at [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

For the purposes of this program, an essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial, or business undertakings. Examples of essential community facilities include:

- Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes, or assisted living facilities
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- Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars, or street improvements
- Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds, or transitional housing
- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles, or equipment
- Educational services such as museums, libraries, or private schools
- Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment
- Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs, or greenhouses

Priority will be given to projects that:

- Serve communities with populations of 5,500 or fewer
- Serve low-income communities having a median household income below 80 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income

Funds may be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities; purchase equipment; and pay for related project expenses. Other items that may be included in a loan include reasonable and necessary fees for:

- Legal
- Architectural and/or engineering
- Fiscal advisors
- Environmental
- Archaeological
- Mitigation measures
- Planning
- Establishing or acquiring rights

**Last Updated: June 30, 2021**

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## **Eligibility/Application**

### **Eligibility Notes:**

Eligible applicants are:

- Public bodies
- Community-based nonprofit corporations
- Federally recognized tribes

Facilities supported through this program must serve the rural area where they are or will be located. Rural areas include cities, villages, townships, and towns, including federally recognized tribal lands, with no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census data, which can be found online at [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

Additionally, in order to be eligible, applicants must:

- Have the legal authority to borrow money, obtain security, and repay loans; and to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities
- Be unable to finance projects from their own resources and/or through commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms

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Previous award recipients include:

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- City of Lake Butler (FL)
- Ely Shoshone Tribe (NV)
- La Veta Fire Protection District (CO)
- YMCA of Ottawa (IL)

Refer to the Award file for additional information regarding previous award recipients.

## Eligible Applicants:

Local Government  
Native American Tribe  
Non Profits  
Schools/School Districts  
State Government

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## Application Notes:

Applications are accepted on a **rolling** basis.

To initiate the application process, applicants must contact the appropriate local office listed online at [www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices](http://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices).

Information about application submission and application contents will be provided by the funding agency when the applicant contacts the funding agency.

Refer to the NOFA file for additional application information.

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## Financial

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**Match Required:** No

**Actual Funds:** Unspecified

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## Match Notes:

There are no stated matching requirements for this program.

## Funding Notes:

An unspecified amount of funding is available to support grants and low-interest direct loans through this program. Awards may be provided as combinations of grants and loans. Grant assistance is provided on a graduated scale, with smaller communities with the lowest median household income being eligible for projects with a higher proportion of grant funds. Grant assistance is limited to the following percentages of eligible project costs:

- Maximum of 75 percent if:
    - The project is located in a rural community having a population of 5,000 or fewer
    - The median household income of the service area is below the higher of the poverty line or 60 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income
  - Maximum of 55 percent if:
    - The project is located in a rural community having a population of 12,000 or fewer
    - The median household income of the service area is below the higher of the poverty line or 70 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income
  - Maximum of 35 percent if:
    - The project is located in a rural community having a
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- population of 20,000 or fewer
- The median household income of the service area is below the higher of the poverty line or 80 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income
- Maximum of 15 percent if:
  - The project is located in a rural community having a population of 20,000 or fewer
  - The median household income of the service area is below the higher of the poverty line or 90 percent of the state non-metropolitan median household income

Grant awards will be contingent upon the availability of grant funding.

Funds may be combined with commercial financing to finance projects if all eligibility and feasibility requirements are met.

Loan repayment terms may not be longer than the useful life of the facility, state statutes, the applicant's authority, or a maximum of 40 years, whichever is less. There will be no prepayment penalties. Interest rates will be set by the funding agency and are determined by the median household income of the service area. Once the loan is approved, the interest rate is fixed for the entire term of the loan. Current interest rates can be found online at [www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services](http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services).

No more than 25 percent of the total floor space of the project may be used for an ineligible purpose.

Funding may not be used for:

- Private, commercial, or business undertakings
- Facilities used primarily for recreational purposes
- Leases to ineligible organizations/activities that are not related to and enhance the primary purpose of the loan

- On-site utility systems or buildings in connection with industrial parks
- Television services and facilities
- Electric generation and transmission facilities or telephone systems
- Projects that are not modest in size, type, and design
- Loan and/or grant finder's fees
- Broadband transmission

In June 2021, a total of \$172,516,610 in loan funding and a total of \$12,397,067 in grant funding was provided to support 233 projects through this program. In March 2021, a total of \$264,303,098 in loan funding and a total of \$1,233,900 in grant funding was provided to support 41 projects. In October 2020, a total of \$860,680,437 in loan funding and a total of \$10,477,925 in grant funding was provided to support 256 projects. Refer to the Award file for details.

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## Contact/Files

### Contact:

(See Contact Notes)

### Agency Address:

U.S. Department of Agriculture  
1400 Independence Ave., SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250

### Contact Notes:

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The agency address provided is for reference purposes only.

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## Files:

### Downloadable Pre-Award Files:

NOFA File: US1978\_NOFA\_FY2021.pdf - 89.7 Kb

Other Pre-Award File: US1978\_ProgramGuidance\_FY2021.pdf - 670.4 Kb

### Downloadable Post-Award Files:

Award File: US1978\_Award\_FY2021.pdf - 2.0 Mb

## File Notes:

The NOFA file contains the solicitation for this program. The ProgramGuidance file contains additional program information and loan guidance. The Award file contains information on previous award recipients.

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## Updates

Information regarding awards through this program has been released and appended to the Award file. A brief summary of the

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- July 01, 2021:** awards has been added to the Financial section, and a sample of award recipients has been added to the Eligibility section. Information regarding awards through this program has been released and appended to the Award file. A brief summary of the awards has been added to the Financial section, and a sample of award recipients has been added to the Eligibility section.
- March 29, 2021:** Information regarding awards through this program has been released and appended to the Award file. A brief summary of the awards has been added to the Financial section, and a sample of award recipients has been added to the Eligibility section.
- November 11, 2020:** Information regarding awards through this program has been released and appended to the Award file. A brief summary of the awards has been added to the Financial section, and a sample of award recipients has been added to the Eligibility section.
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## PFA

- Project:** [Buchanan County Health Center Hospital Expansion](#)  
(Click to view PFA, file size: 13.4 Mb)
- Applicant:** People's Memorial Hospital, dba Buchanan County Health Center
- Summary:** The purpose of this program is to provide affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. Buchanan County Health Center requested a loan of \$18,056,000 and provided a match of \$8 million to help renovate the health center in order to accommodate its shift in focus to outpatient services. Funding was requested for a two-year period to expand its parking lot into two larger lots, construct a new clinic area for specialty physicians, and transform the existing specialty clinic space into rooms for minor
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procedures.

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