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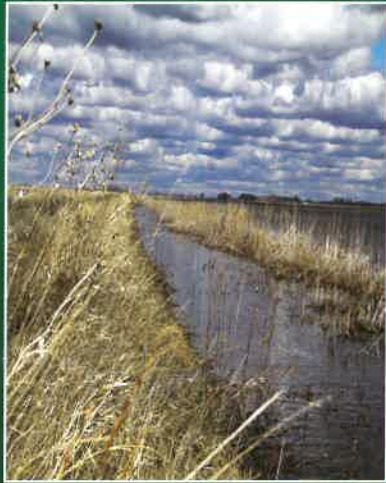
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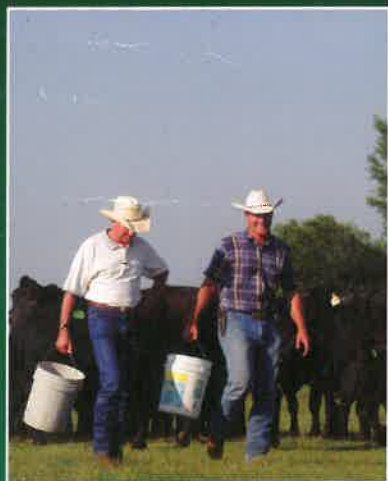


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BUILDING SUSTAINABLE FARMS, RANCHES AND COMMUNITIES



**A GUIDE TO FEDERAL PROGRAMS
for Sustainable Agriculture, Forestry,
Entrepreneurship, Conservation, Food
Systems, and Community Development**



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Grants and Loans Available for Small Rural Communities Through USDA Rural Development

USDA Rural Development's presence in rural America provides opportunities for supporting community and economic development, improving housing options and strengthening local and regional food systems.

Community and Economic Development

The Community Facilities Program provides loans, loan guarantees, and grants for construction, acquisition, or renovation of community facilities and purchase of equipment for those facilities.

The Rural Community Development Initiative provides grants and technical assistance to improve housing and community facilities and undertake community and economic development projects.

Business Development

The Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program provides guarantees on loans made by private lenders to help new and existing businesses in rural areas gain access to affordable capital.

Rural Business Enterprise Grants fund projects that facilitate the development of small and emerging rural businesses and educational programs.

Single Family Housing

Provides homeownership opportunities to low-and moderate-income rural Americans through loan, grant and loan guarantee programs.

Multifamily Housing

USDA Rural Development offers multifamily housing loan and, loan guarantees, grants and rental assistance. Some funds may also be used to buy and improve land and to provide necessary facilities such as water and waste disposal systems.

- Rural Rental Housing Loans support new construction and rehabilitation.
- Guaranteed Rental Housing supports construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation.

Utilities and Energy Efficiency

USDA Rural Development offers a variety of programs to support drinking water, sanitary sewer, solid waste, and storm drainage facilities in rural areas and cities and towns of 10,000 people or less.

- Water and Waste Loans and Grants support the construction or improvement of water and waste disposal systems.
- The Water and Waste Revolving Fund Program establishes lending programs to assist communities with water and wastewater systems.

These are a few of the funding initiatives undertaken by USDA Rural Development. For more information contact **Martenson & Eisele, Inc.** at 920-731-0381.

