REGION OF RESPONSIBILITY

STATE OF HAWAI'I
GUAM
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
AMERICAN SAMOA
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS
THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU
RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Over 40 Grant, Direct and Guaranteed Loan and Technical Assistance Programs **Providing Access to Capital and Credit for Rural Communities**

- Rural Housing Programs
- Community Programs
- Rural Utilities Programs
- Rural Business and Cooperative Programs
- Rural Energy Programs
THE USDA “VERTICAL INTEGRATION”

Collaboration between FSA, NRCS and Rural Development is key

Rural Development Programs are heavier focused on Processing, Distribution and Marketing
RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS
ASSISTING GROWERS AND PROCESSORS

Production

• Business & Industry Guaranteed Loan Program

Processing and Distribution

• Value Added Producer Grant Program
• Rural Energy for America Program
• Business & Industry Guaranteed Loan Program
PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM

60% - 80% Guarantee on Commercial Loans

50% of total project cost or $1 Million, whichever is less, may be used for production with the balance used for processing and distribution.

Value Added activity and not eligible for funding from FSA
(PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION ACTIVITIES)

VALUE ADDED PRODUCERS GRANT

Planning Grants - $100,000 Maximum
  • Feasibility Studies, Business Plans, Marketing Plans

Working Capital Grants - $300,000 Maximum
  • Processing and Marketing, Salary Expenses, Office Supplies

Requires matching fund equal to grant amount
RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

Renewable Energy Systems
- Solar
- Wind
- Hydropower

$500,000 Maximum Grant and 25% Maximum of Total Project Cost

Energy Efficiency Projects
- Lighting
- Refrigeration
- Cooling
- Replacement

$250,000 Maximum Grant and 25% Maximum of Total Project Cost
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY GUARANTEED
LOAN PROGRAM

60% - 80% Guarantee on Commercial Loans

Land Acquisition
Start Up Working Capital
Site Development
Equipment, Machinery, Supplies & Materials
Processing and Distribution Facilities
OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

Rural Business Enterprise Grants

Rural Business Opportunity Grants

Small Socially-Disadvantaged Agricultural Producers

Farm Labor Housing
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“INCREASING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF RURAL COMMUNITIES”