



## Broadband Funding Guide

### Department of Agriculture

<b>Federal Agency</b>	Rural Housing Service - Community Facilities		
<b>Agency Overview</b>	Rural Housing Service offers a variety of programs to build or improve housing and essential community facilities in rural areas. RHS offer loans, grants and loan guarantees for single- and multi-family housing, child care centers, fire and police stations, hospitals, libraries, nursing homes, schools, first responder vehicles and equipment, housing for farm laborers and much more.		
<b>Program Name</b>	Rural Housing Service (RHS) Community Facilities (CF) Direct Loan and Grant Program		
<b>Program Website</b>	<a href="https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program">https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program</a>		
<b>Program Overview</b>	This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. 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.		
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<b>Funding Type</b>	Loan and Grant
<b>FY2018 Funding Amount</b>	\$2,830,000,000
<b>FY2019 Funding Amount</b>	\$2,800,000,000 (Loan) \$30,000,000 (Grant)
<b>FY2020 Funding Amount</b>	\$2,800,000,000 (Loan) \$32,000,000 (Grant)
<b>Additional Information</b>	