

Organization Name: USDA Rural Development



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Interests:

Geographic: Rural Communities of the State of Texas. Contact covers 22 counties of the western part of Texas but can refer non-profits to the contact for other parts of the state.

Deadlines: Various. Some programs are announced in the federal register each year. The notice will provide the amount of funds and deadlines for the program. Other programs do not have a deadline and applications will be accepted year round. To subscribe to the Federal Register Table of Contents LISTSERV electronic mailing list, go to <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USGPOOFR/subscriber/new>

Purpose: All programs fall under 3 main areas: 1) Business, Energy & Cooperative Programs; 2) Rural Housing Programs, or 3) Rural Utilities and Community Programs.

Grant Types: Grants for non-profits are mainly under the Community Facilities program.

Primary Areas: Vehicles and Equipment for health care, public safety, community support services, educational services, and local food systems.

Secondary Areas:

Examples of Past Grantees:

Alpine Public Library Association of Alpine received a \$30,000 Community Facilities Grant. The total project cost was \$55,000 with the applicant providing \$25,000. Funds were used to purchase computer equipment, shelving, and office furniture for the new library.

Sunshine House in Alpine received a \$50,000 Community Facilities Grant in 2018. The total project cost was \$130,000. \$80,000 came from several foundations. Funds were used for furnishings and equipment for the newly remodeled senior citizens facility.

Details

- Does not accept unsolicited proposals
- Accepts Letters of Intent
- Has specific grant guidelines
- Has specific reporting requirements
- Always call before applying
- Issues Requests for Proposals
- Check annual report for details
- Check website for details

How to Apply: Contact any area office of USDA Rural Development which will supply you with the required application forms.

Restrictions: Nonprofits must have significant ties with the local rural community. Such ties are necessary to ensure to the greatest extent possible that a facility under private control will carry out a public purpose and continue to primarily serve rural areas.

Board Chair:

Trustees: Must be controlled by a local public body or broadly based ownership and controlled by members of the community.

Financials *(Derived from 990-PF or other annual report)*

Year for Financials (Date of 990 or 990-PF):

Total Net Assets (Fair Market Value):

Total Number of Grants:

Number of Grants in TX:

Total Grants Awarded in TX:

Highest Grant:

Lowest Grant:

Average Grant Range:

Types of Funding (Please mark with an X)

Funding Type	Definition
<input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvement	Funding for long term needs usually associated with facility; includes construction, acquisition, improvements.
<input type="checkbox"/> Challenge	Conditional grant that requires recipient to raise additional funds on a matching or formula basis usually within a specified period of time; used to help develop a diversified funding base.
<input type="checkbox"/> Contracts for Services	Often used by government. NPO agrees to perform services for the agency and is reimbursed after services are performed.
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Loans/Grants	A one-time grant or loan to help NPO meet short-term funding crisis.
<input type="checkbox"/> Endowment	A gift that is intended for investment purposes, where the principal becomes an asset of the NPO and the interest a source of income. Donors may place restrictions such as principal must remain intact in perpetuity.
<input type="checkbox"/> General Operating	Also referred to as unrestricted grants; used to cover daily expenses or administrative costs.
<input type="checkbox"/> In-Kind Gifts	A donation of goods and services as opposed to cash.
<input type="checkbox"/> Matching	Grant with the requirement that the amount be matched dollar-for-dollar.
<input type="checkbox"/> Project/Program Support	A grant to support a specific project or program; money is restricted for this purpose
<input type="checkbox"/> Research	Grant to support the costs of studies, surveys, or clinical trials, including demonstration and pilot programs. Grants awarded to individuals are usually called fellowships.
<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarships	A grant award to an individual, usually for education.
<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsorships	A grant or donation that provides a marketing opportunity for the donor.
<input type="checkbox"/> Technical Assistance	Grants that support operational or management assistance such as fundraising assistance, budgeting and financial planning, legal advice, technical advice.