

The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred image of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes in shades of blue, white, and red.

USDA Rural Development Programs



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in·fra·struc·ture [*in-fruh-struhk-cher*] –*noun*

The fundamental facilities and systems serving a country, city, or area, as transportation and broadband systems, sewer and water facilities, fire houses, vehicles & fire trucks, libraries and schools.

Rural Development

Creating great places to live, raise families, provide recreational opportunities, and infrastructure for high paying jobs is very important to our efforts at USDA.



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USDA Rural Development Infrastructure Program Areas

- Community Facilities
- Water & Waste Systems
- Broadband
- Housing

Community Facilities

1. Eligible areas include all area of Pennsylvania with a population of 20,000 or *less* by municipal boundary.
2. Financial assistance includes both low interest, long term loans as well as smaller grants.
3. Eligible applicants include all levels of municipal government, charitable non-profits, schools and libraries.
4. Eligible projects include nearly everything that is seen as a community need with the exception of working capital and refinancing.

Firehouses



Municipal Buildings



Hospitals



FRONT ENTRY IMAGE



Currently under construction

POPE
ARCHITECTS

PROJECT
Corry Memorial Hospital
Design Development Presentation
12-2-08 | COMMISSION #B1534-08110



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Corry Hospital
\$22,603,000 Community Facilities Direct Loan
\$12,170,000 Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan

Vehicles



**Mount Caramel Borough
New Street Sweeper and Mower
\$75,899 Loan, \$92,000 Grant**



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Libraries



Nursing Homes



RoseCrest Assisted Living Residence in Mars, PA
\$3 Million Community Facilities Loan
State of the art assisted living facility with memory support

Schools



Water & Waste Systems

- Eligible areas include all areas of Pennsylvania with a population of 10,000 or more by municipal boundary.
- Financial assistance includes both low interest, long term loans as well as grants.
- Eligible applicants include all levels of municipal government(s) and municipal authorities.

Wastewater Projects



Washington Township Sewer Project
Washington County, PA
\$5.5 Million ARRA Loan
Construct a sewer system for 1,686 residents

Wastewater to Energy Project **Ww2E**

Environment
Renewable Energy
Economy

Preserving local jobs and industry

ConAgra 900+ jobs at \$26.50 effective hourly rate
Milton Industrial Park 2375+ jobs

Creating capacity for industrial development and job growth

WWTP organic loading capacity expanded 300% to 65,000 pounds/day BODs
WWTP hydraulic loading capacity expanded 25% to 4.25 million gallons/day

Generating Green Energy from renewable biomass

Design electrical generating capacity of 1.2 megawatts

Creating carbon credits

Offsets 12,450 tons of CO₂e/year

1. Headworks Building
2. Low Load Anaerobic Treatment
3. Biological Nutrient Removal
4. Vertical Loop Reactor
5. Circular Clarifiers
6. Sludge Drying
7. Electrical Generation and Energy Recovery
8. Sludge Holding
9. Trucked In Waste Facilities
10. Blower Building
11. Anaerobic Treatment of Municipal Wastewater
12. Tertiary Filtration

Creating nutrient credits under the Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy

40,000 pounds/year total nitrogen credit
5,000 pounds/year total phosphorus credit

Eliminating loadings on local landfills

Eliminates 10,300 tons/year delivered to the Lycoming County Landfill

Generating soil amendments

6 tons/day of renewable fuels

Water Project



**West Carroll Township Water Project
Loan \$3,624,000 and Grant \$5,266,000
Providing drinking water to local residents**

Broadband

In Fiscal Year 2010, Pennsylvania awarded over \$57 Million to expand broadband access and adoption in communities across Pennsylvania, which will increase jobs, spur investments in technology and infrastructure, and provide long-term economic benefits.

- \$300-400 million available for 2011 in amounts from \$100,000 to \$100,000,000
- Available for areas with <20,000 people & not contiguous to 50,000
- Low Interest Loans

PA Broadband Projects

- **Keystone Wireless - Initiative for Network Based Education**
 - Used to established a 1,700 mile fiber network to expand broadband access to connect 60 critical care institutions. Will make high-speed internet available to 368,028 households, 26,882 businesses and 9,035 anchor institutions.
- **West Virginia PCS Alliance**
 - Expand services to provide 3G mobile broadband to 35,459 households, 4,110 businesses and 876 anchor institutions.
- **Windstream Corporation**
 - Will utilize industry standard protocols to deliver up to 12 Mbps to 31,684 households, 1,793 businesses, and 105 anchor institutions.

Housing

- Guranteed Single Family Housing
- 502 Direct Loan Housing Program
- 504 Housing Rehabilitation Program
- 515 Multi-family housing
- Self Help Housing Program

Guranteed Single Family Housing

- Lender loans are guaranteed through USDA in areas < 25,000 population
- Up to 100% of appraised property value
- One time Guarantee Fee of **3.5%** of loan amount
- No mortgage insurance
- Eligible Families with incomes of less than 115% of median county income

502 Direct Loan Housing Program

- Mortgages for lower income and creditworthy individuals and families in rural areas
- Interest rates as low as 1%
- No down payment
- No private mortgage insurance
- 33 year term



504 Direct Housing Rehabilitation Program

- Loans and/or grants to repair, improve, or modernize the dwelling or to remove health and safety issues for very low income applicants.
- Must be the owner the property
- Up to \$20,000 for 20 years at 1% interest rate
- Grants to homeowners who are 62 years of age or older.
- Maximum lifetime grant is \$7,500.



before



after

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