



Your Partner in Prosperity ~ Virginia

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USDA Rural Development's Mission

Three Key Priorities

1. To assist Rural communities, recover economically from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly disadvantaged communities.
2. To ensure all rural residents have equitable access to RD programs and benefits from RD funded projects.
3. To reduce climate pollution and increasing resilience to the impacts of climate change through economic support to rural communities.

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Agricultural Marketing Service - AMS

Agricultural Research Service - ARS

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service - APHIS

Economic Research Service - ERS

Farm Service Agency - FSA

Food and Nutrition Service – FNS

Food Safety and Inspection Service – FSIS

Foreign Agricultural Service – FAS

Forest Service – FS

National Agricultural Statistics Service – NASS

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Natural Resources Conservation Service – NRCS

Risk Management Agency – RMA

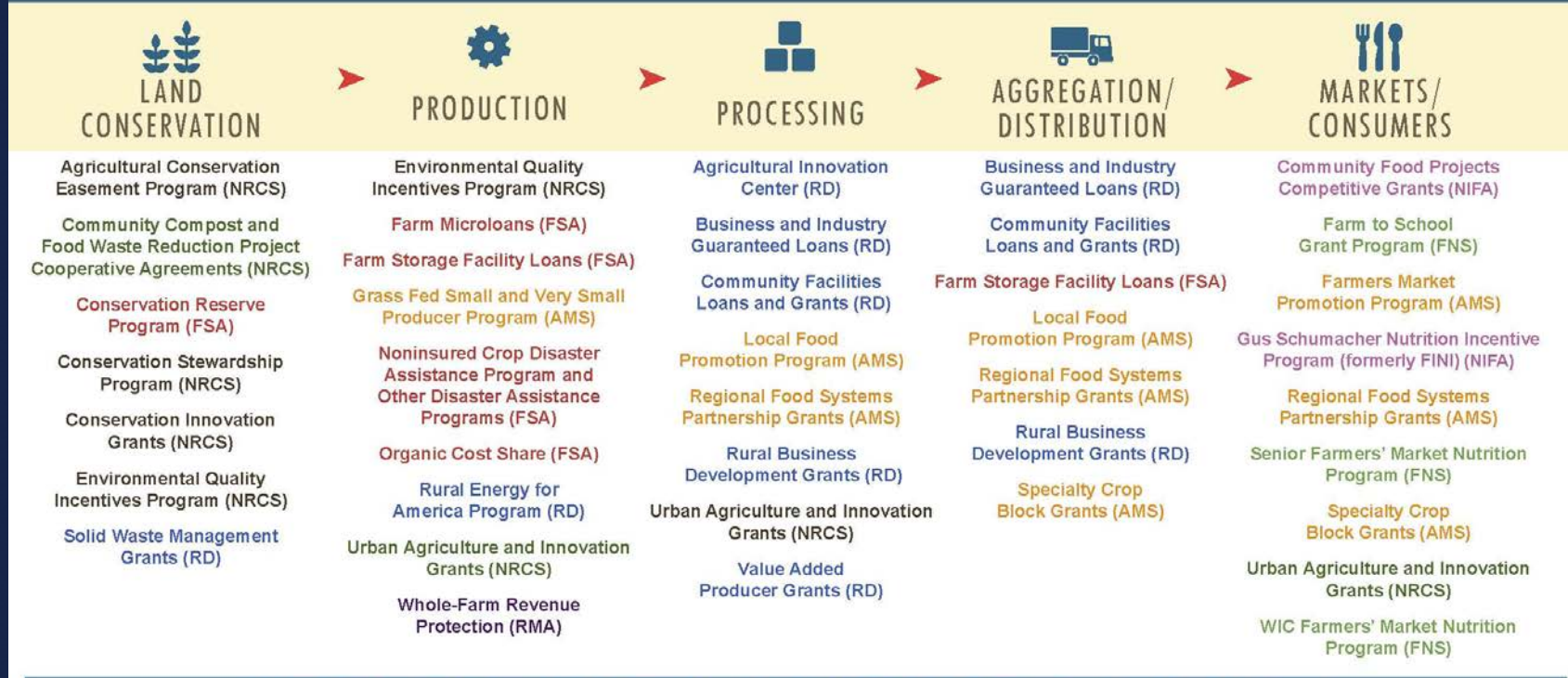
Rural Development – RD - (RBS/RHS/RUS)



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USDA PROGRAMS IN THE LOCAL FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN

USDA is committed to supporting robust regional food economies across the food chain through the programs noted below.



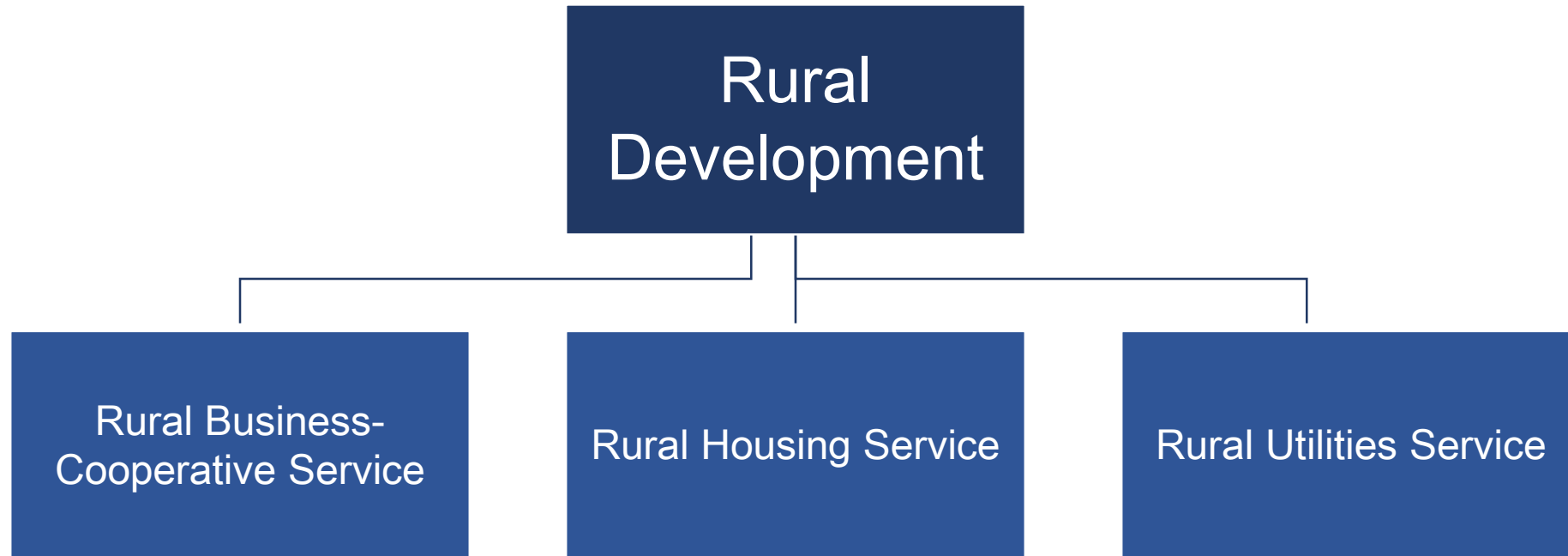
RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS ALONG THE SUPPLY CHAIN

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (NIFA) Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (NIFA) Community Prosperity Funding Opportunity (OPPE) Conservation Technical Assistance (NRCS) Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans (AGVETS) (NIFA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extension Risk Management (NIFA) Federal State Marketing Improvement Program (AMS) Food Safety Outreach Program (NIFA) Organic Research & Extension Initiative (NIFA) Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (2501 Program) (OPPE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RD) Small Business Innovation Research (NIFA) Socially Disadvantaged Group Grant (RD) Specialty Crop Block Grants (AMS) Specialty Crop Research Initiative (NIFA) Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (NIFA)
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Rural Development's Programs

https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/508_RD19_SummarOfPrograms112519_1.pdf

Rural Development Offices



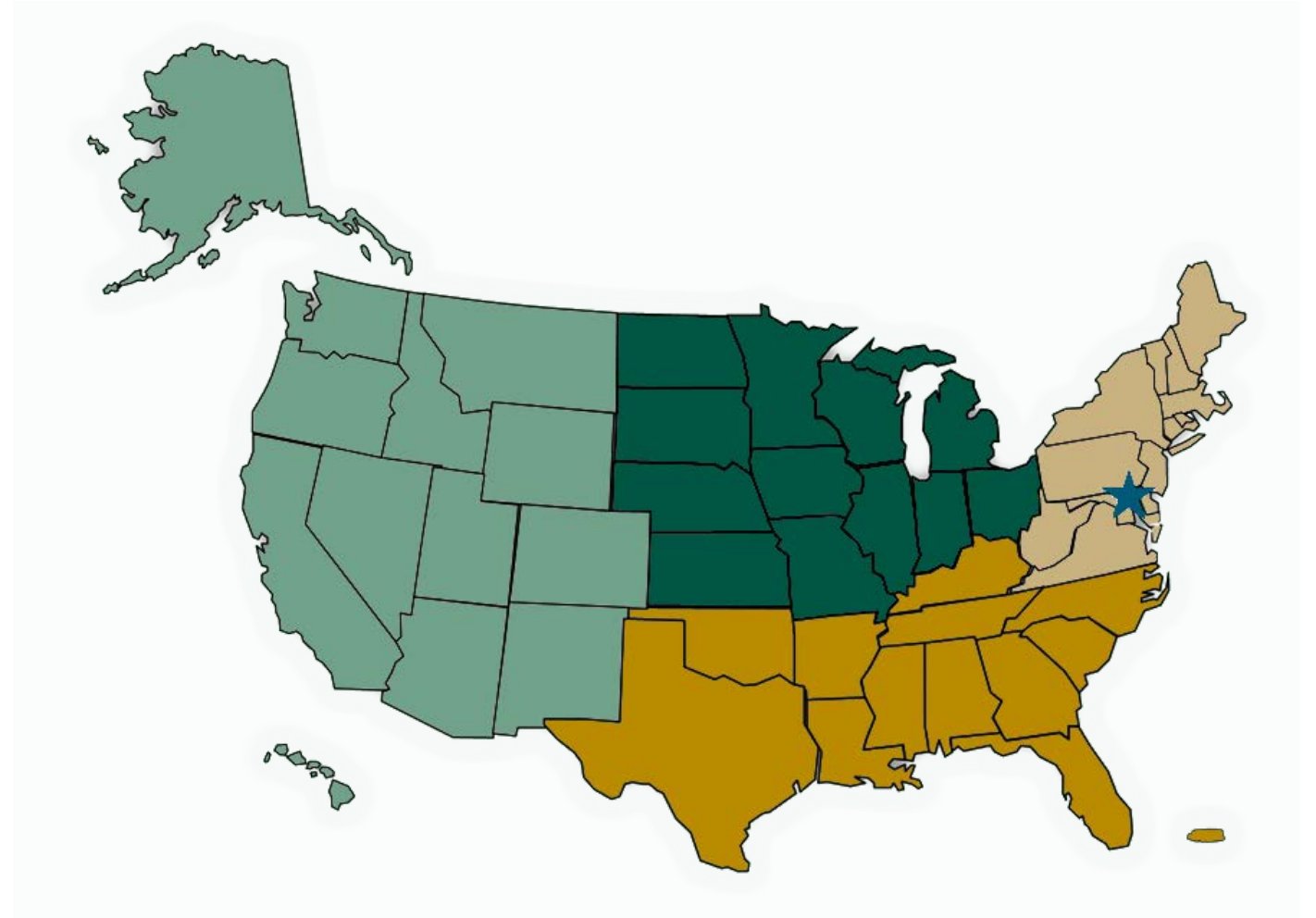
Rural Development Offices

4 Regions

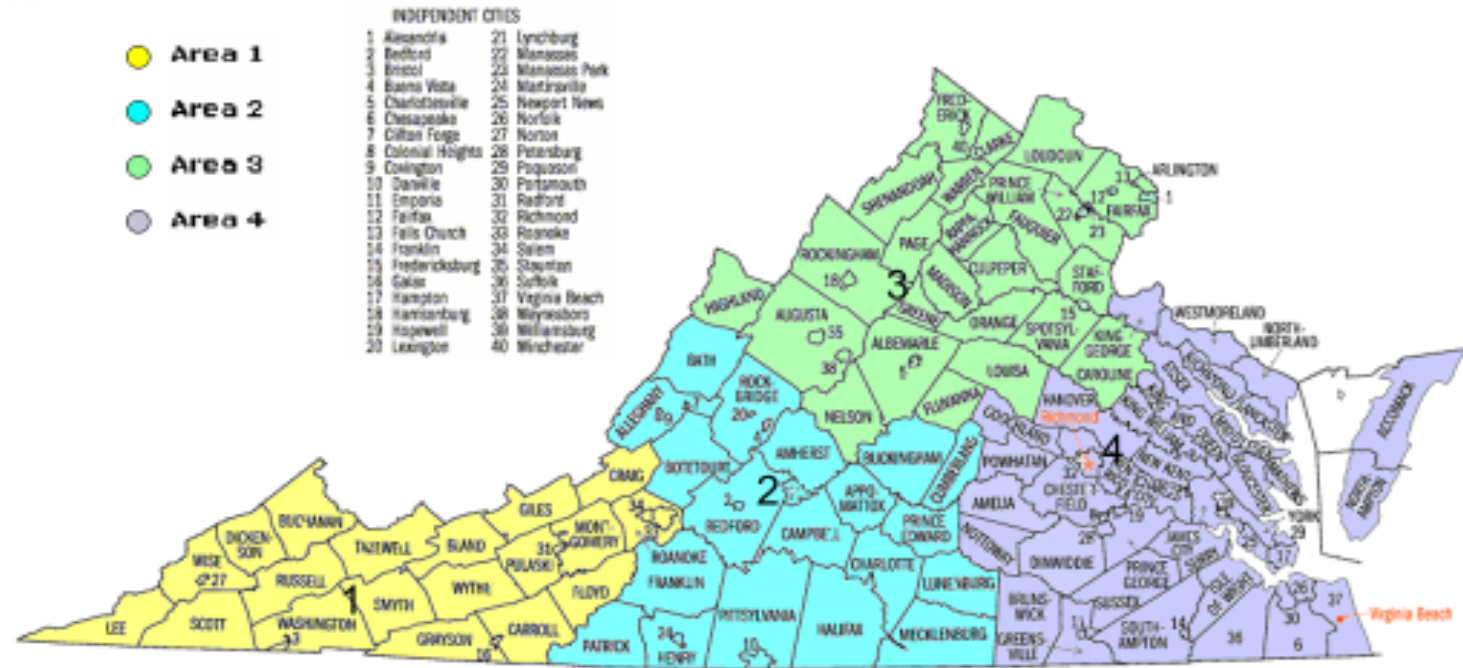
47 State Offices

400 Area Offices

1 National Office in DC



Rural Development Virginia - Area Offices



● **Wytheville Area Office**
100 USDA Drive
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● **Lynchburg Area Office**
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Lynchburg, VA 24502
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1934 Deyerle Avenue
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
Phone: 540-433-9126

● **Courtland Area Office**
22329 Main Street
Courtland, VA 23837
Phone: 757-653-2532

● **Lebanon Area Office**
140 Highland Drive, Suite 5
Lebanon, VA 24266
Phone: 276-889-4650

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Roanoke, VA 24018
Phone: 504-352-4246

● **Culpeper Area Office**
351 Lakeside Drive
Culpeper, VA 22701
Phone: 540-825-4200

● **Richmond Area Office**
1606 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 238
Richmond, VA 23229
Phone: 804-287-1611

FISCAL YEAR 2022 - VA

- **3595 AWARDS**

- **\$1.8 B in VA**



~ GUARANTEED LOANS

~ DIRECT LOANS

~ GRANTS

MULTI FAMILY HOUSING

Multi Family Housing Programs

- **Purpose - to increase the supply of affordable rural rental housing through the use of loan guarantees**
- **Encourages partnerships between Rural Development, private lenders and public agencies. Eligible housing types include family, senior and farm labor housing properties.**

Family Apartment Complex – Timberland Park Apartments Charlottesville, VA



MULTI FAMILY HOUSING - DIRECT

Elderly/Disabled Apartment Complex – Skyline Manor, Glasgow, VA



Elderly/Disabled Apartment Complex



RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE ~ TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Funding for Rural Broadband

- Telecommunications Infrastructure Loan Program
- Rural Broadband Program
- Community Connect Grant Program
- ReConnect Program
- Distance Learning/Telemedicine



Community Connect Grant Program

The grant program offers financial assistance to eligible applicants that will construct broadband networks that provide service on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis in rural areas that fosters economic growth and delivers enhanced educational, health care and public safety benefits.

Resources are available on the website at:

<http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-connect-grants>

Home

Welcome, Toby

Community Connect

Thank you for your interest in the Community Connect Grant Program. The purpose of the Community Connect Grant Program is to provide financial assistance in the form of grants to eligible applicants that will provide, on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis, broadband service that fosters economic growth and delivers enhanced educational, health care, and public safety benefits.

You can create your Proposed Funded Service Area and upload your Community Connect Grant application by clicking the button below.

Funding Window Open: July 01, 2020 - August 15, 2020

Get Started

Central Internet Company

Switch Entity View



Distance Learning & Telemedicine Grant Program

Distance Learning means the real-time, interactive delivery of curriculum via telecommunications and promotes the connection of students and teachers at remote sites.

- Provide educational programs, instruction, or information originating in one area, whether rural or not, to students and teachers who are located in rural areas; or
- Connect teachers and students, located in one rural area with teachers and students who are located in a different rural area.

Telemedicine is a real-time, interactive, telecommunications link to an end user from medical professionals at separate sites in order to exchange health care information for the purpose of providing improved health care services to residents of rural areas.

- Benefits rural residents both in reduced travel and improved access to service



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