



SAVE THE DATE: **Opportunities for Maine's Rural Businesses and Communities Briefing**

USDA Rural Development State Director Virginia Manuel Invites You to Participate

April 17, 2015
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

At the DoubleTree by Hilton
363 Main Mall Rd.
South Portland, Maine

This informative conference will assist business specialists, economic and community developers, town officials, and other decision makers in learning about USDA Rural Development Business and Community Program Loans and Grants available. These vital programs can assist with business development, renewable energy and energy efficiency, value-added processing, local foods systems, healthcare, community organizations and more.

Funding is available:

- Over \$11 million is available in Business & Industry Loan Guarantees
- Over \$21 million is available in Community Facility Direct Loans
- Through the Rural Energy for America Program in Maine \$1,089,000 is available for grants and another \$163,000 is available for grants of \$20,000 and less.
- Other Programs for business and community development

**Learn how these programs can benefit businesses
and community facilities in your community!**



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