



United States  
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# USDA Rural Development Iowa 2017 Performance Report



# Increasing Rural Prosperity Through Infrastructure, Partnerships, and Innovation

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Dear Rural Partner:

From Gifford, Illinois, to Gila Bend, Arizona, rural America includes 72 percent of the Nation's land mass and 46 million people. Beyond its vast landscape and often dispersed population, rural America is a vital part of the economic and social fabric of our great country. Rural communities feed, power, and clothe our Nation and the world.

With lower costs of living, an abundant resource base, and an able and willing workforce, rural places are the center for much of our Nation's manufacturing capacity and offer great promise for the future. Rural America is home to many of our country's greatest scenic attractions, top vacation destinations, and a growing number of Americans who telecommute or operate web-based businesses, and enjoy the best of both worlds.

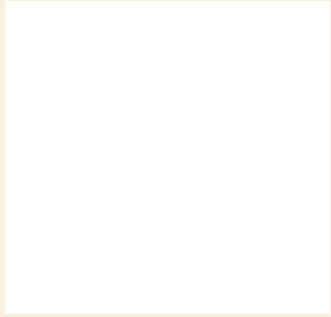
With these significant assets, rural America is not a place simply waiting to be developed to resemble an urban center. Rather, rural America is made of communities ready to build on their strengths and heritage for an even brighter future. Under the leadership of Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue, USDA Rural Development is focused on facilitating rural prosperity and economic development in these special places through three core priorities: infrastructure, partnerships, and innovation.

For rural communities, infrastructure is a lifeline. As today's "digital superhighway," broadband "e-connectivity" is essential for enabling all Americans to be plugged into a world of opportunity. Beyond infrastructure, partnerships are critical – from economic developers to non-profit organizations to State and local leaders. USDA Rural Development seeks to build on existing relationships and develop new partners to leverage investments in rural America. Innovation is also needed as rural communities seek to be forward-focused in addressing complex challenges and embracing new opportunities. The Rural Development Innovation Center created under Secretary Perdue's leadership is building strategic partnerships, identifying best practices, and conducting data analysis to ensure the agency is serving our rural customers in the most effective way possible.

At USDA Rural Development, we envision a rural America with world-class resources, tools, and support to build strong and economically robust communities. With over 40 different programs and field staff who live and work in towns across the country, we stand ready to be a partner in prosperity to these special places.

Sincerely,

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## Infrastructure



## Partnerships



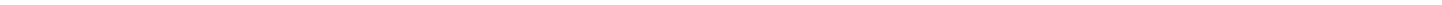
## Innovation



## Iowa Rural Development Programs Fiscal Year 2017 Yearly Totals

IOWA	AMOUNT	AWARD
Business and Industry Loan Guarantees	\$40,532,592	12
Intermediary Relending Program	\$1,000,000	2
Renewable Energy Grants and Loans	\$2,757,544	58
Rural Development Business Grants	\$302,000	7
Rural Economic Development Loans and Grants	\$13,300,000	21
Value-Added Producer Grants	\$2,333,580	1
Water and Waste Disposal Direct Loans	\$39,609,000	28
Water and Waste Disposal Loan Guarantees	\$0	0
Water and Waste Disposal Grants	\$9,050,193	22
Telecom Loans and Grants	\$31,621,033	4
Electric Direct Loans and Loan Guarantees	\$17,500,000	2
Single-Family Housing Direct Loans	\$10,307,388	104
Single-Family Housing Loan Guarantees	\$231,972,561	2,109
Single-Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants	\$1,022,891	227
Single-Family Housing Self-Help Technical Assistance Grants	\$0	0
Multi-Family Housing Rural Rental Housing Direct Loans	\$0	0
Multi-Family Housing Loan Guarantees	\$3,830,000	1
Farm Labor Housing Loans and Grants	\$0	0
Rental Assistance	\$28,141,339	7,007
Community Facilities Direct Loans	\$159,344,940	29
Community Facilities Loan Guarantees	\$2,250,000	1
Community Facilities Grants	\$1,104,700	41
All Other Programs	\$2,059,687	253
<b>Iowa Total</b>	<b>\$598,039,447</b>	<b>9,929</b>

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