



Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance

What does this program do?

Provides loans and grants to Microenterprise Development Organizations (MDOs) to:

- Provide microloans for microenterprise startups and growth through a Rural Microloan Revolving Fund
- Provide training and technical assistance to microloan borrowers and micro entrepreneurs

How may funds be used?

- Working capital
- Debt refinancing
- Purchase equipment, supplies, real estate

How do we get started?

Applications for this program are accepted on an annual basis. A Notice of Solicitation for Applications (NOSA) is posted in the Federal Register. Program Resources are available online (includes forms needed, guidance, certifications, etc.)

Who can answer questions?

Contact your **local office**

What law governs this program?

- Code of Federal Regulations, **7 CFR 4280, subpart D**
- This program is authorized by Section 379E of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 USC 2008s)

NOTE: Because citations and other information may be subject to change please always consult the program instructions listed in the section above titled "What Law Governs this Program?" You may also contact **your local office** for assistance. You will find additional forms, resources, and program information at www.rd.usda.gov. *USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.*