

RD AN No 4755 (1942-A)
(3570-B)
(3575-A)

March 11, 2014

TO: State Directors, Rural Development

ATTN: Community Programs Directors

FROM: Tony Hernandez *(Signed by Tony Hernandez)*
Administrator
Housing and Community Facilities Programs

SUBJECT: Financing Veterans of Foreign Wars Projects Using Community Facilities Funds

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

This Administrative Notice (AN) is being issued to provide guidance to Rural Development staff regarding financing of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and American Legion (AL) post projects with Community Facilities (CF) loan or grant funds. This AN clarifies the eligibility requirements associated with essential community facilities.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces RD AN No. 4661 (1942-A, 3570-B and 3575-A) dated June 21, 2012 which expired on June 30, 2013.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

While the specific activities of a VFW or AL post may vary from region to region, there are some similarities that need to be consistent to be considered an essential community facility. The VFW and AL post projects must meet all eligibility criteria for CF funding, especially being open and available for use by appointment or lease to community residents or community groups. The projects must improve the quality of life for rural residents. A VFW or AL post project must meet all CF eligibility and project feasibility requirements before it can be considered for funding.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Safer, National Office Community Facilities Loan Specialist at (202) 720-0974 or by fax at 202-690-0471.

EXPIRATION DATE:
March 31, 2015

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:
Preceding RD Instructions
1942-A; 3570-B; and 3575-A