



**USDA Rural Development
Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program
February 21, 2023**

States	Senators	Representatives	Recipient	Grant	Program Description
ID	Mike Crapo James Risch	Mike Simpson (02)	Riverbend Meats LLC	\$25,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to offset the cost associated in building a new state of the art, vertically integrated, environmentally friendly beef processing plant. Riverbend Meats LLC is located in Idaho Falls, Idaho and has been in operation for 30 years. In addition to the new facility, it also includes extensive custom equipment and the installation of nine miles of mainline gas pipe. The new facility is expected to double the plant's processing capacity from 300 to 600 head of cattle per day thus increasing the price ranchers receive for their cattle and decreasing the price consumers pay for high quality, pasture raised, natural beef.
MD	Ben Cardin Chris Van Hollen	Kweisi Mfume (07)	Holly Poultry LLC	\$2,015,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help Holly Poultry LLC purchase equipment for the company's upgraded and expanded processing facility. Holly Poultry is a family owned and operated poultry further-processing facility in Baltimore, Maryland. This project is expected to add approximately 200 jobs by 2025 and increase processing capacity by nearly 2 million pounds of further-processed poultry per week.
SC	Lindsey Graham Tim Scott	Ralph Norman (05)	Prestage Farms of South Carolina LLC	\$24,951,753	This Rural Development investment will be used to help offset the costs associated with purchase of equipment and associated operating expenses. Prestage Farms of South Carolina LLC, a family owned and operated company in business since the early 1980s, has constructed a technologically advanced poultry processing plant with enhanced vertical integration within the company. Using European air-chilled technology the plant will process turkey with increased sanitation and longer shelf life compared with traditional processing plants. The plant will be highly automated and more efficient than a traditional turkey processing operation, creating a significant increase in output. The facility located in Kershaw County is expected to process 8 million birds per year and will create 292 new full-time jobs.
SD	John Thune Mike Rounds	Dusty Johnson (At Large)	CNF Enterprises LLC	\$3,300,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help offset the costs associated with the construction of a new 30,000 square foot processing facility in New Underwood, South Dakota. The new facility will have the capacity to process 4,000 head per year including beef, pork, lamb, and buffalo. This operation will provide custom USDA inspected meat processing. CNF Enterprises is a new company that was formed to help meet the increasing demand for high quality locally sourced meat products.



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VA	Mark Warner Tim Kaine	Ben Cline (06)	Shenandoah Valley Organic LLC	\$3,567,302	This Rural Development investment will be used to help support a \$17.8 million expansion of Shenandoah Valley Organic's existing organic chicken processing facility ('Liberty') in Harrisonburg Virginia. Operating since 2014, the Liberty plant has recently been processing an average of 335,000 birds per week. The demand for broader chicken and organic chicken categories have expanded and provided Shenandoah Valley Organic LLC an opportunity to expand their capacity. The improvements will help alleviate bottlenecks in the processing steps. The grant will help offset the costs associated with equipment purchases, new conveyor lines, building and site modifications, and a new wastewater treatment system. When the improvements are completed Shenandoah projects to increase their processing capacity from 335,000 to 630,000 birds per week. These investments will enable Shenandoah Valley to improve their customer choices by providing more options in processing and creating 300 new jobs for the area.
			Total:	\$58,834,055	