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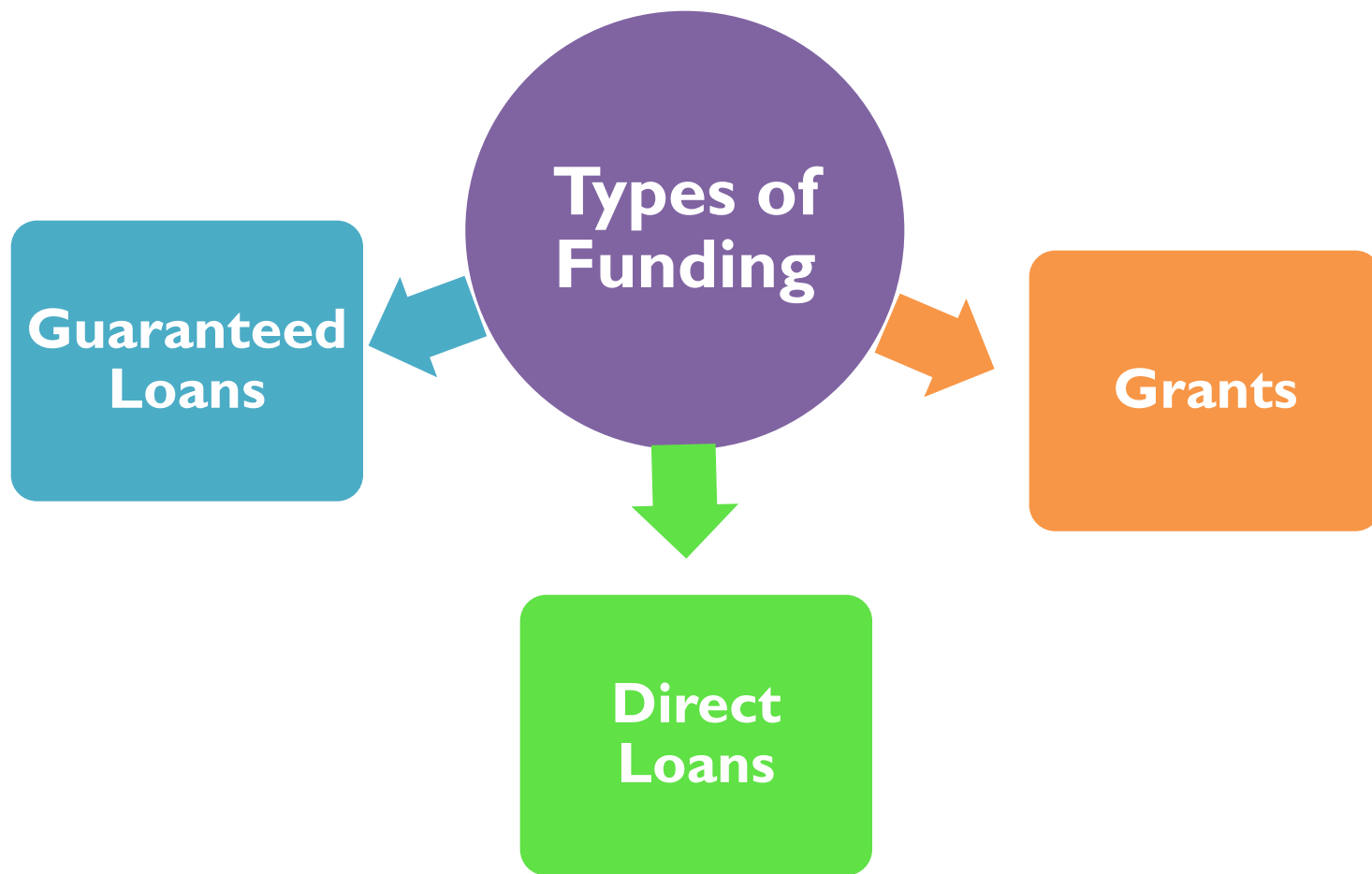


What do we do?



We are a federal agency that makes loans and grants to protect and preserve the livelihood of rural communities across the United States.

Rural Development Funding Streams





Community Programs

- Water and Sewer Infrastructure
 - Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant
 - Solid Waste Management Grant
 - 306C Grants
 - Colonias
 - Tribal
- Community Facilities Loans, Grants and Guarantees
 - Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)



Eligible Applicants

- Nonprofit Organizations that are broadly based and have significant community support
- Federally recognized Native American Tribes
- Public Bodies – including cities, counties and special districts



Funding Opportunities

- Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant Program
 - Low interest rates extend for up to 40 year loans
 - Currently 2.25% - 3.75%
 - Grants are up to 75% of project cost
 - Solid waste sites include landfills, recycling plants, organics and composting facilities, transfer stations, etc.
 - Must have population of less than 10,000

Community Programs



Funding Opportunities

- Solid Waste Management Grant
 - Applications accepted 10/1 through 12/31
 - Training and technical assistance
 - Nationally competitive
 - Projects should be completed within 12 months
 - Must have population of less than 10,000
 - Grants for non-profits, public bodies, federally recognized tribes, and educational institutions



Funding Opportunities

- Native American 306C Grant
 - Per capita income must be $\leq \$18,590$
 - Unemployment rate must be $\geq 9\%$
 - \$2,000,000 maximum per project in FY15
 - Approx. \$16,000,000 nationally available FY15



Funding Opportunities

- Community Facilities Direct Loans and Grants
 - Term may not exceed applicant's authority, useful life of facility, or maximum of 40 years
 - Currently 3.75%
 - Must have population of less than 20,000 based on 2010 Census
 - Solid waste sites include recycling facility, garbage trucks or equipment, etc.



Repayment Ability

Cover

- Operating budget for the enterprise fund
- New and existing debt
- Debt service reserve
- Short Lived Asset Reserve



Securities for Loans to Public Bodies

- Bonds;
- General obligation bonds; and/or
- Pledges of taxes or assessment; and/or
- Pledges of facility revenue and liens on all land, easements, rights-of-way, etc.



Securities for Loans to Non-Profit Organizations

- Promissory note
- Assignment of income
- Deed of trust on all land, easements, rights-of-way
- UCC financing statement
- Loan resolution security agreement



Securities for Loans to Tribes

- Promissory Note
- Assignment of All Tribal Income



Environmental Impact

- All projects are subject to NEPA review
- Submit CEQA with application, if complete



Funding Cycle

- Federal Fiscal Year: October 1st —
September 30th
- Applications are accepted all year
- Best time to apply: early in the Fiscal Year

Application Process

- Build community support
- Initial Meeting with USDA
- Pre-Application
- Full Application
- Letter of Conditions
- Obligate Funding
- Disbursement after loan/grant closing or start of construction





Energy Audit (EA) & Renewable Energy Development Assistance (REDA) Grants

- Technical assistance grants
 - Maximum assistance \$100,000, 2 year term
 - Grantees assist rural small businesses and agricultural producers
- Eligible applicants:
 - State and local governments, Federally recognized Tribes, Land Grant Institutions, Rural electric cooperatives, Public power entities, An Instrumentality of a state, tribal, or local government, a Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council
 - Businesses assisted by the applicant must be located in an area with less than 50,000 population

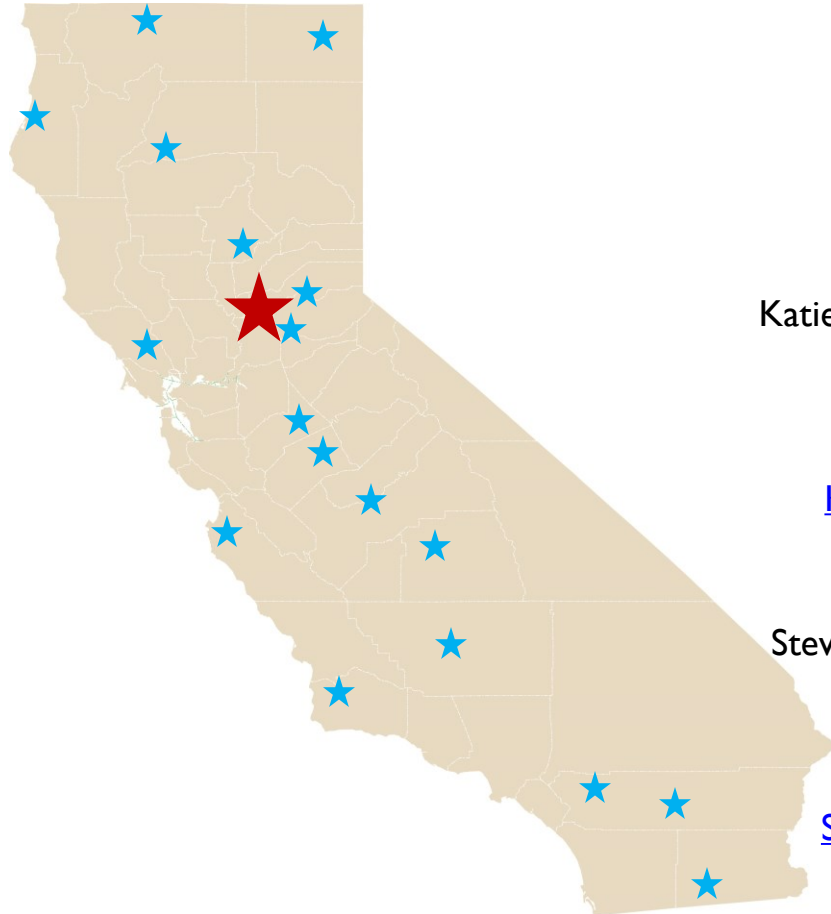


Renewable Energy Systems (RES) & Energy Efficiency Improvements (EEI)

- Provides guaranteed loan financing and grant funding to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to purchase or install renewable energy systems or make energy efficiency improvements
 - 75% maximum loan guarantee of eligible project costs
 - Maximum grant assistance of 25% of eligible project costs
- Eligible Applicants:
 - Agricultural producers with at least 50% of gross income coming from agricultural operations (can be located in rural or non-rural area), and
 - Small businesses in eligible rural areas (less than 50,000 population)



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