

## USDA Rural Development is accepting Loan & Grant Applications NOW!

**\*75%** of FY2024 Community Facilities Funding  
are Awarded to First Round Applicants



### Does your township need?

First Responder Vehicles?  
Equipment for Health Care services?  
Construction on a Municipal Building?  
Funding for essential Community Services?



### Get your Public Body or Non-profit application in now!

FIRST Round Pre-application Deadline January 31, 2024

FIRST Round Full Application Package Deadline March 29, 2024

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**USDA Rural Development New Jersey** is calling for applications from public bodies and non-profits seeking financing to improve essential community facilities serving rural areas (less than 20k population)

**The Community Facilities Loan and Grant Program** helps rural communities build, expand, or improve facilities providing health care, education, public safety, and public services. Funds may also be used to purchase equipment for essential services.

**2023: 13 PROJECTS + \$21.9M**

Last year, New Jersey RD funded 13 critical emergency management, healthcare, education and disaster recovery projects to public bodies and non-profits at a total of \$21,984,300

**USDA Rural Development** identified three (3) funding priorities for FY2024 to facilitate economic growth in rural areas. Applicants should consider projects which advance these funding priorities when submitting applications. See: [Rural Development - Key Priorities](#)

## How to Apply

- Call Christine Schmelzle, Program Director, at (856) 787-7751
- E-mail [christine.schmelzle@usda.gov](mailto:christine.schmelzle@usda.gov) for Application Package and instructions
- Work with our RD staff for guidance on eligibility information
- Register for [DUNS \(Accelerate Growth and Improve Business Performance\)](#) & [GOV System for Awards](#)



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