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## Rural Development

# USDA Rural Development Programs Offering **Drought Assistance**

Rural Development, an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), delivers a number of programs to help improve the quality of life in rural communities throughout the nation.

These programs may also help rural communities, businesses and individuals impacted by California's ongoing drought conditions. Opportunities include assisting rural communities whose water supply is at risk, homeowners that need help drilling a well or connecting to a water system, food banks that anticipate increased demand and ag producers wanting to offset ag irrigation costs among others.

Please contact us for additional resources and information on applying for any of these programs. Local contacts are listed throughout this brochure, or visit us online at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ca>.



The Rural Development is an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) that delivers a number of programs to help improve rural communities. These programs may also help individuals impacted by drought. The Rural Repair and Rehabilitation Loan and Grant (Section 504) Program offers grants up to \$7,500 and loans up to \$20,000 to homeowners impacted by drought including drilling a well, purchasing well pump equipment, and covering the costs to connect to a community water system. Homeowners must be located in rural areas and in towns up to 25,000 in population.

Additional information on this program can be found online at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ca>.