

Rural Development Finance Corporation (RDFC) Grant Program Specifications

1. Contingent on RDFC funding, Red River Communications will award up to four \$500 grants or two \$1,000 grants to North Dakota entities or organizations within or surrounding Red River Communications' service area each calendar year. Entities who provide services to North Dakota along with a neighboring state are also eligible.
2. A 4-to-1 match (\$2,000 fundraising for a \$500 grant) is required and documented through a signed statement confirming the fundraising match.
3. RDFC grants are available to community-based businesses or facilities such as an ambulance service, a fire department, a community center or recreation center. Community-based projects through service clubs and youth or school programs are also eligible.
 - * Applicant does not need to be formally organized as a non-profit, however, for-profit entities do not qualify for RDFC grants.
 - *Grant must be for a project, not for operating or ongoing expenses.
4. Entities may apply for projects that are underway, have not been started, or have been completed between the date of application and a grant award.
5. RDFC grants are awarded for a specific purpose. A grant recipient should contact Red River Communications if the specified project does not come to fruition or if the stated purpose changes.
6. **Please attach another page to the main RDFC application form to further explain how the grant project will benefit or impact the community. Additional information regarding fundraising, project costs or bids, and any other pertinent information may be also including.**
7. Completed applications must be returned to Red River Communications by June 1, 2021.

RDFC GRANT APPLICATION CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned, hereby affirm that the organization/entity applying for an RDFC grant has raised the required 4-1 matching funds. I understand that should the specified project for which grant funds are awarded not be completed for any reason that the recipient organization/entity should notify Red River Communications of this change. Red River Communications will determine whether the recipient may use the grant funds for another purpose.

Signed: _____ Title: _____

Printed name: _____ Date: _____

Organization/entity: _____



Rural Development Finance Corporation

Growing Communities

2021 Grant Application

THIS APPLICATION IS TO BE SIGNED BY YOUR LOCAL ELECTRIC OR TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE. THE COOPERATIVE WILL SUBMIT THE APPLICATION TO RDFC.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: _____

Recipient: _____

Recipient Contact: _____

Recipient Mailing Address (include street address, city, state & zip code):

Recipient Phone #: _____

Recipient Email: _____

Request from RDFC: \$ _____
(max. \$2,000 / min. \$500)

Total Project Costs: \$ _____
(\$4 other funds to \$1 RDFC funds – Member assures matching fund minimums are secured)

Project Location: _____

Recipient Tax ID Number: _____

Check one: Community-owned business or facility (i.e. ambulance, hospital, fire district, recreation, community center, etc.)

Community-based project (i.e. service group/club; youth/school programs, etc.)

How will the grant funds be used? (*Funds are to be used for community and/or economic development projects, not for general operating costs.*)

Funding Sources:

Local Incentive Funds \$ _____

State Funds \$ _____

Federal Funds \$ _____

City \$ _____

County \$ _____

RDFC Member Co-op \$ _____

Bank \$ _____

RDFC request \$ _____

Other \$ _____ (Please list) _____

Total: \$ _____ (must equal total project costs listed above)

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RDFC-MEMBER INFORMATION (Utility Cooperative)

RDFC Member Cooperative: Red River Communications

Contact Person: Donna Thiel Title: Executive Assistant

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Signature of RDFC Authorized Member

Date

RDFC Action Date: _____