Best Practices in Rural Affordable Housing

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Mutual Housing at Spring Lake, Woodland, CA

Permanent, year-round housing for agricultural worker families

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The Lace Factory, Kingston, NY

A former industrial site, now 55 units of artist housing, with gallery spaces

OPAL Community Land Trust, Orcas Island, WA

Permanently affordable housing for island families, seniors and singles whose housing needs are not met by the traditional market

Pollywog Creek Commons, LaBelle, FL

An affordable housing community for farmworkers and seniors

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Housing First Village, Bozeman, MT

30-50 “tiny” homes for vulnerable populations

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The Meadows, Oakland, MD

90 units of affordable elderly housing in rural western Maryland

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Pathfinder Services, Inc., Huntington, IN

Community well-being through education and training, employment services and affordable housing

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ROOTS (Recycling Old, Outdated Trailer Sites), Rural KY

Replacing old, dilapidated pre-1980 manufactured homes with new, energy efficient stick-built homes.

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Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, Indio, CA

Lease-to-Own program

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Highland Community Builders, Elkins, WV

The historic First Ward School in Elkins, WV, was converted to a low-income senior community apartment complex

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Funding and Finance Opportunities

Aging

AARP FOUNDATION has issued the following Requests for Applications (RFAs): The Increasing Social Connectedness for Older Adults RFA will support nonprofit organizations with innovative solutions to bring to scale proven approaches that increase social support and connectedness among low-income older adults. The Tackling Senior Food Insecurity RFA will support nonprofit organizations with innovative solutions to bring to scale proven approaches that increase food security for low-income older adults. The application deadline for both is 9/28/2018. Visit the Foundation's website here to learn more about each grant opportunity.

Community

RURAL LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation) created the Community Facilities Fund to provide capital to help develop and improve essential community facilities in rural areas. Rural LISC utilizes this fund to provide permanent and construction-to-permanent financing for rural community facilities, including health care centers, hospitals, educational facilities, and other nonprofit and public facilities in rural communities with populations under 20,000. **Deadline**: ongoing. Click here for more information.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE is offering funding through the Gang Suppression Planning Grants Program. The program is designed to reduce violent crime, gangs, and victimization and promote public safety in communities. Funding supports strategic planning and capacity building work through multidisciplinary and community partnerships. **Deadline: 8/27/2018**. Click here to review program guidelines.

TD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION is offering funding for sustaining the well-being of the communities served by the bank in Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina,

Rural e-News

Rural LISC's monthly online newsletter:

- Compilation of funding and training opportunities available on the web, with
- Vital new information pertinent to rural community developers.
- Distributed to network of more than 2,200 individuals and organizations across the country.
- Primary purpose is to reduce the isolation of those working in rural areas by providing up-to-date information on relevant topics for education and growth.

Envision the Possibilities

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