

PROGRAM: RD Self-Help Technical Assistance Grant - Section 523

AGENCY: USDA Rural Development (RD), Rural Housing Service (RHS)

DESCRIPTION: RD Self Help provides grants for technical assistance in the building of low-income housing.

ELIGIBILITY: Uses include technical assistance that will help very low- and low-income families build homes in rural areas by the self-help method

- The program often pays a construction supervisor to supervise the families while they build their homes.
- Section 523 grant funds may not be used for the purchase of land or for actual construction costs.
- Eligible entities include: states or political subdivisions, public or private nonprofit corporations, and Indian tribes.

PROGRAM/LOAN STRUCTURE:

- Maximum Program Benefits: Grants must have prior funding authorization from the National Office. The term is two years

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA/COMMENTS:

- For more information, visit <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/cswat.htm#Top> .
 - Rural Development Homepage: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/index.html>
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