

Requested Information for ACF apportionments FY 2025

Rural Community Development (RCD)

- Program/activity objective
 - Provides grants to multistate, regional, and tribal nonprofit organizations that provide training and technical assistance to small, rural communities for the improvement of drinking water and wastewater treatment facilities.

- Planned use and allocation of funds, including all allocations referenced in the agency Operating Plan and statutory set-asides;
 - \$11.1 million for grants, \$142,000 for contracts to assist grantees, and \$802,000 for program support costs.
 - Examples of programs include:
 - Communities Unlimited, Inc. - Communities Unlimited, Inc. (CU) will use RCD funds to continue its Rural Community Development Technical Assistance and Training (RCD-TAT) program to help meet drinking water and wastewater needs of rural communities with low incomes within a seven-state service area of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas. CU will provide rural households that are not served by community drinking water and wastewater facilities with intensive RCD-TAT to help plan, finance, and develop adequate infrastructure.
 - Great Lakes Community Action Partnership - Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) will use RCD funds for the continued operation and management of a technical assistance service. The project will serve communities in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Services will include the provision of onsite technical assistance to address technical, managerial, and financial capacity issues, as well as facilities development needs for small water and sewer systems. Virtual and in person training will also be provided to these systems. Training sessions will be provided throughout the year to local officials, including mayors, council members, administrators or city managers, water and wastewater system operators, and other interested parties in the community. Trainings will consist of a combination of classroom training, live webinars, and asynchronous online training that can be done at the learner's convenience. In addition, RCAP Field Days will offer a combination of classroom training and outdoor, hands-on trainings and demonstrations. For communities that cannot make it to trainings (e.g., too small to have staff to spare or need specialized training), training will be delivered onsite in the community.
 - Midwest Assistance Program, Inc. - For over forty (40) years, Midwest Assistance Program, Inc. (MAP) has been serving rural and tribal communities with water and wastewater infrastructure issues. MAP serves a nine-state region, including Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming. RCD funding is focused on communities that are below 60% of the State Median Family Income (MFI). MAP plans to assist over 1,200 communities with technical

assistance as well as provide training to at least 2,500 individuals over the five-year period. MAP also plans to provide resources, tools, and opportunities for tailored information through its website and an annual publication to communities to ensure that they have the latest knowledge to keep their drinking water and wastewater systems compliant and operating safely.

- Number of FTE by component supported by the apportionment;
 - N/A

- Areas where the agency made policy choices, if any (e.g., funding research and evaluation or demonstration grant priorities);
 - N/A

- Estimated state-by-state allocations for state formula grants;
 - N/A