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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lana Gordon at 3:30 P.M. on February 25, 2008 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Robert Olson- excused

Committee staff present:
Emalene Correll, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ryan Hoffman, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Matt Todd, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Ann Deitcher, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Chuck Banks, State Director, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Rural Development

The Chair introduced Chuck Banks who addressed the Committee regarding the role of USDA Rural Development in supporting community and economic development in Rural America. (Attachment 1).

Mr. Banks said that in Kansas, USDA Rural Development administered over 207 million in program funding last fiscal year and delivered \$1.3 billion in Agency program funding to Kansas over the past seven years. This is programming which will support well over \$6.5 billion in future economic development for the State.

In answer to a question regarding the number of offices their agency has across the State, Mr. Banks said there had been nine but there were now five. These are located in Manhattan, Hays, Garden City, Newton, Iola with an office in a FEMA trailer in Greensburg.

A power point presentation was given that provided information regarding the over forty programs offered by USDA Rural Development. (Attachment 2).

Mr. Banks also showed the challenges in rural Kansas such as the loss of community assets and human capital as well as the loss of additional community assets and the declining rural economic picture.

Questions and answers followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2008.



**United States Department of Agriculture
Rural Development**

To: Kansas Legislative House Economic Development Committee

**From: Chuck Banks, State Director
USDA Rural Development / Kansas**

Date: February 25, 2008

Re: Kansas USDA Rural Development Programming

USDA Rural Development is the lead federal agency responsible for supporting community and economic development programming for Rural America. The Agency's three general program areas cover: [1] rural infrastructure/utilities, [2] rural affordable housing – both homeownership and rental and [3] rural business development/financing. In Kansas, USDA Rural Development administered over \$207 million in program funding last fiscal year, and delivered \$1.3 billion in Agency program funding to Kansas over the past seven (7) years, programming which will support well over \$6.5 billion in future economic development for the State. Additionally, thousands of hours of technical assistance are also provided annually to help Kansans establish viable community and economic development projects.

The Agency's Business and Community Programs provides major economic support to help benefit Kansans and Kansas communities. Over the past 7 years (FY 2001 – FY2007), the Agency's Business & Community Programs have assisted over 656,000 Kansans through water and waste infrastructure assistance, community facility and community services programming. Approximately 4,100 Kansas jobs have benefited (either by being created and/or saved) through USDA Rural Development's programs. In fiscal year 2007 alone, the Agency provided over \$79 million in Business & Community Program funding which will support future economic growth of nearly \$550 million (an average economic factor of 6.9%) for Kansas. Since 2001, USDA's Business & Community Programs funding for projects has increased over 215% in the State.

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The Agency's housing programs, which allows USDA Rural Development to serve rural areas and communities with a maximum population of 20,000, represents an equally important portion of the Agency's funding delivered for Kansas. Kansas' USDA housing programs continue to experience strong growth; the Agency's guaranteed single-family loan program has grown in excess of 40% annually over the past three years alone. Last year USDA Rural Development administered nearly \$128 million of loans and grants to support affordable housing across Kansas; with over \$602 million administered in the past seven (7) years. Since 2001, USDA's housing programs have more than doubled in funding support for Kansans and their communities.

Despite the incredible level of Agency programming success in Kansas the past seven years, maximizing the Agency's full potential for funding in Kansas can sometimes be 'challenging'; this is considering the fact that sometimes other federal agencies deliver programming that serve rural communities too (and these program impact USDA Rural Development programming). For example, HUD funding provided to the State of Kansas ultimately finds it way to rural housing projects. Sometimes these funds can greatly compliment USDA programming efforts, sometimes these funds create a 'competitive situation' which adversely effect USDA projects; it is extremely important the State agencies administering other federal agency funds / programs communicate and coordinate with USDA Rural Development and its' funding / programs.

State of Kansas programs can also greatly benefit or leverage USDA Rural Development programs, such as KHRC's first-time homebuyer program. Yet we also need to be very aware of potential impacts to USDA programming if changes to State programs are considered or enacted. Continued cooperation between the State and USDA is the first important key to maximizing programming opportunities. Communication and cooperation continues to be a very high priority of mine while I have been State Director, I believe this is an important factor of why the Agency's programming levels have increased so during my tenure. Further, the level of communication and cooperation has increased even more since the 2007 disasters that have struck Kansas. Currently, the Agency has a great relationship with KHRC, and we want to continue to enhance and grow this level of cooperation with all parties, including State agencies.

Such multi-agency relationships between the federal and state entities are vitally important, especially considering the significant community and economic development programming needs in rural Kansas. When you consider that Kansas has many rural areas that lack available water systems, inadequate affordable housing inventory, and substandard health care facilities, all of these community assets which are necessary for sustainable economic development, it is essential that governmental agencies cooperate and their programs leverage each other to provide the greatest possible benefit. Additionally, not only is it important that these federal and state programs relate well with each other, these programs also need to be compatible with the private sector, along with also encouraging support and participation of non-profit and faith-based entities (when appropriate).

The Agency has worked with the Kansas Department of Commerce to leverage Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the development of water and waste water disposal projects. For example, for Fiscal Year 2008, USDA will provide funding of \$11,974,600 with CDBG (and applicant contributions of \$2,967,130) for eight (8) projects. In these projects, leveraged funds represent 20% of the total project costs, helping to extend USDA Rural Development funds and allowing for these federal dollars to be used for other projects. These additional federal dollars that might be available for Kansas underscores the need for the State and USDA Rural Development to work together closely to help Kansans and their communities access these taxpayer-supported programs to maximize potential community and economic development benefits for the Sunflower State. Partnering and leveraging are key components to project development, yet I firmly believe even more cooperative programming is possible between the State and USDA Rural Development .

USDA Rural Development is also hopeful that with the passage of a new Farm Bill, additional funding will be available for Agency programs. For example, additional funding might be provided to help address the backlog of Water and Wastewater facilities. Additional funding has also been proposed for Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) through the Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program and Renewable Energy/Energy Efficiency Program (USDA's Section 9006 Program of the 2002 Farm Bill).

In addition to general Agency programming under 'normal non-disaster times', USDA Rural Development was significantly involved in disaster relief and recovery efforts following the Katrina and Rita hurricanes. During these 2005 hurricane/flood relief efforts, the Agency assisted with housing, community facilities and business recovery needs in the Gulf region. At the same time, while Kansas USDA Rural Development assisted with located Gulf evacuees in the Sunflower State, the Agency also assisted in regional relief efforts occurring at the same time due to northeast Kansas flooding. From those 2005 relief efforts, the Agency here in Kansas created a 'relief housing template' to be used for future disasters, this template was enacted during the Greensburg and southeast/south-central Kansas flooding disasters.

Given USDA Rural Development's expanded emergency programming role in 2005, Kansas USDA Rural Development has undertaken an aggressive programming position to assist Kansans and the communities/businesses impacted by the Greensburg / Kiowa County tornado (and other 23 counties struck during May 4-5) along with the 28 counties impacted by the late-June / early-July flooding in southern and east-central Kansas.

The following is an outline of those significant outreach and programming efforts in these two disaster regions:

**USDA Rural Development 'Greensburg
Outreach & Programming Summary'**

USDA Rural Development has been extensively involved in both relief and recovery efforts in Greensburg and Kiowa County. The Agency has worked aggressively with both City of Greensburg and Kiowa County officials in determining their respective losses and needs to support the area's long-term recovery. The Agency has worked closely with all federal agencies engaged in Greensburg, especially FEMA (very important given the authorizing language contained in the 'Greenburg Supplemental Funding' approved by Congress); USDA Rural Development has been designated under FEMA's 'Mission Assignment' to assist the community. The Agency also communicates and works closely with State of Kansas agencies and officials.

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A brief outline of the Agency's key Greensburg-related actions/efforts follows:

Initial Disaster Response - USDA Rural Development staff visited the three (3) Red Cross shelters that opened in the area, providing temporary housing information for displaced residents.

Displaced Resident Lodging - Following authorization from Agency's National Office (less than forty-eight hours following the tornado), USDA Rural Development made available Agency-financed MFH 515 vacant units to displaced individuals/families for lodging.

Meetings with City and County officials - Three days following the tornado, State Director Banks met with City and County officials in Greensburg (offering assistance, establishing contact, etc.), along with visiting with relief agency representatives (FEMA, Red Cross, etc.) and congressional staff present who were assisting with relief efforts.

Relief Shelter Representation - USDA Rural Development staff manned the temporary 'resource/relief center' in Haviland, and regularly visited the two shelters (Haviland and Mullinville), the center remained open (and manned by the Agency staff) June 30th.

Congressional Staff meeting. - State Director Banks and Agency staff attended an on-site meeting called by the Kansas Congressional Delegation for the purpose of evaluating the losses on the

City and County. Along with congressional staff present, Agency met with City, County, education and state elected officials.

'All-Community' meeting - First 'All-Community' meeting was attended by over 800 local residents; State Director Banks made comments (along with other federal and state officials) to attendees regarding what USDA Rural Development was doing to assist in relief efforts. A total of five 'All-Community' meetings have been held, State Director Banks and Agency staff have attended all of these community meetings.

FEMA / ESF-14 meeting - State Director Banks met with ESF-14 Team (first of many such meetings) members from Washington, DC to discuss the basics of a 'Greensburg recovery plan'. State Director Banks spent considerable time explaining the unique recovery challenges faced by a rural community and strategies for success.

USDA Administrator Davis visit 1 - Administrator Davis joined State Director Banks and Agency's state program directors for a tour of Greensburg, meeting with City officials and a later visit with some of the displaced residents placed in Agency 515 units.

USDA Rural Development Greensburg Office Opened - At the request of Greensburg city officials, Agency opens office in unused City office space (FEMA trailer), office is staffed daily to meet with local residents, business owners and public officials; Agency staff is available for evening appointments and attends numerous evening community meetings.

USDA Rural Development / City / County meetings - Agency staff continues to meet with public officials, refining loss list and developing project applications. Discussions also involved 'needs' required to support the community's long-term economic recovery.

City Council / County Commission / public meetings - Agency staff attends a wide variety of public meetings to monitor decisions and maintain contact with decision makers.

USDA Administrator Davis visit 2 - Administrator Davis makes second visit Greensburg. Visit included the re-dedication ceremony of the Agency's MFH 515 facility following repairs (facility is the first public housing available for occupancy in Greensburg), ceremony was attended by three members of the KS congressional delegation. [Note- USDA-financed MFH 515 facility was repaired before utility services were re-established to that part of Greensburg, contractor brought in personal generators to complete repairs. Agency wanted to make strong statements that it was aggressively supporting the long-term recovery of community.]

Housing Resource Workshop - USDA Rural Development hosts community's first 'housing resource fair' (with co-participation of Agency partners, including KHRC) to provide residents with additional housing (single-family and rental) information. Event was held at the Kiowa County Medical Clinic (trailer) and sponsored by Southern Pioneer Electric Cooperative, good attendance and positive feedback received.

City Lot Survey - At the request of the City, Agency assists with a survey of City's lots (retention/rebuilding vs. availability/sale).

Green Resource Fair - USDA Rural Development helped organize and participated in a three-day 'green resource fair' (with co-participation of numerous Agency partners).

Agency Income Survey - Agency conducted an updated 'Income Survey' of Greensburg.

USDA RHS Chief-of-Staff Morgan Visit - Peter Morgan joins State Director Banks and Agency staff for the fifth (5th) all-community meeting; meeting was held to release the Greensburg draft 'long-term recovery plan'.

Wireless Development Teleconference - State Director Banks, at the request of the community leaders, organized a teleconference with Agency staff (in DC) to begin exploring the possibility to establish a community/county wireless network. Local participation included City and County officials, along with the Greensburg school administrator.

Re-located USDA Rural Development Greensburg Office - Agency has moved its Greensburg office to a larger County office/trailer. Previous location was 'City office/trailer space' now needed by City. County invited USDA Rural Development to utilize a larger trailer to deliver Agency programming/services.

Greensburg Recovery Plan - USDA Rural Development has been meeting regularly with FEMA reviewing and assisting with the Plan details. The final Plan was released to the public in Greensburg on August 15th, State Director Banks and Agency staff was present at the release.

USDA Community Support - State Director Banks has attended numerous community events to lend encouragement/support to local leaders, business owners and residents as they undertake the challenging recovery process; such events also provide the opportunity to meet with these individuals whose 'normal day' is heavily burdened with relief/recovery tasks. Such special events have included the community's July 4th Celebration, the Aug. 4th 'Big Well Celebration' and U.S. Senator Robert's Aug. 18th tour of the community.

USDA Supplemental Funding Announcement - U.S. Senator Roberts and USDA Secretary Johanns announced over the Aug. 18th weekend approval/release of \$5.9 million in Budget Authority (BA) to support the following USDA Rural Development programming in Greensburg:

- \$1.0 million BA: Community Planning Funds
- \$4.9 million BA: USDA Rural Housing Program Funds
 - USDA Single-Family Housing Direct Loan Program
 - USDA Single-Family Housing Repair Grant/Loan Program
 - USDA Multi-Family Housing Loan Program

USDA Rural Development is also working on two additional 'Greensburg Supplemental Funding' proposals covering 'business redevelopment' and 'community infrastructure/facilities'.

Housing Partnership Announced - The United Way of the Plains and USDA Rural Development announced a new partnership to help support the construction of affordable single-family homes in Greensburg. The partnership, which will include the contribution of joint funding to the City, will allow the Kiowa County community to create a 'Community Self-Help Housing Program' modeled after USDA's successful *Mutual Self-Help Housing Program*.

Housing Resource Workshop - Over 250 individuals interested in learning more about building affordable housing attended the second Greensburg Housing Fair held Saturday, September 22nd, at Davis Park in Greensburg. The Fair, hosted by USDA Rural Development, Kansas Housing Resource Corporation (KHRC), FHLBTopeka, Consumer Credit Counseling Services, Kansas Energy Office, EPA, and AIA – Kansas, was presented to provide additional information to future homeowners evaluating their various financing and rebuilding options.

Water Tower Funding Approved - Agency funding was approved under the USDA's *Water and Waste Disposal Program* for replacement of the water tower that was destroyed by the May 4, 2007 tornado. The project is a cornerstone to the city's rebuilding efforts. USDA Rural Development funding approval for Greensburg will consist of a \$170,000 grant and will be leveraged with \$57,000 City contribution, \$252,750 FEMA funding, \$112,000 Insurance proceeds, \$50,550 Kansas Emergency Funds, and \$33,700 in KDEM funds. The total project cost will be \$676,000. The City's contribution was made possible by funds donated by Rotary Club, South Central Community Foundation, and from funds donated by Kansas cities and rural water districts from across the state thru the Kansas Rural Water Association.

Greensburg 'Community Self-Help Housing Program' Information Meeting – The Agency hosted the first public informational meeting for the new Greensburg 'Community Self-Help Housing Program' on December 12th. This program is an innovative partnership between USDA Rural Development, United Way of the Plains, Mennonite Housing Rehabilitation Services, and the City of Greensburg to support the construction of new affordable single-family housing in Greensburg.

Greensburg Resource Conference – USDA Rural Development and South Central Community Foundation co-hosted the event at the request of the Greensburg Public Square Committee. The Conference was held to help identify all recovery assistance that is available to support the Greensburg area's recovery following the devastating May 4th tornado and related storms. Organizations holding donated funds, offering specific volunteer labor and/or wishing to donate 'in-kind' products such as building materials attended this important two-day meeting. USDA RHS Chief-of-Staff Peter Morgan joined State Director Banks and Agency staff.

USDA Rural Development Partnerships - The Agency has worked aggressively to strengthen existing and establish new partnerships to assist in the delivery of USDA Rural Development programs (and leverage those program funds to maximize benefits to the community/region). The following is an outline of those partners working with USDA Rural Development:

- AIA – Kansas
- Centera Bank
- City of Greensburg
- Community Housing Services
- Consumer Credit Counseling Services, Inc.
- Federal Home Loan Bank - Topeka
- Haviland Telephone Corp.
- Homestead Affordable Housing Corporation
- Kansas Department of Commerce
- Kansas Energy Office
- Kansas Housing Resource Corporation
- Kansas Rural Rental Housing Association
- Kansas Rural Water Association
- Kansas Small Business Development Center
- Kiowa County
- Mennonite Housing Rehabilitation Services
- National Renewable Energy Laboratory / U.S. Dept. of Energy
- Ninnescah Electric Cooperative
- Peoples Bank & Trust
- Rotary International
- South Central Community Foundation
- South Central Kansas Tornado Recovery Organization
- Southern Pioneer Electric Cooperative
- United Way of the Plains

USDA Rural Development continues to meet with new entities to develop additional partnerships to help facilitate the delivery of Agency programs (both funding and technical assistance) to better support the long-term recovery of Greensburg.

Business Resource Workshop - USDA Rural Development is planning a 'business resource fair' (with co-participation of Agency partners) to be held in Greensburg.

USDA/Community Summary - State Director Banks and Agency staff communicate daily with Greensburg contacts (City and County officials, business owners, FEMA, state agencies, etc.) collecting additional information, providing technical assistance and delivering programming (i.e., closing housing loans, helping local residents prepare program applications, etc.). State Director Banks has made approximately 100 trips to Greensburg over the past 9 months; the Agency's Program Directors have collectively made approximately over 100 trips to Greensburg. USDA Rural Development staff are present at USDA Rural Development's Greensburg office daily (including evenings and weekends by appointment), and the Agency's staff is sought out for advice/consultation; the Agency's Greensburg office will be supported by staff from the Agency's offices across Kansas and other states.

USDA Rural Development is committed to assisting and supporting Greensburg's long-term recovery. While some agencies will be present in Greensburg a few months after the May 4th event, USDA Rural Development will be there providing assistance for years to come.

USDA Rural Development 'Southeast / East-central KS Flood Outreach & Programming Summary'

USDA Rural Development has undertaken the following action to assist those Kansans impacted by the late June through early July flooding:

Initial Disaster Response - Agency staff visited the sixteen (16) Red Cross shelters that opened across the region, providing temporary housing information (for displaced residents).

Displaced Resident Lodging - Vacant USDA-financed apartments were made available to displaced residents (seniors and families were placed in numerous facilities in the region).

Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) - USDA Rural Development staff manned up to 12 DRCs across the flooded region (during peak relief efforts), providing important relief and recovery information.

USDA Rural Development Housing Tour - Agency conducted a seven-stop tour of the region on July 12th, meeting with city and county officials (along with FEMA representatives) assessing damage and evaluating the Agency's possible role in assisting with recovery efforts.

Regional USDA Meetings - Agency staff participated in multi-agency USDA regional outreach meetings.

State of KS Housing Tour - Agency staff participated in four-stop tour of the region on July 23rd, meeting with city and county officials assessing damage and evaluating the Agency's possible role in assisting with recovery efforts.

Housing Fairs - The Agency, along with Kansas Housing Resource Corporation (KHRC), EPA, and AIA – Kansas have recently presented informational housing fairs in Coffeyville, Erie, Independence, and Iola. A fair in Osawatimie is scheduled for March 4. The purpose of the fairs is to cover important housing recovery and financing information for those impacted by the mid-2007 floods, along with others interested in securing homeownership.

Post-Disaster Relief Support/DRCs - Agency continues to staff four (4) DRCs that remain open, along with visiting four communities served by mobile DRC operations.

USDA Rural Development Partnerships - The Agency has worked aggressively to strengthen existing and establish new partnerships to assist in the delivery of USDA programs (and leverage those program funds to maximize benefits to the community/region). The following is a outline of those partners working with USDA Rural Development:

- City of Chetopa
- City of Coffeyville
- City of Erie
- City of Independence
- City of Iola

- City of Neodesha
- City of Osawatomie
- City of Oswego
- First Federal Savings & Loan
- Federal Home Loan Bank - Topeka
- Gemini Funding
- Girard National Bank
- Homsmartz
- Kansas Housing Resource Corporation
- Neodesha Housing Authority
- Vested Mortgage

USDA Rural Development continues to meet with new entities to develop additional partnerships to help facilitate the delivery of Agency programs (both funding and technical assistance) to better support the long-term recovery of the communities impacted by the flooding.

USDA Community Development Training Workshop - Agency will plan to hold its 6th annual Community Development Training in 2008 to help support southeast and east-central KS communities in their recovery and planning efforts.

USDA Rural Development Programming Results - The Agency is already processing a significant number of single-family repair and new home construction loan applications.

USDA/Community Summary - USDA Rural Development will continue to work aggressively to assist the numerous communities, along with their residents and businesses, recover from the floods that struck the region. The Agency has a long-standing presence in southeast Kansas, and the Agency's area office in Iola will be assisting the region during its future recovery efforts.

* USDA Rural Development Closing Comments: On behalf of USDA Rural Development and its staff, I appreciate the invitation to speak to you today and share what the Agency is doing to assist the citizens and businesses of Kansas. USDA Rural Development will continue to deliver federal programs within its scope of authority, as authorized by Congress, approved by the President, and directed by the Secretary of Agriculture. USDA Rural Development appreciates its outstanding partnerships it experiences with various State of Kansas agencies and those agencies' dedicated staff. USDA Rural Development stands ready to explore other avenues of cooperation and partnering opportunities to help assist Kansas, along with its residents and businesses. As I have offered in the past, regarding topics ranging from the vital need to encourage the development of more affordable rural housing to supporting the development of expanded renewable energy opportunities, to now assisting Kansans and their communities impacted by disaster-related events, USDA Rural Development is willing to work with all entities, public and private, in meeting the challenges and opportunities we face each and every day in the Sunflower State. Again, thank for the opportunity to visit with you today.

**House Economic Development
Committee Testimony**

February 25, 2008

USDA Rural Development

Chuck Banks, State Director



USDA Rural Development

Agency Goals

1. Increase economic opportunity in rural America (and Kansas!)
2. Improve the quality of life for all rural Americans (and Kansans!)

Lead Federal Agency Serving Rural America



Rural Kansas Challenges

- ❖ **Population decline / movement /shifts**
 - **Production Agriculture & Rural Community**
 - **Loss of Community Assets**
 - Business
 - Health Care
 - **Loss of Human Capital**
 - Seniors (aging rural population)
 - Youth (out-migration)
 - **Loss of Additional Community Assets**
 - **Declining Rural Economic Picture**

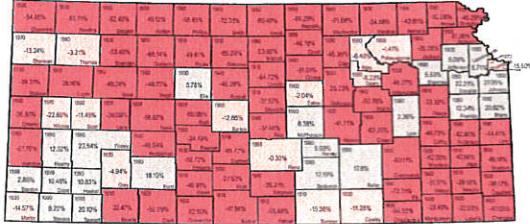


Economic Development & Tourism

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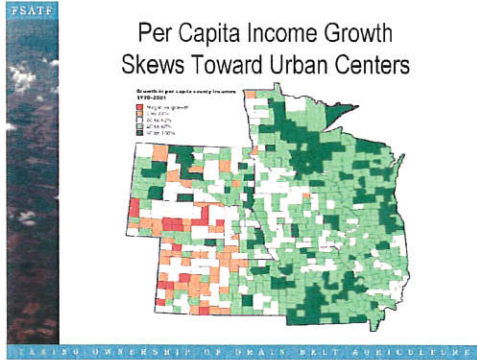
State of Kansas - Population Trends
Peak Year Census To 2000 Census



■ Over 25% Decrease in Population ■ Under 25% Decrease in Population ■ Increase in Population



Per Capita Income Growth Skews Toward Urban Centers



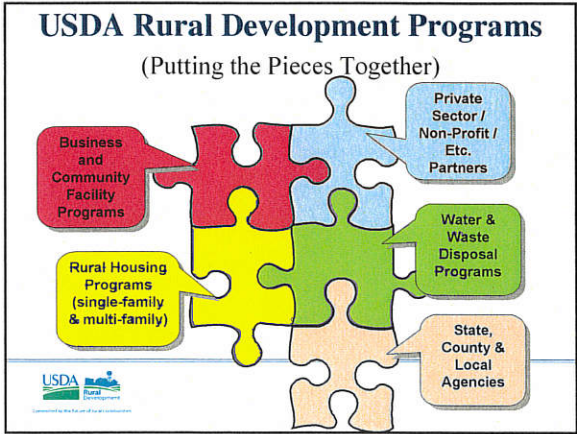
USDA Rural Development

Delivers Over 40 Programs:

- ❖ Infrastructure / Utilities
- ❖ Housing (single-family & multi-family)
- ❖ Business & Community Facilities
- ❖ Community Development Training

+\$1.3 billion / Fiscal Years 2001-07 (KS)





USDA Rural Development

Infrastructure / Utility Programs

- ❖ Water / Waste Disposal
- ❖ Telecommunications
- ❖ Electricity
- ❖ Community services

USDA Rural Development

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Benefits
Infrastructure / Utility Programs

- Basic Domestic Services
- Community Development
- Supporting Business & Economic Development

USDA Rural Development

USDA Rural Development
Infrastructure / Utility Programs
Partners

- Communities (up to 10,000 population)
- Rural Water Districts (Local & Regional)
- Rural Electric Cooperatives
- Rural Telephone Cooperatives
- State Agencies: leverage funding & cooperation



Rural Water Lines



Southeast Kansas

Water Treatment facility



Northeast Kansas



USDA Rural Housing Programs

- ❖ Single-Family Guaranteed Housing Loan
- ❖ Single-Family Direct Housing Loan
- ❖ Single-Family Housing Repair Loan & Grant
- ❖ Mutual Self-Help Housing Loan & Grant
- ❖ Multi-Family Rental Housing Loan
- ❖ Multi-Family Housing Preservation Grant

+\$127 million / FY 2007 (KS)



USDA Rural Development

Benefits Rural Housing Programs

- Expanding Affordable/Workforce Housing
- Supporting Business / Job Growth
- Enhancing Economic Development
- Assist Senior/Income-Eligible Repair Projects



USDA Rural Development

Partners Rural Housing Programs

- Individuals & Families – loan financing (d/g)
- Seniors & Income Eligible - home repair (l/g)
- Communities - site development & building
- Nonprofits/FB - site development & building
- Lenders (banks, FHLB) - leverage/originate
- Homebuilders (new pilot program) - building
- State Agencies: leverage funding & cooperation



Affordable Workforce Rental Housing



**Workforce Single-Family Housing
(Direct Loan Program)**



**Workforce Single-Family Housing
(Guaranteed Loan Program)**



Soldier Loans in Ft. Riley regional area



Self-Help Great Bend Families



Self-Help Junction City Families





Substandard / Unsafe Housing



Single-Family Construction Loans (KS)





New Workforce Housing Financed





Accessibility Improvements





New KS Homeowners (affordable/workforce)



USDA Rural Development
Business & Community Programs

- ❖ Business & Industry Guaranteed Loan
- ❖ Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant
- ❖ Rural Business Enterprise Grant
- ❖ Rural Business Opportunity Grant
- ❖ Intermediary Re-lending Loan
- ❖ Value-Added Producer Grant
- ❖ Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency G/L



USDA Rural Development
Benefits
Business & Community Programs

- Community Development (fire, health, etc.)
- Business Development Financing
- Promote Entrepreneurial/Business Development
- Working Capital (home construction, etc.)



USDA Rural Development

Business & Community Programs Partners

- **Lenders / Borrowers**
- **Businesses / Cooperatives (Ag & Rural)**
- **Utility Cooperatives (Electric & Telephone)**
- **Public Bodies (County, City, Schools, etc.)**
- **State Agencies: leverage & cooperation**



Manufacturing facility



Central Kansas

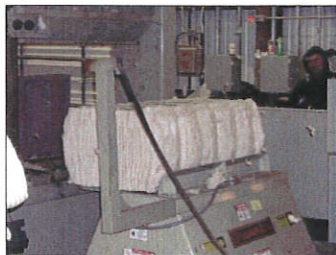
Grain handling facility



Southeast Kansas



Cotton Gin



Southwest Kansas



Farm Equipment Manufacturer



Northeast Kansas



Motel



Southeast Kansas

Grocery Store



Northwest Kansas




Plastic Products Manufacturer



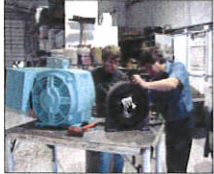
Central Kansas




Grocery store **Electrical repair company**




Central Kansas




Northeast Kansas



Historic Restoration **Courthouse Renovation**



Wilson, Kansas



Chase County, Kansas



Community Facility **Child Care Facility**



Franklin, Kansas



Central Kansas



Hospitals and Critical Care Equipment



Northeast Kansas



Hospitals and Critical Care Facilities



Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Program Funded Projects



Community General Store,
Northeast Kansas



Grocery Store,
South-central Kansas



USDA Rural Development

Greensburg Recovery Initiative









USDA Rural Development Community Facility Programs & Water/Wastewater Programs

- ❖ Community/County facilities & services
- ❖ Health care facilities & equipment
- ❖ Fire/Police facilities & equipment
- ❖ Water systems/infrastructure
- ❖ Child care facilities (infant / school age)





USDA Rural Development Business Programs

- ❖ Business redevelopment funding
- ❖ Business development financing
- ❖ Working capital (home construction, etc.)







Greensburg Business Incubator Bldg.



USDA Rural Development ***Housing Programs***

- ❖ Single-Family Direct Housing Loan
- ❖ Single-Family Guaranteed Housing Loan
- ❖ Single-Family Housing Repair Loan & Grant
- ❖ Mutual Self-Help Housing Loan & Grant
- ❖ Multi-Family Rental Housing Loan

+ \$127 million in Fiscal Year 2007 (KS)
Projected: \$35-\$40 million (Greensburg)











Greensburg Recovery/Assistance Model

- ❖ Private Insurance
- ❖ FEMA/KS/etc. Assistance (pre-existing)
- ❖ USDA (Regular & Supplemental Funding)
 - Pre-existing assets
 - Expanded (pre-existing) & new assets
- ❖ Outside Resource/Donor Assistance

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Greensburg Recovery/Assistance Model

- ❖ Private Insurance
- ❖ FEMA/etc. Assistance (Pre-existing assets)
 - 75% funding - FEMA
 - 10% funding - State of KS
 - 15% FUNDING GAP
 - State of KS, USDA, other sources



Greensburg Recovery/Assistance Model

- ❖ Private Insurance
- ❖ FEMA/KS/other Assistance
- ❖ USDA (Regular & Supplemental Funding)
 - Pre-existing assets
 - Expanded (pre-existing) & new assets
- approx. 25%-65% FUNDING GAP



Greensburg Recovery/Assistance Model

- ❖ Private Insurance
- ❖ FEMA/etc. Assistance (pre-existing)
- ❖ USDA (Regular & Supplemental Funding)
 - Pre-existing assets
 - Expanded (pre-existing) & new assets
- ❖ Outside Resource/Donor Assistance











What's Next For *USDA Greensburg Disaster Recovery Initiative???*

✓ Future Events:

- Housing Resource Fairs
- Business Resource Fairs
- Community Meetings





What's Next For *USDA Greensburg Disaster Recovery Initiative???*

✓ Future Events:

- Housing Resource Fairs
- Business Resource Fairs
- Community Meetings
- Resource Conferences





What's Next For *USDA Greensburg Disaster Recovery Initiative???*

✓ Expanded/New Partnerships:

- Public Sector
 - Pre-Existing (ie., NREL)
 - New (FEMA)
 - Future Partnerships





What's Next For *USDA Greensburg Disaster Recovery Initiative???*

✓ New/Expanded Partnerships:

- Public Sector
- Non-Profit Sector
 - South Central Community Foundation
 - United Way of the Plains
 - Community Housing Services







**What's Next For
USDA Greensburg Disaster
Recovery Initiative???**

✓ **New/Expanded Partnerships:**

- Public sector
- Non-Profit sector
- Faith Community sector
 - Mennonite Housing
 - South Central KS Tornado Recovery Org.





**What's Next For
USDA Greensburg Disaster
Recovery Initiative???**

✓ **New/Expanded Partnerships:**

- Public Sector
- Non-Profit Sector
- Faith Community Sector
- Private Sector
 - John Deere, others





**SUCCESS For
Greensburg & Area Disaster
Recovery Effort!!!**

- ✓ **New & Expanded Partnerships**
- ✓ **COLLABORATION**
- ✓ **Leveraging Resources**
- ✓ **NEW PROGRAMMING MODELS**
 - Existing successful efforts
 - 'Expanding The Box'






USDA Special Initiatives

- ❖ Fort Riley Regional Initiative
(June 2005)
- ❖ Fort Leavenworth Regional Initiative
(September 2006)
- ❖ South-central Kansas Regional Initiative
(April 2007)
- ❖ Greensburg Disaster Recovery Initiative
(May 2007)
- ❖ Southeast Kansas Disaster Recovery Initiative
(Spring 2008)



**USDA
Faith-Based &
Community Initiative**



Faith-Based & Community Organizations

Community Development Needs

- * Affordable Housing (Single Family and/or Rental)
- * Health Care * Child Care
- * Transportation * Education
- * Community Services



USDA Rural Development's

Faith-Based & Community Approach

- History of Working with Community and Faith Based Organizations
- Expand Agency Partnerships
- Explore Innovative Methods to Provide Increased Services to Communities
- Support Delivery of all Agency Programs



Hurricane & Flood Relief Assistance



Faith-Based & Community Initiative

Kansas Partnerships

- Mennonite Housing Services, Inc. - Wichita
- Housing Opportunity, Inc. - Great Bend
- City of Junction City
- City of Liberal
- Community Housing Services – Wichita
- Let's Help, Inc. - Topeka
- Topeka Churches



Faith-Based & Community Initiative

Greensburg-related Partnerships

- City of Greensburg
- South Central Community Foundation - Pratt
- United Way of the Plains - Wichita
- South Central Tornado Recovery Organization
- Rotary International
- Sunflower RC&D Area, Inc.
- Habitat of Humanity, Inc. - Wichita





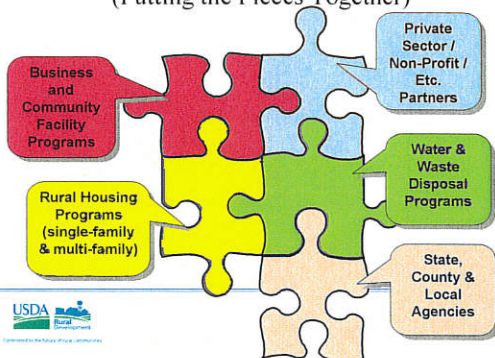
USDA Rural Development *General Summary*

- USDA Rural Development has programs to help address community needs:
 - Essential Community Facilities & Services
 - Housing (single family & multi-family)
 - Business Development
 - Technical Assistance



USDA Rural Development Programs

(Putting the Pieces Together)



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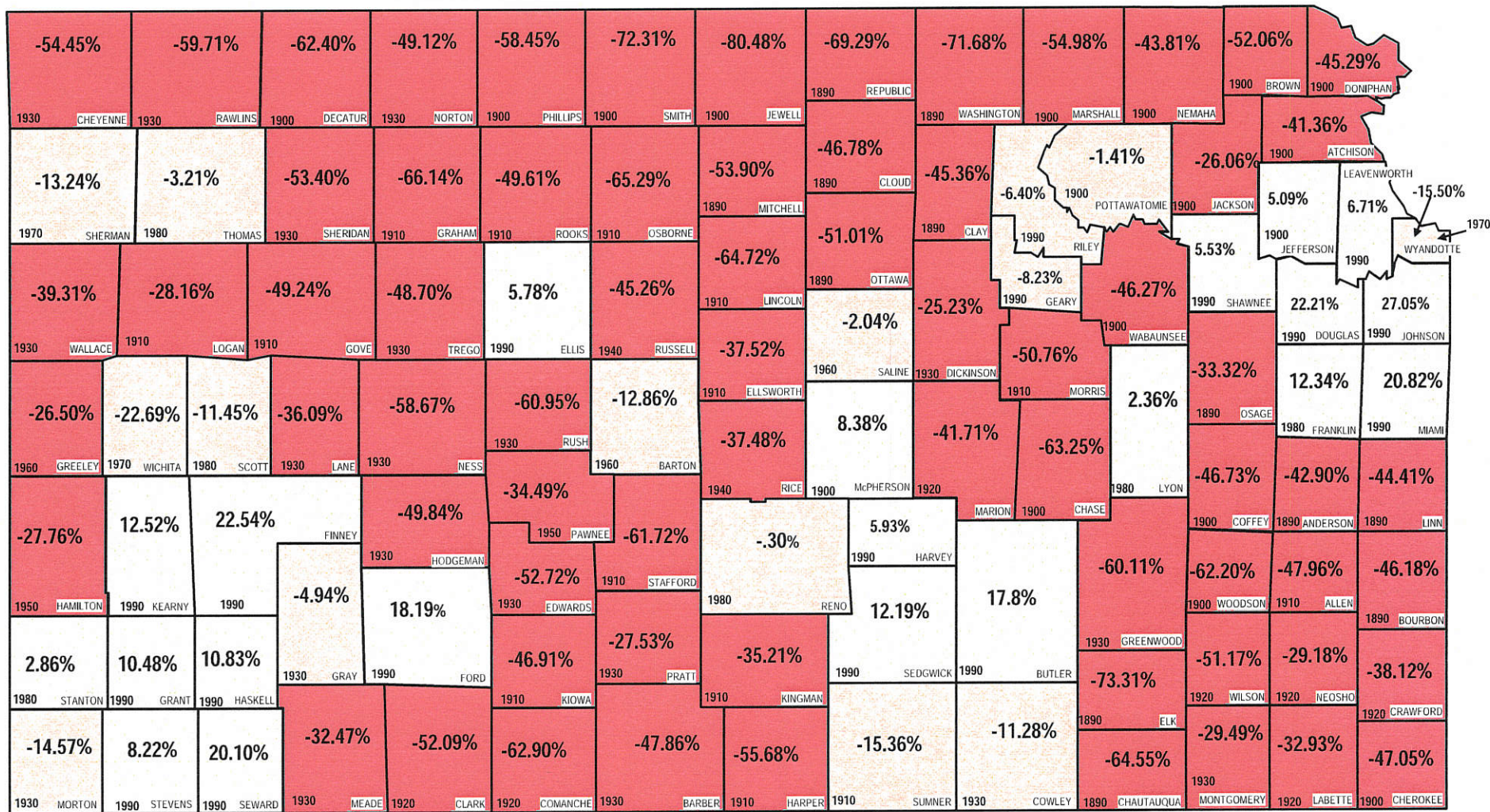
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STATE OF KANSAS-POPULATION TRENDS

PEAK YEAR CENSUS TO 2000 CENSUS



= OVER 25% DECREASE IN POPULATION



= UNDER 25% DECREASE IN POPULATION



= INCREASE IN POPULATION

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