









2006 Annual Report



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# Commitment to Rural Communities Remains the Watchword for Agency



Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns

In 2006, across this great nation, **USDA Rural** Development employees made a difference in the lives of virtually every person who calls rural America home. Whether it's financing rural renewable energy projects, guaranteeing a loan for a new business. building or upgrading a rural hospital,

construction of a new community center, laying water lines, remodeling apartments or drilling a well for a senior citizen living on a homestead, we're building a more vibrant rural America.

As I traveled across the country conducting Farm Bill Forums in preparation for the 2007 Farm Bill, I heard loud and clear the message of support for USDA's rural development efforts. Out of hundreds of hours of discussion and thousands of comments, our Rural Development programs received nearly unanimous support. That is a vote of confidence in which the 6,300 men and women of USDA Rural Development can indeed be proud.

Rural America today is changing. Its economy is diversifying. The broadband revolution erases barriers of time and distance. New industries like renewable energy and biobased products hold exciting potential for investment and growth. We are working hard to improve rural health care, schools, and other community facilities, to increase rural homeownership, and to support rural entrepreneurs. The opportunities and challenges vary from place to place, but one thing remains

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the same: the commitment of USDA Rural Development to the future of rural communities.

This is a new era for America's rural communities as evidenced by an amazing happening in St. Louis, Missouri in early October, when 1,350 leaders from agriculture, industry, and government gathered to explore ways to move renewable energy production to the next level. Three cabinet level officials, political leaders from all levels of government, business leaders, community representatives and the media listened as President Bush spoke, continuing his long standing support for development of renewable energy from America's rural areas. The President is strongly committed to renewable energy development, including production of fuel from cellulosic sources like switchgrass. USDA Rural Development plays a key role in these efforts, along with other USDA agencies, the Department of Energy, and other federal partners. Together, we are making a real difference.

We have accomplished much over the past year and we are eager to build upon those accomplishments by strengthening even further our rural communities. We remain committed to creating an environment where future generations will not only live, but thrive in rural America. As we enter 2007, the 50 million people who live in rural America are developing new opportunities in every area – and I am proud that USDA Rural Development will continue to be a partner in these efforts, as it has been for more than 70 years.



#### **C**ommentary Funding Fuels Progress

# Increased Program Expenditures Help Rural Development Improve Service Standards



Under Secretary Rural Development Tom Dorr

For the employees of USDA Rural Development – and the millions of rural Americans they serve – 2006 was a year of achievement and progress. Whether it's a new biodiesel plant, a medical clinic, energy efficient corn driers, a wind

farm, broadband service or digital TV service for a public broadcasting station, USDA Rural Development is "connecting the assets" that we've provided to rural America. It's a lot of money: \$76.8 billion since the start of the Bush Administration. This investment represents Rural Development leading the way to a bright new future for Americans who choose to live in our rural communities and on our farms. Not only have we invested an average of \$13 billion a year over the last six years, (a 35% increase over 1998-2000) but we've created or saved an estimated 1.5 million American jobs.

America's new fuel industry is rural, it's diverse, it's mainstream – and it's growing fast. All across this great nation, entrepreneurs with the backing of a firm and reliable government energy policy, as outlined by President Bush, are making a contribution that expands America's energy options. In doing so they are not only providing new sources of energy for our nation, but also creating a new path to wealth creation for rural America. In the past six years we've committed more than \$482 million from our business and utilities programs to over 1,000 renewable energy ventures.

We marked other milestones this year as well. In housing, Rural Development rolled out

"GUS", the Guaranteed Underwriting System, which will enable the lending community to get a fast and accurate answer when processing loan applications. We observed an important milestone in our popular "Self Help" housing program. Started in 1961, this program topped the 40,000 loan mark in 2006, and the total dollar amount of mortgages made under the program topped \$2 billion. We also began the process of revitalizing our multi-family housing portfolio. Late this year we announced that 78 multi-family housing developments in 16 states have been selected for inclusion in a demonstration program designed to preserve and rehabilitate apartment complexes financed through USDA Rural Development. We also made about \$617 million in loans and grants for Community Facilities projects including fire stations, public safety buildings, community halls, and emergency equipment.

We continued to support improvements to rural electric infrastructure and provided telecommunications loans, broadband loans and Community Connect broadband grants. We also provided hundreds of millions of dollars in water and environmental loans and grants. We made over \$766 million in business loan guarantees and provided over \$35 million in funding to producers through the Value Added Producer Grant program.

Every one of our employees is charged to work with rural communities to create new economic opportunity and improve the quality of life in rural America while increasing connectivity between Rural Development programs to find ways to bring even greater service to our rural customers.

Working in partnership, a rural renaissance is upon us. At Rural Development, we are committed to the future of rural communities.



#### Priorities Matter

### Planning and Focus Help Us Target Funding



State Director Randall C. Hunt

It's astonishing to realize that a full year has passed since I last reported to you about the progress Rural Development has made in administering our assistance programs on your behalf.

Although many things have changed since last year, several key issues remain at the forefront of our focus as we strive to maximize our ability to address your individual and community needs.

During the last year we've invested \$228.5 million in rural Ohio through our multiple program offerings. Our Housing Program infused \$143.7 million to assist Ohioans in securing safe, affordable housing. Our **Business Program injected** more than \$28 million into Ohio businesses and helped create/ save more than 1,600 local jobs. Our Water and Waste Program targeted \$43.8 million to help bring safe, affordable drinking water and waste water treatment to 37,625 rural families in 26 Ohio communities. Our Community Facilities Program funneled \$12.8 million into first responder and community development initiatives to help meet health and safety issues and address local quality of life concerns.

Given this overview of our assistance activities, there is still much for us to do to help serve Ohio citizens. Rural Development's 2007 strategy will focus on three critical areas while we continue to provide the caring service that has become our trademark.

Improving Broadband/high speed internet service statewide, expanding Ohio's participation in the renewable energy initiatives and increasing access to safe, affordable housing will lead our focus in the upcoming fiscal year.

We're intent on using the positive momentum gained from the 2006 statewide Broadband Conference and the resulting project in McClure, Ohio to energize our efforts to make Broadband (Internet) technology more accessible to rural Ohioans.

Our Renewable Energy Initiative will continue to grow in importance as we strive to provide the technical and financial assistance to Ohio's developing renewable energy sector including bio-fuels, wind and solar energy options. Lastly, we intend to keep the operational intensity of our housing program heightened so we can continue to provide viable housing options for residents throughout rural Ohio. We've increased the capacity of our Self-Help Housing Program with the addition of several new program partners.

The snapshot of achievements mentioned have helped us to strategically invest more than \$228 million across the state using our broad range of helpful programs.

We continue to strive to make improvements in our ability to serve you and actively seek your input in helping identify areas where our assistance might be beneficial. The back cover of this report has contact information for both our state and area offices.

Please take the opportunity to call us to discuss specific needs or ideas you might have to help us do an even better job of serving you.



#### **F**ocus

### National Energy Conference Offers Strategies Aimed at Reducing Petroleum Dependency

Renewable fuels are coming of age and that's great for rural America. As the nation works to reduce our dependence on foreign sources of oil, the potential for renewable fuels on the agricultural economy can be summed up in three words: positive, significant and imminent. The road to energy independence runs through the farm, and USDA Rural Development is playing a key role in encouraging the new agriculture economy represented by the renewable fuels industry.

Since the beginning of the Bush
Administration, USDA Rural Development has invested \$420.6 million in renewable energy and energy efficiency projects and in doing so has leveraged over \$1.3 billion in private investment. We're not alone in this effort. Other USDA agencies are also working to increase America's renewable fuel output. In 2006 alone, USDA's outlay for bioenergy and biobased product development totaled an estimated \$272 million. The Department of Energy is also a key player in this effort.

This emergence of renewable fuels has been long in the making. Renewable energy is not new: Rudolf Diesel ran some of his early engines on peanut oil, and as far back as the 1920's Henry Ford thought ethanol would be the fuel of the future. For most of the last century, however, abundant and cheap petroleum dominated the transportation fuel market. But thanks to soaring oil costs, that era is coming to an end. Ethanol and biodiesel production in the U.S. is skyrocketing. America last year produced 4 billion gallons of ethanol, and that figure is expected to rise to 10 billion gallons by 2010. Biodiesel production has risen from an insignificant 500,000 gallons per year in 1999 to 245 million gallons this year.

Demand for these fuels is having a positive impact on corn and soybean prices. While the future for biofuels — and other renewable energy sources including wind, solar and geothermal — is bright, much is still to be done in the area of research and development. With that in mind, the Department of Energy and USDA co-hosted an important conference "Advancing Renewable"



President George W. Bush addresses the Renewable Energy Conference in St. Louis, Mo., Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006. The President discussed the development of new energy sources that reduce America's consumption of oil.

Energy, An American Rural Renaissance." This event, held in St. Louis, Mo., from October 10-12, brought together leaders from across the spectrum of government and the renewable fuels industry to promote clean, domestically produced renewable energy. The gathering furthers the objectives outlined in President Bush's Advanced Energy Initiative (AEI).

As the President has emphasized, America is clearly awash in energy potential. The challenge is funding the research and development needed to unlock these resources and get them to market. This is urgent: some studies have shown that America's energy demand could increase by 30 percent by the year 2030. While America's energy output is also expected to increase, demand is projected to outstrip supply.

The drive for energy independence will therefore continue. While high energy costs pose a challenge for farm economies (the cost of energy for farms has doubled since 2003) rural America is also poised to reap substantial benefits from energy production. Renewable energy is rural energy. Through the construction of wind farms, fuel production facilities and even geothermal sites, many locally owned, new sources of jobs and wealth are being created. This wealth will help renew rural America, creating a renaissance that will not only boost rural America, but will benefit our nation for generations to come.



### Ohio Rural Development Funded Activities





#### **H**ousing

### Ohio's Housing Program Tops Again

The performance of Ohio's Housing Program continues to set the pace for the nation, retaining its #1 ranking for the fifth consecutive year.

Obligating 17 loans totaling \$17.5 million, the Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing program staff helped to add 708 new rental units to the available housing stock.

More than \$99 million was invested nationally

through the program which financed 83 loans. Ohio's 17 loans represented 20.5 percent of the all loans made. Leveraging loan funds with other housing agencies proved beneficial while helping to increase Ohio's overall capacity. Cooperation with the Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) through its tax credit options allowed OHFA to fund 42 projects. Of the 42 projects funded, 14 of them were jointly financed with Rural Development. OHFA's tax credit program also helped fund two, 36-unit multifamily projects under our Section 515 Program with a total cost of \$1.66 million.





Patty Griffiths (left), Fayette County CAC and State Director Randy Hunt (right) help Shawna Burns celebrate getting her new home after completion of Fayette's Self-Help Housing Program.

### **Lenders Boost Housing Opportunities in Ohio**

The success of the Single Family Guaranteed Rural Housing Homeownership program is based on lenders who utilize, understand, and market our product. Without these lenders we would not have been able to approve 892 loans for over \$80,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2006. The chart identifies the top 10 lenders by number of loans originated.

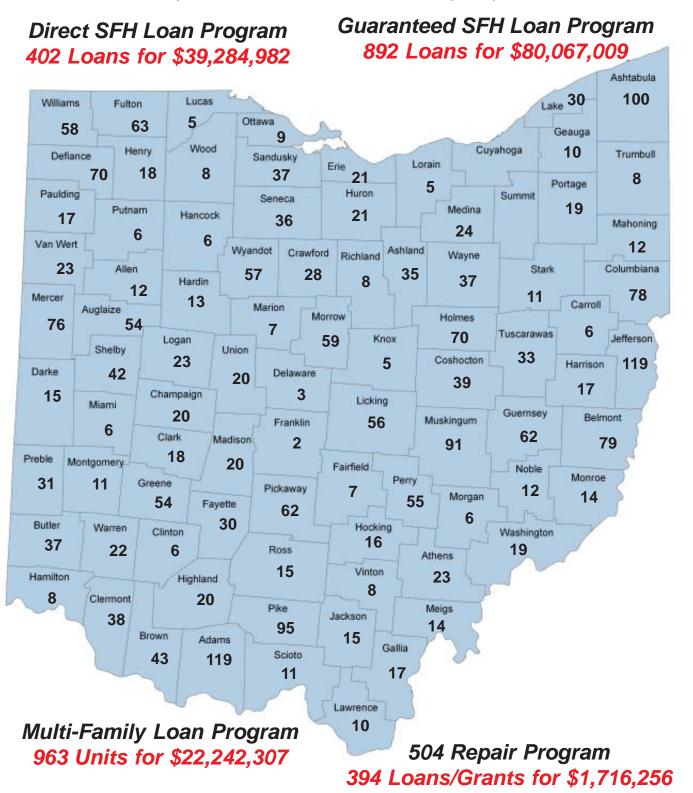
TOP ORIGINATING LENDERS						
LENDER	LOCATION	# OF LOANS				
Concorde Mortgage	Zanesville, Ohio	88				
Eastern Ohio Mortgage	St. Clairsville, Ohio	67				
Union National Mortgage	Strongsville, Ohio	55				
Home Mortgage	Youngstown, Ohio	54				
Villa Mortgage	Fairfield, Ohio	45				
Common Cents Mortgage	Celina, Ohio	33				
CFIC Mortgage	Defiance, Ohio	32				
Western Ohio Mortgage	Sidney, Ohio	31				
First Federal Bank Midwest	Defiance, Ohio	30				
Capital Mortgage	St. Clairsville, Ohio	26				



### Housing Fund Usage

**Total Funding** 

2,651 Loans/Grants for \$143,310,554



### Rural Development Expands

### Broadband Conference Generates Local Project



U.S. Sen. Mike DeWine (center) is presented a plaque by Rural Utilities Program Administrator James Andrew (right) and Ohio Rural Development State Director Randy Hunt (left) for his commitment to Ohio's rural residents and his co-sponsorship of the April 2006 Ohio Broadband Conference.

U.S. Sen. Mike DeWine and Ohio's USDA Rural Development office sponsored a statewide Broadband/ Telecommunications Conference focusing on improving Broadband accessibility for Ohio's rural communities. The conference was part of a national \$2 billion initiative designed to increase development and deployment of Broadband technology throughout America's rural communities. More than 250 people from Ohio and surrounding states attended the conference to find out how to tap into the \$2 billion of USDA Broadband funding.

"Improving Ohio's Broadband accessibility is one of the key program servicing areas Rural Development wants to focus on," said Rural Development State Director Randy Hunt. "Rural communities represent areas that are comparatively underserved by Broadband high-speed internet. We look to this conference to help facilitate project development and provide more service options to Ohio's rural communities. With this goal in mind, we all certainly believe we're headed in the right direction."

More than 50 applications have been approved nationally totaling more than \$824 million. Approximately 70 percent of approved applications went to existing businesses while 30 percent went to start-ups.

#### \$6.1 Million Finance



Rural Development State Director Randy Hunt and company's equipment area responsible for service package to improve service delivery.

Ohio joined three other states in sharing \$30 million in funding from USDA Rural Development's Broadband Access and Telecommunications Program. Ohio's share of the funding totaled \$6,167,000 and was awarded to McClure Telephone Company in Henry County.



### **Ohio's Broadband Service**

### ce Package Provides More Access Options



d McClure Telephone Company's General Manager Duane Schroeder tour part of the edelivery. McClure will use the \$6.167 million Rural Development Broadband financing

"This is Ohio's second Broadband award and we've been working toward building some momentum in this program," said State Director Randy Hunt. "Navigating the program's requirements is a detail-oriented endeavor, but the resulting service improvements more than reward the effort. The McClure Telephone Company of McClure, Ohio, will use the Broadband loan to construct a Fiber-to-the-Home system throughout their exchange in Henry County, providing service to 245 data, 808 voice and 256 video subscribers.

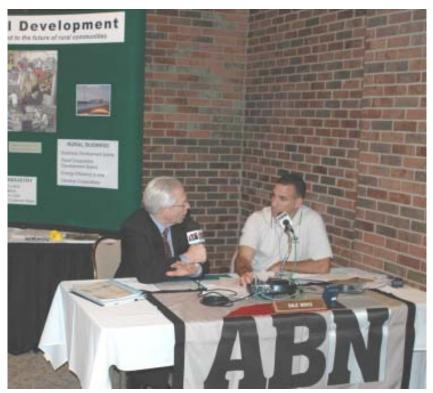
"Here at the McClure Telephone Company we're very excited; not only for us but more for our customers," said McClure Telephone Company's General Manager Duane Schroeder. "With the approval of this Rural **Development Broadband Loan** we will be able to build a Fiber Optic Network capable of delivering "Triple Play" (voice, video, and Internet) services to our customers that are second to none, competitively priced and available on one bill from one company. The Fiber-tothe-Home network we will build with these funds will enable the McClure Telephone Company to continue our commitment to quality for years to come."

**USDA** Rural Development's Broadband Access Loan and Loan Guarantee program provides loans and loan guarantees for the construction, improvement, and acquisition of facilities and equipment for broadband service in eligible rural communities. Priority is given to applications that are proposed to serve areas where no residential broadband service currently exists. The program was authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill and 62 loans for more than \$1.1 billion have been made since the program was created.



#### **B**usiness Program

### Under Secretary Dorr Visits Ohio, Discusses Importance of Renewable Fuels Technology



Rural Development Under Secretary Tom Dorr discusses national energy strategies with ABN radio reporter Dale Minyo during his Ohio visit. Dorr was the featured speaker at the Ohio Renewable Energy Summit held at OSU's Fawcett Center.

Rural Development Under Secretary Tom
Dorr visited Ohio in November 2006 to serve as
the luncheon speaker for Ohio's Renewable
Energy Summit held at The Ohio State
University's Fawcett Center. This cooperative
effort, which included The Ohio 25 X 25 Allliance,
USDA Rural Development, Ohio Corn Growers
Association, Ohio Soybean Council and the Ohio
Department of Development, was designed to
develop workable strategies to further the state's
energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives.

More than 350 stakeholders attended the summit to gather firsthand the potential impact, both from an energy conservation and economic development standpoint, of this growing energy producing area. The summit included a wealth of renewable energy field experts who reviewed topics ranging from legislative and regulatory requirements to biomass, fuel cells and other future renewable energy technologies.

Identifying renewable energy as the "opportunity of a lifetime" during his comments, Dorr was visibly optimistic as he discussed the push to increase U.S. ethanol production. "Ethanol and other biofuels certainly hold the potential to generate enough wealth to create a rural renaissance and a knowledge-based rural economy," said Dorr.

Fresh from a two-day national Renewable Energy Conference in October at St. Louis' America Center, Dorr's insights helped affirm that Ohio efforts were headed in the right direction. The national conference was sponsored by the USDA and the Department of Energy and assembled an A-list cast of governmental, finance, agricultural, environmental and energy industry leaders.

Efforts both nationally and locally are being shaped so they complement President Bush's Advanced Energy Initiative (AEI). The

AEI seeks to accelerate the commercialization of clean, affordable alternative and renewable sources of energy by changing the way we power our cars, homes and businesses. During the national conference in St. Louis USDA Secretary Mike Johanns and U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman announced more than \$17 million to finance 17 biomass research, development and demonstration projects to help reduce the nation's dependence on oil.

Ohio is making noticable progress in the construction of ethanol facilities. Although only one plant, Liquid Resources is operational, six others are in various stages of planning or construction. Rural Development has contributed to the financing packages of two of these facilities and is aggressively seeking opportunities to assist in the development of this rapidly emerging and promising technology.



#### **B**usiness Program

### **Ohio Garners More Than \$64,000 in Energy Grants**

Four Companies to Use Funding for Reducing Energy Operating Costs

USDA Rural Development State Director Randy Hunt joined Mark Deitering, Enviroscape, EMC, Ltd. partner in announcing the award of \$64,006 in Rural Development Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Program Grant funding to four Ohio businesses. The funding will be used to help them reduce operational costs and increase profitability.

"At a time when reducing energy consumption is foremost on everyone's mind, this funding marks continual progress for Ohio's energy management strategies," said Hunt. "Rural

Development's energy program is gaining momentum across the country. Every energy efficiency innovation or improvement moves us all closer towards our energy independence goals."

Rural Development awarded more than \$17.5 million to 375 recipients in 36 states. The program, which includes grants and loans, complements the Bush Administration's overall effort to increase America's energy independence through the development of renewable energy resources as well as improving efficiency of existing systems.

Eligible projects include those that derive energy from a wind, solar, biomass, or geothermal source, or hydrogen derived from biomass or water using wind, solar, or geothermal energy sources. Awards were made on a competitive basis for the purchase of renewable energy systems and to make energy improvements. Ohio's recipients included: \$35,375 to Enviroscape EMC, Ltd. to install a waste straw pelletizer; \$18,323 to Myron Wehr Farms to purchase a grain dryer which will reduce their annual energy savings; \$10,308 to Tusco Display through two grants to improve lighting and installation of a geothermal heating system.

Since 2003 when the program was established, USDA has provided \$87.3 million in grants and \$34.3 million in loan guarantees to 844 applicants.

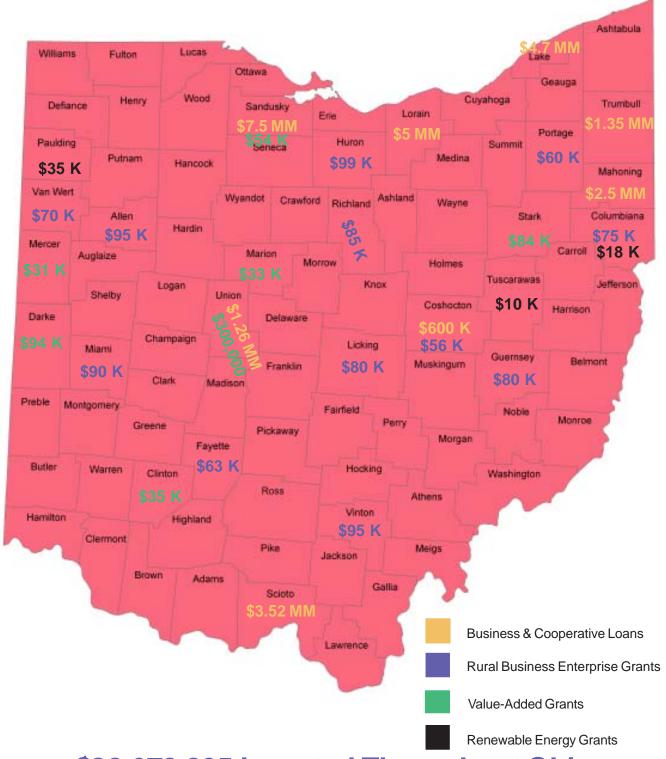


Workers from Enviroscape EMC, Ltd. work with a straw compressing machine. Enviroscape received a Renewable Energy Grant from Rural Development to install a straw pelletizer which will be used to pelletize excess straw produced in the company's erosion control process.

Renewable	Energy/Energy	Efficier	ncy Grant (9006 Pro	ogram)	
Name	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District	
Enviroscape EMC, Ltd.	Paulding	\$35,375	Renewable Energy	5	
Myron Wehr Farms, LLC	Columbiana	\$18,323	Energy Efficiency	6	
Tusco Display, Inc.	Tuscarawas	\$4,125	Renewable Energy	18	
Tusco Display, Inc.	Tuscarawas	\$6,183	Energy Efficiency	18	
Total FY 2006		\$64,006			
Renewable Energy/ Efficiency Grant (9006 Program)	The program is designed to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses reduce energy costs and consumption to help meet the nation's critical energy needs				



**Business & Cooperative Funding** 



\$28,073,895 Invested Throughout Ohio

1,664 Ohio Jobs Created/Saved in 2006
Using Rural Business Cooperative Programs



Business & Cooperative Loan Program					
Name	Coun	ty Loan	Purpose	Cong. District	
Wiley Organics, Inc.	Coshoc	ton \$600,000	Industrial Park Development	18	
Manufacturing Venture, LLC	Scioto	\$1,500,00	00 Refinance Existing Debt	2	
Manufacturing Venture, LLC	Scioto	\$2,020,00	00 Purchase Drying Kilns	2	
Northwind Safety Corp.	Union	\$696,618	Expansion	15	
Park Poultry, Inc.	Mahon	ing \$2,500,00	00 Expansion - Feed Mill	16	
SAMCO/Ohio River Works R/E LL	.C Trumbi	ull \$1,350,00	00 Debt Restructure	14	
Warner Kingwood Nurseries, LLC	Lake	\$3,700,00	00 Refinance Existing Debt	14	
Warner Kingwood Nurseries, LLC	Lake	\$1,000,00	00 Working Capital	14	
Halliday Buildings/Halliday Tech	Union	\$564,800	Construction of a Building	15	
Atlas Industries, Inc./Clark Real P	rop. Sandu	sky \$7,500,00	00 Expansion	5	
Willoway Nurseries, Inc.	Lorain	\$5,000,00	OO Construction of a Greenhouse	9,13	
Total FY 2006	\$26,430,618				
Business & Cooperative Loan Program	husiness and industry involving manufacturing, wholesale, retail and				

Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG)					
Name		County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District
Guernsey County Port	Authority	Guernsey	\$80,000	Revolving Loan Fund	18
Mary Mcleod-Bethune I	ntervention	Richland	\$85,000	Renovation	14
Vinton County Commis	sioners	Vinton	\$95,000	Mirco. Tech. Asst. & Rev. Loan Fund	18
Neighborhood Dev. Ser	vices, Inc.	Portage	\$60,000	Revolving Loan Fund	6,17,18
Comm. Action Agy. of C	Columbiana	Columbiana	\$75,000	Revolving Loan Fund	6
Agape Church on the M	love	Fayette	\$63,000	Revolving Loan Fund	7
Coshocton Co. Reg. Airpo	ort Authority	Coshocton	\$56,000	New Business-Restaurant	18
Erie Basin RC&D		Huron	\$99,000	Revolving Loan Fund	4,5,9,16
Ohio Rural Partners		Licking	\$80,000	Revolving Loan Fund	2,6,7,12,18
Allen County Health Pa	rtners, Inc.	Allen	\$95,000	Medical Equipment	4
Comm. Improvement Co	rpVan Wert	Van Wert	\$70,000	Renovation of Innovation Ctr	5
Upper Valley Joint Vocati	onal School	Miami	\$90,000	Technical Assistance	4,5,8
RBEG Total			\$948,000		
Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) The program supports/facilitates the development of small and emerging private business enterprises in rural areas either directly or through the use					٠ .



#### **B**usiness Program

Value Added Funding Exceeds \$600,000

The United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Office awarded \$630,471 in Value-Added Producer Grant funding to seven recipients during Fiscal Year 2006 funding cycle. The funding will help Ohio's agriculturally related businesses increase their profitability.

"We continue to see a growing Value-Added agriculture sector in Ohio as producers seek new ways to become more entrepreneurial and profitable," said State Director Randy Hunt. "The Value-Added Agriculture Producer Grant program continues to help Ohio farmers and agri-related enterprises reach their business development goals."

There were 194 Value-Added applications approved nationally totaling \$22.6 million. Some of the funding was targeted to the development of alternative fuels from renewable energy sources – part of President Bush's comprehensive national energy policy.

Ohio's seven successful applicants included: Select Sires, Inc. receiving \$300,000, Egg Tech. Ltd. receiving \$94,500, Maize Valley Farm Market Ltd. receiving \$83,721, Jackson Farms Energy, LLC receiving \$53,500, Dale Stokes Raspberry Farm, LLC receiving \$34,500, Ohio Corn Grower Association



State Director Randy Hunt (center) presents \$300,000 Value-Added award to Select Sires General Manager David Thorbahn (second from left). Also from Select Sires are (from left) Dr. Don Monke, VP Production Operations, Mel DeJarnette, Research & Development and Blaine Crosser, Marketing.

receiving \$33,000 and Mercer Landmark, Inc. receiving \$31,250.

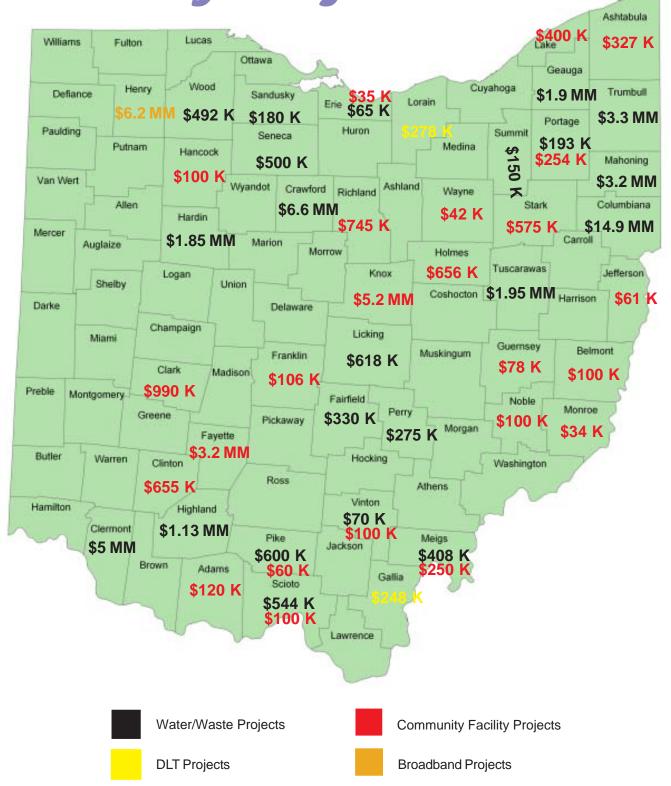
Value-Added Producer Grants may be used for planning activities, such as feasibility studies or business plans, or to provide working capital for marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based bio energy projects.

Eligible applicants are independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures. The Value-Added Producer Grant program was authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill.

Value-Added Development Grant (VADG)					
Name	County	Loan	Purpose	Cong. District	
Mercer Landmark, Inc	Mercer	\$31,250	Planning	4,5,8	
Dale Stokes Raspberry Farm	Clinton	\$34,500	Planning	3	
Ohio Corn Grower Association Marion		\$33,000	Planning	4	
Egg Tech., Ltd.	Darke	\$94,500	Planning	4,5,8,9	
Jackson Farms Energy, LLC	Sandusky	\$53,500	Planning	5	
Select Sires, Inc.	Union	\$300,000	Working Capital	15	
Maize Valley Farm Market, Ltd.	Stark	\$83,721	Working Capital	16	
Total FY 2006	\$630,471				
bu	The program is intended to support and facilitate the development of business cooperatives in rural areas either directly or through the use of technical or developmental services				



### Water/Waste, Community Facility Projects Funded



\$64,663,000 Invested Throughout Ohio



Water a	nd Waste	Disposal	(WWD) Pr	ojects	
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District
Alexandria (cost overrun)	Licking	\$310,000	\$308,000	Waste Water	12
Attica (cost overrun)	Seneca	\$500,000		Water	5
Buckeye Water District	Columbiana	\$4,500,000	\$1,500,000	Water	6
Buckeye Water District (cost overrun)	Columbiana	\$1,300,000	\$500,000	Water	6
Burgoon (cost overrun)	Sandusky		\$180,000	Waste Water	5
Columbiana Co Glenmoor	Columbiana	\$3,534,000	\$2,848,000	Waste Water	6
Columbiana Co Winona (cost overrun)	Columbiana	\$360,000	\$350,000	Waste Water	6
Crawford Co Sulphur Springs	Crawford	\$1,279,000	\$548,000	Water	5
Crawford Co Westmoor	Crawford	\$3,013,000	\$1,764,000	Waste Water	5
Geauga County-Parkman (cost overrun)	Geauga	\$1,960,000		Waste Water	14
Highland (Village)	Highland	\$532,000	\$393,000	Waste Water	3
Luckey (cost overrun)	Wood	\$492,000		Waste Water	5,9
Mahoning Co Lake Milton (cost overrun)	Mahoning	\$2,700,000		Waste Water	6,17
New Straitsville (cost overrun)	Perry		\$275,000	Waste Water	7
Newton Falls (cost overrun)	Trumbull	\$2,205,000		Waste Water	17
Pike Water Inc. (cost overrun)	Pike	\$600,000		Water	2
Ridgeway	Hardin	\$1,027,000	\$823,000	Waste Water	4
Scioto Co Eden Park	Scioto	\$357,000	\$186,000	Waste Water	2,6
Stoutsville (cost overrun)	Fairfield	\$230,000	\$100,000	Waste Water	7
Tate Monroe	Clermont	\$5,000,000		Water	2
Trumbull Co. McKinley Hgts.	Trumbull	\$674,000	\$449,000	Waste Water	17
Tuppers Plains-Chester (cost overrun)	Meigs	\$408,000		Water	6
Tuscarawas Co Stonecreek	Tuscarawas	\$1,220,000	\$730,000	Waste Water	18
Windham (cost overrun)	Portage	\$150,000	\$43,000	Waste Water	17
STATE TOTAL		\$32,351,000	\$10,997,000		
WATER WAST	E APPALACHI	A REGIONAL C	COMMISSION	PROJECTS	
Mowrystown	Highland		\$200,000	Waste Water	3

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT GRANTS					
Erie County SWMD	Erie	\$65,000	Recycling Education	9	
Mahoning County SWMD	Mahoning	\$50,000	Recycling Education	6,17	
Ultimate Recycling/Reuse Indus.	Vinton	\$70,000	Recycling Center	6,18	
Summit/Akron SWMA	Summit	\$149,998	Recycling Education	13,14,17	
STATE TOTAL		\$334,998			

RURALCO	OPERATIVE DE\	/ELOPMENT INI	ΓΙΑΤΙVE (RCDI) GRANT	
OSU Research Foundation	Franklin	\$105,825	Community Dev	15



Community Facilities

Community Facility Projects						
Project	County	Loan	Grant	Use	Cong. District	
Adams County	Adams	\$70,000	\$50,000	Sheriff Cars	2	
Adena Fire Company	Jefferson		\$17,000	Paving	6	
Bethesda	Belmont	\$50,000	\$50,000	Fire Truck	6	
Eastern Knox CO Joint Fire Dist.	Knox	\$150,000	\$40,000	Fire Truck	18	
Empire	Jefferson		\$19,000	Police Cars	6	
Fayette County	Fayette	\$223,000	\$25,000	Sheriff Cars	7	
Geneva-on-the-Lake	Ashtabula	\$135,000	\$30,000	Fire Station	14	
Geneva-on-the-Lake	Ashtabula	\$155,000		Safety Center	14	
Graysville & Comm. Vol. Fire Dept.	Monroe		\$34,000	Equipment	6	
Holmes Fire District #1	Holmes	\$130,000	\$20,000	Medic Unit	18	
Jefferson Township	Richland	\$90,000	\$15,000	Ambulance	4	
Quaker City	Guernsey	\$40,000	\$38,000	Fire Truck	18	
TEMS Joint Ambulance Dist.	Jefferson		\$25,000	Special Response Vehicle	6	
Wilmington	Clinton	\$605,000	\$50,000	Fire Truck	3	
Conneaut Historical Society	Ashtabula		\$7,000	Building	14	
Fairport Harbor	Lake		\$35,000	Senior Center	14	
Kno-Ho-Co Ashland C.A.C.	Holmes	\$506,000		Building	18	
Lake Comm. Dev. Corp.	Lake	\$400,000		Building	14	
Noble Learning Center	Noble		\$100,000	Child Care	6	
Ohio Eastern Star Home	Knox	\$5,000,000		Assisted Living Facility	18	
Ohio Genealogical Society	Richland	\$600,000	\$40,000	Building	4	
Pike County	Pike	\$39,000	\$21,000	Backhoe	2	
Portage Private Ind. Council	Portage	\$254,000		Building	17	
RDW Canton Community Clinic	Stark	\$575,000		Health Clinic	16	
Vanlue	Hancock	\$68,000	\$32,000	Village Hall	4	
Vinton County	Vinton	\$75,000	\$25,000	Building	18	
Wayne Metro Housing Authority	Wayne	\$32,000	\$10,000	Ambulance	18	
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Meigs County CIC	Meigs		\$250,000	College Building	6	
Portsmouth Murals	Scioto		\$100,000	Welcome Center	2	
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Fayette Family YMCA	Fayette	\$3,000,000	CVI	Building	7	
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