

## 2023 Grant Program

The Rural Development Finance Corporation (RDFC) is pleased to announce it has approved a 2023 grant allotment of \$3,000 per member-cooperative to be used to support community owned entities, non-profits and community-based projects.

## **Process:**

- 1. Contact your local electric or telecom cooperative for a grant application.
- 2. Complete the application and send it back to your local cooperative to be signed.
  - a. If your application is selected by your cooperative, it will be forwarded to RDFC on your behalf for final approval.

## **Guidelines:**

- Eligible projects: community owned businesses (café, grocery store, motel, other); community facilities (such as ambulance services, fire districts, recreation, hospital/clinic, community center, etc.); or community-based projects (such as school/youth projects, other) that benefit rural areas and lead to community betterment.
- RDFC does not provide funds for medical fundraisers or general operating costs.
- Matching funds: \$4 dollars of other funds to every \$1 of RDFC funds.
- Maximum/minimum grant amounts: The minimum grant amount is \$500; the maximum is \$3,000.

**Time frame:** February 10, 2023 - December 31, 2023

For an application, assistance or questions please contact your local electric or telecom cooperative.