

Rural Community Grant.

Committed to community.

AgWest Farm Credit is committed to improving the economic and social wellbeing of rural communities throughout the West. We are always looking for creative and collaborative approaches to addressing challenges and opportunities in rural communities. Our Rural Community Grant program provides funds to non-profit organizations for projects that improve rural communities within Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. This includes building or improving facilities, purchasing necessary equipment to facilitate a program, and funding capital improvements which enhance a community's infrastructure, viability and/or prosperity.

Examples of community grants.

- New fire engine for rural fire department.
- New multi-purpose community building.
- Improving a community park's facilities.
- Computers for a community center's educational classes.

Amount available.

The average award is between \$500 and \$2,500. An organization may only be awarded grant funds once per calendar year and per project.

Grant project requirements include but are not limited to:

- Must be submitted through our online application: AgWestFC.com/ruralgrants.
- Must include a letter of support written by a current AgWest customer or AgWest employee.
- Must show financial backing from other sources.
- If the project is chosen, a W-9 or IRS determination letter must be submitted.

Items not likely to receive funding include but are not limited to:

- AgWest customers.
- Lobbying, political or religious organizations.
- Fraternal or labor organizations.
- Projects with zero funds raised.
- Projects benefiting individuals, corporations and/or LLCs.
- Operating expenses, scholarships or advertising.
- Fund-raising events, dinners or benefits.
- Travel expenses for individual/groups.
- Sports team or camp sponsorships.
- Deficits already incurred, loans or debt retirement.
- Annual community events.
- Projects previously funded by an AgWest or Northwest FCS grant.

Deadlines:

Grant applications are reviewed monthly, and applicants are typically notified within 60 days of application submission.

For more information about eligibility and selection criteria visit AgWestFC.com/ruralgrants