

## News Release From ... Congressman Rodney Alexander

5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana

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## ALEXANDER ANNOUNCES USDA GRANT FUNDING FOR TENSAS PARISH

RURAL DEVELOPMENT HAS APPROVED GRANT OF \$100,000

*Washington, D.C.* -- U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced that Tensas Parish will receive a grant totaling \$100,000.

The grant, disbursed by United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development, will be used to construct a 911 telecommunications center in the Town of St. Joseph. Currently, Tensas Parish is one of three parishes that have no 911 system in place. As a result of this funding, the residents of Tensas Parish will have improved access to first responder services.

"Implementing a 911 service for the residents of Tensas Parish is a must," Alexander said. "This grant will help Tensas Parish achieve that goal."

This project is in a special emphasis parish located in the Lower Mississippi Delta Development Initiative.

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