

Intermediary Relending Program (IRP)

Offered by:	U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Target Credit Union Participants:	Credit unions wanting to finance business facilities and economic development projects in rural areas.
Program Objective:	To provide funding to intermediaries (credit unions) to finance business facilities and economic development projects in rural areas.
Credit Union Eligibility:	All credit unions are eligible to participate.

Program Features and Requirements: Lender Benefits: Low cost source of liquidity.
Funding Limits: Intermediaries, including credit unions, can receive a \$2 million initial loan, and \$1 million in subsequent requests, not to exceed \$15 million. The ultimate recipient (credit union member) can receive \$250,000 or 75% of total project cost.

Loan Terms: The term is 30 years for loans to intermediaries. The intermediary sets the terms on funds that are provided to borrowers.

Eligible Purposes: Eligible purposes for these funds include: business acquisition, purchase of land, equipment, leasehold improvements, machinery, startup operating costs, working capital, feasibility studies, debt refinancing, reasonable fees and charges; educational institutions, hotels, motels, and tourist and recreational facilities.

Eligible Areas: Loan proceeds must be used in areas outside the boundaries of a city or town of more than 25,000 in population.

Interest Rate: 1% APR

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