

## Fast Facts!

### *Celebrating Rural CDBG Success Stories*



#### **Carpinteria, California**

The Peoples' Self-Help Housing Corporation used CDBG funds to help build affordable rental housing in rural Carpinteria, California, as well as an after-school youth education program for neighborhood kids. Quality afterschool programs—like the one in Carpinteria—not only help students get better grades, but also develop critical interpersonal skills.



#### **St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana**

With critical CDBG funds, Neighborhood Housing Services Northshore (NHS) was able to provide housing counseling services—including pre-purchase, credit and money management, and foreclosure prevention counseling—to Louisiana's rural families. NHS also used CDBG fund to provide direct grants to elderly residents to help keep their homes safe and accessible.



#### **Colonias Texas**

Texas has successfully used flexible CDBG funds to help provide community development in colonias communities. CDBG funds have been used for home improvement loans, down payment assistance for first-time homebuyers, loans to buy and build affordable rental housing, and rental assistance, and to build water and sewer services, wells and septic systems, and community centers.

The National Rural Housing Coalition is national member organization composed of community groups, public officials, and non-profit developers who believe that rural people have the right, regardless of income, to decent, affordable housing, clean drinking water, and basic community services.

## Fast Facts!

### *Celebrating Rural CDBG Success Stories*



#### **Douglas County, Nevada**

The CDBG program is not only an effective means to assist local rural governments meet critical infrastructure needs, it also saves lives. Thanks to CDBG funding, the East Fork Fire and Paramedic Districts was able to expand its Advanced Life Support/Paramedic Program on a 24-hour-a-day basis. The funds were used to build living quarters for paramedics and to purchase an ambulance in this remote part of Douglas County.

#### **Miami County, Indiana**

Miami County was recently awarded \$2 million in CDBG funding to convert an empty airport hangar on the former Grissom Air Force Base into a production facility for the Dean Baldwin Painting Company's expanded operations. The company's expansion into Indiana benefits six counties and created 200 full-time jobs, 103 of which benefits low- to moderate-income individuals.



#### **Rural Virginia**

The Self Help Virginia Water and Sewer program is an innovative solution to one of the most pressing rural community development challenges: finding cost-effective ways to provide dependable potable water and sanitary wastewater disposal to residents of small rural communities.



In the past six years, the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development provided over \$6.1 million of CDBG funding to assist 30 projects, lay over 100 miles of pipe and provide more than 2,800 people with reliable water and sewer service.

The National Rural Housing Coalition is national member organization composed of community groups, public officials, and non-profit developers who believe that rural people have the right, regardless of income, to decent, affordable housing, clean drinking water, and basic community services.