

How the CD Fund began

In 1998, Adams Electric Cooperative applied for a \$400,000 grant from the Rural Business Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service. The grant was used for a pass-through loan to Adams County for a land acquisition and site development for a county-owned project. When the money was paid back, it was placed into a revolving loan fund, also capitalized from an initial contribution from Adams Electric.

The fund is to be used for community development in the co-op's service territories of Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Perry and York counties. The Adams Electric Cooperative CD Fund is administered by a Loan Review Committee, with all loans subject to approval by the board of directors of the cooperative.

Since the formation of the CD Fund, the cooperative has provided loans to more than a dozen community organizations within its service territory.



Interested in a CD Loan?

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Investing In Your Community

Adams Electric's Community Development Loan Fund



Goals of the Community Development Loan

Adams Electric Cooperative's Community Development Fund (CD Fund) was created to improve the quality of life in communities served by the co-op.

Low interest loans from the CD Fund are intended to supplement other sources of funding from private lenders, public bodies, and non-profit economic development agencies into infrastructure projects to:

1. Make affordable credit resources available to public and non-profit entities to assist in improving the quality of life in the local community
2. Help facilitate the participation of local commercial financial institutions and state or local governmental assistance programs in these projects.
3. Manage the revolving loan portfolio prudently and professionally so that the available fund capital grows over time to benefit the living standards of community residents.



Overview of Projects

Projects creating or improving community facilities which develop the public safety, economic condition, health and safety, or education services of the area. These include, but are not limited to:

1. Creation or improvement of community facilities, such as public ambulance or fire stations and community health or recreation projects;
2. Distance learning;
3. Medical link projects;
4. Educational or job training projects;
5. Business incubators;
6. Water or sewer improvement projects;
7. Technical assistance related to planning, environmental review, or grant preparation.

Eligible Uses of the Loan

Fixed assets with useful life of five or more years, including but not limited to:

1. Acquisition, improvements, or rehabilitation of real property;
2. Acquisition of machinery and equipment (including set-up costs);
3. Interim Financing;
4. Cost of technical assistance associated with the above eligible projects.

Ineligible Uses of Loans

Resources of the CD Fund may not be used for:

1. For-profit business activities;
2. Refinancing of existing debt;
3. Incorporation expenses;
4. Administrative costs.

Who may apply?

Applicants may include public and non-profit organizations, including municipal authorities, emergency services, school districts, civic/social groups, and educational or healthcare entities which enhance community infrastructure or quality of life, and are located in Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Perry, and York county areas, served in part by Adams Electric Cooperative.



In 2002, the first loan was granted, providing Bendersville Fire Company in Adams County with \$125,000 to assist with construction of a new community building and fire station.



Members of the Adams County SPCA officials stand with a framed portrait of the planned expansion of the animal shelter, while the actual renovations take place behind them.