



## REDI Grants

The "REDI Grant" Program combines the resources of the State-funded Rural Development Assistance (RDA) Grant program and the Federally-funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to provide a focused source of funding for community and economic development projects. This grant program is designed to assist local governments in improving the quality of life in their communities. The principal objectives of the program are to increase business and employment opportunities, pro-

mote self-sufficiency and diversification of local economies, and expand the capacity of communities to plan and support economic development.

While the program's focus is on funding local economic development projects within rural Alaska, some funding is also made available for other community needs. The REDI grants are project oriented. Proposed projects must demonstrate a firm public commitment, and in the case of proposed public/private cooperative ventures, a firm private sector commit-

ment. Communities are required to provide either local matching funds or in-kind support for the proposed project in order to be considered for funding. Departmental staff will work closely with applicants in an effort to help communities develop feasible projects.

In addition to the REDI Grant Program, the Division administers several other Federal grant programs, including the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program, the Rental Rehabilitation Grant Program, the

Emergency Shelter Grant Program and the Emergency Community Services Homeless Grant Program.



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