



United States Department of Agriculture

USDA Rural Development Section 504 Home Repair Program

Mission Statement:

“Increasing economic opportunity and improving the quality of life for all rural Americans.”

The Section 504 Home Repair program provides loans to very-low-income homeowners to repair, improve or modernize their homes or grants to elderly very-low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards. The maximum loan is \$20,000. Loans bear a 1% fixed interest rate and can be financed over a 20 year term. Grants applicants must be 62 years of age or older and funds must be used to remove health and safety hazards. The maximum lifetime grant is \$7,500. Grants must be repaid if the property is sold in less than 3 years. Loans and grants can be combined for up to \$27,500 in assistance. Rural Development resources can be combined with other rehab programs.

Section 504 Home repair funds are available year round as long as funding is available. Households must apply directly with their local Rural Development office.

The applicant's household income must not exceed 50 percent of the area median income.

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Interested applicants should contact the local office in their area:

<http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?service=page/CountyMap&state=MN&stateName=Minnesota&stateCode=27>

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