

**PROJECT SELECTION PRIORITIES  
RURAL HOUSING SERVICE  
Community Facilities Grant Program  
“Internal Use”**

Project Score\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant\_\_\_\_\_

State\_\_\_\_\_ County\_\_\_\_\_

Grant Request\_\_\_\_\_ Percent of Total Project\_\_\_\_\_ Loan Request\_\_\_\_\_ (Direct or Guaranteed)

Brief description of proposed facility:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Project selection priorities.** The priorities described below will be used by the Rural Housing Service (RHS) to score applications. Points will be distributed as indicated below. Circle the appropriate points. A copy of this score sheet and Form RD 3570-2, “Worksheet for Computing Maximum Grant Assistance,” must be placed in the case file for future reference.

Priorities

Points

(a) Population. The proposed project is located in a rural community having a population of:

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| (1) 5,000 or less   | 30 |
| (2) between 5,001 and 12,000, inclusive                   | 20 |
| (3) between 12,001 and 20,000, inclusive                  | 10 |
| (4) between 20,001 and 50,000, inclusive, when applicable | 5  |

(b) Income. The median household income of the population to be served by the proposed project is below the higher of the poverty line or:

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| (1) 60 percent of the State nonmetropolitan median household income. | 30 |
| (2) 70 percent of the State nonmetropolitan median household income. | 20 |
| (3) 80 percent of the State nonmetropolitan median household income. | 10 |
| (4) 90 percent of the State nonmetropolitan median household income. | 5  |

(c) Other. Points will be assigned for one or more of the following initiatives:

- (1) Project is consistent with, and is reflected in, the State Strategic Plan. 10
- (2) Project is for health care. 10
- (3) Project is for public safety. 10

(d) Discretionary.

Pursuant to 7 C.F.R. § 3570.67(d)(1), the State program official may assign up to 15 points to a project. A written justification must be prepared and placed in the project file. \_\_\_\_\_

State Office priority. See 7 C.F.R. § 3570.67(d)(2) \_\_\_\_\_  
(1, 2, or 3)

Briefly describe the justification:

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PROJECT SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

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APPROVAL OFFICIAL

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Directions: Complete the information requested. In paragraphs (a)-(c), circle the points for those priorities which apply to, and are met by, the preapplication under consideration. Determine and justify the number of discretionary points, if any, to be awarded in paragraph (d) of this form, and add up the total number of points scored.

National Office priorities. (To be attached to projects requesting funds from the National Office reserve.) Pursuant to 7 C.F.R. § 3570.67(d)(2), additional points may be scored based on the priority assigned to the project by the State Office. The Administrator may assign up to 30 additional points for geographic distribution of funds, emergency conditions caused by economic problems, natural disasters, or leveraging of funds. The basis for the Administrator's points must be in writing and kept in the appropriate application file.

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TOTAL PROJECT SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

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NATIONAL OFFICE APPROVAL OFFICIAL

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DATE