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- The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (RD) advances rural prosperity through an assortment of programs.
- RD is focused on helping governments, organizations, and businesses create the conditions for a better quality of life and for more jobs in rural communities.
- Jobs are the best social programs and the foundation for Puerto Rico's long-term economic development.

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- Our programs help establish vital community facilities and utilities services, provide accessible housing, and support businesses.
- RD finances projects through *direct* (loans and grants) or *indirect* means (loan guarantees).
- RD is not a bank and we do not compete with banks. Instead, we look to partner with lenders to advance rural prosperity.

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- A rural citizen that enjoys proper living conditions, and has access to health services, education, and the global market, is better positioned to participate in the workforce or launch a business that creates jobs.
- We stack the deck in favor of rural Puerto Ricans having their needs met so that they can focus on activities that add value to Puerto Rico's economy and society.



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