

Press Release

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Wisconsin Hospital Obtains Loan from USDA Rural Development for the Construction of New Hospital in Southwestern Wisconsin

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PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WISCONSIN – MARCH 2013 --- It was announced today that Rural Development is in the process of giving final approval to Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital for a \$32.4 million Community Facility Direct Loan. The announcement, made in Southwestern Wisconsin by the Agriculture Under Secretary for Rural Development, Dallas Tonsager, included details on how the funds will be used for the construction of a new acute care medical facility, which will improve the region's access to critical medical care and related support services. "A project of this magnitude will improve the quality of life for area residents, not only with improved access to medical care, but by strengthening the local economy. From construction to attracting new businesses to creating jobs, this facility will have a lasting and positive impact on the region. In fact, this is the largest Rural Development Community Facilities loan that has ever been awarded in the State of Wisconsin by USDA," said Tonsager.

Dougherty Mortgage LLC, who specializes in providing financing for hospitals and healthcare facilities, was hired by Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital as a consultant to assist with the intricate process of obtaining and structuring this USDA loan to be on parity with other lending sources. Dougherty Mortgage is familiar with government funding programs, allowing them to provide significant insight and direction throughout the process.

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USDA, through its Rural Development mission area, administers and manages housing, business and community infrastructure programs through a national network of state and local offices. Rural Development has an active portfolio of more than \$181 billion in loans and loan guarantees. These programs are designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers and ranchers and improve the quality of life in rural America.

The USDA funding for this project is contingent upon the completion of the environmental review process. Funding is also contingent upon the recipient meeting the terms of the loan agreement.

Since fiscal year 2009, USDA Rural Development's Community Facilities Program has helped an estimated 30 million rural Americans address essential challenges in health care, education, public service and public safety by financing projects through loans, grants, or loan guarantees.

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