



To: All Customers **From:** Flagstar Lending
Date: 01/07/21 **Memo #:** 21002
Subject: **Rural Housing Fiscal Year 2021 Funding Now Available**

USDA-Rural Development issued a notice on December 30, 2020 stating fiscal year 2021 funding is now available.

FISCAL YEAR 2021 SFH GUARANTEED FUNDS NOW AVAILABLE

As of Sunday, December 27, 2020, funding for Rural Development's Single-Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program authorized by the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021", is available.

Flagstar customers approved for Rural Housing lending on a delegated basis should also take note of the following from the USDA announcement:

FILES IN PROCESS

- All files processed "Subject to Availability of Funds" have been obligated and the updated Conditional Commitments were generated by the Agency to remove the "contingent upon" language.
- Lender receipt of the updated Conditional Commitment will signal the request has been successfully obligated by the Agency.

LOAN CLOSING

- Once the loan has closed (including loans that were closed prior to the obligation of funds by the Agency), the lender may submit their request for Loan Note Guarantee along with a closing package.
- Lenders using the Agency's automated Lender Loan Closing (LLC) system will complete the lender certification electronically (i.e. no manual signature/date required).
- For manually submitted loan closing packages, ensure the lender certification on the Conditional Commitment is signed and dated after the Agency's obligation date (the issuance date on the updated Conditional Commitment). Use of the Lender Loan Closing system is highly recommended.