

MAERDAF improves the quality of life in rural communities across Maryland.

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TO \$45,000
PER RECIPIENT



Rural Maryland is a place where spaces are wide open, and the possibilities are, too. Since outcomes are better when we do things together, the [Rural Maryland Council](#) needs your help spreading the word about a grant program that can make a difference in your community.

The Maryland Agricultural Education and Rural Development Assistance Fund (MAERDAF) is a grant program that addresses rural challenges in our communities. The program advances the work of **rural nonprofits, community colleges, career technology centers, libraries, and regional councils**. This year, we encourage applications in the areas of energy, rural broadband, youth engagement and leadership development, agriculture and forestry, and community and economic development. The grant process opened on **April 25**. Help your community prosper!

If you're affiliated with an eligible organization in rural Maryland or know someone who is, you may kickstart new opportunities **by sharing this email**. Awarding up to \$45,000 per grant recipient, MAERDAF bolsters many initiatives in rural Maryland. If you have an initiative creating impact in your region or throughout the state, we encourage you to apply for support. [Click here](#) to review the guidelines and application criteria. If you're a past recipient interested in applying again, please [click here](#) to get the process started. Together, we can fill the gaps and help your community thrive.