

RD AN No. 3954 (4274-D)  
March 12, 2004

SUBJECT: Poverty Line Guidelines for Business Programs

TO: State Directors, Rural Development

ATTN: Business Programs Directors

PURPOSE:

We are issuing this Administrative Notice (AN) to notify Rural Business-Cooperative Service personnel of a change in the poverty line income figures.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces AN No. 3828 (4274-D), dated February 27, 2003.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Effective immediately and continuing until further notice, the poverty line referred to in RD Instruction 4274-D, section 4274.344(c)(2)(i), and RD Instruction 1942-G, section 1942.305(b)(3)(ii)(B), is \$18,850 per year for all States except Alaska and Hawaii. The applicable poverty line is \$23,570 for Alaska and \$21,1680 for Hawaii.

Current poverty line information was published by the Department of Health and Human Services in the Federal Register on February 13, 2004, on pages 7336-7338.

*(Signed by John Rosso)*

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EXPIRATION DATE:  
March 31, 2005

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:  
Preceding RD Instruction 4274-D