The USDA has a program which may be able to provide financial assistance to the elderly for household repairs including onsite wells and onsite sewage disposal systems. As of February 2, 2015, the program details are described below. For more information on the USDA 504 loan and grant program, contact:

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Section 504 Loan and Grant Programs

The Section 504 Loan and Grant Programs allow elderly people with very low incomes to maintain their independence by allowing them to remain in their own homes and improving the quality of their lives. The loan program is available to any rural person with a very low income, but most program beneficiaries are elderly. The 504 Loan Program helps qualifying applicants repair, improve, and/or modernize a home, make it safe and sanitary, or remove health and safety hazards.

The 504 Grant Program is available exclusively to very low-income rural seniors aged 62 or older. Both programs provide funds to make such major repairs or renovations as removing electrical and fire hazards, replacing roofing, installing or improving water and waste-water disposal systems, and installing insulation and heating and cooling systems.