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RURAL AMERICA: RIGHT NEXT DOOR

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Together for Hope

A RURAL DEVELOPMENT COALITION

We focus on four priorities of HOPE:



EDUCATION



HEALTH & NUTRITION

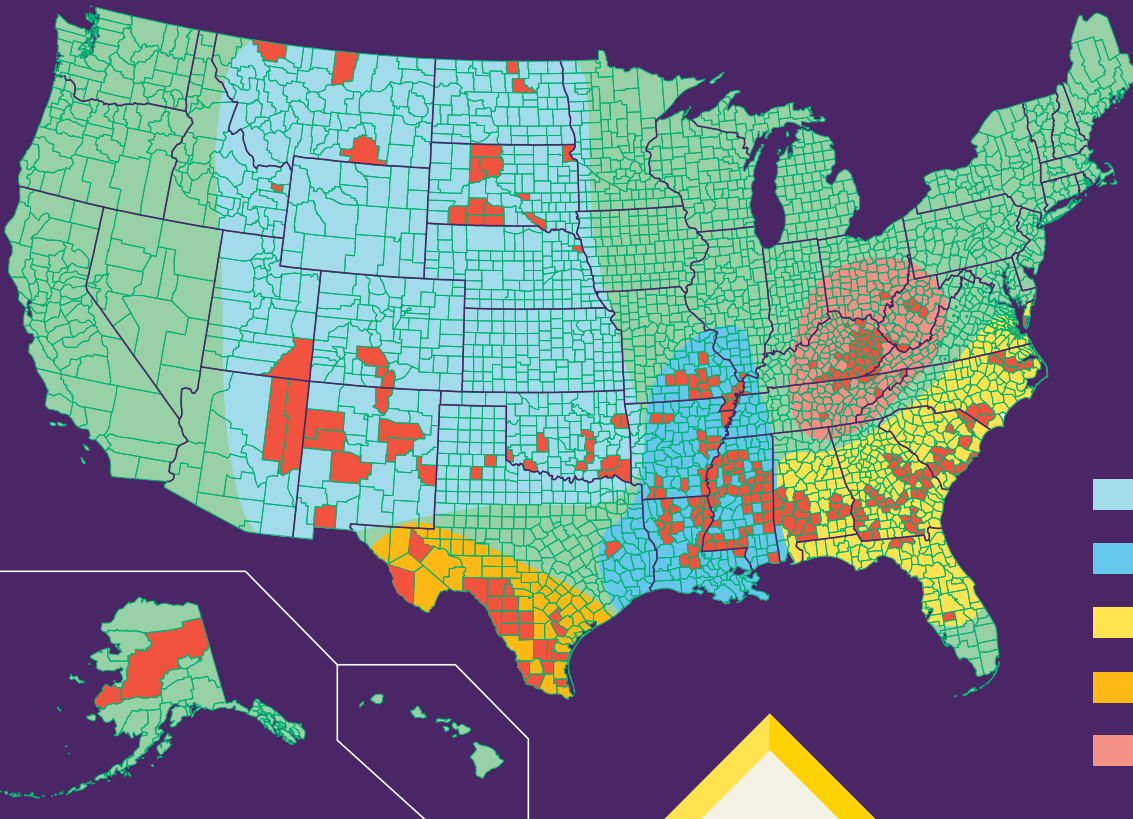


HOUSING & ENVIRONMENT



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

TFH PARTNERS IN FIVE ETHNOGEOGRAPHIES OF PERSISTENT RURAL POVERTY



Persistent rural poverty is present when 20% or more of the population has lived below the federal poverty line for more than 30 years.

-  NATIVE LANDS
-  DELTA
-  BLACK BELT
-  RIO GRANDE VALLEY
-  APPALACHIA

We follow the philosophy of asset-based community development.
UTILIZING LOCAL STRENGTHS FOR LOCAL TRANSFORMATION

For more information, contact Jason Coker (jason@cbfms.org) or Stephanie Vance (svance@cbf.net).

Actions that You Can Take Right Next Door

Join the Coalition! Together for Hope is expanding our coalition to include nonprofits that are ministering in the 301 rural persistent poverty counties. You/your organization/church can become a partner by:

1. Becoming a prayer partner for one or more of the counties/parishes. This work is always a matter of prayer and we could use your support.
2. Online research for one of the counties/parishes. Though we have done some research for each county/parish, you can provide much needed focus on different aspects of local life and history, geography, demographics, etc.
3. Give financially. Your gifts will help us resource the work being done in rural communities.
4. Create church partnerships in the counties/parishes, volunteer to travel and work in the community, and help with local projects alongside local stakeholders.
5. Join us for Civil Rides! We are planning our next ride, so we'll need riders and volunteers.
6. Participate in a Deep Soil training event. Your church members can explore together how to begin a ministry in rural spaces with listening, mapping, and creating relationships.

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