

4. *Level of operations.* (See table 1.)

5. *Estimated magnitude of program in 1970.* (See table 1.)

Program: Rural renewal.

Department or agency, and office or bureau: Department of Agriculture; Farmers Home Administration.

TABLE 1.—*Level of operations or performance, fiscal years 1964–65, and estimated level of operations, fiscal years 1966–67 and 1970*

[Thousands of dollars]

Measure	Fiscal year 1964	Fiscal year 1965	Fiscal year 1966 estimate	Fiscal year 1967 (budget estimate)	Fiscal year 1970 estimate
(a) Magnitude of the program (persons assisted).....	276	352	360	360	-----
(b) Applicants or participants:					
(1) Associations (loans made).....	7	7	8	7	-----
(c) Federal finances:					
(1) Appropriations available ¹	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,284	\$1,200	(²)
(2) Obligations incurred.....	\$1,197	\$1,116	\$1,284	\$1,200	-----
(d) Matching or additional expenditures for the program.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
(e) Number of Federal Government employees administering, operating, or supervising the activity.....	11	12	26	26	-----
(f) Non-Federal personnel employed in the program.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

¹ "No year" account beginning fiscal year 1965.

² There are now approximately 1,000 rural communities which need comprehensive community development programs. The rapidly expanding population coupled with changes brought about by automation and mechanization will create an increasing need for this type of program. Legislation presently under consideration by the Congress will increase the number of agencies eligible for assistance and permit use of rural renewal funds for recreational development. The magnitude of the program by 1970, therefore, will depend more upon the economic situation at that time and the amount of funds authorized for use, than on the need for this type of assistance.

6. *Prospective changes in program orientation*

With the rapidly expanding population and with changes brought about due to mechanization and automation there will be an increasing need for comprehensive community development programs. There now exists approximately 1,000 communities where there exists a need for such a program. Other communities which will likewise be caught in this accelerated mechanization-automation era will also need a program of total rural renewal.

In order to provide more effective assistance it is proposed that section 32(e), title III, of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act be amended to broaden the term public agencies and local public agencies that are now eligible for rural renewal assistance to include any corporation not operated for profit to participate in the planning and carrying out of a program of rural renewal. In addition, it is proposed that recreational development as an appropriate land utilization be added as a purpose for which rural renewal funds may be advanced.

7. *Coordination and cooperation*

The rural renewal program leader provides assistance to all aspects of community development in the designated rural renewal area. A primary function of the program leader is to assure maximum coordination and cooperation with all other programs and agencies as to purposes, policies, operations, and financing. These are directed toward providing needed resources to the development authority and associated development groups for bringing about needed improve-