WISCONSIN EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION
MADISON
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RURAL REHABILITATION

TO ALL DIRECTORS OF RELIEF

Enclosed please find circular (RR-2) together with our circular letter (RRCL-1) regarding rural rehabilitation.

I wish to call your special attention to the first paragraph in RR-2 for the purpose of emphasizing the fact that this rural rehabilitation program is available to those persons eligible for relief only in areas of less than 5,000 population now receiving Federal-State Relief Funds. Therefore, in counties that are not on the county system but where parts of the county are under a group system, only such areas as are within the group will be eligible to this program. This is one very outstanding reason why all counties should be on a county system in order that the benefit of this rural rehabilitation program could be made available to all relief clients in all parts of each county. We believe that the rural rehabilitation program will prove to be one of the most beneficial thus far established for the permanent benefit of relief clients who have initiative and a desire to improve their conditions by becoming at least partially self-supporting.

We call this matter to your attention because it differs from the methods used in administering drought relief which program has been made available to all parts of all counties in the designated drought areas and has not been confined merely to those areas or parts of counties receiving Federal-State aid.

We are already receiving inquiries regarding rural rehabilitation from people in those parts of certain counties that are not receiving Federal-State aid and of course persons are not eligible because the areas in which they live are not a part of a group or county system.

Very sincerely yours,

WISCONSIN EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION

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