Rural Development announces value-added grant program

TOPEKA — More than \$19 million in grants is available to support the development of renewable energy and value-added agricultural business ventures, said Chuck Banks, state director, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development.

The agency's Value-Added Procomprehensive energy strategy to help farmers and ranchers mitigate the impact of high energy costs and develop long-term solutions.

"Value-added projects under this year's program will bring new opportunities for agricultural producers to develop alternative energy sources, as well as create additional value-added products that provide needed investment in our Kansas ning activities, such as feasibility 2744.

communities," Banks said. "These funds will provide valuable support in the areas of renewable energy and value-added development where the agricultural sec-

tor continues to be a leader in forg-

ing important new solutions." Informational meetings covering the Agency's Value-Added Producer Grant Program is part of a ducer Grant Program will be held in February.

> said, the amount that can be awarded to a producer in the form of a working capital grant has been doubled to \$300,000, and \$1.5 million is also being allocated to provide grants of \$25,000 or less to eligible producers.

studies, marketing and business plans needed to establish a viable value-added marketing opportunity for an agricultural product, or to provide working capital for operating a value-added business venture, marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based renewable energy projects.

Eligible applicants are independent producers, farmer and rancher Under this year's program, he cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures.

> Awards will be made on a competitive basis, and applications must be received no later than Friday, March 31.

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ESPN 28	SportsCenter				Sports- Center	Varied	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		NFL Live	Varied
USA (37)	Walker, Texas Ranger		JAG	AG The District		Nash Bridges		Nash Bridges		Coach	Coach	
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NICK (55)	Oddpar- ents	Oddpar- ents	Spon- geBob	Spon- geBob	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	Blue's Clues	Backyar- digans	Dora the Explorer	Lazy- Town	Max & Ruby	Dora the Explorer
DISN (56)	Break- fast Bear	Higgly- town	Ein- steins	JoJo's Circus	Doodle- bops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie	Doodle- bops	Charlie & Lola	Ein- steins
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Anti-meth law having an impact

for slain Sheriff Matt Samuels has helped reduce the number of methamphetamine labs in Kansas, law enforcement officials said, but it has not had significant impact in Greenwood County, where Samuels was killed a year ago at a house used to make meth.

The Matt Samuels Law imposed limits on how many over-thecounter cold medications people can buy because the drugs contain ephedrine and pseudoephedrine, which is used to make meth. Adults are now allowed to buy only three boxes of such medicines in a week. Customers also must show identification and sign a register when buying the medicines.

The number of meth labs seized fell from 583 to 359 - more than 38 percent - from 2004 to 2005.More significantly, meth lab sei-

WICHITA(AP) - Alaw named last half of 2005 - when the law is still so new, "we haven't seenSamuels Law was in effect - much of an impact," Undersheriff dropped from 216 to 101, a 53 per- Dick Clark said. cent decline, Attorney General Phill Kline said.

tremendous additional tool."

Sedgwick County sheriff's officers seized seven meth labs in 2003, three in 2004 and two last year. But the real impact of the law can be seen in the reduction of meth dump sites and of thefts of anhydrous ammonia, said Sgt. Greg Pollock, of the county's narcotics and vice section.

in Sedgwick County fell from 27 in law enforcement officials say. 2003 to two last year, he said. The theft of anhydrous ammonia – another key ingredient in the manufacture of meth - fell from 86 in 2004 to 25 last year.

zures in the last half of 2004 and the of success are harder to find. The habits, he said.

Across borders, farmers track workers' lives

CASTORLAND, N.Y. (AP) -Kerrie Baker's two Mexican employees live above her dining room. They don't speak English and she knows about 30 words of Spanish, but they get by with smiles and the occasional visiting interpreter to the remote, upstate New York dairy farm.

So when Baker said she was leaving for Mexico last month, the men didn't quite believe her. Then she returned with photos of their mounstartled mother.

When the woman realized who Dairyman's Spanish in the spring. Baker was, she started crying and said, "Take care of my baby." Baker and other farmers aren't waiting for Congress to take up immigration reform this month they're crossing the border to understand the issue by visiting the far-flung homes of their employees. But they don't go just for charity, says Wisconsin dairy farmer John Rosenow. Instead, the trips are an investment in a new kind of worker they hope won't disappear. Hispanics make up about 40 percent of all U.S. agricultural employees based on 2004 census figures, the Pew Hispanic Center said. But the interest comes from the newest farmers hiring Mexicans, the dairy farmers along America's northern edge. A Cornell University survey said 72 percent of the largest farms in New York, the third largest dairy-producing state, hired their first Hispanic employee since 2000.Overwhelmingly, the farmers said their biggest problem was understanding their new workers, with 96 percent noting the language barrier. More than half also mentioned cultural concerns. A new Cornell project and a Wisconsin-based nonprofit program called Puentes, or Bridges, cater to dairy farmers, though similar crossborder programs for farmers or agricultural leaders exist in Pennsylvania and Kentucky. Bruce Goldstein of the Washington-based Farmworker Justice Fund says the visits are fine but the real test is whether wages and working conditions improve. The Cornell survey said the average Hispanic dairy worker gets \$7.51 an hour. Cornell took its first group of farmers across the border last month, bouncing in vans an hour past the paved road to a central Mexican village. "Down there, they're grinding out a living the way we used to farm in this country 70 or 80 years ago," said Thomas Maloney, the Cornell extension associate who arranged the trip. "Believe me, once you go

and see it, you understand why people travel 3,000 miles for a job." Baker returned to her farm on just west of the Adirondacks with stories of Mexican cows producing just eight pounds of milk a day, compared to more than 70 pounds from her own. When she asked local students how many had relatives in the U.S., more than half raised

their hands. "That was the best \$900 I could have spent for my dairy farm," tain village, and even of one man's Baker said. Inspired, she'll start a new language course called Rosenow, of Waumandee, Wisc., base. said he's helped place Mexicans on dozens of farms after the first one 'with no complaint."

"Meth is definitely a problem,

and it will be for some time," Clark "What this is," Kline said, "is a said. "We are still finding remnants of labs. We are still finding people who are using and selling.

> Scott Cheever, 23, has been charged with Samuels' murder and faces the death penalty. Prosecutors say Samuels was killed when he went to serve outstanding warrants on Cheever and didn't realize realize he was walking into a meth lab. While the new law has helped in

The number of dump sites found some areas, more needs to be done,

Many addicts have begun buying meth shipped in from Mexico, said Capt. Darrell Haynes, head of the Wichita Police Department's property crimes bureau. They often But in Greenwood County, signs commit petty crimes to finance their

> And Reno County Sheriff Randy Henderson said some meth users get around the law by going from store to store to buy three boxes until they have enough to make a batch of meth.

> "It's just making it more inconvenient for them, but they're still able to do it," Henderson said.

> Haynes supports the passing of a federal law restricting the sale of ingredients used to make meth.

Authorities also want a computer database linking pharmacies across the state so they can track customers' buying patterns to spot meth "surfers," or people who abuse prescription drugs such as painkillers.

The technology for such a database already exists and several states have it.

Kansas has received a \$50,000 federal planning grant for the data-

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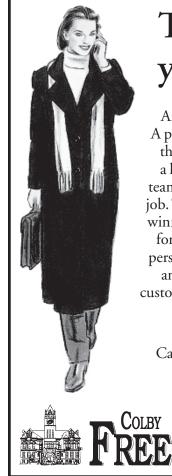
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Rosenow has crossed the border three times with Puentes. He remembers visiting a former employee who had used his U.S. earnings to build a bakery.

Doctors, pharmacists and others need to draft legislation approving he hired worked 54 days straight, the database, said Debra Billingsley, executive secretary of the Kansas Board of Pharmacy.

"You can never do enough," Kline said. "Everything takes time ... but we have made significant progress."





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