



RURAL INVESTMENT COLLABORATIVE™

Small towns, big opportunities.™

2026 Community Investment Training Participants



The Richmond Fed and rural stakeholders are helping communities achieve economic resilience and prosperity through the Rural Investment Collaborative™.

The Collaborative's Community Investment Training program provides 25 rural leaders with 16 weeks of information and guidance on how to prepare project proposals that succeed in securing funding for their small towns and rural areas.

*The Richmond Fed does not or otherwise award grants, participate in the selection of grantees or selection of communities receiving training or technical assistance.

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