Policy on Grant Support for Members

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This policy does not apply to APPA DEED grants.

As the national trade organization for public power utilities, the American Public Power Association (APPA) supports members related to federal funding opportunities in a variety of ways. We advocate in Congress for programmatic funding at federal agencies that will explicitly be made available to public power, such as the variety of programs funded and/or established through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). APPA also provides ongoing advocacy on behalf of its members when federal agencies implement new programs so that the intent of the law is followed regarding public power's inclusion in such programs. APPA provides educational resources, such as webinars and summits, to raise awareness of funding opportunities, and is exploring the development of future products like templates and general guidance documents. The association also has a webpage dedicated to grant funding opportunities, and continuously provides information on specific programs to interested members via listservs.

With more than 1,400 members nationwide, it is important that APPA remain as unbiased as possible as members compete with one another (and others) for these federal funding opportunities. APPA provides information and resources to members to support members' applications for federal grants that benefit their communities. To maintain parity among members, APPA does not provide letters of support for specific member grant applications, nor does APPA prepare or review individual member grant applications.