WE ADVOCATE FOR LEGISLATION THAT WOULD:

Provide direct aid to public power utilities for revenue losses from COVID through a forgivable loan program.

Increase funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program to provide need-based energy assistance.

Reduce costs and encourage new investments that help our communities and economy by reinstating the ability to issue advance refunding bonds and increasing the small-issue exception to $30 million.

Ensure federal infrastructure incentives, including tax incentives for renewable power and other energy-related facilities, are available to public power.

Amend current law to explicitly state that CARES Act emergency funds to hydropower programs of the Power Marketing Administrations may not be recovered in rates from customers of the Federal Power Program.

WE SUPPORT UTILITY OPERATIONS BY:

Organizing and coordinating more than 85 public power utility subject matter experts across the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council (ESCC)’s Tiger Team initiatives to develop resources and guides to assist with pandemic response.

Pushing at the federal and state levels to escalate testing and PPE priority for utilities.

Activating a COVID-19 listserv to facilitate information sharing.

Engaging in mutual aid coordination efforts through weekly/bi-weekly COVID-19 response calls with our Mutual Aid Working Group and feeding results into the ESCC Mutual Assistance Tiger Team.

Work hard to help you navigate COVID-19’s many challenges.
WE COMMUNICATE PUBLIC POWER'S VALUE BY:

- Creating customizable social media messages and graphics on energy efficiency, safety, scams, and more
- Recognizing essential workers through a highly shared video and sample op-ed
- Generating media coverage for public power's pandemic response and recovery needs

WE INFORM YOU THROUGH:

- CEO/utility director conference calls and a listserv
- Regular email summaries of COVID-related actions, including government relations, regulatory affairs, ESCC activities, and education and meetings
- Multiple complimentary and low-cost webinars on public power's COVID preparation and response

Learn more and access resources in the Public Power COVID-19 Information Hub on PublicPower.org