



Community Grant- Giving Guidelines

Purpose: REC's Community grants were developed as an on-going commitment to giving back to the communities that are served by REC or who serve members of REC. They are meant to be a supplement, but not replacement of local, state, or federal funding, as well as other sources of financial support received by emergency-services, non-profit organizations, educators, or public/private school systems.

Types of Grants:

REC will award two \$5,000 grants and four \$2,000 grants. There will be at least one grant from each of the following categories:

- Emergency Services
- Community
- Education

Applications may be downloaded from REC's website.

Perspective Candidates:

Applications are open to organizations who serve REC's membership. Applicants may include local emergency service units, non-profit organizations, and educators within REC's service territory.

- Emergency-service grants are awarded to emergency response teams (i.e. fire & rescue squad units) who are served by REC, or whose services directly benefit REC members.
- Community grants are awarded to non-profit organizations serving REC member, or whose services directly benefit them.
- Education grants are awarded to individual teachers, or groups of teachers, from grades K-12 who demonstrate creative teaching methods to students of Cooperative member-owners.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Completed application must be submitted with all required supporting documents.
- Applicant must support one of the designated categories.
- Community Grant recipients may not apply for subsequent funding for a period of two years.