



# COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT APPLICATION

## GRANT OVERVIEW

The economic development landscape is forever changing. Many Midwestern communities are poised for growth but can face challenges. Wabash Valley Power Alliance offers this grant to conduct comprehensive studies and community development projects with the goal of fostering sustainable economic development through strategic investments. Childcare initiatives also are eligible for this grant.

## PROGRAM COMPO- NENTS

**Eligibility:** Open to organizations based in or doing projects in communities served by WVPA member electric distribution co-ops.

**Funding Structure:** Wabash Valley Power Alliance can allocate up to \$5,000 per community per year for this grant.

## TIMELINE & REPORTING PROCESS

**Grant Application Timeline:** Grants will be available for submission in the first quarter (January-March) of each year. A grant review team will review completed applications award funds. Additional grant submission timelines may open as funds become available.

**Reporting Requirements:** Organizations that receive grant funding will be required to submit progress reports highlighting use of grant funds, project milestones achieved, and outcomes.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Organization  
Name

Contact  
Name

Address	City	State	ZIP
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Email	Phone
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Electric Cooperative

I have contacted and received approval from the electric cooperative for this project. (This is required.)

## PROJECT QUESTIONS

Funding Amount Requested (Refer to “Program Components” above.)

1. Please detail the purpose of your grant request.



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## PROJECT QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

2. What are the objectives or anticipated benefits of this project?

3. What is the expected outcome if funds are received?

4. Please detail any community partnerships or other information that will be useful to know about the project.

## APPLICANT SIGNATURE & AGREEMENT

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Full Name

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Date

*By signing this agreement, I understand the information submitted is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that application submission does not guarantee an award.*

*My organization will, as needed, provide reporting as to the current status of the funding and how it is supporting the project. My organization also will be willing to participate in promotional efforts to support WVPA's incentive and economic development efforts.*

These questions are designed to gather comprehensive information about the proposed project, ensuring that Wabash Valley Power has a clear understanding of project goals, feasibility, community impact, and that the project aligns with our grant initiatives. Adjustments can be made based on specific program guidelines and priorities.

**Please note: Only Local Economic Development Organizations can apply on behalf of communities.**

For any additional information, questions, or to schedule your project consultation please contact:

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## FOR COOPERATIVE USE ONLY

*For Co-op Staff:* Have you reviewed and approved this project proposal for grant funding?

*For Co-op Staff:* Are there any notes or considerations for the WVPA team?