

CPA Community Based Organization Outreach Grant (CBO Grant)

– Q&A Responses

#	Question	Answer
1	How many grants will CPA be funding?	<p>Per our CBO Grant instructions document: “Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$20,000 for up to 8 grantees. CPA expects that some CBOs do not have the capacity to reach the 5,000 households and/or small businesses any may apply for grants of smaller amounts proportionate to their outreach capacity.” As such, CPA cannot determine the maximum number of grants that it plans to award at this time.</p> <p>See Request for Applications for Community Based Organization (CBO) Outreach Grant, Section CBO Grant Program Eligibility, Funding, and Work Schedule; See Also Community Advisory Committee January Packet: https://cleanpoweralliance.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/CAC-20-01-Agenda-Packet.pdf</p>
2	Are government agencies eligible to apply for the grant?	<p>This CBO Outreach Grant is meant for “non-profits, nongovernmental organizations, trade groups, and Chambers of Commerce or other business associations (collectively referred to as “CBOs”).” Interested government agencies are encouraged to partner with CBOs for the purpose of grant applications.”</p> <p>See Request for Applications for CBO Outreach Grant, Section Community Based Organization Outreach Grant Summary.</p>
3	Can we use the funding to do outreach in any city we work in that’s in your service territory?	<p>Per our CBO Grant instructions document: “CPA is seeking CBOs that have expertise with reaching underserved residential and small business customers across our service territory, with a focus on DACs.” Additionally, “CPA prefers applications that cover more than one city/community but is receptive to smaller portions of our territory according to what organizations propose and would scale down the grant dollar amount accordingly.”</p>

		<p>See Request for Applications for CBO Outreach Grant, Section Targeted Communities for Specific Customer Segments. See also: CBO Grant FAQ, Question: How many targeted communities does our organization have to serve in order to receive a grant?</p>
4	<p>Is the funding opportunity open for all member agencies that have a DAC population or is the funding opportunity apply only those that a certain percent of the agency's population is DAC?</p>	<p>CBOs are encouraged to submit an application that responds to CBO Grant Program Goals identified on Pg. 2 of the Request for Applications for CBO Outreach Grant and will be considered for an award based on the CBO Grant Selection Criteria identified on Pg. 4 of the Request for Applications for CBO Outreach Grant. See CalEPA CalEnviroScreen 3.0 Tool: https://oehha.ca.gov/calenviroscreen/maps-data for DAC areas of CPA's service territory.</p>
5	<p>Can we use the funding to pay for staff or office space?</p>	<p>Per our CBO Grant instructions document: "Qualified expenses that can be included in the total grant amount can include live translation, event registration costs, food, mileage, and/or childcare." Additionally, "A simple budget for implementing your proposed workplan, including staff time, overhead, and direct expenses for your proposal..." is required as part of the Respondent's application.</p> <p>See 2020 Community Engagement Grant Application, Section 5 (Budget).</p>
6	<p>Can we use the funding to pay for community programs like solar installations?</p>	<p>No, this CBO Grant is only available to "fund educational outreach about CPA to your members, clients, businesses, and other targeted underserved audiences who are also our residential or small business customers."</p> <p>See Request for Applications for CBO Outreach Grant, Section CBO Grant Program Goals, Focus Areas #1-3 for more information about eligible outreach activities.</p>