Community Engagement Grant FAQs

Are membership organizations, such as chambers of commerce or other business associations eligible to apply?

Yes. All types of nonprofits or service-based organizations are eligible to receive the grant. As a community-owned organization, SVCE values the relationships service groups have with all of our customers, whether they are residential or commercial. We have often found that small business owners often have similar needs to our residential customers, so we are including small businesses to our list of target audiences.

Can we treat the community engagement grant as a sponsorship to our current activities?

No. The purpose of this grant is to promote new and creative ways to engage audiences that we have not been able to reach with our current outreach efforts.

What kind of activities is SVCE looking for organizations to do with this grant?

SVCE is looking for organizations to actively engage with their audiences. For example, creative engagement activities that reach target groups, such as holding an Understanding Your Energy Bill workshop, would count as active engagement. An example of a non-active engagement would be putting our logo on your website.