



Electric cooperatives are unique because we're owned by our customers and driven to make a difference, not a profit. Cooperative Energy's mission is to deliver reliable and affordable energy to our members in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. Our team's commitment to this, and to improving the communities we serve, is evident in the variety of programs designed to encourage beneficial economic development. The Cooperative Competes Community Grant Program is a prime example of this commitment.

Grants



Tier 1

Up to **\$10,000** for marketing and community development

Match: None required

- Strategic planning
- Website design
- Retail Recruitment
- Targeted marketing materials, including videos
- Workforce development initiatives
- Industrial property signage and/or aesthetic improvements



Tier 2

Up to **\$25,000** for marketing and community development

Match: A match of 10% required

- Site visit preparation
- Architectural fees
- Environmental due diligence studies
- On-site demolition
- Fees for consultants or agents necessary to complete site diligence (engineer, attorney, etc.)
- Mississippi Site Development Grant Program matching funds



Tier 3

Up to **\$50,000** for site preparation.

Match: A match of 20% required

- Site clearing, grubbing, grading
- Transportation infrastructure directly effecting site
- Existing industrial building improvements
- Environmental mitigation or purchase of mitigation credits
- Mississippi Site Development Grant Program matching funds



GRANT APPLICATION

Date: _____ Entity: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Information: _____

IRS Designation: _____ EIN Number: _____

Electric Distribution Member: _____

Name of Site (if applicable): _____

Description of project for which financial assistance is requested:

Grant Request Amount: \$ _____

Entity Investment Amount: \$ _____

Type of Grant Request:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Visit Preparation | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Clearing, Grubbing, Grading |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Website Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Architectural Fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Targeted Marketing Material | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Existing Building Improvements |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant Fees to Complete Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Mitigation |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Property Signage and/or aesthetic Improvements | <input type="checkbox"/> MDA Grant Program Matching Funds | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <div></div> |

For product development grant requests, please attach the following documents:

1. Site Aerial (include property outline)
2. Utility Infrastructure Map

By submitting this application, the applying entity agrees to provide Cooperative Energy Economic Development with an update on the use of funds within 6 months of grant funds being awarded.

Applicant _____ Date _____ Cooperative Energy Member Approval _____ Date _____

Cooperative Energy _____ Date _____

