

Applications Open for K-12 STEM Education Grants

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- · Educators can apply for grants up to \$5,000 at TVA.com/STEM
- · Application period open August 1 September 15
- Preference given to applications that relate to TVA's primary areas of focus: energy, environmental stewardship, economic development, career development, and community problem-solving.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. – The Tennessee Valley Authority's STEM Classroom Grant Program for science, technology, engineering and math education is now open for applications through Sept. 15.

The program is providing \$1.5 million to fund STEM learning projects in classrooms and schools across TVA's seven-state service area and is sponsored by TVA in partnership with the TVA retiree organization, Bicentennial Volunteers Inc.

"TVA recognizes the importance of supporting educators and students who pursue excellence in STEM subjects," said Jeff Lyash, TVA president and chief executive officer. "Through these programs, our future workforce is being prepared right here in the Tennessee Valley. These students will be ready to find innovative solutions to the challenges ahead for decades to come."

Last year's program awarded a record \$1.5 million in grants to schools across seven states. There were 715 grant applications received, and 343 were selected for funding. More than 130,000 students in 105 counties representing all of TVA's seven-state region were impacted by the funding in 2023-2024 cycle.

Teachers can apply at TVA.com/STEM for funding up to \$5,000 for STEM projects with preference given to applications that align with explore TVA's primary area of focus: energy, environmental stewardship, economic development, and career development, and community problem-solving.

Eligible applicants are teachers or school administrators in public or private schools, grades K-12. Schools must be in the TVA service area and receive electricity from a local power distributor served by TVA.

About TVA

The Tennessee Valley Authority is the nation's largest public power supplier, delivering energy to 10 million people across seven southeastern states. TVA was established 90 years ago to serve this region and the nation by developing innovative solutions to solve complex challenges. TVA's unique mission focuses on energy, environmental stewardship, and economic development. With one of the largest, most diverse, and cleanest energy systems – including nuclear, hydro, solar, gas, and advanced technologies – TVA is a leader in our nation's drive toward a <u>clean energy future</u>.

TVA is a corporate agency of the United States, receiving no taxpayer funding, deriving virtually all of its revenues from sales of electricity. In addition to operating and investing its revenues in its electric system, TVA provides flood control, navigation, and land management for the Tennessee River system, and assists local power companies and state and local governments with economic development and iob creation.

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