



BFCL FUNDING GUIDELINES

- **BFCL Grant monies will be given for one or two events** only and may not be used for repeated events throughout the year such as monthly meetings.
- BFCL Grant monies must be used for activities that either increase member engagement or are used to recruit new members.
- If ordering T-shirts, hats or bags they must have the MEA logo on them. Contact Gus Schowengerdt at gschowengerdt@mea.org to find out how to do this.
- For trinkets, giveaways and other types of apparel, you may work with your local vendor and request USA made items and preferably union made.
- Member engagement activities can be educational or social events which bring rank and file members together to help support each other and show value in our organization.
- Monies shall not be used for local community outreach projects.
- Monies shall not be used for lottery tickets, gift cards for drawings or food for meetings (executive board meeting).
- Monies shall not be used for alcoholic beverages.
- Each application will be considered based on the number of members it would potentially impact and the total cost of the project.

Priority will be given to locals who have not received funding in the past. Locals are encouraged to work with other locals to utilize the monies to help all MEA members in the surrounding area if appropriate.

Due to the high number of requests, not every project will be funded. This is a grant process in which applications will be reviewed and approved based on merit. Please do not spend monies in hopes to be reimbursed after the event as there is not guarantee of approval due to limited funds.