Grant Funds Approved

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Since we had a virtual RA this year, the savings resulted in \$5.5 million additional revenue to the budget. This additional revenue is targeted for 2020-2021 NEA strategic objectives (see article about Strategic Objects) grants. NEA State and Local Affiliates, Aspiring Educator, and **RETIRED AFFILIATES OR CHAPTERS**, either individually or as groups, may apply. Find more information on the NEA website under **NEA Safe and Just Schools Partnership Funding**.

The imperative of this funding is to *support members, students, affiliates, and communities in overcoming the racial, social, economic, political and educational injustices marked by inequitable conditions and disparate impacts that have been exacerbated by the Coronavirus pandemic.*

These are one-year grants from \$3,000 - \$75,000. The *Goals of the Partnership Funding* include

- ✓ Ensuring health, safety, and civil rights
- ✓ Addressing racial and social justice with a priority on the Native People, People of Color, and LGBTQ+ communities
- Adapting high quality instructional practices emphasizing advancing racial justice, eradicating white supremacy culture and creating a culture of professional excellence
- ✓ Strengthening connections between NEA and members
- Innovative processes for membership recruitment, engagement, and retention
- ✓ Implementation of new ways to recruit and engage community allies

The application is live on nea.org