[](http://www.building-strong-communities.com/)

The FMEA Building Strong Communities Awards Program recognizes cities and utilities offering extra services to their local community, other than those services normally supplied. Cities and utilities will be recognized during the luncheon at our [Energy Connections Conference](https://www.flpublicpower.com/events/2025-fmea-energy-connections-conference) on October 28, 2025 in Jacksonville.

The following is a list of possible programs, although we encourage you to include others you believe may be appropriate. All eligible events and programs should have occurred between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025.

1. **Programs that improve the environment:**
2. Tree distribution
3. Adopt/sponsor a road
4. Beach/park/road debris cleanup
5. Renewable resource demo projects
6. Grocery cart returns

II. **Community Education**

1. Public power
2. Career day
3. Plant tours
4. Job shadowing
5. School safety programs
6. Events promotional
7. School calendars

III. **Charitable Donations**

1. United Way involvement
2. Share program
3. Homeless support
4. Low cost/no-cost home repairs
5. Low-income households
6. Senior citizens
7. Extension programs
8. Special causes

IV. **Crime Prevention**

1. Crime watch

B. Security lighting

C. Radio watch

D. Domestic violence/child abuse

E. Self-defense

F. Scam awareness

V. **Special Programs**

1. In-kind contributions, services
2. Community festivals
3. Military recognition
4. Ball field/playground lighting
5. Holiday parades, lighting
6. Donation of equipment, computers, trucks, poles
7. Beyond-the-call mutual aid
8. Blood mobile
9. Lights at school bus stops
10. Volunteerism

Please indicate 1-2 programs or contributions that you would like FMEA to highlight in recognition efforts. When emailing or uploading your form, please attach any photos, news articles, or social media posts that reference these programs so we might use them in generating a press release(s).

**Florida Municipal Electric Association**

**2025 Building Strong Communities Awards Evaluation Form**

City/Utility: Contact:

Email: Phone:

Shipping address (if not attending ECC):

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List any events or programs that occurred between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025.

Feel free to attach photos, materials, brochures, social media posts, presentations or links for any/all programs.

Return via email to [hgrant@flpublicpower.com](mailto:hgrant@flpublicpower.com), upload using [this Dropbox link](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/9uzv19e2plu3zgp0huk15/AHnyzzAZxoSPwwccerGlPR4?rlkey=yy2cv5kq6h7a3geknekrnpbvz&st=midumq1q&dl=0),.