

MuniPAC

IOWA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

What is MuniPAC and why should I contribute?

MuniPAC is a non-partisan state political action committee (PAC) formed under Iowa Code Chapter 68A. For municipal utilities' lobbying efforts to be successful, we must help elect and re-elect individuals who will make decisions in the interest of municipal utilities and their consumer-owners. MuniPAC gives municipal utilities a larger, more influential voice before the Iowa legislature.

How much should I give?

Some managers give \$25, others give \$200. In Iowa, there is no limit on the amount an individual can contribute to a PAC. Regardless of the amount, the money you give makes a difference to help protect the interest of municipal utilities. Even \$10 or \$20 would help.

Who should participate in MuniPAC?

In general, a utility or city official can encourage contributions from board and council members and salaried staff who are involved in policy making or are

considered managerial, professional, or supervisory.

What about other employees?

Hourly employees, union members, foremen, retired employees, contract employees, consultants, or salaried staff who are not involved in policy making or are not managerial, professional or supervisory may participate voluntarily. They may be given information about MuniPAC but there must not even be the hint of coercion in soliciting or accepting funds.

Is my MuniPAC contribution tax deductible?

No. Political contributions, whether to a PAC, a political party, or an individual candidate are not tax deductible.

Where does MuniPAC get its funds?

All contributions to MuniPAC must be voluntary and must come from individuals. A corporation, including a city or city utility, cannot make contributions to

MuniPAC. An individual cannot make a contribution in the name of another.

Please present this information to your Board of Directors, your City Council, and members of the utility's management team. Ask them to help. When we all work together, it is amazing what we can accomplish.

There is truth in the adage that the best defense is often a good offence. That means we need to be in top form, because our opponents often have more political power and a lot more PAC money. Besides the contacts you make in support of IAMU's grassroots lobbying, we need you to support MuniPAC.

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TO BECOME A CONTRIBUTOR OR MEMBER of MuniPac for 2008, please complete the following and mail with your personal check made out to MuniPAC. Send it to the MuniPAC address below.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

City/utility/organization _____

Enclosed is my personal check made payable to MuniPAC. Please check one of the following. (Smaller contributions are also greatly appreciated):

- Contributing member/\$35-\$99
- Supporting member/\$100-199
- Sustaining member/\$200-\$499
- Leadership circle/\$500 or more
- Other contributor