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After reviewing the [EPA's guidebook](#) for setting up and maintaining an [air monitoring network](#), can your organization easily follow these guidelines?
No, the guidebook is too complicated

What barriers do you see in undertaking this project?
Overall technical expertise

Data collection and documentation

Site logistics

In addition to covering the cost of the sensors and their maintenance, how would you use the grant funding?
Secure location, including power and Wi-Fi

Staffing to maintain the sensors

Data collection and sharing

How should the MPCA consider an applicant's approach to community outreach and engagement during the grant application process?

Opportunities to have air monitors need to be open to all areas and equally dispersed throughout the city, not just confined to the erroneously constructed Green Zones. Politician influence needs to be limited! Also, make the whole process easiest for individuals. Not all have access or want to access a private nonprofit "community organization," which can often be perceived as biased, already receiving resources, or just used for staff salaries vs getting the actual testing done. And also: How do we prove we already have air quality issues, as your process seems to require, when we have never received any testing? Sort of a silly vicious circle you are creating. And maybe MPCA should focus on areas not already recipients of these resources. Or focus on problematic industrial operation areas like rail yards and main rail lines near residential areas.

What other information should the MPCA consider during the community air monitoring grant process?

Didn't we already go through this process? Or was that just via a city of Mpls process? There was no followup or communication, so that needs to be improved. Community engagement seems almost nonexistent.