




People's Energy Cooperative

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People's Energy Cooperative Trust – Operation Round Up® grants nearly \$15,000 to local organizations

ORONOCO, MN, May 22, 2025 — People's Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up® Trust Board provided \$14,742.35 in grants this quarter to the following area organizations:

- **Byron Community Education Preschool** - \$1,500 to support enhancing outdoor learning
- **Dover-Eyota Public Schools** - \$3,000 in support of the 8th Grade Trip to Eagle Bluff
- **Hometown Resource Center** - \$600 to help purchase food
- **Kasson-Mantorville Community Education** - \$504.60 to help with the purchase of early literacy kits
- **Lake City Relief Fire Department** - \$1,500 to help with the purchase of infrared cameras
- **Mazeppa Area Historical Society** - \$1,000 to help with the new building project
- **RCTC Learning is ForEver Program** - \$500 to help with the cost of printing and mailing catalogs
- **Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation** - \$1,500 in support of the Youth Connections Sports Trailer
- **SPARK** - \$1,500 to help purchase supplies for STEM programming
- **Triton Youth Fastpitch Softball Association** - \$1,000 to help upgrade concessions
- **Wabasha Ambulance** - \$2,137.75 for the purchase of new training equipment

The People's Energy Cooperative Trust – Operation Round Up® fund started in 2002 and grants funds to a variety of charitable, educational, community, and youth-related programs and events.

The program is funded by donations made by members of People's Energy Cooperative who voluntarily have their monthly electric bill rounded up to the nearest dollar. Nearly 16,000 members currently participate with the average donation of \$6.00 a year per member, demonstrating that small change can add up to make a big difference.

Applications for funding are considered on a quarterly basis. The funds are held separately from the People's Energy Cooperative operating accounts and are administered through the Board of Trustees comprised of seven People's Energy Cooperative member volunteers.

To be considered for third quarter grants in 2025, applications must be submitted no later than June 20, 2025. Program guidelines and applications for Operation Round Up® donations are available at www.peoplesenergy.coop/operation-round-up or by calling the Cooperative at (800) 214-2694.

About People's Energy Cooperative

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating over 85 years of delivering retail electric power to its 20,000 consumer-members in Olmsted, Dodge, Fillmore, Mower, Wabasha, and Winona Counties. People's Energy Cooperative is a Touchstone Energy® cooperative and a member-owner in the Dairyland Power system of electric cooperatives that generates and transmits reliable electric power in 62 counties of four states (Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois). People's is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

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