



# People's Energy Cooperative

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## Immediate NEWS RELEASE

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## People's Energy Cooperative Trust – Operation Round Up® grants \$29,380 to local organizations

**ORONOCO, MN, November 2, 2021** — People's Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up® Trust Board provided \$29,380 in grants this quarter to the following area organizations:

- **\$2,000** – Bear Cave Intermediate to support the Canoemobile program
- **\$2,000** – Chatfield Lions Club for the Chatfield Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner
- **\$5,000** – City of Dover to establish a community event kitchen
- **\$1,780** – Exercisabilities to help with staff training in the Neurologic Recovery Program
- **\$5,000** – Grand Meadow Fire Department for the purchase of pagers
- **\$1,000** – HOPE Ranch Foundation to help build a horse shelter for the Equine Assisted Psychotherapy horses
- **\$600** – Mantorville Art Guild to support youth special events
- **\$1,000** – Othello Cemetery Association for gravestone restoration and preservation
- **\$1,000** – St. Charles Public Library for the purchase of an AED
- **\$2,000** – Stewartville Fire Department for the replacement of multi-gas detectors
- **\$2,500** – VFW Post 8980 for the development of Veterans Memorial Park in Stewartville
- **\$500** – Wabasha-Kellogg Public Schools in support of their roller-skating physical fitness program
- **\$3,500** – Zumbrota Veterans Memorial Site Committee for the development of a veterans memorial
- **\$1,500** – Zwingli United Church of Christ and the Pine Island Area Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force for an IDI assessment and debrief

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. Approximately 17,000 members currently participate with the average donation of \$6.00 a year per member, demonstrating that small change can 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 first quarter grants in 2022, applications must be submitted no later than December 20, 2021. Program guidelines and applications for Operation Round Up® donations are available at [www.peoplesenergy.coop](http://www.peoplesenergy.coop) or by calling the Cooperative at (507) 367-7054 or (800) 214-2694.

### **About People's Energy Cooperative**

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating over 80 years of delivering retail electric power to its 19,000 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 and employer.

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