

# Immediate NEWS RELEASE

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# **Investing in our Next Generation of Members**

**ORONOCO, MN, January 16, 2025 –** In 2025, high school students in People's Energy Cooperative's service territory have two unique opportunities available to help them invest in their future. The deadlines to apply are quickly approaching and we encourage anyone considering participating to submit their application today!

#### 2025 NRECA Youth Tour

Application Due March 7

For nearly 60 years, the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour has brought high school students from across the country to Washington, D.C. for a once-in-a-lifetime experience. As part of a contingent of Minnesota delegates, students participate in leadership training, engage in one-on-one conversations with elected officials, jumpstart their national peer network, and tour Washington, D.C. **People's Energy Cooperative is sponsoring one high school junior or senior to participate in this trip June 16-21.** This is an all-expense paid trip that is truly unforgettable. Applications are due before 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 7, 2025.

### **High School Scholarship Program**

Application Due January 31

As a cooperative, we are committed to caring for our communities and being good stewards of the resources entrusted to us. People's Energy Cooperative is proud to offer scholarships from unclaimed capital credit funds for **graduating high school seniors** living in our service area. Scholarships are available in the amount of \$1,000 for general education and \$2,000 for lineworker education. Applications are due before 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 31, 2025. Scholarship award winners will be selected from a volunteer committee made up of members from the Cooperative and notified prior to the PEC Annual Meeting on March 27, 2025.

For more information about both unique opportunities, visit <a href="https://www.peoplesenergy.coop/education-programs">www.peoplesenergy.coop/education-programs</a>.

## **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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