



# People's Energy Cooperative

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## Immediate NEWS RELEASE

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### People's Energy Cooperative Trust - Operation Round Up® grants \$23,840 to local organizations

**ORONOCO, MN, August 8, 2018** — People's Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up® Trust Board provided \$23,840 in grants this quarter to the following area organizations:

- \$1,500 – All Bout Children (ABC) Daycare (Plainview) to assist in furnace replacement
- \$1,000 – Bear Cave Intermediate School (Stewartville) to support Storybook STEM Camp
- \$558.32 – Bear Cave Intermediate School (Stewartville) to support Wilderness Inquiry – Canomobile
- \$1,000 – Channel One Regional Food Bank (Rochester) to assist in the purchase of packing supplies
- \$1,000 – Chatfield Center for the Arts in support of their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts and Heritage Day
- \$975 – Chatfield Fire Department to assist in the purchase of Nomex hoods
- \$400 – City of Lake City to assist in the purchase of an awning for the city pool
- \$500 – Dover Eyota Music Association in support of the 2018 SE MN a Capella Workshops and Festival
- \$613.86 – Dover-Eyota Elementary School to assist in the purchase of 4<sup>th</sup> grade science STEM, electricity kits
- \$864 – Elder Network (Rochester) to assist in the purchase of chairs for their education room
- \$2,000 – Eyota American Legion Post 551 in support of handicap access and parking lot improvements
- \$400 – Friends of the Rochester Public Library to assist in the purchase of rolling oversized book display shelves
- \$3,000 – Friends of Whitewater State Park in support of the Centennial Celebration of Whitewater State Park
- \$650 – Hiawatha Homes Foundation (Rochester) in support of their technology equipment loan closet
- \$2,198 – Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch (Stewartville) to assist in the purchase of a campus video security system
- \$350 – Kids Clubhouse (Wabasha) in support of their summer programming
- \$500 – Mantorville Art Guild in support of their 2018 youth projects
- \$1,000 – Rochester Salvation Army in support of their Caring Partners Adult Program

- \$660 –Pinewood Elementary School (Rochester) to assist in purchasing two-way radios
- \$558.32 – Stewartville Community Education in support of Youth Embracing Stewartville
- \$1,500 – Stewartville Middle School in support of the Reading Intervention Program
- \$1,400 – Thrive Family Resource Center (Rochester) to assist in the purchase of infant cribs
- \$662.50 – Wabasha Public Library to assist in the purchase of an AED device

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 fourth quarter grants in 2018, applications must be submitted no later than September 20, 2018. 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) 367-7015 or (800) 214-2694.

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

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating 80 years of delivering retail electric power to its nearly 18,800 member-owners 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).

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