



# People's Energy Cooperative

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## Immediate NEWS RELEASE

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### People's Energy Cooperative Trust - Operation Round Up® grants \$25,064.71 to local organizations

**ORONOCO, MN, August 2, 2019** — People's Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up® Trust Board provided \$25,064.71 in grants this quarter to the following area organizations:

- \$2,500 – Chatfield United Methodist Church and Chatfield Center for the Arts in support of *Caregiver and Loved-Ones with Health Concerns of Memory Loss Interactive Experiences in Community*
- \$600 – Stewartville Community Band in support of their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration
- \$2,542.64 – Eyota Fire Department to help purchase grain bin rescue equipment
- \$3,416.59 – Hiawathaland Transit to help purchase equipment for the Plainview Operations and Training Facility
- \$647.18 – Plainview Elgin Area Food Shelf to help purchase a new upright freezer
- \$1,000 – Chatfield Public Schools in support of the preschool expansion
- \$1,000 – St. Charles Public Library to help purchase a library speaker system
- \$1,708.30 – Plainview Area History Center in support of the basement upgrade
- \$2,000 – Arbor Gardens Senior Living (City of Eyota) in support of the training and technology upgrade for senior living
- \$1,000 – Dover-Eyota Theater Department to help purchase a wireless headphone microphone system
- \$1,500 – City of Stewartville, MN Park Board to support the development of the Bear Cave Park Amphitheater
- \$1,650 – Family Services Rochester in support of Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- \$500 – Chatfield Center for the Arts in support of the 2019-2020 Chosen Bean Concert Series production
- \$1,500 – Hiawatha Homes Foundation (Rochester) to assist in the purchase of a barrier free lift system
- \$500 – St. Charles Elementary School to support the summer art camp
- \$700 – Stewartville Community Education to support *Youth Embracing Stewartville*
- \$1,200 – Bear Creek Services to support the installation of an electronic front door

- \$500 – FRC Robotics Team 2530 (Rochester) in support of equipment purchases
- \$600 – The Mantorville Art Guild, Inc. in support of 2019 youth projects

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 2019, applications must be submitted no later than September 20, 2019. 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 over 80 years of delivering retail electric power to its nearly 19,000 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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