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Calhoun County REC

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Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative



Have Plans for College? Calhoun County REC is offering Scholarships

Any graduating high school senior, whose parents or guardians are members of the Cooperative, is eligible for the Calhoun County REC scholarship. The cooperative is offering up to three \$500 scholarships. Applicants must be a student who is enrolled or planning to enroll, in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited college, university or vocational/technical school in the fall of 2020. The applicant must be a U.S. citizen. TL254

How Do You Apply?

Applications are available at your area high school guidance counselor's office or at the REC office in Rockwell City. You also can download the application on the Calhoun County REC's website at www.calhounrec.coop. Return completed application to our office on or before **April 3, 2020, by 4:30 p.m.** with the following:



- Letter of recommendation from a teacher, advisor or counselor
- Essay answering: *What does a cooperative mean to you and what are the advantages of being a cooperative member?* (minimum 250 words)

Mail or drop off your application at:

Calhoun County REC, 1015 Tonawanda, PO Box 312, Rockwell City, IA 50579.



Your Cooperative is Looking for the Next Generation of Leaders

Deadline to apply is March 2, 2020

Youth Tour was established with one thought in mind-to inspire our next generation of leaders. More than 50,000 young Americans have taken advantage of this opportunity offered by their electric cooperative. High school students who have finished their sophomore or junior year are invited to apply.

Applications will be available in the office or on our website at www.calhounrec.coop. For more information contact us at 712-297-7112.



AUTOMATIC BILL PAYMENT AVAILABLE

*Sign up for Automatic Bill Payment During the Month of February
for a Chance to Win a \$50 BILL CREDIT!*

Other bill payment options:

1. Online payments on calhounrec.coop
2. Phone payments by calling 712-297-7112
3. Mail payment to 1015 Tonawanda, PO Box 312, Rockwell City, IA 50579
4. Stop by our office Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:30 pm or use the dropbox anytime at the front of the office

AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS

I authorize Calhoun County REC, hereinafter called Calhoun County REC, to initiate withdrawals and to initiate, if necessary debit entries and adjustments for any credit entries in error to my account at the financial institution named below for payment of my monthly bills.

I understand that three or more payments in a 12 month period resulting in overdraft of my account may result in termination of the Direct Payment plan. This authorization will remain in effect until Calhoun County REC has received written notification from me of its termination in such time and manner as to afford the Calhoun County REC and my financial institution a reasonable time to act on it.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

BANK ROUTING NO. _____

ACCOUNT NO. _____ () Checking () Savings (select one)

Amount of payment: Current electric bill amount

Purpose: To have Calhoun County REC and my bank take care of monthly payments.

Payment to begin: _____ and will be taken out the 20th of each month. If the 20th lands on a Saturday or Sunday payment will be taken out the following Monday.

Account Holders Name: _____ Account No.: _____

Signature of account holder: _____ Date: _____

Employees signature: _____ Date: _____

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

TACO SOUP



INGREDIENTS:

2 tsp olive oil
1 1/4 lbs lean ground beef
1 medium yellow onion chopped (1 1/2 cups)
2 cloves garlic, minced (2 tsp)
1 jalapeno, seeded and finely chopped (optional)*
2 (14.5 oz) cans diced tomatoes with green chiles
1 (14 oz) can low-sodium beef broth
1 (8 oz) can tomato sauce
1 Tbsp chili powder**

1 tsp ground cumin
3/4 tsp ground paprika
1/4 tsp dried oregano
1 1/2 Tbsp dry ranch dressing
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 1/2 cups frozen corn
1 (14.5 oz) can black beans, drained and rinsed
1 (14.5 oz) can can pinto beans, drained and rinsed

DIRECTIONS:

1. Heat a large pot over medium/high heat drizzle lightly with oil.
2. Add ground beef along with chopped onion, cooking until browned. Add jalapeno and garlic and saute 1 minute longer.
3. Drain excess fat from beef mixture. 03C15AA
4. Stir in tomatoes with chiles, beef broth, tomato sauce, chili powder, cumin, paprika, oregano, ranch mix and season with salt and pepper. Cover pot with lid and simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.
5. Add in corn, black beans and pinto beans and cook until heated. Add 1/2 cup water to thin soup if desired. Serve warm with toppings such as cheese, chopped green onions, diced avocados and corn chips.

Welcome Back Legislative Reception



On January 14, nearly 200 directors, managers and employees from Iowa's electric cooperatives discussed priorities with more than 80 state legislators at the annual Welcome Back Legislative Reception in Des Moines. Directors Jim Miller and Steve Boedecker were able to visit with State Representative Mike Sexton and Senator Tim Kraayenbrink.

Happy Valentine's Day



February 14th

SPOT YOUR NUMBER

Wade Gemberling spotted his number and will receive a **\$10** electric bill credit. Grant Meyer and Kent Struzenberg missed their opportunity to receive a **\$10** electric bill credit.

Don't forget to read the newsletter and check for your location number. If your location number is spotted, call the Calhoun County REC by the 15th of the month to receive a **\$10** credit on your electric bill.

** Your location number is listed on your billing statement. **

Help us find...

Calhoun County REC is holding unclaimed property resulting from a patronage dividend due to the persons listed below. The following people had electric service in 2002 and may claim this property by contacting us at 712-297-7112 or 800-821-4879. If deceased, we need the name and address of executor or nearest relative. 03C30CA

Name	Last known address
Allison Family Trust %Ted Stacy	Rockwell City, IA
Becke, Tim	Durango, CO
Bigelow, Melissa	Auburn, IA
Bradwell, Alan	Rockwell City, IA
Brannan, Kelly	Lake View, IA
Buenting, David	Pomeroy, IA
Bullock, Eric or Mardette	Madison, WI
Cooper, Terry or Jennifer	Winterset, IA
Dewitt, Charles	Lohrville, IA
Fees, Deana	Rockwell City, IA
Folsom, Matt	Red Oak, IA
Fonda Presbyterian Church %Ed Groth	Newell, IA
Froisland, Floyd	Manson, IA
George, James	Fort Dodge, IA
Goodwin, Matt or Cindy	Manson, IA
Greif, Randy	Martelle, IA
Johnson, Jeff	Fort Dodge, IA
Kingery, Jennifer	Lake City, IA
Kramer, Jason	Lake City, IA
Krumme, Allen or Peg	Roseville, MN
Loftis, Jason	Rockwell City, IA
Matheny, George	Rockwell City, IA
Mcmeekin, Travis	Lake City, IA
Meyer, Nick	Auburn, IA
Moeller, Kerri	Gowrie, IA
Morwitzer, Robert	Fonda, IA
Neitzel, Scott	Durand, WI

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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After 4:30 p.m. call 800-821-4879

or 712-297-7112

for outages and emergencies only.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

By the Numbers: 2019 Operations

The numbers are in after another year of construction and maintenance on Calhoun County REC's 758 miles of line. In 2019 Calhoun County REC built service for:

- 4 new homes
- 1 grain bin
- 5 hog confinements
- 3 cell towers
- 3 machine sheds

99 System improvements

11.6 Miles of line rebuilt



Mike Terwilliger
Line Superintendent