

Attention, High School Students!

Webinar series offers chance to win AirPods and \$1,000 college scholarship

The Iowa Youth Leadership Academy is a three-part webinar series open to high school students in the ECI REC service area who are interested in rural advocacy, electric cooperative career opportunities, and the cooperative business model! Each Zoom session will be around an hour and can be attended on the student's own computer or mobile device.

- » Tuesday, Oct. 3, 7:00 p.m. – Cooperative Business Model
- » Thursday, Oct. 19, 7:00 p.m. – Rural Iowa Advocacy
- » Thursday, Oct. 26, 7:00 p.m. – Civic Involvement and Leadership

At the end of each live session, one lucky attendee will be selected at random to win a pair of Apple AirPods. Students who attend all three sessions will be entered into a random drawing for a \$1,000 college scholarship. All students who register online by October 1 will receive a special box of cooperative goodies in the mail.



WANTED:
Rural Iowa high school students who have a passion for leadership

Attend our webinar series in October for a chance to win Apple AirPods and a \$1,000 college scholarship!



Learn more at IowaYouthTour.com or contact ECI REC at 877-850-4343 or ecirec@ecirec.coop.

Program Offers Members a Helping Hand

East-Central Iowa REC members have the option of enrolling in the Helping Hand Reminder program. When the account of an enrolled member becomes delinquent, ECI REC notifies their designated contact person, who can then notify the enrolled member that their payment is due.

HOW TO ENROLL

- » Fill out the Helping Hand Reminder authorization form online by scanning the QR code or going to ecirec.coop, Account Services > Member Programs > Helping Hand Reminder.
- » Mail in the form to the right.



Members can withdraw from the program at any time by contacting an ECI REC member service representative at 877-850-4343.

Yes, I want to enroll in the Helping Hand Reminder program.

Member Name: _____

Member Account #: _____

Phone: _____ Other Contact Phone: _____

Name and address of person to be contacted in case the account becomes delinquent:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Member's Signature for Authorization:

Contact Person's Signature:

Mail form to: ECI REC | PO Box 248 | Urbana, IA 52345

Plant the Right Tree in the Right Place

Putting the wrong tree in the wrong spot can be a hazard ... especially to power lines.

Be safe if you plant trees this fall. Always call 811 before you dig to locate any buried utility lines.

LARGE TREES	MEDIUM TREES	SMALL TREES
<p>Height/spread of more than 40 feet, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maple Birch Oak Sweetgum Spruce Linden Pine 	<p>Height/spread of 25 to 40 feet, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Washington hawthorn Goldenrain tree Eastern redbud American arborvitae Dogwood 	<p>Height/spread of no more than 25 feet, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Star magnolia Crabapple Lilac <p><i>Avoid planting within 20 feet of power lines. When planting within 20 feet is unavoidable, use only shrubs and small trees.</i></p>

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Source: The Arbor Day Foundation and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association



For more tips on smart tree planting in your community, contact your local electric cooperative or visit www.ArborDay.org.



America's Electric Cooperatives | PAC
Amplify Your Voice in Washington

In March, the NRECA announced that its PAC, previously known as ACRE, is now America's Electric Cooperatives PAC. America's Electric Cooperatives PAC is non-partisan, advocating for policies and legislation supporting our electric co-op.

Your contribution to America's Electric Cooperatives PAC:

- » Allows electric co-ops to financially support federal candidates through personal dollars raised from co-op leaders and members.
- » Helps make a difference in shaping the future of America's electric co-ops.
- » Builds on our collective strength.

For just a small amount a month, you can be sure your voice is heard in Washington, D.C. For more information on how to contribute, simply visit www.cooperative.com/pacdonation or complete and return the form below.

Contributions to the NRECA America's Electric Cooperatives PAC are not tax deductible for federal income tax purposes. Contributions to America's Electric Cooperatives PAC are voluntary and will be used for political purposes. You have the right to refuse to contribute without reprisal. Federal law prohibits contributions from foreign nationals who lack permanent resident status. Any contribution guidelines presented are merely suggestions. You are free to contribute more or less than the suggested amounts, or not at all. The NRECA will not favor or disadvantage anyone by reason of the amount contributed or a decision not to contribute. For more information on the PAC, please contact your local cooperative or the NRECA PAC team at 703-907-5799 or by email at pacteam@nreca.coop.

YES, I will support America's Electric Cooperatives PAC.

I will make a one-time contribution of \$_____.

My check is enclosed. Make checks payable to REC Transmittal Account.

I will contribute monthly. Please add \$_____ each month to my electric bill.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Account No.: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS



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Use SmartHub to pay for FREE online! Visa, Discover, American Express, and MasterCard accepted. While you're there, view your monthly usage data in helpful chart formats.