# **POWERNotes**



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 🔨

## **Members Help Members** by Contributing to RECare



Contributing to RECare is one easy way to help your fellow members! The program distributes funds to low-income energy consumers in Benton and Buchanan Counties via community action agencies. Donations help pay these members' heating bills or weatherization costs.

Members are welcome to donate in one payment or have the Cooperative add a few dollars to their electric bills each month. No matter the size or frequency of the donation, it makes a difference! There are many members who have trouble making ends meet, and we are proud so many of our members are digging into their pockets to help others.



Scan to access form online.

<b>YES, I want to contribute to RECare.</b>
□ I will contribute \$ per month to RECare. (I understand that this amount will be automatically added to my monthly electric bill.)
$\Box$ My check is enclosed. (Make payable to ECI REC.)
Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Account Number:
Email Address:

Mail form to: ECI REC | Billing | PO Box 248 | Urbana, IA 52345-0248

To sign up for RECare or make a one-time donation, call 877-850-4343 or fill out and return the form above or at ecirec.coop (under Account Services, look down the list for Member Programs, then click on the RECare program).

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MARCH 19 NATIONAL AG DAY!

# Celebrate With ECI REC's 2024 Ag Rebates

#### **VENTILATION AND CIRCULATION**

- » Ventilation fans (BESS lab rated at 0.10 in static pressure): \$3/in. (fan blade diameter)
- » Ventilation thermostat controllers with humidistats:\$25 each
- » Circulation fans (BESS lab rated at thrust/kW requirements): \$1/in. (fan blade diameter)
- » High-volume, low-speed fans (minimum 10 ft. diameter):
  \$35/ft. (fan blade diameter)

#### DAIRY OPERATIONS

- » Dairy heat reclaimers: \$5 per milking cow
- » Dairy milk pre-coolers: \$4 per milking cow
- » VSD vacuum pumps: \$40/horsepower
- » Scroll compressors: \$250 each (must replace reciprocating compressor)

#### LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

- » Electric-heated livestock waterers: \$50 each (≤ 175W per trough opening)
- » Single-crate heating pads: \$25/pad (≤ 85W)
- » Double-crate heating pads:  $50/pad (\leq 170W)$
- » Heat lamps or pad controllers: \$50/controller

#### HORTICULTURE LED FIXTURES

Horticulture lighting must be classified as such in the qualified products list published online at **designlights.org** by the DesignLights Consortium.

- » 8-14W, \$10/fixture
- » 15-49W, \$15/fixture
- » 50-99W, \$25/fixture
- » > 100W, \$40/fixture

Some conditions apply. Refer to the equipment rebate forms at **ecirec.coop** for qualifications and detailed requirements.

# SHOPPING LOCAL?

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### TWO TIPS FOR SAFE BURNING

Use Caution When Burning Ditches

Burning helps clean things up, but it can also cause extensive damage to Cooperative property, resulting in electric service problems.

Members involved in such fires may be invoiced for damage they cause to Cooperative property.

#### Green, or newer, poles are more susceptible to burning—use extra caution.

Always be aware of the locations of poles, anchor guy assemblies, underground cabinets, and other important Cooperative equipment when burning.

### **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**



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