Your Money Stays at Home

Who owns your electricity provider?

MESSAGE FROM
GENERAL MANAGER CLINT GARDNER

IF YOU’RE A MEMBER OF COLEMAN COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, you can find a co-op owner by looking in the mirror.

At Coleman County EC—like all cooperatives everywhere—you, the members, are the owners. That’s the philosophy of Cooperative Principle No. 3: Members’ Economic Participation.

Being an owner, however, doesn’t mean that you can drive to your neighborhood substation and take home a transformer or chop down a pole carrying wires to your house. These assets are owned collectively by all of us. A portion of the bill you pay each month goes into building and maintaining the infrastructure—poles, wires, substations and more—that bring you a steady supply of electricity.

Your cooperative does business locally. The investments we make in infrastructure benefit people who live and work right here in our communities—not those in faraway places.

Your payments do more than build power lines, buy equipment and pay for wholesale electricity. They also pay the salaries of our hardworking employees, who also happen to be your neighbors, friends and family. They, in turn, spend their salaries at local businesses, spreading that money around and helping our economy stay healthy.

And after the co-op’s bills are paid, infrastructure is built and emergency funds are set aside, any money left over goes into each member’s capital credits account. Then, when our board of directors deems it prudent, those capital credits are paid out to members.

Capital credits returns are to our members what dividends are to stockholders in for-profit companies, only we don’t aim to make a profit. Our goal is to provide you with electricity at a price that is as close to cost as possible. That way, more of your money stays in your pocket.

When you pay your Coleman County EC electric bill, you are not filling the coffers of a big, profit-making company. You are simply paying for electricity, and you are getting it from a business where your friends and neighbors work to provide you with the highest level of service they can while keeping your costs as low as possible.

That’s the cooperative difference.
Operation Round Up Coming Soon

As a member of Coleman County Electric Cooperative, you have a unique opportunity to make a difference in your community by participating in Operation Round Up. Operation Round Up is a charitable fundraising program for Coleman County EC members in which their electric bills are rounded up to the next whole dollar in order to benefit and support nonprofit organizations within the co-op’s service territory.

This program will be launched in the coming months. For more information or to opt out of Operation Round Up at any time, please contact CCEC at (325) 625-2128.

Deadline for CCEC Scholarship Applications April 4

To apply, call (325) 625-2128 or visit colemanelectric.org and click on Scholarships under the Cooperative Community tab.

HAPPY EASTER! APRIL 21

Coleman County Electric Cooperative will be closed April 19 in observance of Good Friday.