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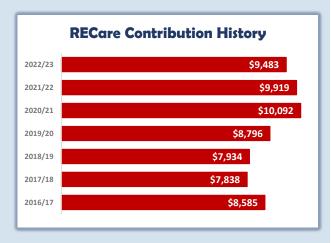
# Show you care with RECare!

Each winter there are members of Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative who cannot afford to heat their homes. RECare is a program that enables ACEC members to help their fellow members.

Donations to the RECare program make a real difference. Last year, Allamakee-Clayton members generously contributed more than \$9,483 to the RECare program. These contributions assisted 33 families with their REC bill. All RECare recipients must be referred

to the Cooperative by Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation, Shepherd of the Hills, or a similar referral service office.

If you'd like to help, the enclosed RECare card can be marked and returned showing your payment preference. If you previously authorized a monthly pledge, there is nothing further you need to do. Thank you.





# Spark joy and light this holiday season. From our co-op family to yours, we wish you safe and warm season with friends and loved ones. Our office will be closed on Monday, December 25, and Monday, January 1, in observance of the holidays.

#### REMINDER 2023 REBATES

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2023 Rebates must be submitted by December 28, 2023.

For more information and to find the rebate forms, visit www.acrec.com/rebates.



#### **Youth Tour 2024**

Current high school sophomores and juniors are invited to apply for a chance to earn a one week, all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. in June. Each year, ACEC sponsors two students whose parents or legal guardians are ACEC members.

Applications are available online at <a href="www.acrec.com">www.acrec.com</a> and at our office. All completed applications are due by **January 31, 2024.** Applicants will complete an openbook exam. Students with the top five scores will be invited to interview, with two finalists chosen.

Learn more about Youth Tour at <a href="www.youthtour.coop">www.youthtour.coop</a> or call our office at 888-788-1551.



### Hauschild Scholarship

Applications for our 2024 Hauschild Scholarship are available at <a href="https://www.acrec.com">www.acrec.com</a> and at our office. Completed applications are due by February 29, 2024.



## **Energy Efficiency**Tip of the Month

Get smart with a better way to heat and cool your home! Smart thermostats are Wi-Fi enabled and automatically adjust heating and cooling temperature settings in your home for optimal performance. Smart thermostats learn your temperature preferences and establish a schedule that adjusts to energy-saving settings when you're asleep or away.

For maximum energy savings, look for smart thermostat models with the ENERGY STAR® label.

Source: Dept. of Energy

## FREE INSTALLATION

Free installation through December 29, 2023!

Give the gift of independence this season by subscribing a loved one to our FirstCall service. FirstCall is our emergency response system that is activated by a fall or by pressing a button.

This service is available to members AND non-members within our service territory. Learn more about FirstCall at www.acrec.com/firstcall or by calling

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