

## Scholarships Available to High School Seniors

This spring, Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative (CVEC) will be awarding several scholarships to graduating high school seniors of member families through our Federated Youth Foundation Scholarship Program. The scholarship program is funded entirely from unclaimed patronage capital issued by the cooperative and from members who wish to donate their capital credits earnings to this program. Please contact CVEC if you wish to do so.

Each scholarship is worth \$500 and applications can be obtained from Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative ([cvecoop.com](http://cvecoop.com)) or the student's high school guidance counselor.

CVEC's scholarship program began in 1998, and since its inception we have provided more than \$118,000 in scholarships to area students. An independent scholarship committee comprised of retired educators judges the applicants based upon merit.

Eligibility will be determined according to the following criteria:

- The student must graduate during the 2015-2016 and be enrolled in a post-secondary program at a college, university or vocational school.
- The applicant's parents (or legal guardians) must be members of Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative, and they must currently be receiving service.
- The applicant must display average or above average academic records.
- The applicant's family income will not be a deciding factor in awarding the scholarships.

To apply for the scholarships, eligible applicants must complete an application about school activities, leadership positions, community involvement, awards and recognitions. In addition, each applicant must write a 200 word essay about future goals and objectives, and the student's values and attitude on life.

The completed scholarship applications must be returned to the cooperative office by **April 1, 2016**. The applications will be reviewed by a special Scholarship Committee, and the scholarships will be awarded to the students at an honors ceremony or at graduation.

If you have any questions about the scholarship program, please call Nicole at Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative, 715.239.6800 or 800.300.6800.



# SMALL GESTURES BRING BIG RESULTS

It is truly amazing how small gestures can sometimes make a huge difference in our community. An example of this is Operation Round Up, participated in by several of the members of Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative. In 1999 Chippewa Valley Electric established Operation Round Up, a program where members voluntarily allow their bills to be rounded up to the next whole dollar amount and the difference contributed to the Chippewa Valley Community Fund, Inc. The Chippewa Valley Community Fund then uses these funds to support individual and community needs.

Since 1999 Operation Round Up has taken in over \$87,000.00 and has distributed over \$80,000.00 to meet individual and community needs in the Chippewa Valley. These little gestures, averaging about 50 cents per member

per month, have made a huge difference. These members of Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative did this by simply contacting their cooperative and allowing their bills to be rounded up to the next dollar and other members can do this just as easily.

This effort truly represents a year-round "Spirit of Sharing" and deserves our thanks and our participation.

***Please use the sign-up form below and return it to Chippewa Valley Electric. You may include the completed form in your payment envelope. Thank you!***



**YES, I'd like to participate in Operation Round Up®.**

**Please round my bills up to the next whole dollar.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and return to:**  
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## IT'S TIME TO SPRING FORWARD!

Don't forget to set your clocks  
ahead one hour before you go to  
bed on Saturday, March 12.



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