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A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

11597 Illinois Highway 1
Paris, IL 61944
800-635-4145
Monday through Friday
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Feeling Lucky?

EnerStar Electric Cooperative

Luck of Draw Scholarship

EnerStar Electric Cooperative is offering five lucky winners a \$250 scholarship to be used toward their continuing education! The scholarship is open to college students who are co-op members or are dependents of EnerStar members.

It's easy to qualify for the scholarship.

- Visit www.enerstar.com to download the scholarship application and answer a few questions about the co-op. (Don't worry, all the answers are there!)
- Mail (or hand deliver) the completed application to: EnerStar Electric Cooperative, Attn Scholarship, 11597 IL Highway 1, Paris, IL 61944
- **Submission deadline is September 1, 2020.**

Scholarships will be awarded to students attending an accredited institute of higher education. This includes a 4-year college or university, vocational-technical trade school (offering associates degree), community college or junior college and business college (offering associate degree). The scholarship must be used for educational costs, and the student must enter the accredited institute in the fall of the school year for which the scholarship is given.

It is important to note, dependents of co-op members must reside in the home where EnerStar provides the electricity.

Scholarship winners are responsible to provide EnerStar with a copy of their class registration for the first quarter/semester. Once correct documentation has been received and paperwork has been verified, checks will be made payable to the school and sent to the home address on record with EnerStar.

Stay back and help us stay safe

Working with electricity can be a dangerous job, especially for lineworkers. In fact, USA Today lists line repairers and installers among the most dangerous jobs in the U.S. That's why for EnerStar Electric Cooperative, safety is the number one priority. This is not empty talk. Over time, we have created a culture of putting our crews' safety and that of the community above all else.

Our mission is to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy to you, our member-owners. Yes, we strive to deliver affordable and reliable electricity to you, but equally important, we want our employees to return home safely to their loved ones. This requires ongoing focus, dedication, vigilance – and your help!

Distractions can be deadly

While we appreciate your kindness and interest in the work of our crews, we ask that you stay back and let them focus on their task at hand. Even routine work has the potential to be dangerous, and it takes their full attention and that of their colleagues, who are also responsible for the team's safety. Distractions can have deadly consequences. If a lineworker is on or near your property during a power outage, for vegetation management or for routine maintenance, please allow them ample room to work. These small accommodations help protect our crews— and you.

If you have a dog, try to keep it indoors while lineworkers are on or near your property. While most dogs are friendly, some are understandably defensive of their territory. Our crews work best without a pet “supervising” the job.

We recognize that for your family's safety, you want to make sure only authorized workers are on or



near your property. You will recognize EnerStar employees by their company uniform and the service trucks with our name and logo on them. You may also recognize our lineworkers because they live right here in our local community.

Slow down and move over

In addition to giving lineworkers some space while they are near your

property, we also ask that you move over or slow down when approaching a utility vehicle on the side of the road. This is an extra barrier of safety to help those who help all of us. And if you see them working on the road, please move over and give them plenty of room to do their work. And please, stay off your cell phone when passing them.

EnerStar Crews - All in a day's work



The heat of summer hasn't slowed down the EnerStar crews. The co-op is busy rebuilding about 7.5 miles of 3-phase line just east of Kansas, IL.



Special Member Pricing!

KOHLER Whole House Generators

When bad weather rolls through the prairie, it can mean damage to EnerStar's electric system and severe weather can bring extended outages. For those who need uninterrupted power due to medical devices or others who want to have power at all times, it may be time to install a generator. Because of this, EnerStar now offers Kohler standby power generators for purchase. Our employees and your installer will guide you to the best model for you wants and needs. Contact EnerStar's Tim Haddix at 1-800-635-4145 or thaddix@enerstar.com about generator solutions.



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As things begin to open back up in Illinois after the COVID public emergency, you may have family and friends visiting from out of town. If they drive an electric vehicle (EV), a public charging station is now available in Paris at the EnerStar office.

***It is free to use
so pull up and
plug in!***