

Sun River Electric Cooperative

Ripples



Office Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
Phone Numbers: 406-467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516

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406-467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516

If calling from a local number or cell phone –
please use: 406-467-2526 or 406-467-2527

Be sure to check your breakers before reporting outages.

JANUARY 2023

BILL CREDIT COMING YOUR WAY

It is not often that the stars line up to produce the unexpected, but this year's sales for Sun River Electric Cooperative prove that it can happen.

As you open your December billing statement (which you will receive mid-January), notice the "Bill Credit" that will be a line item in the "Current Service Detail" section of your statement. This credit is being applied to your electric bill because of strong sales of electricity, and on-budget operating expenses for the year.

MESSAGE


FROM THE CEO

COLUMN BY **BRAD BAUMAN**



The credits will be applied based on your patronage, just as capital credits are allocated, in that, the amount of credit will be determined by the patronage on each location (the


amount you pay for your electric usage).

The 2022 operating margins will allow for this credit to be applied to your accounts, as well as the retirement of capital credit at your annual meeting in March. This is all good news for our members and cooperative. Any help at the end of the year is a win! 

FREE children's books for kids in the SREC service area

DOLLY Parton's Imagination Library is a 60-volume set of books. Each month a new book will be mailed in your child's name directly to your home. Preschool children ages birth to 5, who are residents of Sun River Electric Cooperative's (SREC) service area, are eligible. (You don't have to be a member, just live in SREC's service area.).

Please register online at <http://imaginationlibrary.com/>

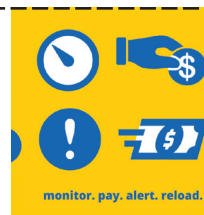
Eight to 10 weeks after registration, your first book will arrive at your home and books will continue to arrive each month until your child turns 5 or you move out of the SREC service area. 



REMINDER:

Bills not paid by the 10th of the month will be charged a \$10 late fee.

Pay as you go with
prePAY
electricity from SREC. It is easy!
Call SREC to get started.



SCHOLARSHIPS

DON'T MISS OUT ON SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUN River Electric Cooperative, Montana Electric Cooperatives' Association (MECA), and Basin Electric Power Cooperative are offering several scholarships to students who live on the SREC system.

Applications are available at the Sun River Electric office in Fairfield or your local schools, or you may access them on the website: www.sunriverelectric.coop.

If you have any questions, please call Leanne at 406-467-2526.

MECA offers one \$500 Scholarship in SREC's district.

Basin Electric Power offers one \$1,000 Scholarship system wide.

Sun River Electric offers the following scholarships:

- \$1,000 Scholarships for students who live on the SREC system
- \$1,000 Continuing Education Scholarships for students already in college.
- \$1,000 Electric Line Worker Scholarships.

Deadlines are as follows:

MECA: January 25, 2023

Basin Electric Power: March 1, 2023

Sun River Electric: April 5, 2023

SREC Continuing Education: April 5, 2023

SREC Electric Line Worker: April 5, 2023 RM



WE HAVE APPLIANCE REBATES

DON'T forget that Sun River Electric Cooperative has rebates for household appliances. SREC offers \$25 rebates on a clothes washer and dryer, dishwasher, refrigerator and freezer that are Energy-Star compliant. Just download the rebate form from SREC's website, www.sunriverelectric.coop, fill it out, attach a copy of the receipt and send it to SREC. SREC will then review the rebate form and credit your account \$25 per compliant appliance. Energy Star-rated appliances can be found at www.energystar.gov. 258031.

Also remember that SREC offers a \$100 rebate on electric water heaters. To be eligible, the water heater has to be at least 90 percent efficient. The water heater rebate form is also on SREC's website, download it and fill it out, send it in with a copy of the receipt and get the \$100 credit. The water heater must be at least 40 gallon capacity.

All rebates must be submitted within 90 days of purchase.

If you have any questions about rebates, call Sun River Electric at 467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516.

HIDDEN NUMBER

If you find your account number hidden in this issue, it is worth a \$50 credit on your next statement. There is one number hidden in every issue. Give us a call if you are the lucky consumer.

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ALWAYS
CALL | BEFORE YOU
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