Sun River Electric Cooperative





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

Website: www.sunriverelectric.coop

After Hours & Weekend Dispatch: 406-467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516

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

Be sure to check your breakers before reporting outages.

NOVEMBER 2021

Winter heating help available

HE state of Montana, through the Department of Public Health & Human Services, offers two programs aimed at helping low-income individuals reduce their heating costs. The programs run from October 1 through April 30 each year. LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program) helps with payment of the primary source of heat in the home. Both renters and homeowners may apply. Apply at the LIEAP office for your county.

2021 LIEAP and CRF INCOME LIMITS

	INCOME LIMITS	FAMILY SIZE	INCOME LIMITS		INCOME LIMITS		INCOME LIMITS
1	\$27,282	4	\$52,465	7	\$70,828	10	\$80,610
2	\$35,676	5	\$60,859	8	\$72,402	11	\$87,420
3	\$44,071	6	\$69,254	9	\$73,976	12	\$94,230

LIEAP CONTACT INFORMATION

Opportunities, Inc.

Serves: Cascade, Chouteau, Glacier 905 1st Ave N PO Box 2289 Great Falls MT 59403 (406) 761-0310 (800) 326-0955

Rocky Mountain Development Council

Serves: Broadwater, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark 648 N Jackson PO Box 1717 Helena MT 59624 (406) 447-1625 (800) 356-6544

North Central Area Agency on Aging Serves:

Pondera, Teton, Toole 311 S Virginia, Ste 2 Conrad MT 59425 (406) 271-7553

Blackfeet Reservation Tribal Energy Assistance PO Box 850 Browning MT

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TWO PROGRAMS

The **WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM** through LIEAP helps participants improve the heating efficiency of their homes, thus reducing their energy consumption. Applications are ranked according to the degree of need and placed in "priority groups." Special priority is given to older adults and disabled individuals. Once approved, an energy auditor will set a time to visit with you about the most cost-effective weatherization measures for your home within the dollar limits allowed. 271769

Another organization, **ENERGY SHARE OF MONTANA**, is aimed at helping Montanans faced with emergencies meet their energy needs and move toward self-reliance. It is to be used only after an applicant has been considered for LIEAP. There are no specific income limits; however, if a household has sufficient resources available to meet the needs, it will be ineligible for assistance. Energy Share is a loan program, so others may utilize the funds once they are paid back. Applicants must fill out an application available at Opportunities Inc.; 905 1st Ave N; Great Falls, or receive one by mail by calling either 406-761-0310 or toll-free 1-800-326-0955. Applications may also be available at your LIEAP office or through your energy provider.

For more information about saving energy in your home, visit https://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/energyassistance and select "What Can I Do to Save Energy in My Home?"

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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Sun River Electric welcomes 2 new linemen

David Kelleher is an apprentice lineman who was hired in July. David was born and raised in the Shelby area on the family farm. David graduated valedictorian of his class in Shelby, then went on to the Montana Tech pre-apprenticeship lineman school in Butte. In his spare time David likes to ride dirt bikes, snowmobiles, and fly airplanes.

Matt Williams is a journeyman lineman who was hired in June. Matt graduated from Northwest Lineman College in Meridian, Idaho. Matt previously worked for four years with Glacier Electric Cooperative in Cut Bank, before moving to the Fairfield area. Matt likes spending time with family, hunting and fishing.



David Kelleher, left, and Matt Williams join Sun River Electric.





FREE children's books 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 service area, are eligible. (You don't have to be a member, just live in SREC's service area.)
 - Register one of two ways:
- 1. Online at http://imagination library.com/
- 2. Fill out the registration form to the right, and send to SREC, Attention: Ross Oveson, PO Box 309, Fairfield MT 59436 or contact Ross at SREC at 406-467-2526.
- Eight to 10 weeks after registration, your first book will arrive at your home and will continue 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.



