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## COOPERATIVE RESILIENCE

*unwavering commitment to  
our members and community*



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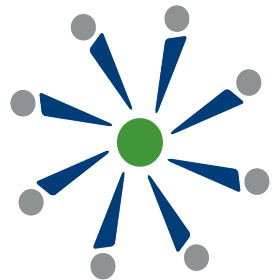


# Small Change, Changing Lives

Operation Round-Up grants are made possible by JCREMC members who elect to have their monthly electric bills rounded up to the nearest whole dollar. The rounded amount is placed in the JCREMC Community Fund to provide financial support for charitable causes and non-profit organizations in the communities served by JCREMC. The average amount each participant contributes in a year is about \$6.

Local non-profit organizations can apply for up to \$5,000 in project-based grant funding each spring and fall. A voluntary independent advisory board oversees the JCREMC Community Fund and selects grant recipients twice a year in April and October. The next round of applications will be open beginning April 1. Learn more and see the list of all previous grant recipients at [jcremc.com](http://jcremc.com) by clicking Operation Round-Up under the Community tab.

We'd like to give a special thanks to the members of The 2023 Community Fund Advisory Board: Levi McNeely, Lesa Arnold, Pam Coleman, Michelle Bright, Becky Canary, John Gates, Erin Slevin, Emily Myers, and Cindy Boyd.



## JCREMC Community Fund Operation Round-Up®

### Fall 2023 Grant Recipients

- A Senior Retreat Senior Services Inc. - Special Events
- Camp Allendale - Walkway
- Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation - Mentoring Program
- Girls Incorporated of Franklin & Johnson County - Playground Updates
- Indian Creek Sr. High School - Technical Theatre Equipment
- Indiana FFA Foundation - Football Field Lighting
- Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County - Permanent Exterior Canopy
- Johnson County Public Library Foundation - Explore Summer Program
- Kids In Crisis - Intervention Team (Kic-it) - Transportation & Delivery Truck
- Resources of Hope - Storage Space
- Trafalgar Volunteer Firemen Inc. - Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
- Turning Point Domestic Violence Services - Outreach Materials
- Webb Elementary PTO - Indoor Recess Materials



## Cooperative Resilience: 2024 JCREMC Annual Meeting

The JCREMC Annual Meeting will be held on **Saturday, April 13, 2024** at Franklin Community High School, 2600 Cumberland Drive, Franklin.

This meeting is a time for JCREMC consumers, directors and staff to celebrate the prior year's accomplishments and look forward to the future. The meeting will include breakfast, entertainment, Board of Directors election and the yearly cooperative business meeting.



The 2024 meeting theme, "Cooperative Resilience," represents our ongoing and unwavering commitment to our members and community. According to JCREMC CEO and JCFiber President, John Sturm, "JCREMC's main focus over the coming years includes initiatives to expand the use of distributed energy resources. These initiatives are aimed at controlling wholesale power costs while bolstering the resiliency and reliability of your electric service."

Doors open at 8 a.m. for our traditional hot breakfast. The Grascals will provide entertainment at 9 a.m., followed by the business meeting at 10 a.m. Sturm and members of the Board will give updates on the cooperative's financial standing, new initiatives, and JCFiber.

Activity bags will be provided for children to take into breakfast and the Performing Arts Center during the business meeting. Families may also elect to sit in overflow seating, just outside the Performing Arts Center, where the meeting will be live-streamed.

Meeting registration cards will be mailed to all member households in March, and attendees should be certain to bring these cards to the meeting in order to receive an annual report, gift, and be included in the grand prize drawings.

# YOUR REPRESENTATIVES



**DISTRICT 1**  
**Glenn McAlpin**



**DISTRICT 4**  
**James Meredith**



**DISTRICT 7\***  
**Ron Barnett**



**DISTRICT 2\***  
**Seth Brown**



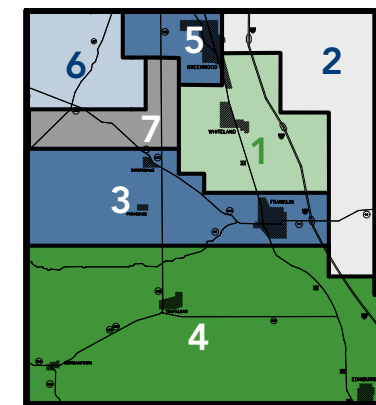
**DISTRICT 5**  
**Lee Ann Wilbur**



**DISTRICT 3\***  
**Dennis Stewart**



**DISTRICT 6**  
**Stephen Watson**



\*Uncontested districts up for election

## Grand Prize Cash Drawings

Each attending membership will be entered into the Grand Prize drawing\* for these prizes:

**\$3,000 (one winner)**

**\$2,000 (one winner)**

**\$1,000 (two winners)**

**\$500 (four winners)**

**\$250 (four winners)**

\*Must be present to win

## The Grascals



The Grascals are a cutting-edge bluegrass band, with three Grammy nominations and two Entertainer of the Year awards from the International Bluegrass Music Association. They've shared the stage with Dolly Parton, Charlie Daniels, Vince Gill, Hank Williams, Jr., George Jones, Kenny Rogers, Brooks and Dunn, The Oak Ridge Boys and more. The group has also appeared over 200 times at the Grand Ole Opry and performed twice for President George W. Bush and at President Barack Obama's inaugural ball.

# JCFiber's New App is Up and Running

## Your Wi-Fi on Your Terms

JCFiber now offers a FREE app compatible with your Android or Apple Smartphone, that allows you to be in control of your home Wi-Fi. With the myJCFiber app, built on CommandIQ, you can:

- Change or reset your Wi-Fi network name or password
- View the devices currently using your Wi-Fi
- Categorize your devices (personal, work, mobile, gaming, etc.)
- Pause the internet for any device, at any time
- Create routines for scheduled downtime
- Create a temporary or shareable guest network without sharing your main network name and password
- Run a speed test to verify the speed you are getting is the speed you are paying for
- Receive updates about any planned network maintenance, or upcoming community events

## Enhanced Features

- ExperienceIQ, is a service that protects children or grandchildren from harmful or inappropriate content, limits screen time on devices or applications, and displays online usage through our enhanced parental control app.
- ProtectIQ, is a network-level security service that protects ALL devices connected to your Wi-Fi. If it's connected, it's protected!

The enhanced features available in ExperienceIQ and ProtectIQ are:

- \$5 per month per feature
- \$8 per month when bundled

Download the app for free in the Apple or Android store today.



Check to see if JCFiber is available to you by visiting [jcfiber.com](http://jcfiber.com) and clicking on

[Check Availability](#)

at the top of the webpage.

## All-In Prices (Includes Router and Taxes)

STANDARD	PLUS	PREMIUM
\$74.95 /mo	\$89.95 /mo	\$99.95 /mo
150 Mb	500 Mb	1 Gb

# Concern for Community

JCREMC employees completed two service projects as part of Indiana Electric Cooperative's Community Day last October. The statewide event included 26 cooperatives completing nearly 40 unique service projects, demonstrating one of our core Cooperative Principles: Concern for Community. Our team members served at the Indiana FFA Leadership Center, assisting with fall clean-up around the property. We also gave fresh coats of paint to shelter houses at Johnson County Park.



Fall clean-up at the Indiana FFA Leadership Center.



Painting shelter houses at Johnson County Park.

## Cooperative Calendar of Student Art Contest

Indiana K-12 students are invited to enter the Cooperative Calendar of Student Art Contest for a chance to illustrate an award-winning wall calendar. Each year, 13 first-place winners and honorable mention winners will have their artwork featured in the calendar and will receive cash prizes. Winners will have their artwork displayed at the IEC Annual Meeting.



Cooperative  
CALENDAR of  
STUDENT ART  
CONTEST

ENTRIES  
DUE  
MARCH 29

You're almost too late to *win* \$200

# Rates & 2024 Rebates

JCREMC offers rate options for our consumers, in addition to rebates for equipment and home improvements that enhance energy efficiency and help consumers lower their monthly electric bills. Our customer service representatives and on-staff energy advisor are available to help you understand the difference between our Single-Phase Service and our Single-Phase Time-of-Use rate, as well as explore residential rebates we have available. Visit our website to learn more.

**Visit [jcremc.com](http://jcremc.com) or Call 317-736-6174**



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