



January 2025

# South Central Electric Association Trust Supports Local Communities with \$11,779 in Grants



The South Central Electric Association Trust awarded \$11,779.00 in funding to community organizations in their fall round of grants. South Central Electric received applications requesting funding from the Operation Round Up® program.

Since beginning the program in 2015 the South Central Electric Association Trust has awarded over \$153,000 in grants and scholarships.

Windom Arena Booster Club.....	\$1,000
Madelia Food Shelf.....	\$500
CREST Fairmont.....	\$500
Trimont United Women of Faith .....	\$350
Cottonwood Cattle Producers.....	\$2,000
Sanborn Fire Department .....	\$1,500
Mt. Lake Public School.....	\$429
<b>Westbrook Area Volunteers .....</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
Trimont Farmers Market .....	\$500
Des Moines Valley Health.....	\$500
<b>Odin Community Club .....</b>	<b>\$500</b>
Little Chargers Child Care .....	\$500
UCAP Headstart.....	\$250
Mt. Lake Christian School .....	\$750
<b>Trimont Fire Department.....</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>



Manda Jorgenson received \$1,000 on behalf of the Westbrook Area Volunteers for the pool. Autumn Christians and Kelly Danielson received \$500 for the Little Chargers infant play area.



Tyler Sinn received \$1,500 for the Trimont Fire Department battery-operated positive pressure fan.



The Odin Community Club received \$500 toward kitchen fire suppression equipment.

# South Central Electric Association Director Nominations

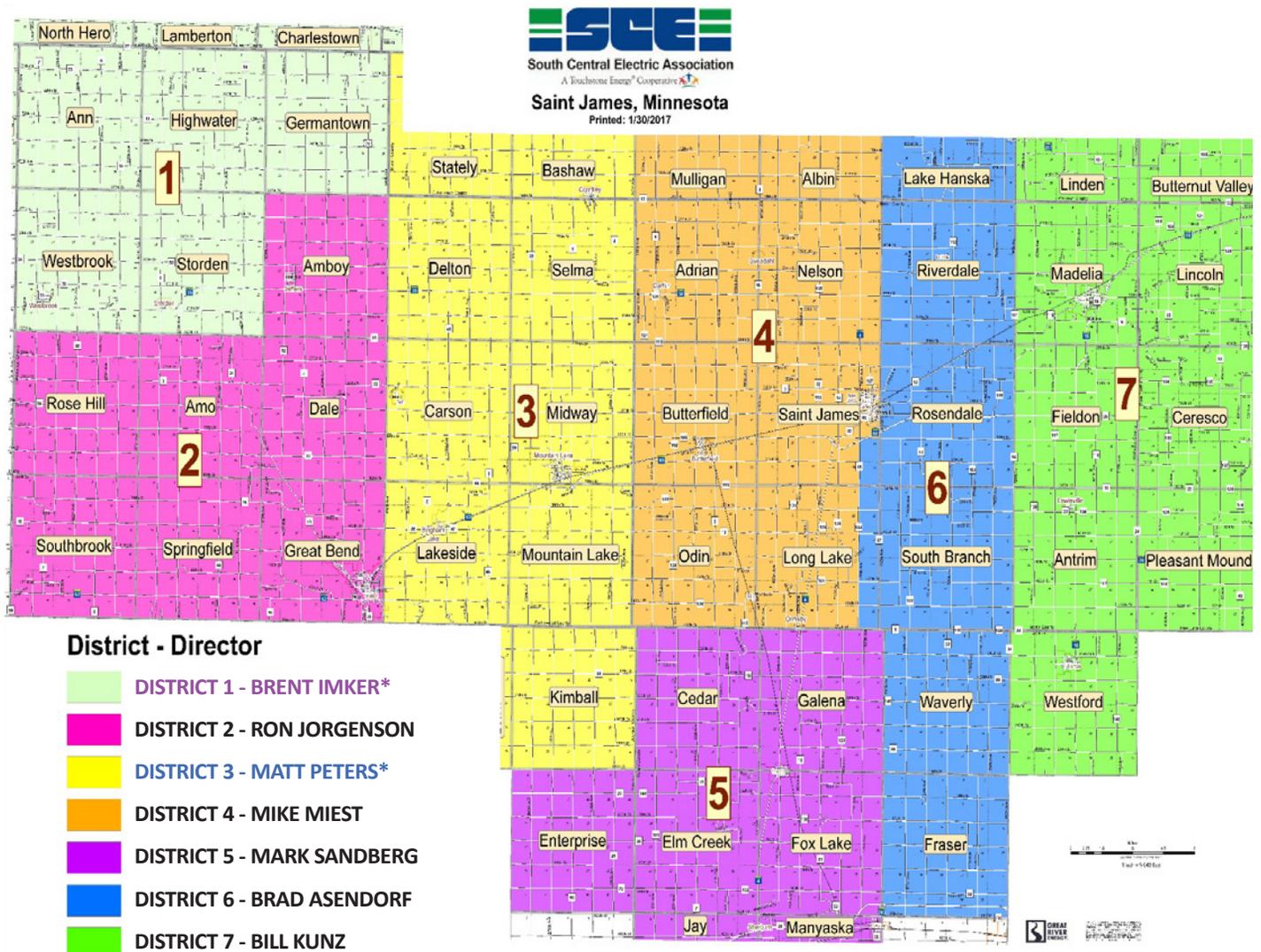
The South Central Electric Association 2025 Annual Meeting will be held at 6:30pm on April 1, 2025 at the Windom Community Center. The call for nominations of Directors is the first step in the Annual Meeting process. This is only for Director nominations. Official annual meeting notice and ballots will be mailed directly to members.

At this time South Central Electric Association is conducting the nomination process for Directors. There are two Directors up for election.

**District 1 currently held by Brent Imker**

**District 3 currently held by Matt Peters**

To be an eligible candidate for Directorship, the member must reside within the district up for nomination. In addition, an eligible candidate cannot be employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy, or supplies to the Cooperative. Please nominate serious candidates. Candidates must be able to meet the requirements of being a Director.



**If you wish to nominate someone for the  
South Central Electric Association Board of Directors,  
please use the nomination form below.**

**Return this form before 3:30 p.m. February 7, 2025 by mail to  
South Central Electric, P.O. Box 150, St. James, MN 56081  
or return it to our office.**

**Only current members can nominate members for director.**

**South Central Electric Association Director Nomination Form**

1. To nominate a member to serve as a Director you must be a current member of South Central Electric Association.
2. The nominee must be a current member and live within the District up for election.
3. The nominee must be willing to serve as a Director and fulfill the obligations of Directorship.

**This is for nomination only. This is not a ballot for election.**

**Directorship DISTRICT 1 currently held by BRENT IMKER**

District 1 is Ann, Highwater, Germantown, Westbrook and Storden townships in Cottonwood County. North Hero, Lamberton and Charlestown townships in Redwood County. North Star township in Brown County and Holly township in Murray County.

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directorship DISTRICT 3 currently held by MATT PETERS**

District 3 is Delton, Selma, Carson, Midway, Lakeside and Mt. Lake townships in Cottonwood County. Stately and Bashaw townships in Brown County. Kimball and Christiania townships in Jackson County.

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Person making nomination:**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*This nomination form must be received by South Central Electric Association by 3:30pm on February 7, 2025. Return this form by mail to South Central Electric, P.O. Box 150, St. James, MN 56081 or return it to our office drop box. All nominations will be verified for eligibility before being placed on a ballot for election. Form must include name, address and signature of person making nomination.*

# Attention Students and Parents!

## Sophomores and Juniors Win a FREE Trip to Washington D.C.

Area sophomores and juniors have an opportunity to win an all-expenses paid trip to Washington D.C. Students will travel with others from around Minnesota and the country as they visit the sites in and around our nation's capital. Over 1,500 delegates from electric cooperatives around the country visited Washington D.C. in 2024. The students visited with their congressional representatives, toured famous museums and made memories and friends that will last a lifetime.

### Don't miss this opportunity to make lifetime memories.

1. To enter the contest the student must live within the South Central Electric service area or attend one of the following schools: Butterfield/Odin, Comfrey, Madelia, Martin County West, Mt. Lake Public or Christian, Red Rock Central, St. James, Truman, Windom Area or Westbrook. 
2. Each contestant must submit a contest application form and an essay on the following topic: *"How do you and your family benefit from electricity?"*
3. Applications are due at our St. James office by February 21, 2025 and the applicant must complete a personal interview on February 26, 2025. Interview times are between 4pm and 6pm.

### Prizes

#### 1st All-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. June 16-21, 2025

*(No substitute prize if unable to make the trip.)*

2nd \$150 cash award and will serve as first alternate.

3rd \$100 cash award and will serve as second alternate. 

Contest rules and application forms are available at our St. James office, on our website ([www.southcentralelectric.com](http://www.southcentralelectric.com)) or by calling 507-375-3164.

Learn more at the national Youth Tour website: [youthtour.coop](http://youthtour.coop) or check out the Minnesota Youth Tour Facebook page *Minnesota Rural Electric Association Washington D.C. Youth Tour.*



## SCHOLARSHIPS

Seniors and College Students  
\$1,000 Scholarship Available  
to SCEA Member Dependents 

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

**FEBRUARY 19, 2025**

South Central Electric is honored to partner with Basin Electric to award a \$1,000 scholarship to a dependent of a South Central Electric member. The scholarship is available to high school seniors and college students enrolled full-time in an accredited two or four year college, university or vocational/technical school working on an undergraduate or master's degree. **These applicants are also eligible for scholarships through South Central Electric's Operation Round Up® program.**

The scholarship deadline is February 19, 2025. Applications can be obtained at our St. James office, on our website ([www.southcentralelectric.com](http://www.southcentralelectric.com)) or by calling 507-375-3164.



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The Board meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at South Central Electric's building at 71176 Tiell Dr., St. James, MN.

Please see our website for a summary of the board meetings.

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