



800

OF SIGNUPS SO FAR

1,054

OF PANELS REMAINING

3,000

KWH/DAY

OR
ENOUGH
TO
POWER

70

AVERAGE AMERICAN
HOMES PER DAY

HAVE YOU JOINED THE COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM?

If you are interested in utilizing renewable energy without making the commitment of adding solar panels to your home, our Community Solar program may be the right choice for you.

WHAT IS COMMUNITY SOLAR?

Through the program, members can subscribe to the energy produced by the panels at our community solar fields for only \$2.50 per panel, per month. The energy they produce is then credited to your bill each month.

This gives our members the ability to invest in solar energy without the hassle or cost of installing and maintaining home panels.



READY TO JOIN?

CONTACT OUR ENERGY SPECIALIST, JAY BERRY
CALL (919) 655-3449
OR VISIT PEMC.COOP/SOLAR

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPT 5

Labor Day

All offices will be closed, and employees will be on call.

SEPT 23

Bright Ideas Deadline

Teachers are encouraged to apply for a grant to fund innovative class projects. Visit NCBrightIdeas.com to learn more.

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Moving forward, together.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At Piedmont Electric, we do more than keep the lights on, we are committed to making a difference in the lives of those we serve by helping build better communities.

It is because of this steadfast commitment to our members that we have invested in our communities through various leadership programs and scholarship opportunities that benefit local students.

As an electric cooperative, we are guided by the Seven Cooperative Principles which includes Education and Concern for Community. With these principles in mind, we seek to provide education and training for all our members, especially our youngest members. We strive to embody these core cooperative principles by offering students and educators opportunities through our college scholarship program, the D.C. Youth Tour, Bright Ideas grants and sports camps.

What these educational and leadership programs provide local students is invaluable. These experiences offer students the opportunity to develop fundamental leadership skills and confidence to excel in school and in the future. As the CEO of your electric



Stephen B. Hamlin
President & CEO of Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation

Building stronger communities

cooperative, I will make it part of my mission to remain committed to the enrichment of local youth so that we may help to shape the future leaders of our communities.

Part of the value of your electric cooperative membership is knowing that Piedmont Electric is committed to making your community stronger. In addition to providing safe, reliable and affordable electricity, we will continue to strengthen our communities by empowering our

future leaders through educational and leadership opportunities.

If you know a student or educator who might be interested in these programs, encourage them to apply. To learn more about how Piedmont Electric is looking out for your community, visit pemc.coop/community.



Visit Connections.Coop/PEMC for discount details and a complete list of participating local businesses, national businesses, dentists, chiropractors, vision care centers and pharmacies.

CO-OP CONNECTIONS® CARD DISCOUNTS

Co-op Connections® Card Contest

Thanks to our members who participated in our Co-op Connections Card Contest. These members submitted receipts from local participating Co-op Connections businesses and were entered in a drawing to win a \$25 gift card.

Past 2016 Winners Include:

- Mary Clayton of Roxboro, NC
- Tammy Tuck of Timberlake, NC
- Alice Howell of Roxboro, NC
- Hubert Walker of Hurdle Mills, NC
- Shirley Parker-Walter of Cedar Grove, NC

New Local Business Deal!



ADVANCE AUTO PARTS
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SAVE 15%
15% off total purchase on Tuesdays, unless item is on sale



BACK to
SCHOOL
opportunities!



PIEDMONT ELECTRIC is dedicated to improving the lives of all of our members, including those who will one day lead our communities. We are proud to offer programs that enhance the lives of our

youngest members by encouraging continuing education, emphasizing the importance of teamwork, providing leadership opportunities and nurturing future leaders.

For more information see our cover wrap, visit www.pemc.coop/community or call **800.222.3107**.

ROXBORO COMMUNITY SCHOOL'S NEW BUILDING



From prom to pom-poms, pomp and circumstance to Peter Pan, the newly renovated Roxboro Community School facility will see a little bit of everything, and helping make all of this possible is a \$360,000 zero-interest loan from Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation.

The school is located in an old textile factory, which has been updated in phases into functional spaces, while maintaining the charm of the old facility. The loan assisted in converting the remaining unused parts of the building into a space for theater, dance instruction and performances, as well as a gymnasium, which provides a space for athletics, graduation, prom and other activities.

“Our school is very grateful to receive this zero-interest loan from Piedmont Electric,” said Natalie Brozy, Managing Executive Director of Roxboro Community School. “This loan will help us continue to build upon the tradition of excellent student outcomes through programs that nurture a variety of student interests.”

The funds were loaned by Piedmont Electric as part of the United States

“As a locally owned co-op, we believe it is our mission to support the communities we serve. We want to help make sure this area is a great place to live, work and raise a family and we believe we are doing just that by supporting projects like Roxboro Community School’s renovation.”

Bill R. Barber

Board Chairman of Piedmont Electric

Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program (REDLG). The program provides zero-interest loans and grants to local electric cooperatives who in turn lend the money to local entities for projects that support rural areas.

“We are proud once again to support a community in which we serve and help Roxboro Community School complete its renovations for activities which will improve the student experience,” said Bill R. Barber, Board Chairman of Piedmont Electric



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