



Southern Iowa
Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative



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Our mission: Providing Safe, Reliable Electricity

Office: 22458 Highway 2, PO Box 70

Bloomfield, IA 52537-0070

Office Phone: 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027

Pay By Phone: 800-927-5341

Report Outages: 800-607-2027

Call Before You Dig: 800-292-8989

Website: www.sie.coop

E-business: mysieaccess.com

Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:30pm

Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays

Management:

Greg Proctor, CEO/General Manager

Ross Hunter, COO/Systems Analyst

Lindsay Smith, Office Services/Accounting Mgr.

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What to Do in Case of Trouble:

*Check for blown fuses or tripped breakers.

*Check with neighbors and ask if their electricity is off and if they have reported the outage. If not, call Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative and report the problem 24 hours a day at 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027.

Service Charges:

Bill Collection.....	\$50	Disconnect.....	\$50
Posting.....	\$50	Returned Check.....	\$30
Reconnect.....	\$75	Trip Charge.....	\$50
Meter Tampering....	\$150		



In accordance with Iowa Code 476.6A the owner of any alternate energy production facility (solar, wind, etc.) that is attached to the Cooperative lines is required to provide written notification to the Cooperative of the intent to install the facility **at least 30 days prior to construction**. The appropriate Interconnection Agreement must also be completed and signed by the member and the Cooperative before installation on Cooperative lines occur. Please call our office at 800-607-2027 if you have any questions.



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Happy New Year



**Attention High
School Seniors...**

**APPLY TO WIN ONE
OF THREE \$2,000
SCHOLARSHIPS!**

High school seniors whose parents or guardians are members of SIEC, with an active account, are eligible to apply. One scholarship will be awarded in each of three areas determined by membership totals: Appanoose/Van Buren Counties, Davis County and Wapello County. The applicant must be accepted by an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school for fall 2024, and must be a U.S. citizen. Seniors enrolling in Line Technician school are automatically eligible to apply. Applications can be found on our website, www.sie.coop, under Community & Econ Dev, Scholarships. You can also contact your school guidance counselor, or call our office at 641-664-2277 to request an application. Completed applications can be mailed to: SIEC Scholarship Program, PO Box 70, Bloomfield, IA 52537, or emailed to cdavidson@sie.coop.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 31, 2024


DID YOU KNOW?

Tree Trimming to Start Soon

Evidence for the need to control growth of vegetation along power line right-of-way is easy to see in many rural areas. Overgrown right-of-way can cause problems during severe weather and can make it difficult to reach trouble spots to make repairs. In a continuing effort to control brush growth, Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative has hired CR Environmental to cut and trim trees in the FLORIS substation area. This contractor will be performing maintenance trimming and mowing, removing re-growth vegetation, and clearing areas that may have been missed in previous years. The work will be done as an attempt to improve system reliability, provide a safer work environment, establish a more accessible right-of-way to the Cooperative's facilities, and to maintain clearance of brush and tree limbs from the power lines. Generally, the contractors will be trimming up to 20 to 25 feet on each side of the pole centerline and removing any additional "danger" trees that may be a potential threat to the power lines. Yard trees will be reviewed separately and a determination will be made on the best course of action for those trees. The contractors will also be mowing and brush cutting underneath the power lines. In most cases, you should expect to see less vegetation cut and removed than in prior years, depending on the re-growth activity in your area. You should also expect delays on clean up work depending upon the weather conditions. For additional information please visit our website at www.sie.coop or give us a call at 800-607-2027. CR Environmental will make an attempt to contact all landowners, either personally, or with the use of a "door hanger" in advance of cutting in your area. If no response is given after a good faith effort to contact you, the Contractors will proceed with their trimming activities as required. Please respond if you are contacted by the contractor or your Cooperative as soon as possible. Tree trimming and brush cutting is scheduled to begin in FEBRUARY and run throughout the 2024 calendar year. Any questions or concerns with the right-of-way clearing in your area should be directed to the Cooperative.

Members shape our future Look out for our survey



Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative will soon be sponsoring a survey that is conducted every two years to measure the quality of service provided to you and to ensure we can reliably serve you in the future. This survey will ask several questions about your satisfaction with the cooperative and your energy usage. You can check our Facebook  page for updates.



"We all get the exact same 365 days. The only difference is what we do with them." ~ Hillary DePiano



It's Time to Apply for Youth Tour!!

SIEC will send one student on an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C.

At SIEC, one way we invest in the next generation of rural Iowa leaders is by participating in the national Electric Cooperative Youth Tour program. SIEC is looking for high school students with a passion for government and public service to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime trip to our nation's capital in June. One student will be selected from eligible candidates to attend the 2024 Youth Tour in Washington, D.C., from June 15-21 along with 40 other student leaders from Iowa. The Iowa group will join with hundreds of students from across the country as they learn more about electric cooperatives and American history and come home with a greater understanding of their role as an American citizen. Students will also learn about U.S. government and meet with their members of Congress. While on the trip, students take in the sights of D.C. as they visit monuments, museums and historical landmarks.

We are accepting Youth Tour applications through February 29, 2024.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

- ANY high school sophomore, junior or senior that lives in SIEC's service territory. Students DO NOT have to be on SIEC's lines to apply!

LINKS TO IOWA YOUTH TOUR:

- Facebook @IowaYouthTour
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Snapchat
- www.iowayouthtour.com



FOR INFORMATION/QUESTIONS CONTACT:

- Crystal at SIEC: 641-664-2277 OR cdavidson@sie.coop
- High school counselor

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