



*Your monthly report from Your Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc.*

*SEC Crews and Tri-State employees upgrading equipment in our Socorro Local substation recently.*

## SEC Continues Energy Efficiency Rebate Programs

At SEC we want our Members to enjoy the comforts and conveniences that electricity provides, regardless of the equipment, appliance, or electronic device you use. We also want to encourage the selection of energy efficient equipment that will save you money, today and in the future. At SEC we want to help you use less electricity and we will even pay you to do so! Over the past 5 years, SEC's Energy Efficient Rebate Programs have put more than **\$69,000** back in our Members' pockets.

One of the most popular of these programs is for **Energy Star rated appliances** such as full size refrigerators or freezers, washers, electric dryers and even dishwashers. Just by switching to these energy efficient appliances, our Members have received more than **\$7,735**, during the past 5 years.

Several businesses, and even schools, have taken advantage of our **Commercial Lighting rebates** to upgrade their older lighting systems to LED lights. Some of the larger rebates include:  
**Holiday Inn Express** - \$16,905; **NM Tech** - \$13,050; **NRAO** - \$7,578;  
**Bosque del Apache** - \$4,722; **Magdalena Schools** - \$3,990;  
**Ace Hardware** - \$2,295; **Bubble Machine** - \$2,095; and many more.

**New construction** is also eligible for these rebates, as Holm "Quatro" Bursum IV can attest. His company recently received a rebate of **\$2,369 for the LED equipment** installed in the new addition to the NM Children Youth and Families Department building in Socorro.

If you are replacing any electrical equipment at your home, farm, ranch or business, give us call to see if your equipment might qualify for one of the many rebates we offer. Equipment such as irrigation motors, heat pumps, and walk-in coolers qualify.

We encourage you to take advantage of this long running program and put money back in your pocket. Call us at 800-351-7575 and ask for Marilyn Madrid who will assist you with our rebate program.



*Marilyn Madrid of SEC and Quatro Bursum review the new LED lighting in the CYFD Building.*



## Spotlight on TEAM SEC - Meet our Staff, Your Neighbors

Layne Bugayong is a 4th Year Apprentice Lineman for SEC and works from our Quemado field office. Layne started with SEC in July 2015 after graduating from high school. Layne did a bit of bareback bronc riding during high school and he qualified for the National High School Finals in 2014.

While he worked as a mechanic all through high school, his friendship with 2 SEC employees showed him the benefits of working for the local electric cooperative. Layne enjoys "keeping the lights on" for his friends and neighbors. The satisfaction he receives from helping others enjoy the benefits of their electric power motivates him. Layne's favorite part of his job is with troubleshooting to find the problem during power outages.

In accordance with his training, Layne will become a certified Journeyman Lineman in less than a year. He says others on his crew have helped him along the way and he enjoys the family element he has with all the employees at SEC. We are excited to have young men like Layne who have chosen to make a career with SEC.



**Layne Bugayong**  
Apprentice Lineman

### CONTACT US

#### WEBSITE

[www.socorroelectric.com](http://www.socorroelectric.com)

#### PHONE

1-800-351-7575 or 575-835-0560

#### PAYING YOUR BILL

You can make your payment over the phone by check or major credit card, 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week with our IVR phone system at no charge.

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### REPORTING AN OUTAGE

Before reporting a power outage, please check the circuit breakers in your house first. If you still do not have power after checking your breakers, please call **(575) 835-0560 or (800) 351-7575**.

If you get a busy signal, it is an indication that someone else is experiencing an outage as well; however please continue to call, this will help us pinpoint the problem.

#### MEMBER SERVICE/BILLING

Marilyn Madrid - Member Service Supervisor  
575-835-0560 Ext 1504

#### ACCOUNTING

Rauni Montoya - Accounting Supervisor  
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#### LINE EXTENSIONS

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### October 30, 2019 Board Report - the Board....

- approved the 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets
- approved revisions to several Board Policies
- set the next Board Meeting for November 22, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.



*Lines to Laces*



In our October enchantment magazine we told you about a new project SEC has been working on for our community. The Lines to Laces project is a joint venture between the employees of Tri-State G & T and SEC to provide new shoes to local school aged children. This year SEC and Tri-State will provide shoes to 180 students at the San Antonio and Midway Elementary Schools in the Socorro School District.

We are excited to announce that we raised \$7,673 from our raffle to provide each student with a new pair of shoes and socks! We, of course, could not have accomplished this without the support we received from each of you as well as some generous donors.

While we purchased the big prize, the Pit Boss pellet grill, with raffle proceeds, the other prizes were donated; the custom disco by Mr. Katlin Trevino from San Antonio; the custom corn hole set and the 2 night condo stays in Red River by Tri-State employees.

With the strong outpouring of support and encouragement from the public, our plan is to continue this project in future years to benefit all schools in our service area. The biggest THANKS must go to the motivated SEC & Tri-State employees who sold almost 2,000 tickets to help raise the necessary funds for our kids!!!!

### Did you know...?

**that over 1,100 creatively costumed kids and their parents attended SEC's Annual Trunk or Treat event!!!**