



## SEC Foundation

Giving our youth the power and support to achieve their educational dreams.

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

### ***Socorro Electric Foundation Scholarship Program Accepting Applications***

For many years, funds provided by the SEC Foundation have been indispensable in assisting high school and homeschooled graduates from our service area pursue their dreams of higher education. We are pleased to announce this benefit, only available to SEC Members, is still going strong! In fact, with the addition of this year's awards, SEC will have 40 active scholarships in the program!

The scholarship program provides awards for \$1,000 per semester and are renewable up to 8 semesters, for a total potential award of **\$8,000!** To renew the scholarship for each subsequent semester, the recipients need to maintain a 2.50 cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale) and be enrolled as a full-time student each semester.

The scholarship funds are not an operating expense of Socorro Electric, as the funds come from unclaimed patronage capital refunds from prior years. Many times our Members leave our service area before receiving these refunds and we are unable to locate them. We attempt to reach these Members for 3 years; if we are unsuccessful, the unclaimed funds are deposited into the SEC Foundation, and used for educational purposes which include these scholarships.

For further details about the scholarship program and to download an application, please visit our website at [www.socorroelectric.com](http://www.socorroelectric.com). Scholarship applications can also be obtained from your local high school counselor or at the SEC offices at 215 East Manzaneras in Socorro.

*Scan here for  
Scholarship details!*



**REMINDER:** These scholarships are also available to those students who would like to attend a trade or vocational school. We already have students in the program who are taking benefit of this option.

***Applications for the 2021-2022 school year are due to SEC by Monday, April 5, 2021.***

### ***Did you know...?***

*that the SEC Foundation has been providing scholarships and funds for other educational endeavors to our students for over 48 years!!!*

*Your*  
**SOCORRO ELECTRIC  
COOPERATIVE, INC.**



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## Spotlight on TEAM SEC - Your Board Trustee, Your Neighbor

District 3 Trustee, Leroy Anaya, is certainly no stranger to people in the community of Socorro. He was born here and has spent his entire life in Socorro, graduating from Socorro High and completing a long career with the County of Socorro. Where he rose to the position of County Road Superintendent before retiring.

Leroy certainly enjoys a few games of golf in his retirement, but he also decided to become more involved with the cooperative and run for the SEC Board. Leroy's motivation for serving on the Board comes from his desire to serve the Members of SEC who are his neighbors and friends. Leroy is currently serving in his 12th year as a Trustee for SEC and is dedicated to the electric utility industry. He has completed all the training available from NRECA, achieving the "Director Gold Credential" certification.

Leroy also serves as SEC's representative on the Tri-State Generation & Transmission (Tri-State) Board of Directors. Leroy is proud that Tri-State has been able to keep their rates to SEC at the same level for the past 4 years and also for their aggressive addition of renewable generation sources with 32% currently, with a goal of 50% renewables by 2024.

He thinks the greatest challenge facing SEC is keeping rates as affordable as possible, while maintaining the overall financial strength of the cooperative. He feels the greatest strength for SEC is the working relationship between the Members, the Board, and the employees of the cooperative. Leroy hopes to continue to serve as a Trustee for many years to come.



**Mr. Leroy Anaya**  
District 3 Trustee

### CONTACT US

#### WEBSITE

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

#### PHONE

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**  
or **855-881-8159**

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 SERVICES/BILLING

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

#### ACCOUNTING

575-835-0560

#### LINE EXTENSIONS:

Bill Harris - Staking Technician  
575-835-0560 Ext 2503

#### MARKETING & PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Jimmy Capps - Director of Communications & Public Affairs - 575-838-9724  
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### January 2021 Board Report - meeting held via teleconference....

- the Board reviewed the 2020 Year End unaudited financial statements.
- the Board approved the Franchise Agreement with the Village of Magdalena.
- the Board approved the purchase of four (4) small bucket trucks as replacements for older units.
- nominated Members to serve on the 2021 Credentials & Elections Committee.
- set the next Board Meeting for February 24, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

## NOTICE

### End of Winter Moratorium Protection

Protection from winter shut-off ends March 15, 2021.

To avoid potential disconnection of services, please contact The Socorro Electric Cooperative at 575-835-0560 or 800-351-7575 to make arrangements for payment.

A Socorro Electric representative will assist you in making a suitable arrangement on your account. Payments or Arrangements **MUST** be made **NO LATER** than March 15, 2021.

Members of New Mexico tribes or pueblos who need help with translation or with other matters, may contact the commission's Consumer Relations Division at (888) 427-5772, who will contact the appropriate tribal or pueblo official for assistance.

To apply for the (LIHEAP), call the Human Services Department at 800-283-4465. Applications are also available at The Socorro Electric Cooperative.

#### Aviso: Fin de Protección de Moratoria de Invierno

Protección de invierno apagar termina 15 de marzo 2021 Para evitar la desconexión de su servicios aga un pago después de 15 de marzo 2021 por favor póngase en contacto con: El Socorro Electric Cooperativa, en 575-835-0560 o 800-351-7575. Un representante de Socorro eléctrico le ayudará en latoma de un arreglo de pago adecuado en su cuenta.

Pago o Arreglos debe hacerse **NO** más tarde de 15 de Marzo 2021. Para solicitar el (LIHEAP), llame al Departamento de servicios humanos al 800-283-4465. Las aplicaciones también están disponibles en Socorro Electric Cooperativa.