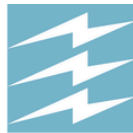




2025

**ANNUAL
REPORT**



Sawnee Electric Membership
FOUNDATION

Supporting the Communities We Serve



Message from the Chairman

Greetings!



Sylvia Lundberg
Chairman

On behalf of the Sawnee Electric Membership Foundation Board of Trustees, I hope you enjoy reviewing the Foundation's 2025 Annual Report. You will find it contains useful information about the operations of the Foundation, a summary of the 2025 contributions received, as well as the grants that were distributed to various organizations.

I am proud to announce that during 2025, Sawnee EMC members generously donated \$125,198.04 to the Foundation through Sawnee EMC's Operation Round Up program. The Foundation also received a donation, in the amount of \$410,883.89 from Sawnee EMC's abandoned patronage capital. Of this amount, \$100,000 has been allocated to the Youth Scholarship Program and the remaining amount is earmarked for Bright Ideas, General Grants and the School Lunch Program.

Additionally, the Foundation was able to distribute \$379,825 into our local communities during 2025 through giftings to local charitable organizations, local classrooms through our Bright Ideas program, emergency assistance to Sawnee EMC members who lost their home due to a fire, and assisted thirty-six (36) local school with providing a hot lunch to children in need. In May of 2025, the Foundation awarded twenty (20) scholarships, totaling \$100,000, to high school seniors who reside in Sawnee EMC's service area. Additionally the Gwinnett Tech Foundation and the University of North Georgia Foundation each received \$10,000 to be used for student scholarships. The Foundation celebrates the ability to help these individuals further their education.

Please continue reading about the good work that the Sawnee EMC Foundation was able to accomplish in 2025, and remember, small change can change lives. Thank you for your continued support of the Sawnee Electric Membership Foundation.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Lundberg

Chairman
Sawnee Electric Membership Foundation

Foundation Overview

The mission of the Sawnee Electric Membership Foundation is to assist in strengthening the communities served by Sawnee EMC. The Foundation accomplishes its mission by providing financial assistance to charitable organizations through the Foundation's Operation Round Up program and other Board approved programs. This endeavor affords Sawnee EMC members the opportunity to "round-up" their monthly energy bills to the next highest dollar. These donated funds, along with monies from other sources, allow donations to be made to students, schools and various 501(c) (3) and 501(c) (4) organizations located generally in Sawnee EMC's service area, which includes parts of Cherokee, Dawson, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Hall and Lumpkin counties.

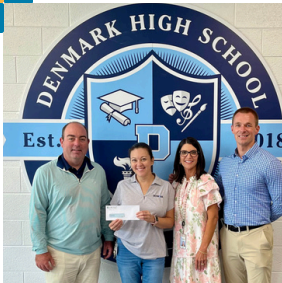


Foundation Programs



General Grants

Local qualifying charitable organizations apply for general grants, which are distributed on a quarterly basis. The Foundation Board evaluates these requests based on the organization's need, their ability to access local funding from alternative sources, availability of funds, as well as other factors.



Bright Ideas

"Bright Ideas" funds are distributed for innovative classroom project. Teachers can apply for annual grants up to \$1,750 per classroom. Grants are awarded to teachers instructing students in grades K-12 within Sawnee EMC's service territory and are used to further their students' education.



Youth Scholarship

Each year, the Foundation accepts applications from local high school seniors for its "Youth Scholarship Program". In 2025, the Foundation awarded \$100,000 to twenty (20) local high school seniors. Each student received a \$5,000 scholarship to continue their education. Since 2006, the Foundation has awarded \$1,450,227 to local students furthering their secondary education.

Foundation Programs



Brian Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Established by the Foundation in May 2015, this scholarship was developed to honor the legacy of one of Sawnee EMC's employees, Mr. Brian Johnson, who lost his life in the line of duty. The scholarship can sponsor up to four (4) students annually to help fund tuition for recipients enrolling in the Technical College System of Georgia's Electrical Lineworker Program, of which Mr. Johnson was a proud graduate.



School Lunch Program

The Foundation is proud to support its School Lunch Program. This program allows local schools, served by Sawnee EMC, to apply for funds to help provide a hot school lunch to students who need it. In 2025, the Foundation approved funding totaling \$19,156.14 to thirty-six (36) area schools.



Financial Statements

Abbreviated Financial Statement

ASSETS	2025	2024
Assets		
Cash	\$742,550	\$517,981
Contributions Receivable	\$ 10,472	\$110,728
Total Assets	\$753,022	\$628,709
Net Assets		
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$753,022	\$628,709

2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To view the full 2025 financial statements, contained in the Foundation's 2025 financial audit, please visit our website at www.sawnee.coop/sawnee-foundation-document-library.

If you wish to receive a printed copy of the Foundation's 2025 financial audit, please contact Mrs. Ginny Ellis, Sawnee EMC's Chief Financial Officer, at 678-455-1578, via email at ginny.ellis@sawnee.coop or via U.S. Mail at Sawnee Electric Membership Foundation, P.O. Box 1174, Cumming, GA 30028.

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WAYS TO DONATE

The Foundation encourages Sawnee EMC members to join Operation Round Up. Even small contributions—just a few pennies—can make a big difference and help the Foundation support local initiatives.

Sign Up Online: Visit www.sawnee.coop/round-up-signup to enroll. Once registered, Sawnee EMC will automatically round up your monthly bill, and the extra change will go directly to the Foundation.

Round Up Anytime: You don't have to be enrolled in Operation Round Up to contribute. Whenever you round your Sawnee bill up to the next dollar, those extra pennies are donated to the Foundation.

Contact Us: For questions or assistance, reach out to Sawnee EMC's Customer Call Center at customerservice@sawnee.coop, call 770-887-2363, chat online at www.sawnee.coop, or text 678-999-8124.



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