

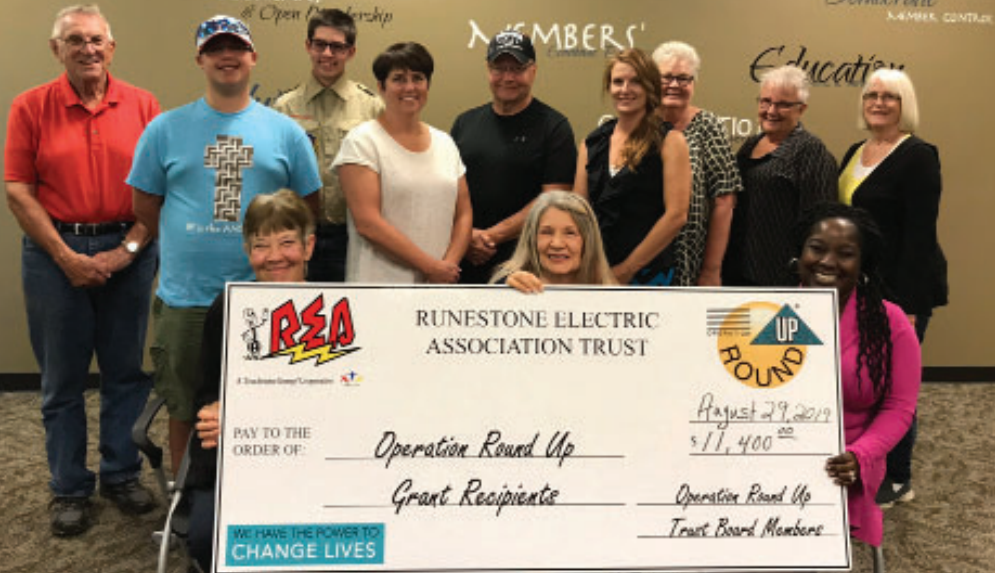
# The Cooperative Principles

VOLUNTARY  
of Open Membership

Democratic  
MEMBER CONTROL

MEMBERS'

Education



Representing some of the organizations receiving Operation Round Up® grants in August (front row l to r): Cindy Lerohl (Love INC of Douglas County) and Deb Ledoux & Josette Ciceron (Inclusion Network). (back row l to r): Vern Lorsung (Operation Round Up Board); Matt Ramey (Osakis Youth Group); Christopher Goodwin (Osakis Boy Scouts Troop 426); Melisa Schueler (Community Preschool); Grant Haugen (Veterans Memorial Park); Andrea Goeden (West Central Communities Action); Nancy Haggenmiller (Alexandria Senior Center) and Janet Johnson & Debbie Anderson (Operation Round Up Board).

## Cooperatives Support Their Communities

Runestone Electric Association's Operation Round Up® has distributed over \$962,400 in grants to community-minded groups and organizations throughout the Cooperative's service territory since its inception in 2003. Over 64% of REA's members allow their bills to be rounded up to the next dollar with the average yearly contribution of \$6.

The following eighteen area organizations shared \$11,400 in grants from Operation Round Up.

**Fire Departments & First Responders:** Leaf Valley Township Fire Department (\$1,000); Ashby Fire Department (\$1,000) and Forada Emergency Responders (\$1,000).

**Youth:** Osakis Youth Group at Lutheran Church (\$250); Osakis Boy Scouts Troop 426 (\$250); Community Preschool (\$300) and West Central Area Schools (\$300).

**Community:** United Communities Advocating Non-Violence (\$500); Donnelly Community Club Inc. (\$500); West Central Minnesota Communities Action (\$1,000); Geneva Cemetery Association (\$250); Veterans Memorial Park (\$1,000); Central Lakes Concert Association (\$250); Love INC of Douglas County (\$1500); Lake Amelia Cemetery (\$250); Osakis Back Pack Committee (\$1,000) and Inclusion Network (\$250).

**Seniors:** Alexandria Senior Center (\$800).

### Calling all non-profit organizations!

Area organizations are encouraged to apply for Operation Round Up grants. The deadline for the next round of funding is November 15, 2019. Application forms are available by calling REA at (800) 473-1722. Applications can be downloaded from the REA website: [www.RunestoneElectric.com](http://www.RunestoneElectric.com).

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