



MAY 2022

Operation Round Up®

Through the contributions of Runestone Electric Association's participating members, the Operation Round Up® Trust Board recently approved \$14,500 to assist local community programs during its quarterly meeting.

The REA Operation Round Up Trust Board, a voluntary board of seven REA members, reviewed and considered 34 grant applications and distributed funds to 29 projects and programs this past quarter. Community-based projects and programs have received nearly \$1.1 million since the program's inception in 2003.

The deadline to apply for the next round of funding is August 12 2022.

Complete the application form at www.RunestoneElectric.com.

The following area organizations shared \$14,500 in grants.

Grant Recipients:

FIRE DEPARTMENTS & FIRST RESPONDERS

- » Glenwood Fire Department (\$1,000)

YOUTH

- » Starbuck Kids Safety Camp (\$500)
- » Alexandria Area High School Trap Team (\$250)
- » Minnewaska Area Post Prom (\$200)
- » Alex Brush & Palette Club (\$250)
- » Grant County 4-H Federation (\$500)
- » Brandon-Evansville Summer Rec (\$500)
- » Youth Outdoor Activity Day (\$500)
- » Change Makers WCA Schools (\$500)

COMMUNITY

- » The Caring & Sharing Room (\$1,000)
- » City of Lowry (\$1,000)
- » Bethel Cemetery Association (\$250)
- » United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties Osakis Backpack Attack (\$1,000)
- » Garfield Community Club (\$500)
- » St. Luke's Cemetery Association (\$250)
- » Let's Go Fishing (\$500)
- » Bethel Memorial Cemetery Association (\$250)
- » Vikingland Band Festival (\$750)
- » Saturday Art Market (\$250)
- » Kensington Area Heritage Society (\$500)
- » Trysil-Bethesda Lutheran Cemetery Association (\$250)
- » Katy's Swing Band (\$500)
- » Van Loon Cemetery Association (\$250)
- » Shalom Piece Makers (\$250)
- » Elk Lake Beach (\$300)
- » Life Connections (\$1,000)
- » West Central Communities Action (\$500)
- » Starbuck Depot & Museum (\$500)
- » Hoffman Farmer's Market (\$500)

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 August 12, 2022. Application forms can be completed online at www.RunestoneElectric.com.



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Operation Round Up® Group Photo



Representing some of the organizations receiving Operation Round Up® grants in June, front row from left to right: Allisa Smith, West Central Communities Action; Jim Dyr Dahl, St. Lukes Cemetery Assoc.; Barb Ziegelman, Garfield Community Club; Tammie Lanners, Youth Outdoor Activity Day; and Charlene Drewes, Starbuck Police Department. Middle row from left to right: Judy Hoffman, Shalom Piece Makers; Anita Sheehan, The Caring & Sharing Room; Rhonda Blaser, Vikingland Band Festival; Sandy Susag and Mimi Seykora, Saturday Art Market; Debbie Anderson and Janet Johnson, Operation Round Up® Trust Board Members; Carol Anderson, Bethel Cemetery Association; and Harvey & Dianne Pederson, Starbuck Depot & Museum. Back row from left to right: Tom Townsend, Alexandria Area High School Trap Team; Allen Wittrock, Let's Go Fishing; Melvin Conrad, Kensington Area Heritage Society; Leah Wolkow, United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties; and DuWayne Paul, Katy's Swing Band.