

What are you doing at you coops?

David S.-SC (LIGHT)- Leaving an Impact, Giving and Helping Together

How they got started: Funded by fundraising

-Improves the quality of life for members of the community

Helps schools, can pay utility bills

Operation Roundup- What's in the way?

Social Responsibility Program- Employees must be involved and then apply for funding (Clay Electric, FL) budgeted

Kim (Baldwin, AL)- 8 hours of community leave

Have two training days and use the last to bring in 501c3 community orgs to allow employees to find volunteer opportunities and last four hours of the day they do a coop wide community service project.

Kim, KY- When school is out, through an application process they select students from the community (ages 10-12), learned about cooperative principles through activities. Food was provided (electric cooperative theme). Building tour, board discussion, safety discussions, solar, art projects, cooking

3 organizers, 3 demonstrators, 4 coop students (college students) 10 adults, 2 day event (8:30 am-3:30 pm)

Jay,- Touch-A-Truck: Children learn more about the coop and tools used to keep the power on. Also raise money to support their employee charitable organization.

Tiffany, AL- Explorers (Engineering Dept) complete STEM projects with local boy scouts (10-18)

4H Program- SC Statewide: Contest, Engineering Science Fair one day event

Dawn, TN- Scholarship for youth tour students (1-\$10,000) (2-\$1,000)

Van, SC- Scholarship for youth (1-\$5,000) community service based

Casey, AL- Youth Tour Alum Meetups

Robert, TN- AAA Sponsorship (Academics, Athletics, Arts) Employees children to encourage support

Power Team- sponsor people that participate in 5K's and then they support with service and supplies (wellness)

Lloyd, VA- Day in the life of a lineman: 20-30 students where the learn what a lineman does and show them another option outside of college. Work with the high schools and technical centers. (In the fall during school hours, get lunch) promoted all year

Breast Cancer Awareness: Pink hardhats fundraiser for people in the county, expanded to all types of cancer, sat with patients, provided journals

## Teacher Connections

Bright Idea Grants- Teachers apply for creative items needed for their classrooms. (education days)

King Cluck- science project mummified chickens

Teacher spend the summer at the coop

Green Power EMC- Teacher training the get a solar power curriculum on how to incorporate into their program.

Sheena, AK- use unclaimed capital credits for scholarships, adopt-a-family

Memori, TN-Adopt-a-School Grant \$1,000 scholarship (application process)