LaGrange County REMC Operation Round Up reaches milestone

With three new grants being funded during the fourth quarter of 2021, the LaGrange County REMC Operation Round Up program has now given back more than $600,000 to our community. The money has been used by organizations who serve all sectors of our community; youth, seniors, young families, and everyone in-between. Since the beginning of the program in January of 2002, the power of our members joining together has made a huge impact on our community and we are forever grateful.

The fourth quarter distribution of Operation Round Up funding totaled $7,750 and included:

**LaGrange First Church of God-Night to Shine**, which was awarded $3,250. Night to Shine is a prom for people with special needs 14 and older and is sponsored in part by the Tim Tebow Foundation. The funds will be used to pay for the renting of the Shipshewana Auction Barn, the purchase of crowns and tiaras for the 200 guests and items for their take home bags.

**LaGrange County Council on Aging**, which was granted $3,000 to help purchase security cameras in four of their small transit vans. The cameras show around the vans, inside the vans and on wheelchair lifts. The cameras would help protect the Council should an incident occur.

**Warrior Youth Basketball, Inc.**, which was granted $1,500 to help pay for league insurance and equipment, such as basketballs, jerseys, whistles, and practice pennies. The funds received help keep registrations fees low so that children can be involved without causing a financial burden to families.