Pennies adding up to more than \$944,000

he Operation Round-Up Foundation plays a pivotal role in fostering positive social change, building community resilience, and enhancing the quality of life for residents in Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative's service territory.

In 2023, more than \$43,500 was distributed in grants to individuals and organizations within our community. Since the establishment of ORU in 2006, the foundation has given close to \$950,000 in collective efforts for those in need.

So how do you get involved? You can join the more than 7,200 HWEC members who have their electric bills rounded up to the nearest dollar. That's right: The most it would cost you is 99 cents a month or, on average, \$6 a



The Operation Round Up board: Jonathan Berger, Michelle Wood, Matt Johnson, Glenn Miller, and Dan Mathie

year. You can be part of our team that is supporting and enhancing the well-being of our friends and neighbors.

A five-member board evaluates applications and distributes funds based on the foundation's mission and community needs. Through your collaborative efforts, we are making a difference right here at home!

2023 Operation Round Up grants

Assist family – beds for children – Wooster Adaptive Sports Program – sled hockey – Wooster Assist individual – medical condition – Millersburg National Alliance for Mental Illness – Wayne & Holmes counties Assist elderly couple with home repair needs – Glenmont Assist family – beds for children – Wooster Assist elderly individual with home repair needs – Glenmont Millersburg Food Run – support local food pantry OneEighty – Assist with addiction treatment programs Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry – processing for donated deer – Coshocton United Way of Wayne and Holmes Counties – Imagination Library Pomerene Hospital – Lifting Hearts Bereavement Adaptive Sports – 5K Fundraiser Assist family fostering - beds for children - Millersburg

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Pomerene Hospital Auxiliary	\$500.00
Development Disabilities Camp	\$1,000.00
Habitat for Humanity – children's beds	\$690.00
Wayne County First Responders – appreciation gifts	\$800.00
Nashville Elementary – weekend food bags	\$500.00
Wayne County Agencies – processing of donated fair animals	\$2,495.98
Christ's Cupboard – personal care pantry – Killbuck	\$1,000.00
Women's abuse center – Holmes County	\$500.00
Assist individual – home need – Millersburg	\$106.99
Food Fellowship Pantry – Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Wayne County Farm Bureau – toy Drive	\$500.00
West Holmes Middle School – Shop with a Teacher	\$250.00
Night to Shine – special needs event	\$500.00
Wayne & Holmes counties – bereavement items for loss of child	\$1,000.00
Share-A-Christmas – Holmes County	\$1,000.00
West Salem Outreach & Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Love Center Food Pantry – Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army – Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army – Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Town & Country Fire & Rescue – West Salem Toy Drive	\$1,000.00
Christian Children's Home	\$1,000.00
Meals and More – West Salem	\$1,000.00
Holmes County Council on Aging – Darb Snyder Community Center	\$1,000.00
OneEighty – Holmes County	\$1,000.00
OneEighty – Wayne County	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross – Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Lifecare Hospice of Wayne and Holmes counties	\$1,000.00
Viola Startzman Health Clinic – Wooster	\$1,000.00
Church of God – Food Pantry – Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Meals Together – Wooster Methodist Church	\$1,000.00
Glenmont Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Shreve Community Church – Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Mohican Area Community Fund	\$250.00
Goodwill Industries of Wayne & Holmes Counties, Inc.	\$1,000.00
The Lord's Pantry — West Salem	\$1,000.00
New Leaf Center – Mount Eaton	\$1,000.00
ACUMC Food Pantry	\$500.00
Community Christmas Outreach – ACUMC Church	\$500.00
Nick Amster Workshop – Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Hillsdale CARES	\$500.00
People to People Ministries	\$1,000.00
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Total **\$43,546.82**