

INTER-COUNTY ENERGY

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From the President/CEO

A message for graduates:

Dream bigger

This month, seniors in our service territories will pick up diplomas and step into the future. Congratulations from all of us at Inter-County Energy. It's been a pleasure to play a role in your education and extracurricular activities through programs like Conservation Clubhouse, sports sponsorships, Washington Youth Tour, Project Graduation, career fairs and scholarships.

But our commitment to you doesn't end after the graduation speeches and the celebrations are finished. We've been committed to you since you became a member. While you were growing up, learning about life in our community, we were always thinking ahead and creating opportunities for your next steps in life.

Along with providing reliable, competitively-priced and sustainable electricity, our mission includes fostering economic development—the foundation on which successful communities are built. How does that benefit you? Simply put, it means the place where you grew up can also be a desirable home for a lifetime.



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Our unique position as an electric cooperative allows us to play a crucial role in economic development initiatives that create pathways to prosperity for local graduates. For instance, we stimulate local economic growth by investing in electrical infrastructure upgrades and expansions that ensure a reliable power supply for existing businesses as well as attracting new businesses to the area. We also provide technical assistance and resources to help those who dream of starting and growing their own businesses.

As one of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, Inter-County Energy is part of a collaborative approach to bring new, high-demand business investment to this region. Through a variety of strategies, we're helping this

region put its best foot forward to land good-paying, in-demand jobs. So far, these efforts have attracted \$12.6 billion in business investment and created 18,000 new jobs.

These are jobs the class of 2026—you can help fill. Whether your next steps include post-secondary education, career training or a direct track to the workplace, we want the communities we serve to be where you can put down roots and thrive—a place where you can always dream bigger.

*President/CEO
Jerry Carter*



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A Touchstone Energy Cooperative 

Cooperatives to support Special Olympics Kentucky Summer Games

For 15 years, Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives proudly sponsored the Special Olympics Kentucky Summer Games.

An estimated 1,200 athletes and hundreds of coaches and family members will participate during the 2026 Special Olympics State Summer Games at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond.

This year's games take place from June 5-7. The Summer Games include competitions in track and field, soccer, bocce and rhythmic gymnastics.

Last year, more than 120 cooperative employees and family members volunteered for the event. Athletes and attendees will be treated to tethered hot air balloon rides, courtesy of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives during the early morning (weather permitting).

"We are proud to help make the Special Olympics State Summer Games possible and to make it an unforgettable day for the athletes," says Dan Hitchcock, VP of Member Services. "We

are inspired by their courage and compassion, and we are proud to support them and the communities we serve."

The State Summer Games are Special Olympics Kentucky's largest competition of the year. This will be the 31st year of competition at Eastern Kentucky University. Each athlete qualifies through participation at a regional or area-level event.

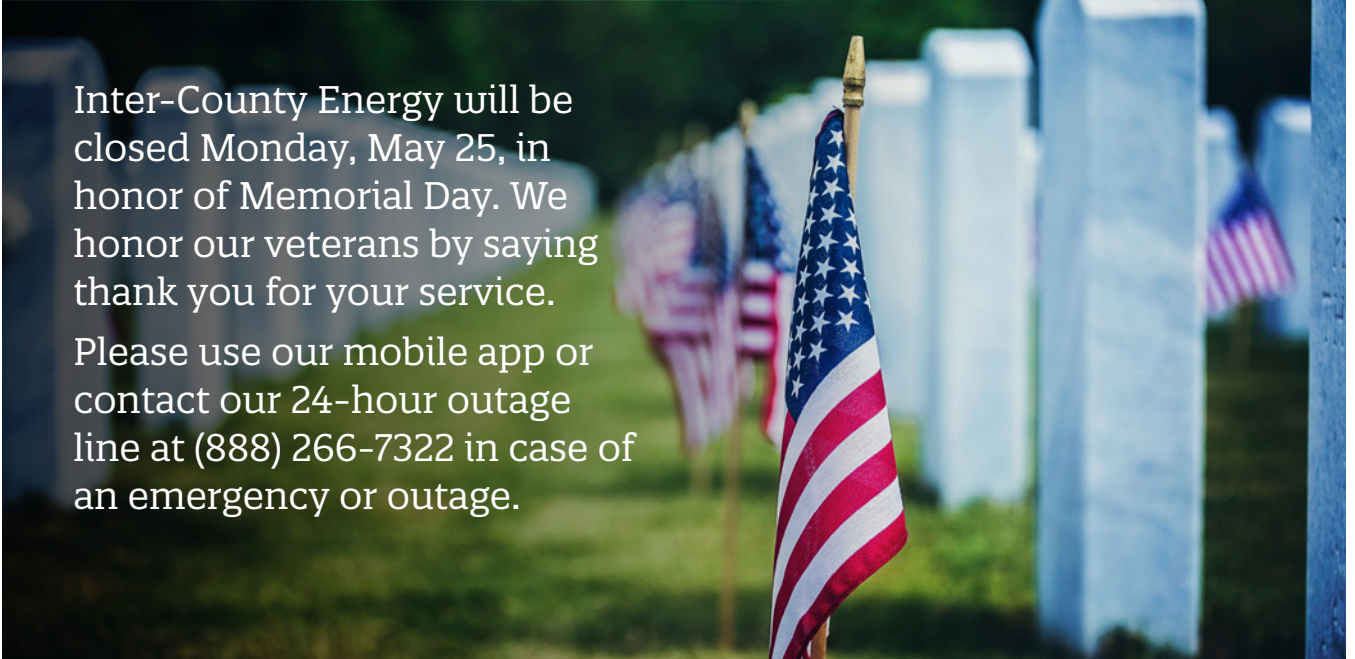
For more information, please contact: April Burgess at april@intercountyenergy.net or go to www.soky.org.

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Happy
Mother's Day

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Inter-County Energy will be closed Monday, May 25, in honor of Memorial Day. We honor our veterans by saying thank you for your service. Please use our mobile app or contact our 24-hour outage line at (888) 266-7322 in case of an emergency or outage.

Get your hands on this!

Inter-County Energy Conservation Clubhouse lets students see and touch some of Kentucky's natural treasures

Photos: Morgan Janssen

Snakes and salamanders could be coming to a classroom near you. The critters are the stars of the show during Conservation Clubhouse, an interactive, educational program that teaches students about Kentucky's natural resources and the environment.

During a 45-minute presentation, students can interact with live, nonvenomous reptiles and amphibians while learning about animals that are native to the commonwealth. The dynamic presentation also teaches a lesson about the role humans play in protecting the natural environment.

Inter-County Energy and Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives offer Conservation Clubhouse to area schools at no charge. The program, which is targeted for fourth grade and above, meets CORE curriculum standards.

Teachers or summer programs interested in scheduling a Conservation Clubhouse program should contact Inter-County Energy's April Burgess at (859) 936-7822 or april@intercountyenergy.net.



OUR MISSION

Inter-County Energy accomplishes our daily mission by providing energy and services to our members through a culture of Safety, Accountability, Integrity, Innovation and Commitment to Community.

SAFETY MESSAGE

Keep kites, balloons, and drones away from power lines. If one gets caught, do not try to retrieve it; instead, call us.

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Be prepared

In 2025, the National Weather Service reported 53 tornadoes in Kentucky, which resulted in 19 direct fatalities and billions of dollars in property damages. The worst of those storms occurred on May 16, when an EF4 tornado tore across three counties, claiming lives and destroying homes and businesses, including the offices of one of our Kentucky Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

As co-op members and employees worked to recover from the destruction, one message was repeated again and again: "Take tornado warnings seriously and be prepared."

BEFORE SEVERE WEATHER

Because tornadoes can develop rapidly, have an emergency plan in place.

- Identify a safe space at each place you frequent, ideally a basement or an interior room on the lowest floor with no windows.
- Have everyone in your household practice going to the safe shelter at least once a year.
- Sign up to have severe weather alerts sent to your phone.
- Prepare an emergency kit. Visit www.intercountyenergy.net to find a list of recommend items.

WHEN A WATCH IS ISSUED

A **watch** means conditions are favorable for violent weather, so it's time to begin putting emergency plans into action.

- Monitor the weather and be prepared to move to your safe space if a warning is announced.
- Mobile home dwellers should move close to an underground shelter or a permanent, sturdy structure until the storm threat has passed. Do NOT remain in the mobile home.
- Store the emergency kit, a helmet or pillows, in the safe space. Have a pet carrier ready for each small pet.
- Stay dressed and wear sturdy shoes.

WHEN A WARNING IS ISSUED

A **warning** means severe weather/tornado has been spotted on the ground and/or indicated on radar.

- Take cover in your safe space immediately.
- Stay indoors, away from windows and exterior doors.
- Protect your head with the helmet or pillows stored earlier. Cover yourself with a mattress or sleeping bag.
- Avoid using electronics or electrical devices.
- Know where very heavy objects are on the floor above and do not go under them as they may fall through on top of you.

Find more storm preparedness and safety tips on Inter-County Energy's website and social media.