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PRECorp Foundation 2016 Annual Report



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From its founding in 1945 through today, Powder River Energy Corporation has teamed up with businesses, schools, and charities throughout the area to strengthen and enhance our communities. ber Scholarship, the PRECorp Apprentice Lineman Scholarship, the Geis Family Scholarship, and the Farmer's Cooperative Scholarship. In total, students in 2016 received more than \$30,000 in financial aid for college.

We work hard to achieve a better quality of life for the people of northeast Wyoming. With this spirit in mind, the Powder River Energy Corporation Foundation was created in 2007 to act as the philanthropic arm of Powder River Energy Corporation. The specific mission of the Foundation is to focus on the charitable needs in our service territory and more specifically, the member/ owners we serve.

The Foundation continues to execute upon that original vision and donated more than \$141,000 into our PRE-Corp communities in 2016, nearly \$60,000 more than 2015.

The Foundation is structured to manage scholarships on behalf of other individuals or organizations. For instance, the Foundation administers the Swanda Ag Scholarship, the PRECorp Mem-

Total donations since 2007 \$576,418 Total donations in 2016

\$141,873

Number of organizations and causes supported in 2016

52

What makes the Foundation different?

One hundred percent of donations to the Foundation go to local nonprofit organizations, making for a direct-line giving process. The Foundation works with donors to make philanthropy easy by managing and administering funds for organizations with charitable objectives.

A Foundation meets long-term community challenges and seeks out opportunities to meet the needs of its communities

through research and feedback from community members. The PRECorp Foundation connects PRECorp members who care with causes in their communities.

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Powder River Energy Foundation Mission:

The mission of the Powder River Energy Foundation is to demonstrate our commitment to individuals and nonprofit or charitable organizations in northeast Wyoming by lending a helping hand that will improve their quality of life or serve their community.

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Giving stats 2016: **Giving by County** Weston **Giving by Category** Countv \$15,300 Sheridan County **Donations** \$8,000 that did not go to one Johnson specific County county: \$11,400 **Health and** \$59,000 Human **Services** Civic and \$102,000 Community **Betterment** Crook County \$32,873 \$24,173 Arts, Education . Campbell \$7,000 County \$24,000

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Giving together causes the greatest impact. The Foundation leverages matching dollars to enable the greatest impact for those who benefit from the funds.

More than 10% of PRECorp members voluntarily participate in the Foundation through the Operation RoundUp[®] program. This simple-yet-powerful program collects additional cents on the member's monthly power bill, to bring it up to the nearest whole dollar.

For example, when a bill of \$100.55 is rounded up to \$101.00, the additional 45 cents goes directly to the Foundation.

Capital Credit donations

For the past five years, many of our members chose to donate their capital credits. A letter explaining this option is mailed with capital credit checks.

Fundraisers

The Foundation Board and support staff have strengthened its third revenue source in 2016 through major fundraising events. The annual golf scramble at the Golf Club at Devils Tower is now joined by the annual Apprentice Lineman Scholarship Banquet, and the Durham Ranch Buffalo Stampede. Each event raises more than \$25,000 through corporate donors and event participants.

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Board of Directors

The Foundation is governed by an independent, voluntary board of directors who represent each county in the PRECorp service area. The Foundation Board governs the operation of the Foundation and sets the framework for the Foundation's active role in helping charities.

These board members are just like you, members of the community. They volunteer their time and many hours to support the Foundation.



Chairman John Flocchini

members are Susan Berry, Buffalo; Mary Yemington, Sundance; Billie Little, Leiter; Kathleen Tavegie, Newcastle; Phil Jordan, Gillette; and Zeta Anderson, Devils Tower. The Board of Directors follows a long-range strategic plan and initia-

John Flocchini, Gillette, is the Foun-

dation Board Chairman. Other

tives to fulfill its mission and vision. Because of its alignment, Powder River Energy Corporation staff help donors and the Board attain philanthropic goals with:

• A thorough knowledge of community opportunities, resources, and issues;

• Administrative expertise and a central request point for nonprofit organizations which ensure timely and accurate request processing; and.

• A focus on local nonprofit organizations and encouragement of cooperative dialogue and approaches to key issues.

Contact Foundation Executive Director Ieff Bumgarner at 307-283-4905 or email jeffb@precorp.coop for more information on becoming a Foundation director.



Kathleen Tavegie



Vice Chair Susan Berry



Billie Little



Phil Jordan





Mary Yemington

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2016 Grants:

- All Souls Episcopal Church
- B.A.C.A. (Bikers Against Child Abuse)
- Blessings in a Backpack, Hulett
- Bread of Life Food Pantry
- Campbell County Cattlewomen
- Campbell County Council of Community Services
- Cam-Plex Heritage Center Arts in Education
- CHAPS Equine Therapy
- CLIMB Wyoming
- Corner Market
 - FBO Blessings in a Backpack
- Crook County Council of County Services
- Crook County Family Violence
- Crook County Library Foundation

- First Presbyterian Church
- Gillette Energy Aid (partnering with Salvation)
- Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Bighorns
- Home Loving Care of Weston County
- Hometown Veterans
- Johnson County Family YMCA
- Johnson County Special Olympics
 "A" Team
- Johnson County Toys for Tots
- Ministerial Association: Christmas Appeal
- PRECorp Apprentice Lineman Scholarship Banquet
- PRECorp CAFA Food Drive
- Sheridan Police Department K9 Request

- Sheridan Senior Center Help at Home
- Sheridan Senior Center FBO Giving Tree
- (partnering with Salvation Army) Silver Sage Senior Center
 - Sundance Community Christmas
 Baskets
 - Veterans' Home of Wyoming
 - Walmart FBO Shop with a Cop
 - Weston County Health Services
 Foundation
 - Weston County Peace Officers
 - Weston County Senior Services
 - Wright Community Assistance
 - Wyoming Agriculture in the Classroom
 - Wyoming Food Bank of the Rockies
 - Wyoming Wildlife Foundation
 - Y.E.S. House Dancing With The Stars

Learn more at www.precorpfoundation.org

The Foundation website provides more information about giving and Foundation impacts in the community and alsoprovides an online sign up area for Operation RoundUp[®]. It includes applications for Foundation funding, a downloadable Foundation brochure, the Swanda Scholarship application, staff and board listings, and press releases. Visit the site at <u>www.precorpfoundation.org</u> regularly to keep up to date on Foundation news.

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 Either call, log onto our website, or fill out this form and remit with your bill to sign up for this great local program 	 Enroll all my accounts in Operation RoundUp[®] Enroll one of my accounts in Operation RoundUp[®] Enroll these specific accounts in Operation RoundUp[®]: Account #'s
Each month, we will round up your electric bill to the next whole dollar	Name: Phone Number:
The extra cents will be contributed to the Operation RoundUp [®] fund	Signature: Date:
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