

INTER-COUNTY ENERGY

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Avoid turning on heat until necessary

Bundling up in a thick sweater and dressing in layers are two great ways to keep warm indoors during the month or two when it's starting to get chilly outdoors but it's not quite cold enough to turn the heat on.

In fact, many households wait until November or later to turn on the heat to save money on heating and to save energy, which is good for the environment.

If you'd like to try holding off on the heat until a bit later than usual, try these tips for keeping warm indoors:

- Cover the base of doors leading to the outdoors so the cold air can't sneak in underneath. You can purchase draft stoppers—tubes filled with sand or other material—or make your own.
- Run ceiling fans, but switch the direction of the spin. To distribute rising warm air around the room, the blades should rotate clockwise.
- Open curtains and blinds on sunny days so warm sun can heat up your rooms. Close them at bedtime to keep drafts out of the house.
- If your home isn't carpeted, scatter throw rugs in the rooms you use most.
- Apply weather stripping around windows to keep chilly air from getting inside.
- Throw an extra blanket on each bed in the house.
- Gather the family all in one room in the evenings to watch TV, read or play games, and run a space heater only in that room if needed.

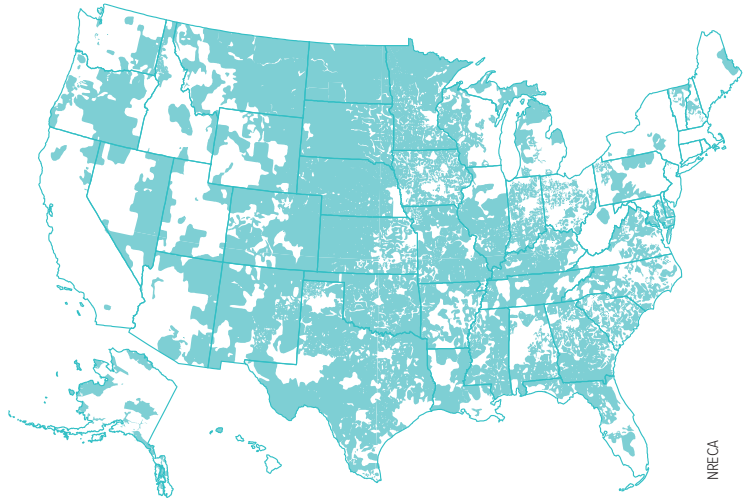


INTER COUNTY
ENERGY COOPERATIVE

A Touchstone Energy Cooperative 

Cooperatives power 56% of the American landscape

- **42 MILLION** U.S. cooperative members receive electricity from a member-owned co-op.
- **22 MILLION** businesses, homes, schools and farms in 48 states are powered by an electric co-op.
- **\$1 BILLION** in capital credits are returned to electric co-op members every year.
- **832 not-for-profit** U.S. co-ops deliver electricity and other services to members every single day.
- **64 generation and transmission cooperatives** provide wholesale power to their distribution co-ops through their own electric generation facilities or by purchasing power on behalf of the end-use members.



Source: NRECA, based on 2020 data, the most current available


Know someone who's making a difference in your community? Show them you notice by nominating them for the Who Powers You contest from your Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives. Winners will receive \$1,000, \$750 and \$250. It's quick, easy and powerful!



THE #WHOPOWERSYOU CONTEST

Visit www.whopowersyouky.com for details. Nominations accepted between Oct. 1-31, 2024.

Kentucky's
Touchstone Energy Cooperatives



Inter-County Energy will be closed Monday, October 14, in honor of Columbus Day.

Please use our mobile app or contact our 24-hour outage line in case of an emergency or outage at (888) 266-7322.

Advanced meter project update

To continue our reliability and efficiency standards, Inter-County Energy has been approved by the Public Service Commission to change out and upgrade all electric meters across our system. We are currently contracting with Luthan Electric Meter Testing. Members

do not need to be present during the installation of the new meter, but Luthan will require access to the cooperative meter. The meter exchange process will only take a few minutes, with a brief power interruption during the exchange. Work is being completed in eastern

Casey County, parts of Lincoln and Rockcastle counties with Garrard and the western portion of Madison counties to be completed by the end of 2024. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our office at (859) 236-4561.

What would Halloween be without **ELECTRICITY?**

Electricity plays a big part in the make-believe world Halloween allows us to explore. But don't turn your Frankenstein laboratory into a true-to-life horror story through electrical fires or hazards.

Use the following tips for a safe and happy Halloween:

Make sure your outdoor decorations only **LOOK** or **SOUND** spooky. Inspect each mechanical ghoul, ghost or goblin for cracked, frayed or bare wires. You don't want them to really cause a shock or start a fire.

Want to convert your yard or open garage into a haunted house? Only use electrical items marked "for outdoor use." Plug those decorations into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters.



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A special rate is available for Inter-County Energy members. Find details at: intercountyenergy.net/generac-home-standby-generator-program



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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.

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Theodore Roosevelt spoke of walking quietly and carry a big stick in his foreign policy negotiations. And while that doesn't directly apply to what we do as a cooperative, cooperatives do quietly work hard for their members in the background. While our big stick is providing competitive, reliable power to your homes and businesses, we're also doing things to make our communities better.

One of the things we do is participate as a member of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives. And this month, we're celebrating National Cooperative Month.

Touchstone Energy is a nationwide alliance of more than 700 member-owned electric co-ops. Each is committed to the highest standards of service, adhering to core values of integrity, accountability, innovation and commitment to community.

Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives are a network of 17 co-ops working to improve local members' quality of life through a variety of initiatives—many happening quietly behind the scenes. Some of the benefits our members and communities realize from this alliance are:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Inter-County Energy is attracting jobs and business investment to the area via access to state-of-the-art technology and a professional economic development team. It was recently announced that Kentucky now ranks third in the nation in economic projects per capita—many of which resulted from the efforts of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT.

Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives pool funds to jointly sponsor activities such as an annual Honor Flight for war veterans, Kentucky's Special Olympics Summer Games and Ronald McDonald House lodging for families with hospitalized children.

ENERGY EDUCATION.

Our Touchstone Energy membership provides access to research and expertise that allows us to be a trusted source of energy solutions amid rapidly changing technology. Through our website, togetherwesaveky.com, members can learn about saving energy, lowering costs and adopting beneficial electricity technologies.

RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Innovative projects like Cooperative Solar aren't affordable for a single co-op to undertake. By working with fellow Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, we're able to offer a variety of renewable energy options to our members.

Through special projects and everyday commitments, Inter-County Energy and our fellow Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives are demonstrating the power of the cooperative spirit—sometimes quietly but always proudly. Happy Co-op Month!