**A time of giving**

The holidays always bring with them a feeling of gratitude and warmth, whether it’s for the small things, like your favorite pumpkin pie, or the big things, such as your family or the roof over your head.

For LaGrange County REMC, we get to experience that every quarter when we witness our members’ generosity in helping to fund much needed services in our community.

The nearly 75% of you who participate in our Operation Round Up program should feel an extra pinch of sugar and spice and everything nice this holiday season. For choosing to round up your electric bills each month, the co-op is able to give back locally through community grants each quarter.

You may think it’s just a bit of extra change, but to the nonprofit organizations that receive these grants, it’s so much more.

With this most recent disbursement, LaGrange County REMC in 2020 has awarded 13 local nonprofit organizations with a total of $30,275.

That includes the recent October distribution of Operation Round Up grant funding, which totaled $8,000 and helped:

**• Arc of LaGrange County, which was awarded $5,000 to purchase four AEDs to place throughout its main facility.**

**• LaGrange County Council on Aging, which was granted $3,000 to purchase and install personal protection barriers in its LCAT vehicles.**

That’s all thanks to you, our members, and your generosity, which is especially poignant in a year when so many needed so much.

For local nonprofit organizations who are seeking funding for a project, please fill out and return an application to the LaGrange County REMC office by Monday, Jan. 4, to be considered for the next round of Operation Round Up disbursements. Applications can be downloaded from the REMC website, lagrangeremc.com.