OVERVIEW

Project Helping Hand (PHH) is a voluntary member contribution program, which provides limited funding - payable through community agencies throughout the co-op’s service territory - to those who need help paying their electric bills.

The co-op annually distributes more than $75,000 from PHH, assisting an average of 350 members per year. Approximately $40,000 from the fund is collected through the Round-Up program and Ownership Rewards donations. The remainder of donations come from employees and one-time donations.

TO RECEIVE HELP THROUGH ADAMS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE’S PROJECT HELPING HAND FUND

CALL ADAMS ELECTRIC AT 717/334-9211 OR 888/232-6732.

You will be directed to the nearest agency that administers Project Helping Hand funds for the co-op.

AGENCY REQUIREMENTS*:
1. Provide proof of your past due balance.
2. Pay 25 percent of your outstanding bill.
3. Provide documentation of income and other information requested by the agency.

*Agency requirements may vary.

ADAMS ELECTRIC REQUIREMENTS:
1. Pay 25 percent of your past-due balance.
2. Make satisfactory payment arrangements for any unpaid bill amount.
3. Enroll in the Round-Up program.

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Project Helping Hand has a 501(c)(3) status and your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Please check with your tax advisor on deductibility.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
MEMBERS MAY HAVE FINANCIAL STRESS ANY TIME OF YEAR.

CALL ADAMS ELECTRIC, FOR BILLING ASSISTANCE OPTIONS AT 717/334-9211 OR 888/232-6732.

• Illness and job loss can happen to anyone.
• Winter and summer weather extremes can cause higher energy bills.
• Health-related costs are rising.

For more than 25 years, Project Helping Hand has been able to help keep the lights on for fellow members in need. On average, 300-350 members receive help through the program each year. Nearly 5,000 of Adams Electric’s 32,000 members donate their change to Project Helping Hand through the Round-Up program. Will you help your fellow co-op members in need by allowing the co-op to “Round-Up” your electric bills each month?

HOW ROUND-UP WORKS . . .

• If your electric bill is $85.36, you would pay $86. Your bill would show that you are giving a $.64 Round-Up donation to Project Helping Hand.
• Your annual Round-Up donation will average $6, may be as small as $.12 and will never be more than $11.88 per year. All donations go directly to help Adams Electric members.
• You may join the Round-Up program any time during the year by contacting the cooperative. You may cancel participation whenever you wish.
• Project Helping Hand has a 501(c)(3) status and your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

OTHER WAYS TO DONATE TO PROJECT HELPING HAND:

• Have a donation added to your bill one time per year.
• Send a personal check.
• Contribute your ownership rewards check each year.

For your tax records, your annual donation to Project Helping Hand through your electric bill is noted on your January and February bills each year. The total is for the previous year.

HELP ADAMS ELECTRIC TO ‘LIGHT THE WAY’

In October 2015, Adams Electric held its first annual Light the Way 5K to benefit Project Helping Hand. All race registration proceeds went toward helping members in need throughout the co-op’s service territory.

Did you miss 2015’s event? Don’t worry—the co-op hopes to hold a PHH 5K fundraiser each year.

Donations made during the race are tax deductible, and a letter can be provided following each event.

TO DONATE TO PROJECT HELPING HAND

Please use my tax-deductible contribution to help fellow electric co-op members in need. (Check all that apply.)

☐ Round-up my monthly bills. Please round up the account(s) I have listed.

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☐ Add a recurring donation amount of (circle one)

$5 $10 $20 $50 other: $________________

to my monthly electric bill. (This may take up to 60 days to appear on your bill.)

☐ Check enclosed for a one-time donation of $_________.

(Make checks payable to Adams Electric’s Project Helping Hand fund.)

☐ I would like to donate the Ownership Rewards (patronage capital) check I receive each year to the Project Helping Hand fund. Please send me a form to complete so my donation will reoccur automatically each year.

Signature ______________________________________

Name _________________________________________

Address _______________________________________

Phone _________________________________________