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Scholarships For Graduating Seniors

Applications due by March 1, 2025

The PIE&G Communities First Fund has been awarding scholarships to graduating high school seniors since 1999. The scholarship program includes all accredited colleges or universities located in Michigan. The awards are \$1,000 and payable upon successfully completing the fall semester.

Four other scholarships are available:

- \$1,000 NATHAN W DOUGLAS MECHANICAL/ VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
- \$1,000 MURVILLE & CAROLINE DOUGLAS MUSICAL SCHOLARSHIP
- \$500 A.B. TRAVIS SCHOLARSHIP
- \$750 PETERSON VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility requirements and applications are available online at pieg.com or by contacting PIE&G at 800-423-6634 and selecting extension 1011. Completed applications with all supporting documentation must be received by 4:30 pm on March 1, 2025. Scholarships will be awarded by April 1st.

PIE&G Connect Update

- Brand refresh for 2025. The same name, just a fresh, energetic, new look and feel. You will begin seeing this new logo on social media, marketing, and the website.
- We are thrilled to share that Phase 3 construction has begun, and PS1, PS3, and PS4 are officially open for applications. All homes in phases 1 and 2 are now open and accepting fiber applications. Call us at 800-423-6634 to sign up today. Members can expect an automated email, phone call, and postcard when a new feeder opens. We will also post zone opening updates to Facebook and Instagram.
- This month, we will connect our 6,000th fiber member!



APPLY FOR

THE TRIP OF A

LIFE TIME



Apply for a Trip of a Lifetime

PIE&G is thrilled to announce that applications are now open for the 2025 Michigan Electric Cooperative Youth Tour! This all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., includes a week filled with visits to historical monuments, world-class museums, and meetings with elected officials.

Eligibility: High school sophomores and juniors whose household is a PIE&G Co-op member.

Deadline to apply: January 27, 2025.

This year, PIE&G will select TWO lucky students! Don't miss your chance to experience this incredible journey. Apply now at cooperativeyouthtour.com!

Just a friendly reminder! For updated contact info, call us at 1-800-423-6634. It's crucial for power outage updates and emergencies!

Happy New Year!



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Tree Trimming

We trim trees year-round. Trees that grow too close to power lines can cause power outages. We balance preserving nature with delivering reliable electricity. Here is why tree trimming matters:

- Tree trimming helps prevent outages caused by fallen limbs during storms. Overgrown vegetation is responsible for about half of all power disruptions.
- Trees near power lines can pose serious risks. We trim to reduce the danger of arcing and prevent accidents.
- Tree trimming helps keep costs lower for everyone.

If you spot an overgrown tree, let us know!



Operation Round Up, A Little Makes a BIG Difference

The PIE&G Communities First Fund, established in 1998, supports the philanthropic needs of organizations within our service area, focusing on humanitarian, youth, educational, and civic development projects. Our independent Board of

Directors determines fund allocations.

This fund assists local emergency responders, fire departments, youth organizations, law enforcement, charities, and schools. Members can participate by voluntarily rounding up their utility bills to the next whole dollar, averaging about 50 cents a month—tax-deductible and totaling around \$6 annually per meter.

Consider joining the PIE&G Communities First Fund by completing the enrollment form or contacting our Member Services Department at 1-800-423-6634. Small donations can make a BIG difference; over \$1.5 million has been returned to support our communities! pieg.com/communities-first/

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