

The Spotlight

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Four Northeast MI Charities Receive \$10K in Grants from PIE&G & CoBank

Peace Lutheran Church – Human Care Ministry (\$1,000)

The Human Care Ministry works to make life a little easier for others. The funds will be used to purchase socks, underwear, t-shirts, hats, gloves, and hygiene items for Adult Foster Care homes in the area. The funds will also be used to purchase headphones, back-to-school supplies for students, and other items for the hygiene pantry.

Onaway United Methodist Church – Caring Closet (\$2,000)

The funds will be used to purchase personal care products and cleaning supplies for those who receive food assistance and cannot purchase the supplies themselves. The funds will also be used to buy personal care products, warm clothing, boots, hats, and mittens for school students in need.

Church of Christ – Atlanta Caring Place (\$2,000)

The Atlanta Caring Place provides food assistance to approximately 125 families monthly. They also provide free clothing and housewares. The funds will continue to help provide these services to families in need.

Foster Closet of Northern MI (\$5,000)

Foster Closet provides clothing, underclothing, toys, shoes, baby equipment, gear, and furniture to children placed in the foster care system in the State of Michigan. The funds will help purchase crib mattresses, toddler beds, twin mattresses and frames, bedding, bottles, diapers, and wipes for foster families in Northern Michigan.



Thunderstorm Safety Tips!

Stay safe during thunderstorms with these condensed tips from the American Red Cross:

- Monitor local news or NOAA Weather Radio for updates and watch for signs like dark skies and increased wind.
- Cancel outdoor activities if a storm seems likely, as lightning can strike far from rain areas.
- Seek shelter in a sturdy building or a closed vehicle if a severe thunderstorm warning is issued. Avoid mobile homes.
- Go indoors if you hear thunder; stay there for at least 30 minutes after the last thunderclap.
- Use battery-operated devices instead of electrical equipment and telephones.
- Secure doors and windows; stay away from them.
- Avoid using water for bathing or other purposes.
- If driving, pull over and use emergency flashers until the storm passes. Avoid contact with metal in the vehicle.
- If caught outside, steer clear of high ground, water, and metal objects. Seek low-lying areas but avoid inadequate shelters like picnic areas or sheds.

Remember, if thunder roars, go indoors!

AutoPay for Peace of Mind

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3. Via our automated phone system at 866-999-4571
4. In-person at our office located at 3149 Main Street, Onaway, MI 49765

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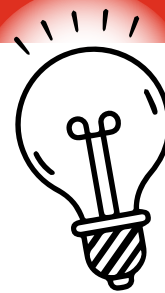
4th of July Office Closure

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ENERGY EFFICIENCY tip of the month

Did you know ceiling fans can help you save energy? Ceiling fans create a windchill effect on your skin to make you feel a few degrees cooler. Raise the thermostat a few degrees and turn on fans to reduce air conditioning costs.

Set fan blades to rotate counterclockwise during summer months and clockwise during winter months. Remember, ceiling fans cool people but don't actually lower the indoor temperature. Turn them off when you leave the room.



Source: energystar.gov



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