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LINEWORKER APPRECIATION

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You have likely noticed URECC crews out and about, working on power lines and other electrical equipment in our communities, no matter the time of day or what the weather is like outside. As we celebrate National Lineworker Appreciation Month, we hope you can join us in recognizing just how crucial these unsung heroes are in powering our daily lives.

Line crews work around the clock, sometimes in difficult and dangerous conditions, to keep power flowing to our local communities. Whether they're restoring power after a major storm or maintaining critical infrastructure to our electric system, lineworkers are at the heart of our co-op.

Did you know the equipment and tools that a lineworker carries while climbing a utility pole can weigh up to 50 pounds? That's as heavy as six gallons of water. And they can climb utility poles up to 120 feet tall. Lineworkers must be committed to their career - because it's not just a job, it's a lifestyle. The long hours and ever-present risks can truly take a toll. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics lists line work among the 10 most dangerous civilian jobs in the nation.

During severe weather events that bring major power outages, lineworkers are among the first ones called. They must be ready to leave the comfort of their homes and families, and may not return until days later. That's why a lineworker's family must also be dedicated to service. When storms arise, crews may work around the clock until all members have been restored. Shortcuts are not an option, and there is little room for error in this line of work. The job requires years of training and handson experience, working with high-voltage equipment.

URECC is proud to honor our lineworkers that maintain over 6,200 miles of power lines in our service territory. The next time you see a lineworker, please thank them for the work they do to keep our communities powered, regardless of the time of day or weather conditions.



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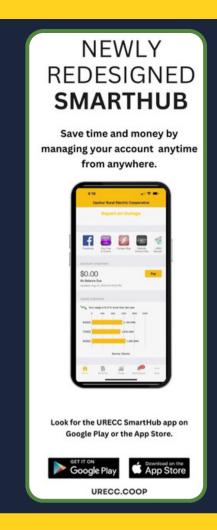
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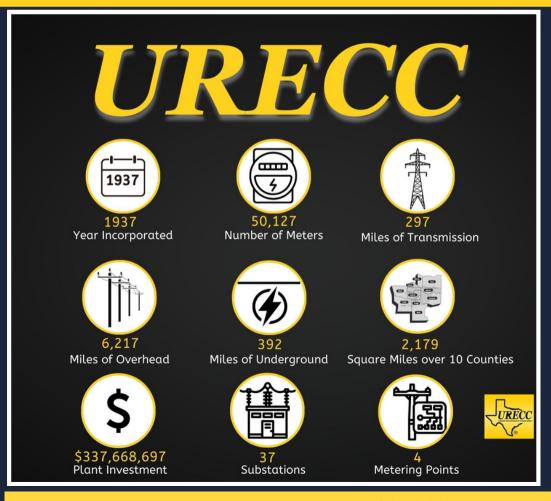
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