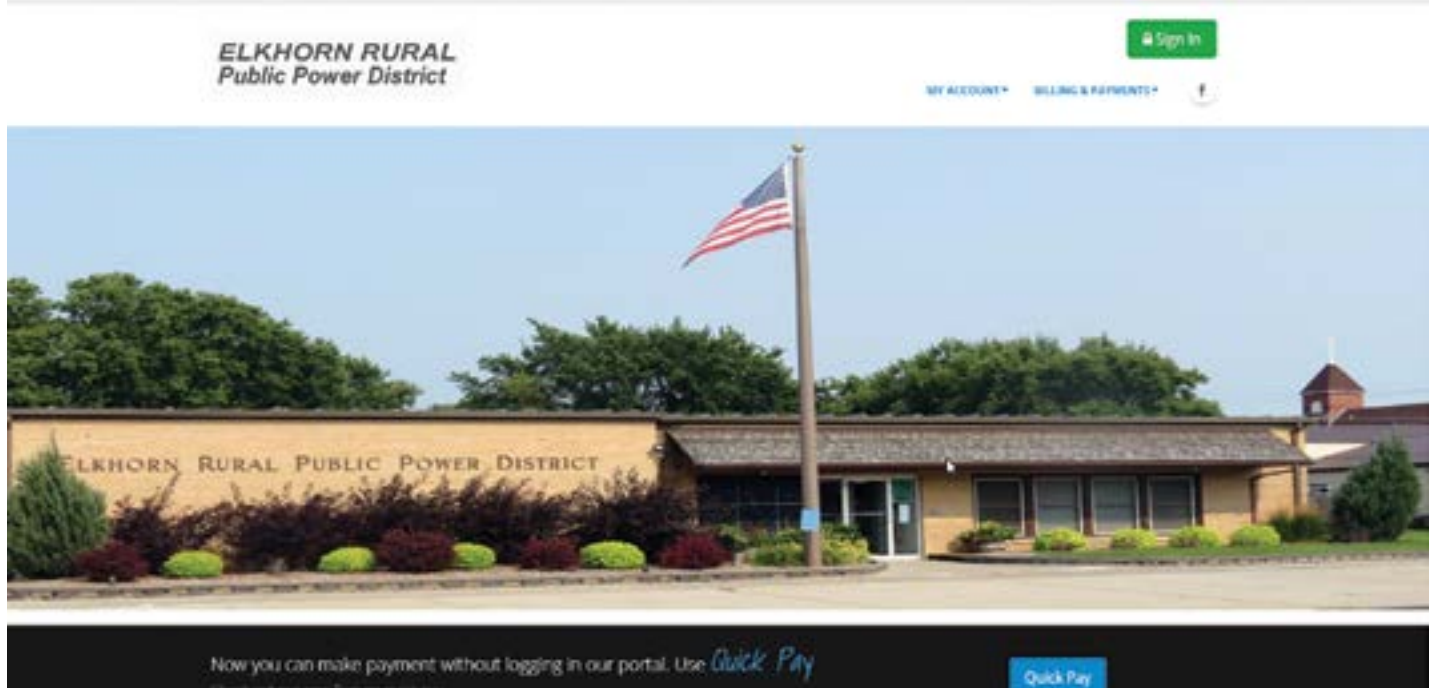


# NEW LOOK TO BILLING PORTAL



*Pictured above is the new look for the ERPPD billing portal with a blue “quick pay” button for your convenience.*

**New Look** - Starting on October 4th, you will see a new look to the billing portal on our website, pictured above. The new portal is being implemented by our software provider to make the site and your information more secure against cyber attacks. Along with being more secure, the new site offers easier navigation, conforms to more electronic device platforms, offers additional payment options, and shows recent account activity and daily usage.

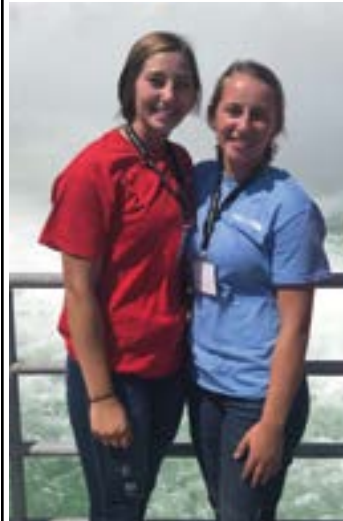
**Quick Pay** - The new payment option, “Quick Pay”, the blue button pictured above, allows for a more convenient payment option. Instead of having to log into your account on the website, you can click the button, add your information and make your payment. The information you will need is your account number and the last 4 digits of any phone number on file.

**Important Login Information**- You will be able to use your same user name and password to log into the platform as long as it contains both letters and numbers. It may also contain special characters, for example: ! @ # \*, etc. If your current user name is only letters or only numbers, we recommend that you change your user name to include both. However, you can always login using your account number as your user name. Once logged in, click on the “My Profile” link to change your user name.

Please call the office to speak with our friendly customer service reps if you have questions, 800-675-2185.

# YELC “NOT YOUR TYPICAL CAMP”

After being cancelled last year due to COVID-19 concerns, the Youth Energy Leadership Camp (YELC) put on by the Nebraska Rural Electric Association is back!



This year two Pope John students made the trek out to Halsey and spent the week at what is “not your typical camp”, the week of July 19-23.

Skyler Meis and Taylynne Charf (pictured to the left) met great people and learned a lot at YELC.

In fact meeting people was a highlight for both

Skyler and Taylynne. Skyler said, “Being able to meet and interact with kids from other places is such a fun experience.” Taylynne wrote in her thank you note, “I was able to make new friends and catch up with some old ones.”

Learning about electricity and electrical distribution is a big part of the camp. Campers go on a field trip to Gerald Gentleman Station. The tour can be quite eye opening - see Skyler’s picture from the roof of the plant- bottom right. It is very large and it is filled to the brim with fun things to see.

Taylynne stated, “I never really gave a thought to how much electricity is used in my every day life. This camp has helped me realize that electricity is a privilege to have.”

Each year, Elkhorn RPPD sponsors students grades 9-11 to participate in the camp. Each camper then has a chance to apply for a trip to Washington D.C. the following year through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

Skyler puts it best about why students should attend YELC, “It is a perfect chance to get thrown out of your comfort zone, meet new people and try new things. The experience you have at camp will be a great lasting memory! It’s a great time!”



Above, Taylynne Charf and Skyler Meis pose by the Halsey National Forest sign before heading to Youth Energy Leadership Camp. They were there with their peers from around the state to learn about electricity and public power. Below, is a picture from the roof of Gerald Gentleman Station, near Sutherland, NE taken by Skyler during a tour of the facility. This is Nebraska Public Power District’s largest generation facility, generating enough electricity to serve 600,000 customers.

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# YOUR ROUND UP DOLLARS AT WORK



## Community Development Fund Requests and Awards (August 2021)

Organization	Project	Location	Amount Awarded
Antelope County Memorial Hospital	Healing Garden	Neligh	\$1,000.00
Battle Creek Police Department	First Aid Equipment	Battle Creek	\$573.49
Battle Creek VFD	PPE - Turn Out Gear	Battle Creek	\$1,000.00
Elgin Community Club	Vetch Days Tractor Pull	Elgin	\$1,000.00
Neligh Young Men's Club	Old Mill Days Celebration	Neligh	\$1,000.00
Northeast Nebraska Child Advocacy	Hope and Healing in Times of Trauma	Norfolk	\$1,000.00
Oasis Counseling International	Technology Upgrade Project	Norfolk	\$1,000.00
St. Boniface Church Ball Diamond Association	Batting Cage	Elgin	\$1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$7,573.49</b>

**Fourth Quarter**

**Application Deadline  
October 18, 2021**

**Board Meeting Date,  
November 1 2021**

Above Dr. Mark Stortvedt, executive director of Oasis Counseling, is pictured with the check from the ERPPD Community Development Fund with some of the technology upgrades they made with the funds.

## TRUCKS FOR SALE:

Part of keeping our mission of safe, reliable, cost-effective electricity for our customers is having a vehicle maintenance and replacement program. The two trucks pictured to the right are available for purchase as described below.

**Pictured upper right** - 2006 Dodge Ram - regular cab, V8, 4-wheel drive

**Pictured lower right** - 2013 Dodge Ram - regular cab, 1/2 ton, V6, 4-wheel drive.

The trucks are available for viewing.

Sealed bids on the trucks may be made starting **September 3**, by mail PO Box 310, Battle Creek NE or e-mail tknutson@erppd.com.

The sale will close at **4:00 p.m. Friday, September 17**. The winning bid will be selected and the buyer notified.

The trucks will be listed on Facebook Marketplaces as well.

If you have questions about the trucks call Chris Sovereign at 402-675-2185.



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# NATIONAL FARM SAFETY AND HEALTH MONTH

September is National Farm Safety and Health Month. We at ERPPD want all our customers to arrive home safe after a day at work. Knowing some of the dangers and how to avoid them, goes a long way to achieving that goal. See below for tips on avoiding electrical contacts and, in the unfortunate event there is a contact, what to do. Have a safe and productive harvest season!



## EVEN MORE HARVEST SAFETY TIPS:

- \* **Each day** review all farm activities and work practices that will take place around power lines and remind all workers to take precautions. Start each morning by planning the day's work during a tailgate safety meeting.
- \* **Know what jobs** will happen near power lines and have a plan to keep the assigned workers safe.
- \* **Know the location** of power lines, and when setting up the farm equipment, be at least 10 feet away from them. Contact ERPPD (800-675-2185) if you feel this distance cannot be achieved.
- \* **Be aware** of increased height when loading and transporting larger modern tractors with higher antennas.
- \* **Never attempt** to raise or move a power line to clear a path. If power lines near your property have sagged over time, call ERPPD to repair them.

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will be closed in observance of  
**Labor Day**  
Monday, September 6, 2021