



✓ YES!

I want to ensure my voice is heard in the political process by participating in CARE and/or America's Electric Cooperatives PAC (PAC).

- PAC: \$25
- CARE: \$50
- CARE & PAC: \$75
- Century Club: \$100
- Vice President's Club: \$250
- President's Club: \$500
- Leadership Circle: \$1000
- Other \$ _____

Payroll deduction may be available at your local cooperative. Century, Vice President's Club, President's Club and Leadership Circle members are automatically members of both PAC and CARE.

PAYMENT BY CHECK

Make check payable to CARE/America's Electric Cooperatives PAC, complete the gold section below and mail to:

Colorado Advocates for Rural Electrification
5400 Washington Street, Denver, CO 80216

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD ONLINE

Pay online at crea.coop/legislative-center/pac/

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

I affirm that my contributions have been made with non-corporate funds.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cooperative: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Federal Election Law requires the following information for contributions exceeding \$200:

Employer: _____

Occupation: _____




For more information on CARE or America's Electric Cooperatives PAC please contact your local electric cooperative or the Colorado Rural Electric Association at 303-455-2700.



COLORADO ADVOCATES FOR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

**ENGAGE.
ADVOCATE.
STRENGTHEN.**

Contributions to the America's Electric Cooperatives PAC and CARE are not tax deductible. Contributions to America's Electric Cooperatives PAC/CARE are voluntary and will be used for political purposes. You have the right to refuse to contribute without reprisal. Any contribution guidelines presented are merely suggestions. You are free to contribute more or less than the suggested amounts, or not at all. NRECA will not favor or disadvantage anyone by reason of the amount contributed or a decision not to contribute.



JOIN NOW



OUR MISSION IS

to **ENGAGE** with candidates for elected office to **ADVOCATE** for and **STRENGTHEN** the voice of Colorado's electric cooperatives.



WHAT IS CARE?

Colorado Advocates for Rural Electrification (CARE) is a statewide non-partisan Political Action Committee that advocates for and strengthens the voice of Colorado's electric cooperatives. CARE is maintained and administered by CREA staff in conjunction with the CARE Committee. The CARE Committee is composed of nine elected members that represent a broad spectrum of the cooperative community. CARE is driven by three core principles: **ENGAGE**, **ADVOCATE**, and **STRENGTHEN**.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any U.S. citizen can become a member of CARE. To join America's Electric Cooperatives PAC, members must be a director, manager, salaried employee, spouse, supplier, or a consumer-member of a rural electric system.

ARE CONTRIBUTIONS TAX-DEDUCTIBLE?

No. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has ruled that all political contributions, such as CARE and America's Electric Cooperatives PAC, are not tax-deductible.



America's Electric Cooperatives | PAC

WHAT IS AMERICA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES PAC?

America's Electric Cooperatives PAC is the federal Political Action Committee of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). It supports candidates for the United States House of Representatives and the Senate, who support the interest of electric cooperatives. America's Electric Cooperatives PAC, like CARE, makes sure that the voice of Colorado's electric cooperatives is heard at the nation's capital. While America's Electric Cooperatives PAC is administered by NRECA, America's Electric Cooperatives PAC staff works directly with the CARE Committee to determine which candidates receive a contribution. The CARE/America's Electric Cooperatives PAC partnership allows for Colorado's electric cooperatives to maintain a strong grassroots presence in Washington, D.C.

WHAT IS THE LENGTH OF A CARE/AMERICA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES PAC MEMBERSHIP?

The CARE/America's Electric Cooperatives PAC memberships run from January 1 through December 31. If you join anytime between those two dates, you are eligible to renew your memberships January 1.

ENGAGE

The CARE Committee interviews and supports candidates, regardless of political affiliation, that promote the interests of Colorado's electric cooperatives.

ADVOCATE

Your contribution allows us to promote the electric cooperative model to policymakers whose decisions impact your electric cooperative. A CARE Committee endorsement allows us to directly and indirectly support candidates.

STRENGTHEN

By supporting candidates for elected office that advocate for the electric cooperative model, Colorado's electric cooperatives have a stronger voice at the state Capitol.

HOW ARE FUNDS RAISED?

CARE and America's Electric Cooperatives PAC raise money through a variety of fundraising opportunities. Primarily, funds are raised through membership contributions from individuals in the cooperative community. America's Electric Cooperatives PAC raises additional money through breakfasts, lunches, and special events. Contributions are split between CARE and PAC. CARE also raises money through special events, such as the auction held in conjunction with CREA's fall meeting.

DOES MY CONTRIBUTION MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

By signing up for a membership through CARE/America's Electric Cooperatives PAC, you are directly engaging in the political process and strengthening the voice of Colorado's electric cooperatives in Denver and Washington, D.C. As political spending continues to increase during elections, it is important that Colorado's electric cooperatives are engaged in the conversation. A contribution of any size helps us advocate for the electric cooperative model, which allows our cooperatives to continue to deliver affordable, reliable, and safe energy! Sign up today for a yearly membership to make a difference.

QUESTIONS ABOUT CARE OR AMERICA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES PAC?

Contact your local electric cooperative or the Colorado Rural Electric Association at 303-455-2700.