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Operation Round-Up®
Be a Light
Teacher Grants

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Operation Round Up® board increases grant funding for local teachers

"Be a Light" Teacher Grants benefit teachers in Hardin and LaRue Counties

Operation Round-Up® is about local dollars meeting local needs in our local communities. Nolin RECC members can volunteer to round up their bill to the nearest dollar each month. That money goes into a fund that is distributed to make a direct impact in the lives of our friends and neighbors.

The Operation Round Up® program is a non-profit run by a volunteer board of Nolin members. In addition to the yearly "Community Impact" grants that are given to area nonprofits each year, the board launched the *Be a Light* Teacher Grants last year. "We received so many applications last year that we decided to double the amount of grants awarded this year," says Operation Round-Up Board Chair Price Smith. For 2023, Operation Round-Up is awarding thirty (30) \$200 grants to certified teachers in K through 12th grade in Hardin and LaRue Counties.

"We have been talking to local teachers and have heard so many say that when the funds aren't available for their students' needs, they pay for items out of their own pockets," says Smith. "The mission of Operation Round-Up is to make a positive impact in our communities, just like our teachers do every day. This is a way we can support them in that effort and help with classroom costs for some of them."

Applications are now being accepted for Operation Round Up® *Be a Light* Teacher Grants. Eligibility details and the application can be found at www.nolinrecc.com or picked up at Nolin RECC office locations. Ten (10) K through 5th grade teachers, ten (10) 6th-8th grade teachers and ten (10) 9th-12th grade teachers will be randomly selected from eligible entries.

This does not replace the yearly "Community Impact" grants (applications available March 2024).

For more information, visit <https://nolinrecc.com/operation-round-up/> or email operationroundup@nolinrecc.com. The deadline to apply for the *Be a Light* Teacher Grants is September 30, 2023. Winners will be randomly selected on or around October 2, 2023.