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The Voice of New Mexico's Rural Electric Cooperatives



## **The Sky is Calling Socorro's M Mountain Fly-In**

Sierra Electric Cooperative • September 2017

## Sierra Electric Youth Tour Delegates Describe Washington, D.C., Trip to SEC Board

Ella Cano-Linson and Anthony Wasilowski met with the cooperative's board of trustees on Friday, July 21, to describe their experiences during the 2017 Government-in-Action Youth Tour in June in Washington, D.C. Cano-Linson and Wasilowski won the all-expense paid trip earlier this year by entering an essay contest at Sierra Electric Cooperative. Cano-Linson reported she was selected to lay a memorial wreath at the Slave Cemetery at George Washington's Mount Vernon home. Both students expressed their gratitude to the board for the opportunity to visit the nation's capital, meet other cooperative members their age from across the country and learn more about the benefits of electric cooperatives. Each year, Sierra Electric sponsors the contest for students whose parents are members of the cooperative to win a trip to Washington, D.C. in the summer. Interested students should watch for the contest announcement later this year or contact Sierra Electric in November for a contest application.

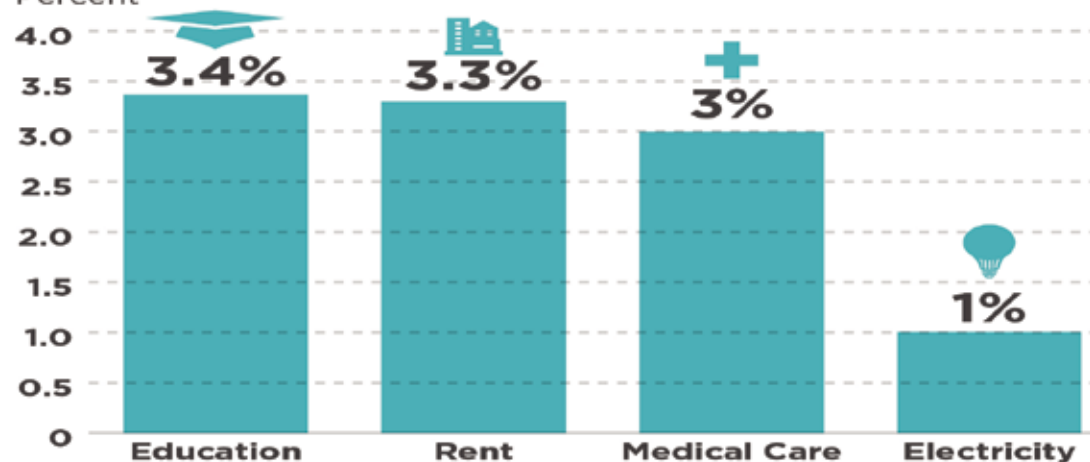


From l to r: Anthony Wasilowski and Ella Cano-Linson.

## ELECTRICITY REMAINS A GOOD VALUE

The cost of powering your home rises at a slower pace than many of your typical expenses. Compare the average price increase of these expenses each year over the last five years, and the value of electricity shines.

Average Annual Price Increase 2011-2016  
Percent



Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index



## Winter Moratorium Protection

Protection from winter shut-off begins November 15, 2017. To avoid potential disconnection of services, please contact the Human Services Department for eligibility information for the Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) at 800-283-4465. Your service will not be disconnected from November 15, 2017 through March 15, 2018, if you qualify for LIHEAP and you remain current on any payments that you owe under a payment plan, or you have no past due amounts as of November 15, 2017. For more information call the Human Services Department at 800-283-4465.

### En Español

El 15 de Noviembre del 2017 empezara la protección de desconexión del invierno. Para prevenir una posible desconexión de servicios, por favor de contactar al Departamento de Servicios Humanos para información sobre elegibilidad para el programa de bajos recursos de energía, (LIHEAP) al 800-283-4465. Su servicios no serán desconectados durante el 15 de Noviembre 2017 hasta el 15 de Marzo del 2018 si usted califica para el programa de bajos recursos de energía, (LIHEAP) y si usted continua al corriente en los pagos que usted deba bajo un plan de pago, o hasta el 15 de Noviembre del 2017 y no tenga ningún pago atrasado. Para información en español llame al Departamento de Servicios Humanos, 800-283-4465.

SEC Offices Closed  
Monday, September 4, 2017

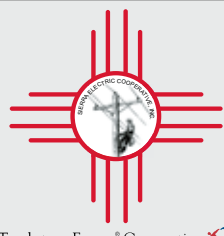


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### Board Meeting

The board of trustees meets the third Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the cooperative boardroom.



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