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# Beyond the Wire

Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.



## Recent Storms & Power Outages

Central Valley Electric Cooperative does its best to avoid them, but there's no way around it: power outages occasionally happen.

Recently, we have had more severe storms hit our area than usual.

And with severe weather comes the potential for power outages. Please know that we do not like to see our members without power for any length of time, and we strive to get your power back on as quickly as possible.

When the lights go out and it's safe for our crews to begin the restoration process, they start by repairing power lines and equipment that will restore power to the greatest number of people in the shortest amount of time.

This process typically begins with repairs to the larger main distribution lines that service a great number of homes and businesses. After those repairs are made crews work on tap lines, which deliver power to transformers. Finally, individual service lines that run between the transformer and the home or business are repaired.

We can't control the weather, but we can prepare for it. CVE keeps a supply of extra utility poles, transformers, and other equipment on hand so we can quickly get to work during an outage.



**To report an outage, please give us a call at 575-746-3571. If there is no answer, we are probably on the phone with another member. Please do not report an outage on any social media or on our website, as those are not monitored 24 hours a day. You can also find an outage map on our website at [www.cvecoop.org](http://www.cvecoop.org).**



As the communications department of the co-op, we do our best to inform members of prolonged outages on social media, our website, and through email. However, we don't always know an estimated time of restoration, or the reason for the power outage, until crews have already restored power.

Please be patient with us and be confident that our line crews are working hard to restore your power quickly and safely.

Also, know that sometimes CVE's power is disrupted because Xcel Energy has issues with its transmission lines. When this happens, Xcel crews work quickly to resolve any issues. Once their issue is resolved, CVE can safely get power restored.

CVE would like to thank all our linemen and other employees who dedicated many late nights and long days to restoring power as quickly and safely as possible during these recent outages. Remember when the lights go out, so do our crews, at any hour of the day or night and in all weather conditions.





## BACK TO SCHOOL



CVE enjoys being involved with the schools in our service territory. Between safety demonstrations, the safety coloring contest, career fairs, and scholarships, we get to see the kids grow up over the years.

CVE is looking forward to another great school year. If you or your school have any specific educational needs, we are happy to help, just give us a call at 575-746-3571.



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