

As a member-owned cooperative committed to the communities it serves, Raccoon Valley Electric Cooperative (RVEC) has donated \$2,500 each to two local food pantry organizations: Community of Concern in Carroll and New Opportunities in Sac City. RVEC partners CoBank and Basin Electric Power Cooperative each matched the donations, bringing the total contribution to \$7,500 for each organization. • Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the co-op had to cancel its in-person annual meeting event to protect the safety and welfare of member-owners and employees. The RVEC board of directors decided to donate a portion of the money that would have been spent on the event to local community organizations. • "While we are saddened about canceling our annual meeting, we hope the donations will help people who are in need right now," RVEC CEO Jim Gossett said. "One of our core cooperative principles is concern for community, and we want to thank CoBank and Basin Electric Power Cooperative for each matching our initial \$2,500 donation for even greater impact." • Pictured above accepting the Community of Concern donation are (from left) Morgan Kramer, RVEC customer service representative; Roxanne Reinart, Community of Concern director; and Dave Onken, RVEC board president. • Pictured below accepting the Sac City New Opportunities donation are (from left) Jeff Cranston, RVEC board director; Autumn Simonsen, coordinator; Chad Jensen, CEO; Terry Striegel, board member; Jim Gossett, RVEC CEO; Cindy Wallace, board member; and Karen Werner, RVEC board director.

