

## Apply for summer jobs with Coastal Electric Cooperative

**A**ttention, rising high school seniors: Now through April 22, Coastal Electric Cooperative is accepting applications for the Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow summer work program.

Participants in Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow not only earn a nice paycheck, but they also gain on-the-job training, make contacts in various career fields and have a summer full of new experiences.

Through this summer work program, students explore their interests and hone their skills while learning about electric cooperative career fields like engineering, business, line work, construction, safety, building and grounds, customer service, human resources, information technology, accounting, marketing and communications.

They will also collaborate with other Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow students from across coastal Georgia to complete Coastal Electric work projects, as well as volunteer in the community.

Participants will be paid \$9 an hour and may work up to 40 hours per week. Students must be at least 16 years old and must have completed the 11<sup>th</sup> grade with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 to be eligible.

To apply, visit [careers.coastalelectriccooperative.com](https://careers.coastalelectriccooperative.com). You'll need to submit:

- Resume
- One-page cover letter briefly describing your interest in the program and why you should be selected
- Official transcript verifying current GPA

The deadline to apply is April 22, and the student's first day on the job will be June 6.

Coastal Electric is an equal opportunity/affirmative action/drug-free workplace and employer.



# Lineworkers dedicated to powering our community

**Y**ou've likely noticed Coastal Electric's crews out and about, working on power lines and other electrical equipment in our community. It's no secret that a lineworker's job is tough, but it's a job that's essential and must be done, and often in challenging conditions. Please join us as we recognize them on April 11, and follow #ThankALineworker on social media to see how others are recognizing lineworkers.

Linework can be heavy, in more ways than one. Did you know the equipment and tools that a lineworker carries while climbing a utility pole can weigh up to 50 pounds? That's the same as carrying 6 gallons of water!

Lineworkers must be committed to their career, because it's not just a job, it's a lifestyle. The long hours and ever-present danger can truly take a toll. In fact, being a lineworker is listed in the top 10 most dangerous jobs in the U.S.

Lineworkers often work nontraditional hours, and outdoors in difficult conditions. While the job does not require a college degree, it does require technical skills, years of training and hands-on learning. Did you know that to become a journeyman lineworker can take more than 7,000 hours of training (or about four years)? That's because working with high-voltage equipment requires specialized skills, experience and mental toughness. Shortcuts are not an option, and there is no room for error in this line of work.

Despite the many challenges, Coastal Electric's lineworkers are committed to powering our local community. During severe weather or unexpected events that bring major power outages, lineworkers are among the first ones called. They truly are first responders. They must be ready to leave the comfort of their home and families unexpectedly, and they don't return until the job is done. That's why a lineworker's family is



**LINWORKER APPRECIATION DAY**  
We thank lineworkers for their courage and commitment to powering our community.  
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also dedicated to service. They understand the importance of the job to the community.

Nationwide, there are approximately 120,000 electric lineworkers. Here at Coastal Electric, 26 lineworkers are responsible for keeping power flowing 24/7, 365 days a year. To do this, they maintain more than 1,700 miles of power lines for more than 22,000 members across four counties.

In addition to the highly visible tasks lineworkers perform, their job today goes far beyond climbing utility poles to repair a wire. Lineworkers are also information experts who can pinpoint power outages from miles away. Line crews use laptops, tablets, drones

and other technologies to map outages, survey damage and troubleshoot problems.

Being a lineworker may not seem like a glamorous job, but it is absolutely essential to the life of our community. Without the exceptional dedication and commitment of these hardworking men and women, we simply would not have the reliable electricity that we need for everyday life.

So, the next time you see a lineworker, thank them for the work they do to keep power flowing, regardless of the time of day or weather conditions. After all, lineworkers are the power behind your power!



# Stop by to pick up your Member Appreciation door prize

Coastal Electric members are invited to stop by our Midway or Richmond Hill offices during the **Member Appreciation Days, May 23-25**, to pick up a set of 4-gauge, 20-foot, heavy-duty Stanley booster cables. You'll also be able to register to win \$1,000! The winner of the \$1,000 cash prize will be announced during Coastal Electric's virtual Annual Meeting of Members on Thursday, May 26.

Look for more information in the May issue of *Georgia Magazine*.

*Members must register in person to receive the booster cable registration gift.*



## Holiday Office Closing

The Coastal Electric offices will be closed Friday, April 15, in observance of Good Friday.

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