

New Year's resolution: sign up for paperless bills Win bill credits! One winner chosen weekly for new paperless enrollments

New Year's resolution time? Federated offers a simple, easy one that will save you and the cooperative money. Sign up for paperless billing.

Save on billing costs & stable rates

Your electric bill (and Federated Broadband bill if applicable) will be e-mailed to you around the fourth of each month (or the next business day). This saves a few days of mail delivery, which is perfect for snowbirds, those who travel a lot for work or pleasure; plus, some members may want to simplify their life.

Federated presently spends nearly \$5,000 every month to mail the paper billing statements. That's 92 cents per statement for the paper, printing, envelopes and postage — that's \$11.40 a year for one member! By helping your electric cooperative save money you are helping us keep your electric rates as low as possible.

Tired of receiving your electric bill so late that you have a tough time getting it back in time for a prompt payment? A December news report showed that Minnesota's postal performance may be one of the worst in the country. According to the report, the Minnesota and North Dakota district ranks 47th out of 50 with mail only arriving on time 82 percent of the time. That's below the national average of 86.3 percent, as well as the postal service's national target of 87 percent.



2026 is calling you...to sign up for paperless or electronic bills. Save time, money and the environment, plus you could win some bill credits!

Weekly drawing for bill credits

Need an extra incentive? Federated is doing a promotion in January and February. The earlier you sign up, the larger the bill credit will be for one lucky person who signs up each week:

· January 23 \$150 \$100 · January 30 \$75 • February 6 • February 13 \$50 • February 20 \$25 February 27 \$25

Sign up for paperless bills

It's easy to sign up for paperless bills; choose from two ways to do so.

1. Got to the co-op's website (www. federatedrea.coop). Click on the green and blue circle (Online Payments) on the top left corner or the center of the home

page. If you have never used the website to pay, you will first need to register, creating a username and password. Once you have created that, you will need your electric bill account number, meter number, phone or e-mail so have an electric bill in front of you. Then click on "alerts," then "subscriptions" and finally "bill notifications." Click the "electronic only" option. If you click "electronic and paper," you will not be eligible for the bill credit drawings.

The advantage of creating online access is that you can also pull up your 12-month billing history and it's more secure than mailed paper bills. Plus, you can pay your bill monthly using your credit card or bank account. Otherwise, sign up for Auto Pay by filling out a form from our website and your payment is deducted automatically from your checking or savings account on the due date (20th of the month or next business day). These payment options save you the cost of a stamp each month too!

2. Otherwise, call our office (507-847-3520 or 800-321-3520) during business hours; press option #1 for the billing department. Have your electric bill in front of you for the account number and what e-mail address you want for your paperless bill.

As a cooperative member-owner, you can help us operate more efficiently, which is good for your electric rates and is convenient. Thank you for saving a tree and our operating costs too!



High school teens: enter to win free trip to Washington, D.C.

High school students: act quickly. Enter the Youth Tour Contest by January 16. Win a free trip to Washington, D.C. June 15-20. Write a 300-word essay on an energy-related topic by January 16 and fill out the short application. Interviews will be done February 25 at 4 p.m. for the top five finalists. See website for details.



This publication focuses on cooperative savings, programs and events. As this is the official member publication, member's story ideas, letters-to-the-editor and comments are welcomed.

Andrea Christoffer, CCC, Editor

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Energy Wise



Lower your winter energy use to keep the grid stable & reduce buying wholesale power when it costs the most

When outdoor temperatures drop, electricity use naturally rises. Colder weather drives us indoors, where we rely more heavily on home heating, more lighting and appliance use. Heating systems run longer and more frequently

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These Federated substations (pink area) could be involved in rolling blackouts or temporary, controlled outages, for grid stability.

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Yet, maintaining a reliable electric system requires a collective effort — and every member plays an important role in lowering demand when the grid is under stress.

Reduce your winter energy use

to maintain comfortable indoor temperatures. Combine that with the fact that most people use electricity at the same times — typically in the mornings and early evenings — and the result is significant pressure on our electric grid.

Federated works with our wholesale power providers to plan for these seasonal weather patterns to ensure you have reliable power every day all year. This partnership involves detailed resource and infrastructure planning to make certain electricity is available whenever you need it. However, it's important to remember that our local system is part of a much larger regional and national electric grid.

During the winter months, when homes and businesses across the country are using more electricity, overall energy use can approach or occasionally exceed available supply. This may occur during severe weather events, such as ice storms, sudden temperature drops or equipment malfunctions that reduce power generation.

Substations face rolling blackouts

Rarely, when energy use threatens to outpace supply, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO)

may call for temporary, controlled outages — often referred to as rolling blackouts — to prevent broader system failures. The Federated substations that could be involved in rolling blackouts are:

- East Chain
- Wilbert
- Ceylon
- Dunnell
- Middletown
- Wisconsin
- Enterprise

These substations are involved because our transmission operator (Great River Energy) controls the breakers at each end of the transmission line. If such a situation arises, Federated will share updates and information to members.

To prepare for these scenarios and minimize risks our wholesale power providers take proactive measures to strengthen reliability year-round. These include routine system maintenance, investments in grid modernization and comprehensive disaster response planning. Basin Electric has added and continues to add natural gas peaking plants and transmission lines. In addition, Great River Energy plans to add a major transmission line through our service area. These proactive steps are designed that our local grid remains resilient even under extreme conditions.

Take simple actions during periods of high electricity use, especially on the coldest days of winter:

- 1. Lower your thermostat slightly. Even reducing the temperature by a few degrees can help.
- 2. Delay using large appliances during peak hours, which could be from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. or 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the winter. Run dishwashers, washing machines and clothes dryers during off-peak hours typically midday or late evening.
- 3. Adjust your water heater. Setting it to 120 degrees F and spacing out showers helps conserve both energy and hot water. Buy your next water heater from Federated so the radio control can coordinate your water heating to avoid peaks. See Page 7 for pricing.
- 4. Unplug unnecessary devices. Power used for lighting and electronics adds up and accounts for a significant portion of home energy use. Disconnect unused items to reduce energy waste.

Together, through small actions and shared awareness, we ensure that our homes remain warm, our lights stay on and our local grid continues to serve us reliably each season.

For New Year add a new modern LED light fixture

Brighten your home's look with a modern LED light fixture. Believe it or not, no light bulbs are required!

The LED light is built into the fixture to create modern art on your ceiling. Use these modern light fixtures in the living room, bedroom, dining room, kitchen or office.

The easy-to-install light fixture comes with a mounting bracket, which even works on sloped, vaulted ceilings. Some brands can be dimmable with a dimmable light switch, while others are not. Other brands use a remote control to dim and change the light color from warm white to daylight white or night mode. Some fixture designs are circles, squares or swirls like this one, featuring black, gold or white finishes.

These fixtures can be found at Home Depot, Menards, Amazon and other online sites. Prices vary from around \$60 to more than \$100. Be sure to look for the UL or ETL safety listing.



What a bright idea! Your light fixture can be a work of art! Beautify your ceiling with an LED modern light fixture. Plus, no light bulb needs to be changed out on this design! This model by Aiwen is nearly 20" by 21" and 4" tall. This design swirl is 45 watts and produces 2,250 lumens and a cool white light of 6,500 Kelvin. Smaller sizes are also available for bathrooms, entry ways and chandelier style lights as well.

Safety -

Learn about your electrical panel for safety's sake!

A Schneider Electric survey reveals that 16 percent of people don't know where their electrical panel is located in their home, plus 30 percent don't know what it does. This panel is a critical part of your home; learn how it works to enhance your safety.

Your electrical panel (sometimes called a breaker box or fuse box) serves as the heart of your home's electrical system. Just as your heart receives blood and pumps it through arteries to the entire body, your panel receives power from Federated and circulates it through wires to every outlet, light fixture and appliance.

Inside your panel, you'll find:

- The main breaker: Large switch at the top that controls power to the entire home
- Circuit breakers: Smaller switches that control electricity to specific areas. If you have an older home, your may have fuses instead of circuit breakers.
- **Service cables:** The main power lines coming into the panel.
- Labels: A diagram or stickers that indicate which breaker controls which areas of the house

Learning these parts help you troubleshoot issues and make informed decisions about energy use, home improvements and upgrades. Trouble signs are hissing



sounds, burning smells, rust or corrosion, which indicate it's time to call an electrician.

Most panels are located in basements, garages or utility rooms. Some apartments have them in hallway closets or kitchen pantries. If you're a renter or first-time homeowner, ask your landlord or home inspector if unsure. Knowing the location of your electrical panel is crucial:

- **Safety:** During an electrical emergency or fire risk, you need to quickly cut power to the affected area or the entire home.
- Troubleshooting: When a circuit overloads and trips a breaker, restoring power requires a trip to the panel to reset

the appropriate switch.

• **Home projects:** Planning to install a new appliance or light fixture? Shut off power at the panel first to avoid dangerous shocks.

Take a few minutes to locate your electrical panel and ensure it's accessible and not blocked by furniture or storage items. Label the breakers if they aren't already marked. Watch for signs that your panel needs replacing, such as frequent tripping or flickering lights.

Older homes often require panel upgrades to support modern appliances, like electric vehicle charging or solar panel integration.

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Jeremy Boogerd promoted to co-op's metering technician



Federated congratulates Jeremy Boogerd on his promotion to metering technician, effective November 6.

Boogerd programs meters for single and three-phase accounts, along with the solar and time-of-use meters. He does the installation and troubleshooting of meters as well.

"We are excited to have Jeremy in this new role," stated Mort VanDeVere, operations manager. "His experience dealing with all things meter-related are going to be a valuable asset to Federated and our members."

Boogerd joined Federated as a journeyman lineman December 30, 2021. Before that he worked for the Missouri River Energy Services as crew foreman for Jackson and Lakefield, and Nobles Cooperative Electric. He even worked Federated's 2019 ice storm helping to restore power when he worked for the Missouri River Energy Services.

Boogerd's wife Tara is a math teacher at Jackson County Central's Middle School. The family is busy keeping up with their children (Braelyn and Maddox) and their high school sporting events.

2026 rebate forms coming soon

Due to changes coming from Minnesota, the rebate program forms will be changing in 2026 to collect the information required for state reporting of energy savings. Until the new forms are posted on our website (hopefully by the end of January), continue using the 2025 forms. Thank you for your patience!



Scott Reimer

Manager's Message Closing out 2025: progress, change and commitment

As we close out 2025, we want to reflect on a year of meaningful progress and important changes at Federated. It has been a year that required adaptability, careful planning and a continued focus on serving our members with reliability, transparency and care.

Policy & regulatory updates

Federated implemented several policy updates in 2025, including compliance with Minnesota's new Earned Sick and Safe Time (ESST) requirements. These statewide changes represent a new regulatory landscape for employers; we have worked diligently to meet these obligations, while continuing to provide dependable service to our members.

Electric rates & cost of service

This year Federated completed an electric rate Cost-of-Service Study, an essential tool to ensure fairness and accuracy in how costs are allocated across our membership. This was used to create the changes in the electric rates that occurred January 1, which you will see on your February 4 electric bill. We communicated about the rate changes in the previous two months of Connections, plus a bill insert last month. If you missed this information, please go to our website (federatedrea.coop) and click on "biling" and then on "2026 rate increase". Plus, look at the related story on Page 6 that outlines demand (kilowatt or kW) for different household appliances.

At the same time the electric industry continues to experience significant transformation. Rising wholesale power costs, grid modernization, regulatory requirements and increased demand are placing upward pressure on electric rates nationwide. These changes at the regional and national level ultimately flow through to local cooperatives. While rate adjustments are never easy, they are necessary to maintain a safe, reliable and resilient electric system for the long term.

Broadband expansion

Federated continued its commitment to Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) expansion throughout 2025, bringing high-speed broadband to more members across our service territory. We were also pleased to see Minnesota awarded BEAD funding. We are proud that Federated was among the Minnesota applicants positioned to help expand broadband access and close the digital divide in rural communities.

Facility remodel & temporary office location

In 2025 Federated also began planning for a major remodel of our headquarters, an investment in our future that will improve safety, efficiency and member service. During construction, Federated will operate from a temporary office location at Belmont Heights.

We are putting systems and processes in place to ensure we remain fully accessible to our members throughout this transition. Phone numbers, e-mail communication and service response will continue without interruption. We remain committed to staying connected and responsive during this temporary move.

Guided by cooperative principles

Your Board of Directors and staff remain deeply committed to the Seven Cooperative Principles, which guide every decision we make. From democratic member control to concern for community, these principles ensure that Federated continues to operate in the best interest of its members — today and into the future.

Thank you! We look forward to serving you in the New Year!

We sincerely thank you for your patronage and trust in Federated. Your support allows us to invest in infrastructure, technology and people, while maintaining the reliability you depend on. As always, we are here to help. Please reach out to us with any questions or needs. From all of us at Federated, we wish you a prosperous New Year. We look forward to serving you in 2026 and beyond. 🖫

Federated members fund \$19,195 to 22 local groups through Operation Round Up last fall

Organization	Amount	Purpose	
MCW Elementary, Sherburn	\$120	Buy ice packs and thermometer covers for health supplies	
HLO FFA	\$250	Supplies to teach younger students about ag industry	
JCC Speech/Language Therapy Dept.	\$425	Resources/tools to diagnose & provide student therapy	
SW & West Central Service Co-op, JCC	\$450	Fine motor toys for JCC/HLO students' occupational therapy	
Lutheran Social Services, Jackson	\$500	Disposable trays for Jackson/Lakefield Meals on Wheels	
Caregiver Response Effort & Service		■ A°	
Team (CREST), Fairmont	\$500	Toward bingo, boat tour & other social events	
MCW Sherburn Elementary	\$500	Toward Kindergarten Round Up meal/activities	
HLO H.S. Positive Behavior Interventions		OLINE	
& Support	\$500	Supplies/activities to promote positive behavior	
Coats for Kids/Family Services	\$500	Toward coats, snowpants, hats & gloves for Jackson County kids	
MCW Early Childhood Family Education	\$500	Toward paint and construction paper supplies	
Martin County Substance Abuse Coalition	\$600	Narcan distribution boxes for 24-hour access in Trimont & Truman	
HLO Ag Education Program	\$600	Student workbooks for the new personal finance course	
Des Moines Valley Health &			
Human Services, Jackson County	\$1,000	Diapers for the Baby Bundle program for eligible families	
Alpha Fire Department	\$1,000	Drone to be used for fires & searching for accident victims	
Healing Hearts Recovery, Sherburn	\$1,000	For clothing, activities & transportation for medical appointments	
South Central Dive Team, Trimont	\$1,000	Toward surface unit to communicate with divers underwater	
MCW Elementary	\$1,000	Toward five walkie talkies for administration/special ed teachers	
JCC Health Office	\$1,200	Toward eye dr. appointments & glasses for four students in need	
Sherburn Fire Department	\$1,550	Replace three broken pagers	
Southwest Crisis Center, Jackson	\$2,000	Toward food, clothing, medication, toiletries & housing	
Heaven's Table Food Shelf, Fairmont	\$2,000	Food for the monthly community food box program	
Heat Share, The Salvation Army	\$2,000	Emergency energy assistance for Federated members in need	
Total	\$19,195		

Hear ye! Hear ye! The Fall Operation Round Up recipients received holiday blessings, thanks to Federated members.

The Federated Trust Board received 38 applications totaling nearly \$104,847 in this 62nd round of funding last fall. The Trust Board will meet again in the spring to determine the next round of funding. The deadline for submitting applications is February 13, 2026.

About 73 percent of Federated Rural Electric members participate in Operation Round Up. They allow their electric bills to be rounded up to the nearest dollar. For example, a bill of \$65.75 is rounded up to \$66. The extra cents go to a special trust fund, which is administered by an independent Trust Board that consists of seven Federated members. Since the first round of funding in 1995, \$1,022,446 has been awarded to local organizations and as high school scholarships.

"Operation Round Up is a way for members to help members," said Ruth Dicks, Federated's Trust Board president. "Just a few cents a month, when added with other members' cents, can really add up and do some good in our communities. On average, a member's Round Up contributions amount to approximately \$6 a year, which is tax-deductible."

The Trust Board's policy outlines project categories eligible for funding:

- community service (emphasis on public safety, health care and enhancement of cultural environment)
 - · community leadership programs
- education and youth projects (social problems and wellness/athletics)
- environmental projects (recycling, environmental education and environmental ag research)
- emergency-energy assistance funds to organizations for distribution
 - · disaster relief.

Interested organizations may go to www.federatedrea.coop to download the application form and information, e-mail info@federatedrea.coop for an application or call 507-847-3520 and press extension 2224 for Andrea.

The next *Connections* and February electric bills will have the Operation Round Up scholarship details. ①

January 26 deadline for Basin Scholarship applications

Federated members: encourage your graduating high school senior or college student with more than a year of schooling to apply for the \$2,500 and \$1,500 scholarships.

Find the application at federatedrea.coop under programs or see your school counselor. ①

What creates this demand charge on my electric bill? Tips to manage your demand & save money

With the new demand charge occurring on the January 1 electric rates, we wanted to help educate you on what type of appliances add how much demand (kilowatts or kW) to your next electric bill (mailed February 4th).

Knowledge is power or in this case using your electricity wisely. The rule of thumb with demand is to spread out your electric appliance use over the day or evening, instead of using it all at once. For example, If you use your clothes dryer (5 kw), electric oven and range (3 kw) and a space heater (1.5 kW) all at once when you get home from work at 5:30 p.m. your demand could total up 9.5 kW. Alternatively, use the microwave for supper (1 kW) at 6 p.m. then at 7 p.m. use the clothes dryer (5kW) and put on a sweatshirt instead of running the space heater. Then your peak demand for the evening was 5 kW. When you add the \$4 demand charge to each scenario that's 9.5 kWx\$4=\$38 versus 5 kWx\$4= \$20.

Remember that participating in Federated's water heater program manages your water heater demand for you. Under the off-peak program on a cold peak day the water heater is typically off from 3-9 p.m. and/or possibly 6-9 a.m. in the winter. Meanwhile, with the storage water heater program your water heater is controlled during the day and heats water at night. Participating in this program is good for Federated's wholesale power rates and your retail electric rates. That's why you can buy a Federated large capacity water heater with a lifetime warranty against leakage for the original owner for \$750, plus tax Installation is included — that's more than a half price water heater!

Demand tips for saving money

- The rule of thumb is that appliances with motors (central air, fridges and washers) have high starting watts (surge power) that can be three to seven times their running watts.
- Another key takeaway is that heating (dryers, heaters and ovens) consume the most energy, requiring high kW.

High-demand appliances (run less often, but use more power)				
Central air conditioner	2,000-5,000 watts	2-5 kW		
Electric water heater	4,500 watts	4.5 kW		
Clothes dryer	2,500-5,000 watts	2.5-5 kW		
Electric oven/range	2,000-3,000 watts	2-3 kW		
Space heater	1,500 watts	1.5 kw		
Medium-demand appliances (frequent use, but moderate power use)				
Dishwasher	1,200-1,500 watts	1.2-1.5 kW (cycles)		
Microwave oven	1,000 watts	1 kW		
Refrigerator/freezer	100-800 watts	.18 kW varies by age/size		
Washing machine	290 watts	.29 kW (cycles)		
Coffee maker	800-1,200 watts	.8-1.2 kW		
Low-demand appliances (continuous or short bursts)				
LED TV (42")	70-180 watts	.0718 kW		
Desktop computer	60-250 watts	.0625 kW		
LED light bulb, 60-watt equivalent	7-15 watts	.007015 kW		
Laptop charger	30-120 watts	.0312 kW		

You have control over your demand charges by managing when you use certain appliances. Rather than doing everything in one hour, spread it out over the day or evening to reduce your demand.

• Another factor is the age of your appliance. If your refrigerator is 25 years old or older, consider a newer Energy Star model to cut your monthly energy use. Federated offers rebates on Energy Star refrigerators and freezers with proof of recycling the old unit. The rebate is \$75. Meanwhile, the co-op's Energy Star dehumidifier rebate is \$25. Find these forms on our website or call us to request a rebate form. The rebates require a receipt as your proof of purchase; the rebate will be a credit on your electric bill once processed.

If you have a central air unit older than 10-20 years, you may want to consider upgrading to an energy-efficient air source heat pump for greater efficiency. Check out Federated's heat pump rebates found on our website.

• Any appliance that requires a double or 240-volt breaker in your electric panel creates more demand: water heater, oven, dryer, hot tub and electric vehicle charger.

 A few LED lights and just a refrigerator could be under 1 kW.

Website gives more demand info

If you missed the bill insert with the December 4th electric bills, you can find it and the previous *Connections* newsletter stories on our website (federatedrea. coop). Click on "billing" and then on "2026 rate increase." Find a video too that helps illustrate demand charges.

Remember, demand is like a football stadium. Builders design the stadium to hold thousands of fans for a few hours. The majority of the year, the stadium sits vacant, but the seats, restrooms and parking garage remain. The electric grid is like a stadium. Federated and our wholesale power providers build the electric distribution system to accommodate the maximum amount of electricity needed, even if the members don't use the maximum capacity 24/7.

While your demand is increasing, the electric rate (measured in kilowatt-hours kWh) is decreasing, along with the power cost adjustment (PCA).



Batter up! Bring on the brownie batter recipes for sweet treats!

It's time to mix up brownie batter! Share your favorite brownie recipes with us, whether it's from scratch, a beefed-up brownie mix, mint, caramel or blondie brownies. Send us your favorite brownie recipes to Editor, Federated Rural Electric, PO Box 69, Jackson MN 56143-0069 or e-mail to christoffer@federatedrea.coop by January 27. Add your name and phone number. Thanks for sharing with us! ①

Chicken Casserole by Terrie Hlavac, Jackson

In a large saucepan saute: 1 c. celery, chopped 1/4 c. onion, chopped

in 2 T butter until tender.

Stir in: 2 cans cream of mushroom soup 2/3 c. chicken broth

Simmer 5 minutes.

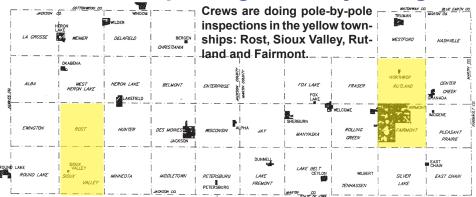
Add: 4 c. chicken, cooked & diced 4 T. soy sauce

Cook over low heat for five minutes. Stir in 2 c. cooked rice. Pour into a 9x13" baking dish. Bake at 375° for 20 minutes or until the liquid is bubbling.

Sprinkle on top: 1 c. chow mein noodles 1 c. cashews

Brown in the oven. Serves 8 to 10. (1)

Line crews inspecting lines & yard lights



Line crews will patrol all lines doing preventative maintenance and inspecting yard lights too from December though March. Federated trucks will drive into yards to check the poles, transformers and yard/street lights.



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Water heater price increase occurred January 1, 2026

Federated increased the price of its installed water heaters to \$750, plus tax, effective January 1. The price increase is due to the water heater vendor's increased pricing

Keep in mind that Federated does not charge the full price of the \$1,900 water heater. The price is subsidized as it helps the cooperative manage monthly peaks to reduce demand monthly and when power costs the most during extreme heat or cold snaps to keep your electric rates stable. The price from Federated also includes plumbing and electrical connections by our licensed employee Dave Berlin.

The Marathon water heater features a lifetime warranty against leaks for the original owner. Plus, it comes with 3 inches of foam insulation for added efficiency. No anode rod is required.

Call Federated to schedule your one-stop shop for a water heater.

Call before digging: 1**-**300-2**52-**1166



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Is your router holding you back?

Just like you upgrade your phone or laptop, it is important to keep the 'brain' of your connected home up to date too.

Five signs it's time to upgrade your router:

- 1. Age: If your router is more than four years old, it was likely built before the current standards for high-definition streaming and multi-device households.
- 2. The "spinning wheel" on new devices: New phone, laptop or gaming console runs sluggish, the old router can't communicate with today's technology.
- 3. Heat and reboots: Hot to touch and frequent need for power cycling can be a sign of failing internal components.
- 4. Dead zones: If the internet works great in one room, but drops off if you go upstairs or across the house, your router's range isn't cutting it anymore.
- 5. Security risks: Older routers often stop receiving security updates from the manufacturer, leaving your home network vulnerable to hacks.

What 2026 technology offers:

When shopping for a new router, don't just grab the cheapest one. Look for:

- 1. Wi-Fi 6 or 7: current standards for speed, coverage and bandwidth capacity.
- 2. Dual-band: Offers 2.4GHz and 5GHz frequency bands for less interference in households with multiple devices and heavy usage.
- 3. Mesh networking: If you have a larger home or a multi-story layout, buy a "mesh system". Instead of one router, you will have two or three smaller access points that work together to cover your home in a single, strong Wi-Fi signal.
 - 4. WPA3 Security: latest encryption to keep your passwords and data safer.



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The Board of Directors generally meets the last business day of the month at 8 a.m. at the Jackson office. Regular board meetings are open to the membership. Members interested in discussing business items should contact the general manager or president three days before the meeting.

Choose the 'easy' button!

Manage Wi-Fi from Federated Broadband



Don't want to deal with the hassle of shopping for hardware, setting it up and troubleshooting if it doesn't work?

Federated Broadband offers a Managed Wi-Fi service for fixed wireless and fiber connections. We provide a router and mesh (if necessary) that we keep up-to-date so you don't have to worry. If there is ever an issue, we can troubleshoot remotely — meaning you don't have to worry about finding a time for a technician to come to your home, avoid the service call charge and get back to enjoying your connections faster.

Start your year off right by upgrading your router or letting us handle your connection inside and out! Call our office today 507-847-3520 to learn more. (3)