

Are you prepared for a power outage?

Fall weather in Southcentral Alaska is anything but predictable. Severe wind storms and early snowfall often result in downed trees, damage to powerlines, and a cluster of outages. One thing we can predict: You won't regret being prepared for a power outage.

Now is a good time to evaluate your family emergency plan. When severe weather is forecast, keep your electronics charged. Experts recommend keeping supplies for five-to-seven days conveniently located. Some items to include in your kit:

- Water
- Non-perishable food
- Extra blankets or sleeping bags
- Pet supplies
- Prescription drugs
- Portable charger/power bank
- Flashlights, matches and a battery-operated radio

People with medical needs or other factors that require uninterrupted power should consider a generator. During outages, keep refrigerators and freezers closed. For more information, go to [ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov).



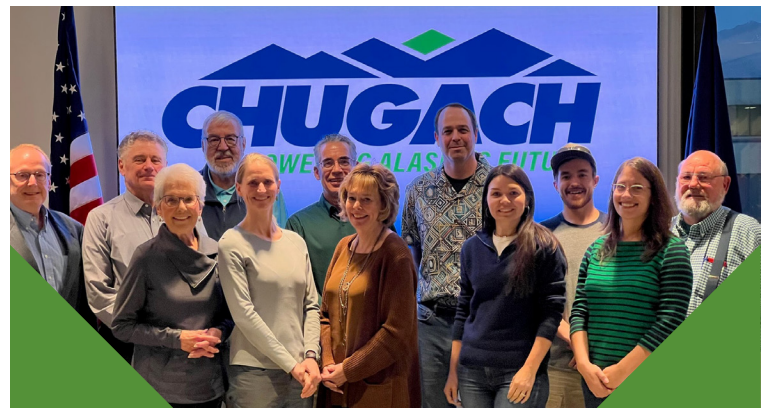
Volunteers needed for committees



Chugach is looking for members interested in serving on its 2024 Bylaws, Election, and Nominating committees.

These committees, which are essential to a successful annual meeting and election process, are an excellent opportunity to get involved with your electric cooperative. {141010880}

Members interested in applying should submit an application. Applications are available at [chugachelectric.com/media/annual-meeting](https://www.chugachelectric.com/media/annual-meeting) and must be received by 5 p.m., Monday, Nov. 6. For questions, call (907) 762-4489.



GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR ELECTRIC CO-OP

Chugach's Member Advisory Council is a great way to get involved, find out more about your electric co-op, and provide valuable feedback to the board of directors.

APPLY NOW:

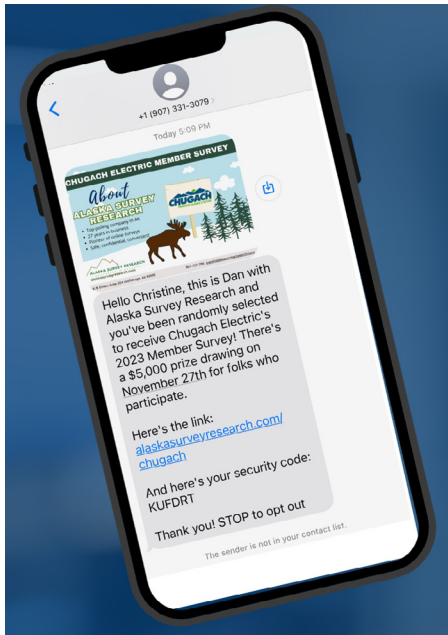
[chugachelectric.com/board-of-directors/member-advisory-council](https://www.chugachelectric.com/board-of-directors/member-advisory-council)

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Nov. 6, 2023

Coming soon: Annual member survey

Chugach is gearing up for its annual member survey. Each year, we use a professional company to randomly survey hundreds of our members on price, reliability, and service.

This year we are working with Alaska Survey Research to conduct a text-to-web survey. Keep a look out in early November, as you may get the survey and be asked for your response.



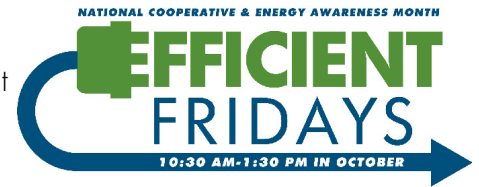
Payment made easy with new kiosk

Chugach members can pay their electric bill 24/7 with a new payment kiosk stationed outside the headquarters building at 5601 Electron Drive. To use the kiosk, you need your member account number (it's on your bill) and a credit card. The menu will walk you through the process. Since going live in April, over 200 payments have been processed through the kiosk.



October energy efficiency events

Efficient Fridays: Visit us in the Member Services lobby at 5601 Electron Drive from 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., any Friday in October. Members will have an opportunity to learn more about electric vehicles, renewable energy, beneficial electrification, and Chugach's commitment to sustainability.



Home Energy

Efficiency Webinar: Join us Oct. 26 from 6–7 p.m. to learn how to monitor and manage your electric use and get information on resources and incentive programs. To register: bit.ly/ChugachWorkshopOct2023

Trunk or Treat

Chugach was pleased to sponsor the Trunk or Treat event on Sept. 16. The annual fundraiser for the ARC of Anchorage brings out hundreds of Anchorage families to "trunk or treat" in a safe environment, raising money for a good cause.



CHUGACH EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

From Engineering to Operations to Member Services, all of Chugach's roughly 460 employees live and work in Alaska.

Each month we will introduce you to one of our employees who works every day to provide safe, reliable power to our members.



Name: Valarie Beaudoin
Position: General Clerk, Beluga
Time at Chugach: 40 years

Valarie, who has worked at Chugach since 1983, says the most challenging part of her job is scheduling flights and rooms for visitors to the Beluga Power Plant. She most enjoys working with the people she supports at the plant.



Blocked air vents force your heating system to work harder and increase pressure in the ductwork, which can cause cracks and leaks. Make sure all vents are unobstructed to ensure sufficient circulation at home. If necessary, purchase a vent extender, which can be placed over a vent to redirect air flow from underneath furniture or drapes. *Source: energy.gov*



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