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Allocation Notices

The allocation for cooperative members receiving service from Webster-Calhoun Cooperative Telephone Association during the year of 2022 looks a bit different this year. Members will NOT receive an allocation notice in the mail.

This year's 2022 capital credit amount allocated to all members is zero. Historically Webster-Calhoun, through profits from outside investments, has had many successful years allocating dollars back to members. As we heard at the Annual Meeting of Members, Webster-Calhoun has a strong cash flow and balance sheet. FORVIS Partner, Jeff Naig reviewed the financials including a negative number in other revenue due to losses in the financial market as well as a positive number showing income taxes as a benefit based on depreciation of outside investments. Ultimately this results in zero net margins to be allocated to members for 2022.

Profits from the cooperative are allocated back to members based upon that member's usage during each specific year. These credits are set aside in your name until the Board of Directors approves retirement of these funds. The Board will be reviewing the possibility of a 2023 retirement later this year.

Lake City After Hours

The Lake City Betterment's Monthly After Hours will be hosted by Webster-Calhoun on June 8th from 4:30 – 6:00 pm at the Lake City Memorial Community Building. Join us for snacks and conversation!

Iowa One Call "811"

Summer is here and all the outdoor projects that may come with the season are in full swing. Landscaping, building fences, or pouring cement for a patio, are just a few projects that require a call to lowa One Call (811), so underground utilities can be marked.

How Iowa One Call Works

- 1. Call lowa One Call at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, & holidays) before any excavations. The person, contractor or property owner, performing the excavation will make this phone call.
- 2. Iowa One Call notifies facility operators. Just remember that private facilities will not be located by Iowa One Call, this is the homeowner's responsibility. (example: LP gas lines, invisible dog fences, sprinkler systems, etc).
- 3. Underground Facility Operators will mark the approximate location of utilities with paint/colored flags.
- 4. After this is completed, you can dig safely, but avoid digging within 18 inches on each side of the buried facility.

More Information Can Be Found Here >> http://www.iowaonecall.com/homeowners/





Be Aware of Construction

Another thing to keep in mind this summer, is to be aware of road improvements, construction, or farming activities in your community. Summer is a busy season for everyone, but especially for those who work within a season that depend upon mother nature's good graces.

The images to the right show how close our Webster-Calhoun technicians can be working on a rural road in our service area. If you see construction ahead, proceed with caution, slow your speed, and share the road appropriately. Driving at high speeds down a gravel road, like the one pictured, can throw up rocks or catch them by surprise. Thank you for keeping our techs safe in the community!

Right: WCCTA technicians, Rob and AJ, working in the rural service area. They are utilizing new equipment to help with construction and repairs.



