



## White River Valley Electric Cooperative News Release

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# White River Valley Electric Cooperative Member Alexis Jackson Wins Scholarship Award

**Branson, Missouri** – White River Valley Electric Cooperative and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) announced that Alexis Jackson has won the 2018 Glenn English Scholarship. This is one of five scholarships given to college students by the [Glenn English National Cooperative Leadership Fund](#). Scholarship winners have all shown a commitment to the [Seven Cooperative Principles](#).

“It’s immensely gratifying to give this award to Alexis, who first distinguished herself through NRECA’s Youth Tour in Washington and continues to demonstrate a real interest in the seven cooperative principles,” said NRECA Board President Phil Carson. “I know Alexis will go far and wish her all the best as her future unfolds.”

“We’re very pleased that Alexis, a member of our cooperative family, has won this prestigious award,” said White River Valley CEO Christopher L. Hamon. “It’s a major achievement, and we couldn’t be happier for her.”

Jackson attends Washington University, in St. Louis. Her scholarship award was \$10,000.

A panel of judges evaluated applicants based on their GPA, internships, extra-curricular activities, leadership and involvement in cooperative programs.

To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must:

- Have participated in [NRECA’s Youth Tour](#).
- Be full-time students.
- Have completed one year of study at their respective institutions.

A tireless consumer advocate and former CEO of NRECA, Glenn English spent his career championing the cooperative business model and fighting to improve the quality of life for all Americans.

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[White River Valley Electric Cooperative](#) is a [Touchstone Energy Cooperative](#) dedicated to ensuring our members receive safe and reliable service in their homes and businesses across five southwest Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas.

The [National Rural Electric Cooperative Association](#) is the national trade association representing more than 900 local electric cooperatives. From growing suburbs to remote farming communities, electric co-ops serve as engines of economic development for 42 million Americans across 56 percent of the nation's landscape. As local businesses built by the consumers they serve, electric cooperatives have meaningful ties to rural America and invest \$12 billion annually in their communities.