

THE OUTLET

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Protection and preservation

Protection and preservation are at the foundation of CORE Protect, our wildfire mitigation program. With some of the state's most wildfire-prone areas, protecting our communities is a top priority for CORE. Our wildfire mitigation program is first in class, with extensive risk mitigation programs that include:

Collaboration and communication

Building relationships with all the fire departments, sheriff's offices and emergency management offices (EMOs) to facilitate quick and efficient response in the event of a crisis or disaster. Collaboration with these community organizations around the messaging of wildfire mitigation, strategies and long-term projects that reduce wildfire risk ensures fire departments and EMOs receive alerts from our Pano AI camera network, which provides early notifications and precise locations of newly started fires, along with visual feeds for situational awareness. This allows quick response and fire suppression from fire departments and EMOs before they spread out of control.

Inspection and monitoring

Proactive inspections of 100% of physical assets on a routine basis. The inspections consist not only of traditional foot patrol and ground-based inspections from CORE line personnel, but also high-definition and infrared imagery via drone to complete a full 360-degree view of each pole.

Research and implementation

The newest software and technology helps forecast critical fire weather and potential consequences of a fire along CORE's powerlines. One of our newest assets is Technosylva's FireRisk. FireRisk is the most advanced fire risk forecasting platform. It provides a unique five-day risk forecast for ignition points simulated along every 100 meters of our lines. The improved granularity of the platform allows CORE to operate and maintain our system with a much finer level of precision.

Operational readiness

CORE implements alternate relay settings and



CORE's wildfire mitigation program includes year-round vegetation work.

augmented operational practices on high-risk days. This includes limiting work on energized lines; not parking on tall, dry grass; and monitoring for fire starts with always-ready suppression equipment. Our alternate relay settings are in place to ensure any fault in a line — such as a tree falling into the line — immediately de-energizes the line, which is then fully inspected before it is re-energized.

Member engagement

CORE recognizes that members play a crucial role in wildfire mitigation. We provide guidance to members on steps they can take to protect their properties. These include creating defensible space, using fire-resistant building materials, screening vents and openings, and distancing potential ignition points like woodpiles and other flammable wood piles from the side of the home and cleaning out from under decks.

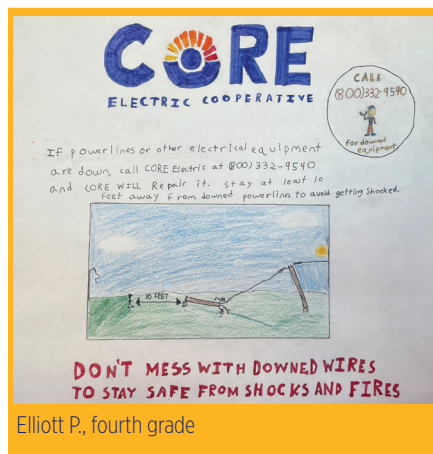
Visit www.CORE.coop > [Outage Center](#) > [Wildfire Mitigation](#) for more information, and tips on how you can mitigate fire risk.

Safety poster contest winners

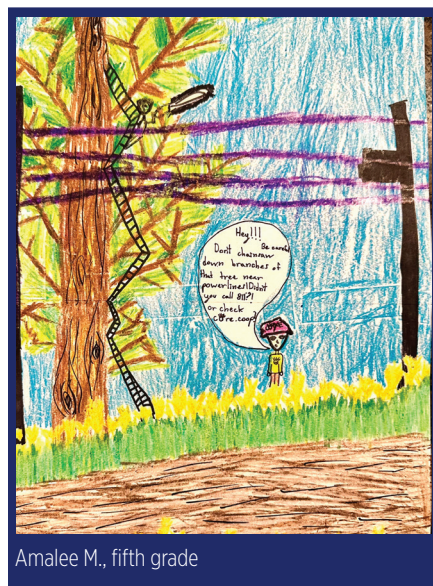
CORE asked artists in grades 1 to 5 to help us promote Electrical Safety Month with original artwork.

- Ailish H. from Running Creek Elementary
- Ryan Kate N. from Castle Rock Christian Academy
- Hannah J. and Kennedy H. from Franktown Elementary School
- Elliot P. from Connections Academy
- Amalee M. from Global Village Academy-Douglas County

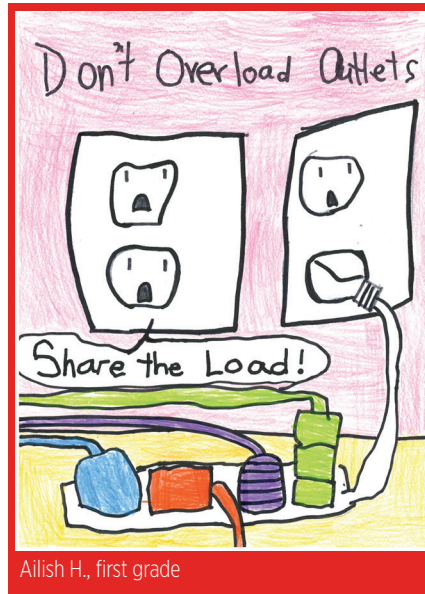
These talented artists will receive \$50, and \$500 for their classrooms.



Elliott P., fourth grade



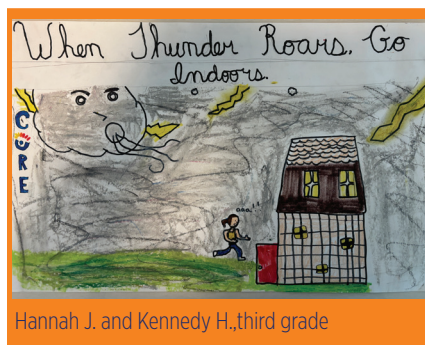
Amalee M., fifth grade



Ailish H., first grade



Ryan Kate N., second grade



Hannah J. and Kennedy H., third grade

Pam Feuerstein appointed interim CEO

CORE's Board of Directors has appointed Chief Operating Officer Pam Feuerstein as Interim CEO following Jeff Baudier's resignation for another opportunity in his home state of Louisiana. Pam has been with CORE for 13 years and has held her position as COO for more than nine years. She is a star leader within the organization and industry. Pam has over 25 years of experience in power delivery for electric utilities and has been instrumental in developing CORE's power supply transition and securing resources for CORE's clean energy future.

Pam currently serves as Board Chair and Executive Committee member of the Foundation for Douglas County Schools. In 2022, Pam also joined the board of RESPEC, a global leader in geoscience, engineering, data and integrated technology solutions for major industry sectors. Pam also is a past honoree of the Denver Business Journal C-Suite Awards, which recognizes C-suite level executives who demonstrate vital leadership and business savvy while guiding their companies to success.

New Lobby Hours

The lobby hours at all CORE offices are now 8am-4pm, M-F.