

## Sign up for Cooperative Solar!

Walton EMC is removing barriers to solar power. As a Walton EMC customer owner, you can receive solar electricity according to your needs and interests.

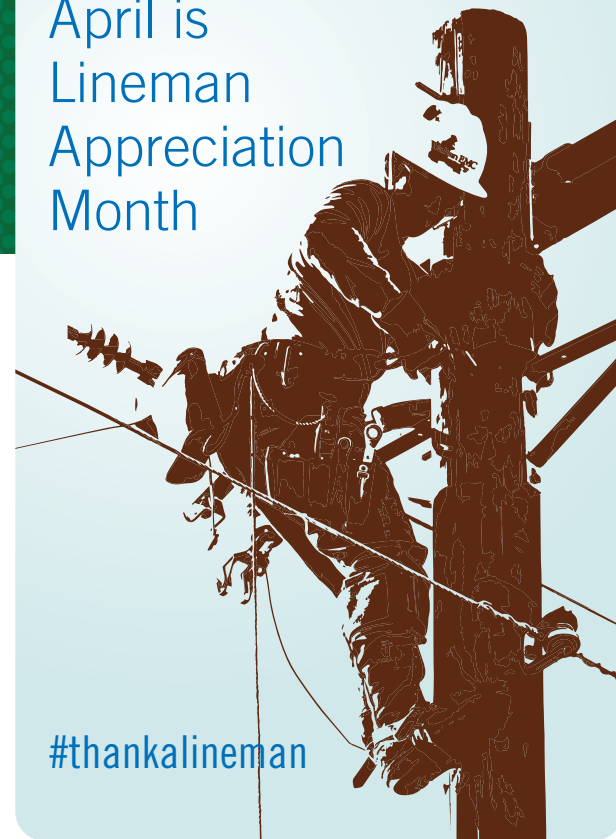
### COOPERATIVE SOLAR ADVANTAGES

- Walton EMC operates and maintains the facility.
- No holes in your roof.
- No solar siting issues (roof direction, shading, etc.).
- Renters can participate.
- Homeowners under restrictive covenants can participate.



CALL US AT 770-267-2505 TO APPLY

## April is Lineman Appreciation Month



#thankalineman



## Students Selected as Delegates to Washington Youth Tour

Area high school students recently competed to win an all expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., as a participant in Walton EMC's Washington Youth Tour.

Those selected experience leadership training that includes personal development and teambuilding sessions, meetings with state and national leaders and visits to major sites of our nation's capitol.

The Washington Youth Tour is held because of the value Walton EMC places on tomorrow's leaders.



Finalists for this year's Washington Youth Tour are back row (left to right): Naomi Calhoun, Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science and Technology; Zoe Kumi, Grayson High; Emily Bacik, Parkview High; Sravika Yerneni, Northview High; Mayu Takeuchi, Oconee County High (winner); front row, Makayla Ransom, Monroe Area High; Noah Irwin, Athens Christian (winner); David Han, North Oconee High (winner); Abbas Rangwala, Brookwood High (winner).



### THE *Rundown*

**inside:** facebook data facility, winter rate survey  
**on the back:** thank a lineman, wyt delegates, solar sign up

## Facebook Likes Walton EMC

Walton EMC has been chosen to power Facebook's new data center with 100 percent renewable energy.

Walton EMC is proud to be chosen as not only Facebook's energy partner for the Newton Data Center, but also as their community partner, said CEO Ronnie Lee.

The co-op will install hundreds of acres of solar panels on Georgia's electric grid as part of an innovative power supply agreement with the technology company. Besides generating Facebook's green energy, the solar energy project will create hundreds of jobs and boost both the local and state economies.

The unique power arrangement for this project is an industry first, said Lee. Walton EMC is a national leader in renewable energy through its cooperative solar program that serves as a model for U.S. electric utilities nationwide.

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### FACEBOOK'S NEWTON DATA CENTER

Operational in  
**2020**

Facebook's **ninth** such state-of-the-art facility in the U.S. and 12th in the world.

By working together, Walton EMC will provide **100 percent** of the Newton Data Center's electricity needs with **solar energy**.

### QUICK GUIDE



**IF YOUR POWER IS OUT**  
770.267.2505  
waltonemc.com > Report an Outage

### FIND US

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### WHEN WE'RE AVAILABLE

Power Outages and Emergencies > 24/7

Contact Center > M-F, 7A-7P

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### EMC LEADERS

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2018, Walton EMC is a customer-owned power company. That means our cooperative focuses on service, not profit. We serve more than 125,000 accounts in Athens-Clarke, Barrow, DeKalb, Greene, Gwinnett, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, Rockdale and Walton Counties. Our subsidiaries supply natural gas and security services.



# Facebook Likes Walton EMC

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38% LESS

electricity consumption than the average data center.



50% LESS

water consumption than the average data center.

“We are happy that we could guarantee the renewable energy solution that Facebook was searching for,” he said. “And we’re pleased to be partnering with them on a power supply arrangement that can serve as a positive economic and environmental template for future industrial developments throughout the nation.”

Teaming on an innovative renewable energy solution is a natural for the like-minded companies, Lee said.

“Our goals and missions are similar in many ways,” he said. “One of the bedrock principles that our cooperative operates by is ‘concern for community.’ Likewise, Facebook has shown that it cares about the communities where it chooses to locate its state-of-the-art facilities. That extends to caring for our environment.”

The renewable energy partnership was announced during a press conference where Gov. Nathan Deal confirmed that Facebook is locating its newest data center adjacent to Interstate 20 in Newton County.

“We are committed to powering our data centers with 100 percent clean and renewable energy, and finding strong partners that can help us achieve that ambitious goal is a key part of our selection process,” said Rachel Peterson, vice president of data center strategy at Facebook. “We are excited to work with Walton EMC to bring hundreds of megawatts of renewable energy to the electrical grid in Georgia.”

“It’s been a pleasure to work with the Facebook team on making this vital part of their highly advanced infrastructure a reality,” said Lee.

It will also be the largest electrical load in Georgia, one of the largest electrical loads served by a cooperative nationwide and Walton EMC’s largest electrical load.

Three buildings totaling 970,000 sq.ft. will be built; two will house data servers and one will serve as an administrative building.

OUTDOOR AIR

rather than air conditioning, is used for cooling.

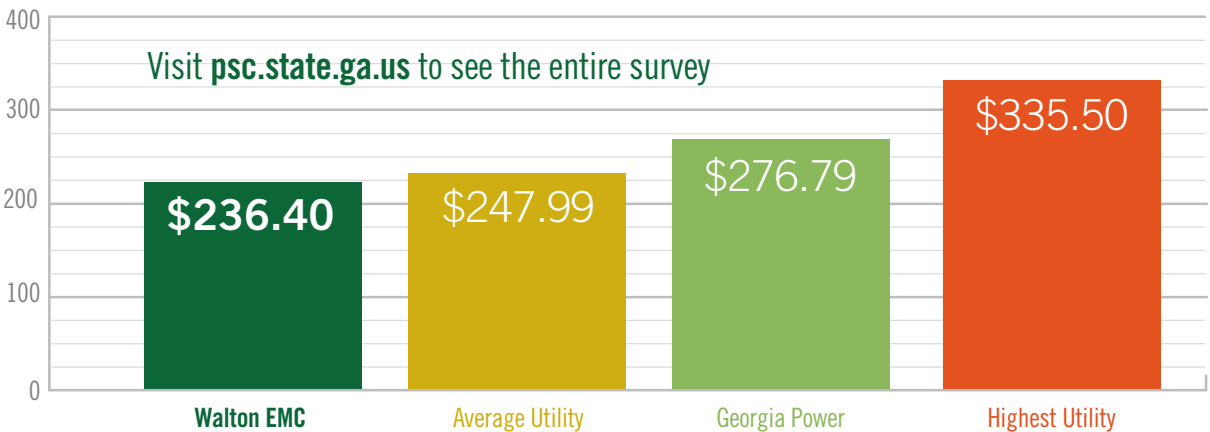


Now hiring full-time positions. Will have approximately 200 employees within five years.

Located in the Stanton Springs Industrial Park off I-20 at the corner of Newton, Walton and Morgan Counties.

## Walton EMC Does Well in PSC Winter Rate Survey

Based on 2,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity use, the closest survey level to the average Walton EMC customer-owner’s electricity use in January (1,943 kWh), the date the survey was conducted.



PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL			
The product is sold in blocks of 150 kilowatt hours (kWh). The product will be made up of the following renewable resources.			
Green-e Energy Certified New <sup>3</sup> Renewables in Walton EMC Green Power Program		Generation Location	
	2017 <sup>1</sup>	2018 <sup>2</sup>	
Biomass	100%	100%	Georgia
Geothermal	0%	0%	
Eligible Hydroelectric	0%	0%	
Solar	0%	0%	
Wind	0%	0%	
TOTAL	100%	100%	

1. The 2017 figures reflect the resources that were supplied for the year ending December 31, 2017. 2. The 2018 figures are prospective and reflect the power that we have contracted to provide. Actual figures may vary according to resource availability. We will annually report to you before August 1 of next year in the form of a Historic Product Content Label the actual resource mix of the electricity you purchased. 3. New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation within the past 15 years. This product includes generation from a facility that is approved for extended use by Green-e Energy.

For comparison, the current average mix of resources supplying Walton EMC includes: Coal (20.98%), Nuclear (16.44%), Oil (0%), Natural Gas (45.22%), Hydroelectric (15.92%), Solar (1.01%), and Other (0.43%).

The average home in the United States uses 897 kWh per month. [Source: U.S. EIA, 2016]

For specific information about this electricity product, please contact Walton Electric Membership Corporation, (770) 267-2505, Customer Service: [csr\\_elec@waltonemc.com](mailto:csr_elec@waltonemc.com)



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