

### **Washington Youth Tour Participant Testimonial**

I was selected by West Kentucky RECC to serve alongside two fellow delegates, Ezra Foote and Laken Schroader, during the 2024 Washington Youth Tour in June. The 2024 Washington Youth Tour offered memories to last a lifetime and learning opportunities that equipped us to make a greater difference, starting in our own communities. My visit to Washington, D.C., changed my understanding of my country and community. I gained a deeper appreciation for rural electric cooperatives by learning more about their origin and mission.

During our Washington Youth Tour kick-off luncheon, Youth Tour Director Mallory Wafzig said, "Welcome to the family." I learned that the family she was talking about is composed of Kentucky's Electric Cooperatives—and it's one I'm proud to be a member of. - **Olivia Tharpe, 2024 candidate.** Go to [wkrecc.com](http://wkrecc.com) for more information.



**STEP UP AND LEAD**

**2025 YOUTH TOUR**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. | JUNE 16-21

**High school juniors**  
apply by January 17, 2025!  
Learn more at [www.fine.coop/youth-tour](http://www.fine.coop/youth-tour)

- MEET ELECTED LEADERS
- EXPLORE CO-OP ENERGY ISSUES
- MAKE FRIENDS FOR LIFE
- INCLUDES ALL-EXPENSES-PAID DAY TRIP TO FRANKFORT AND WEEKLONG TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. (application required)

The poster features a collage of images: students looking at a map, a student in a military-style uniform, a group of students posing, and students in a classroom setting.

## **Win a \$1,000 college scholarship from WEST KENTUCKY RURAL ELECTRIC**



Scholarship recipients must be high school seniors in good standing whose parent or guardian is a WKRECC member and receives electric service from WKRECC at their principal residence.

Applications are available from guidance counselor offices, WKRECC offices, or at [wkrecc.com](http://wkrecc.com). Two \$1,000 scholarships and one \$1,000 trade scholarship will be awarded in each co-op district.