



The Outlet

February 2025

High School Scholarships

Traditional and At-Large Scholarships

Riverland Energy will award thirty \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors whose parent or legal guardian resides in the Riverland Energy service territory.

Luck of the Draw \$5,000 Scholarship

Continuing this year, we will be drawing one recipient from all applicants present at the Annual Meeting for a \$5,000 scholarship.

Applications with details and qualifications can be found on our website.

The application deadline for all scholarships is 4:00 p.m. March 14, 2025.

Payment Options:

Auto Pay: Deduct from a bank account or credit/debit card on the 20th of each month.

Pay Online: Log in and/or download the SmartHub app today.

Prepaid: Prepaid billing allows you to control your budget well beyond what you can with monthly billing. Because you pay in advance on prepaid billing, you control how much you use and spend BEFORE you get billed for it.

Drop Box: Payment drop-off boxes are available 24/7 at our offices in Holmen and Arcadia.

By Phone: Call our toll-free payment line at 855-938-3644.

By Mail: If you pay your bill by mail, we suggest mailing your payment at least five (5) business days before your due date to ensure your payment is posted by the due date.

Community Cares Grant Applications Due Feb. 13



Riverland Energy provides financial support to community programs through our Community Cares program.

Community Cares is a grant program made possible by the generosity of the members of Riverland Energy Cooperative. Participating members voluntarily contribute by allowing their monthly electric bill to be rounded up so that their change can help our communities a better place to live and work.

Grants are awarded by the board of directors. A list of qualifications, guidelines, and the application to participate in rounding up your bill, and the application to receive the grant can be found at our website, www.riverlandenergy.com.

Applications are due Thursday, February 13, 2025.

Members Helping Members

Members can help family, friends, neighbors, or even strangers stay current on their electric bill. If you would like to help a member by paying \$50, \$100, \$200 or any amount desired towards their electric bill, please send a check with the member's name, address and phone number.

Contact our billing department at 800-411-9115 for more details.



Keep your account information current!

Has your phone number or email address changed? Riverland Energy Cooperative would like to keep your account up to date with all your current information so we can serve you better.

Visit SmartHub to view and update your account information easily. Alternatively, you can update your details by calling our office or completing the online form.



District Committee

The committee will meet this month to review the operations of the cooperative and express their thoughts and ideas regarding the future of the organization.

Riverland Energy Board of Director Districts 3, 4 and 8 are up for election this year. If you reside in one of these districts and are interested in running for a director position, you can let one of the District Committee members know. The list the District Committee representatives can be found on our website.

We encourage you to take the time to express any thoughts or concerns that you may have regarding the electric cooperative to one of the representatives so that they can bring them forward to the committee.

The foundation of an electric cooperative is its members. Member involvement is critically important to the success of our cooperative.

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ENERGY EFFICIENCY
TIP OF THE MONTH

If you have a home office, look for opportunities to save energy in your workspace. Use ENERGY STAR®-rated equipment, which consumes up to 50% less energy than standard models. Set equipment like printers and scanners to automatically switch to sleep or energy-saver mode when not in use. In addition to saving energy, the equipment will stay cooler, which will help extend its life. Another way to save energy in your home office is to use efficient lamps for task lighting. Replace any older bulbs with energy-saving LEDs.

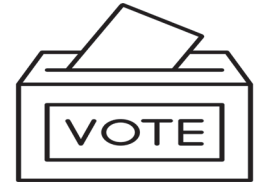
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Voting Information:

Elections to be held for three board districts

As a member of Riverland Energy Cooperative, you have the opportunity to elect a director for your district to represent your interest on the board of directors. This year, members in districts 3, 4, and 8 will be able to vote. You have the option of voting by mail, voting online, or voting in person at the annual meeting if there is a contested election.



VOTE BY MAIL

Each member in Director Districts 3, 4, and 8 will receive a mail ballot for the director(s) up for election in that district. The ballot will contain the names of the candidates nominated at the District Committee meeting or by petition, and candidate biographies. Simply complete the ballot using the instructions listed and return as directed in the postage-paid envelope provided with your ballot. Please **do not** bring ballots to the office or return them with your bill payment. Ballots must be received by our voting firm by 12:00 p.m. on March 21, 2025.

ONLINE VOTING

If you have an e-mail on file with Riverland, you will receive an email with a link that directs you to the login page of the official 2025 Riverland Energy Cooperative Ballot. You can also login to your SmartHub account and click "VOTE NOW" to vote. Internet votes will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. on March 21, 2025. Details will be on the ballot.

Elections can also be done in person at the meeting. You can not vote more than once per account. The first vote received will be the one that counts.

District #3

Towns of Cross, Buffalo, Milton, Waumandee, Lincoln, Montana, Glencoe, and a portion of Fountain City.

District REC #4

Towns of Albion, Unity, Sumner, Chimney Rock, Hale, Burnside, Lincoln, and Pigeon in Trempealeau County. The towns of Pleasant Valley, Clear Creek, Otter Creek in Eau Claire County. The towns of Garfield, Northfield, Franklin and Curran in Jackson County.

District #8

Town of Onalaska, and portions of Towns of Holland and Hamilton.



Annual Meeting & Pancake Breakfast

Saturday March 22, 2025

Arcadia High School, 756 Raider Dr. Arcadia, WI

8:00 A.M. Registration & Pancake Breakfast

10:00 A.M. Business Meeting

Scholarships: Thirty \$1,000 Scholarships and one \$5,000 scholarship will be awarded to eligible area high school seniors in a random drawing. The student or student's parent/guardian must be present to win.

Prizes: Door prize drawings include \$50 electric bill credits, TV, gift baskets, and prizes for kids. Must be present to win.

Watch the Annual Meeting from your home:

Go to our website: www.riverlandenergy.com click on the YouTube Livestream link.

