

# The Outlet

February 2026



## 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 20, 2026

## 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.

This year, elections will be held for Riverland Board of Directors in Districts 2, 5, and 9. Please inform a District Committee member if you are interested in running for a director position. The list the District Committee representatives can be found on our website.

Your voice matters! We encourage all members to share any concerns, suggestions, or thoughts about the electric cooperative with a representative. These representatives will ensure your feedback is communicated to the committee.

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

## Community Cares grant applications - due Feb. 12

Our Community Cares program provides financial assistance to nonprofit groups working to improve life in our communities. This impactful grant program is made possible by Riverland Energy members who generously round up their electric bills each month. The spare change collected supports efforts to make our communities stronger and more vibrant. Applications are evaluated and awarded by a board of directors. For full guidelines and qualification details, visit [www.riverlandenergy.com](http://www.riverlandenergy.com) or stop by any Riverland Energy office. Don't miss the opportunity to apply—Community Cares grant applications are due by February 12th.



Pictured Right:  
Scenic Valley  
Swimming Pool

## Annual Meeting & Breakfast

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Arcadia High School, 756 Raider Dr. Arcadia, WI

8:00 A.M. Registration & 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 will include electric bill credits, gift baskets, and prizes for kids! Must be present to win.

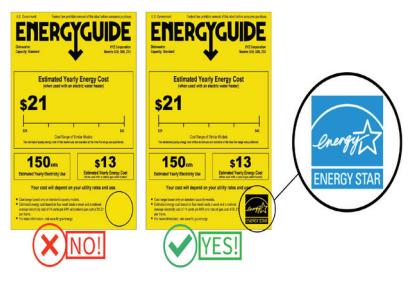
**Watch the Annual Meeting from your home:**  
Go to our website [www.riverlandenergy.com](http://www.riverlandenergy.com) and click on the watch live link at the top of the page for the livestream.

## 2026 Rebates

Riverland Energy's rebate program offers rebates and incentives are designed to help you enhance energy efficiency and comfort in your home, while lowering your electric bills. Visit [riverlandenergy.com](http://riverlandenergy.com) for qualifications and forms.

- Appliance, Lighting, and Appliance Recycling Rebates
- HVAC, Air Source and Geothermal Heat Pump Rebates
- Commercial and Ag Efficiency Rebates
- Electric Water Heater Rebates
- Energy Audit and Implementation Rebates
- EV Charger Rebate
- Home Performance Test and Subsequent Home Improvement Upgrades

Example of qualifying energy guide vs. a Non-qualifying energy guide:



## Month of February

**Billing Date:**  
February 1, 2026  
(January usage)

**Current amount due:**  
February 28, 2026

Please continue making payments to avoid disconnection.

## Director Voting Information: Elections to be held for three board districts

As a member of Riverland Energy Cooperative, you have the privilege to elect a director from your district to represent you on the board of directors. This year, elections will be held for members in Districts 2, 5, and 9. You can cast your vote by mail, online, or in person at the annual meeting if a contested election occurs.

### Vote By Mail

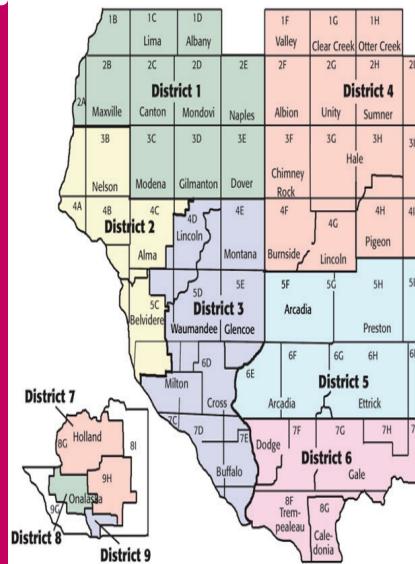
Members in Districts 2, 5, and 9 will receive a mail ballot listing the candidates nominated at the District Committee meeting or by petition, along with their biographies. To vote, simply follow the instructions provided, complete the ballot, and return it using the postage-paid envelope included. Please note: Do not bring ballots to our office or include them with your bill payment. Ballots must be received by our voting firm by 12:00 p.m. on March 27, 2026 to be counted.

### Online Voting

If your email is on file with Riverland, you'll receive an email containing a link to the login page for the official 2026 Riverland Energy Cooperative Ballot. Alternatively, you can access the ballot through your SmartHub account by clicking "VOTE NOW." Internet votes must be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m. on March 27, 2026, as detailed in the ballot instructions.

### In-Person Voting

In-person voting will also be available at the annual meeting. Please remember that only one vote per account is allowed.



#### District 2:

Buffalo City, Towns of Alma, Belvidere and Nelson, and portion of City of Alma.

#### District 5:

Towns of Arcadia, Preston, and Ettrick in Trempealeau County.

The towns of Springfield, Franklin, and Sections 6, 7, and 18 in the Town of North Bend in Jackson County.

#### District 9:

9H (T17N-R7W)  
Sections 32, 33, 34, & 35. Also, the following detail map numbers in La Crosse County:  
9H29J 9H29K 9H29L  
9H29M 9H29N  
9H29P 9H29Q 9M04A  
9M33A