

BUTLER COUNTY
RURAL ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE
Allison, Iowa



Annual Report

2025

LETTER TO MEMBERS



Craig Codner
CEO



Gary Poppe
Board President

Powering you and your community to enhance your lives is why we work for you and with you, our member-owners. That's part of the cooperative advantage.

Powering You. Our purpose is to ensure that you have power when you need it—turning on your lights, taking advantage of a rebate, paying your patronage.

Our operations department completed 249 work orders in 2025. These included line builds, extensions, and new builds. This work is in addition to maintaining our over 1,850 miles of line, setting 678 poles, and responding to member outages. Once again, our crews completed the year with no lost-time accidents.

We adjusted our rebates in 2025, enhancing some and removing others. Our energy-efficiency department processed 507 rebates last year, providing energy and monetary savings for you and the cooperative.

One significant cooperative advantage to members is the payout of patronage, the funds remaining after operating costs are paid, loan payments are made, and our emergency reserve is funded. Cooperatives return revenues in excess of the cost of doing business to our members, not investors. Last year, your cooperative returned \$1,366,689.91 to members. In addition, the board allocated \$2,090,323.86 to be used to keep your cooperative financially sound.

Helping students succeed is important. In 2025, we provided scholarships to Easton Richards, Ionia, and Caleb Sinnwell, Nashua, to help with furthering their education. Amelia Thompson, Greene, was sent on the all-expense paid Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C. She will be awarded a scholarship upon graduation from high school.

There is power in knowledge. When we learned our wholesale power costs (almost 75% of our monthly costs) would be significantly rising, we began a series of columns detailing the reasons for the increase and that it is a pass-through, that Butler County REC would not be receiving revenue from this increase. We know rising costs are a challenge for our membership and that preparing for those is important. We then let you know that the energy cost adjustment would be rising due to the power costs rising and what that meant for your household.

Powering Community. In 2025, Butler County REC provided loan funds for six entities through our USDA grant and loan program. These loans included funding for land, building, business, renovation, and equipment purchases in our service

territory. In addition, planning began for the first Blueprint Cedar Valley Housing Summit, to be held in 2026.

The Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives, our state-wide organization, held the annual Shine the Light Contest, recognizing those who selflessly volunteer. Five individuals in our area were nominated for their commitment to their communities.

The power of community is evident at Butler County REC, where employees also embraced the spirit of volunteerism in 2025. Fourteen employees volunteered a record 1,624 hours to their communities. They spent their time at fairs, town celebrations, churches, after proms, and athletic events. Employees coached, donated blood, fought fires, and served on boards.

Our annual November employee raffle raised \$740, matched by Corn Belt Power Cooperative, for the community action agencies in our service territory. We also donated almost 100 coats, hats, scarves, and mittens for area children.

Powering Our People. One hundred and twenty years of combined experience among seven employees was celebrated in 2025, recognizing them for their years of service. The power of the knowledge in those 120 years is invaluable.

Lori Beach, financial accountant, retired from the REC after 31 years of service; Jane Bradley, executive assistant, after 41 years; and Matt Rowell, Horton warehouse coordinating crew chief, after 27 years. We added Gabbi Guerrero, accountant, and Luke Leichtman, apprentice lineman, to the team, while Tyler Retterath and Bryce Bruns earned their journeyman status.

In addition, Steve Boevers, director, retired from the board after 12 years of service, and Tom Risse was elected to his seat.

We were thrilled to be chosen by Touchstone Energy to be the host for the 2025 ad shoot, The Cooperative Advantage. Be sure to look for the ads on TV and in print to see if you recognize anyone.

Our Rural Electric Service (RUS) Loan Fund Accounting Review of our financials was found to be compliant with requirements. The audit each year requires time and effort from several of our employees, and it is always rewarding when that time and effort pay off with success.

At Butler County REC, we believe in the power of the cooperative advantage. We are proud to power you, your family, and your lives. After all, powering you is why we exist.

FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME STATEMENT

2025

2024

REVENUE

Sale of Electricity	\$32,282,588	\$31,563,156
Miscellaneous Electric Revenue	68,114	24,657
TOTAL REVENUE	\$32,350,702	\$31,587,813

EXPENSES

Cost of Power	\$22,607,012	\$22,431,620
Operations & Maintenance Expense	2,281,593	2,160,266
Consumer Account Expense	626,967	514,897
Customer Service & Sales Expense	611,464	540,730
Administrative & General Expense	1,987,675	1,952,442
Depreciation	2,187,552	2,081,345
Taxes	0	0
Other Deductions	12,551	9,295
Interest on Long-Term Debt	1,297,522	1,175,379
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$31,612,336	\$30,865,974

MARGINS

Operating Margins	\$738,366	\$721,839
Non-Operating Margin – Interest	690,570	692,246
Non-Operating Margin – Other	(116,733)	(62,826)
Corn Belt & Other Patronage Capital	2,243,397	2,539,065
TOTAL MARGINS	\$3,555,600	\$3,890,324

BALANCE SHEET

2025

2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$15,897,929	\$15,011,555
Patronage Capital from Associated Cooperatives	21,138,128	20,056,728
Investments in Associated Organizations	679,130	714,432
Investments in Economic Development Projects	13,044,065	7,850,711
Accounts Receivable	3,429,065	3,103,694
Materials & Supplies on Hand	1,476,223	1,638,711
Deferred Debits	930,828	221,694
CURRENT ASSETS	\$56,595,368	\$48,597,525
Total Cost of the System	64,833,317	62,813,156
less Depreciation Reserve	(20,607,638)	(19,360,545)
FIXED ASSETS	\$44,225,679	\$43,452,611
TOTAL ASSETS	\$100,821,047	\$92,050,136

LIABILITIES

Patronage Capital	\$17,102,090	\$15,633,471
Non-Operating Margins	2,817,234	3,168,484
Other Margins & Equities	23,439,505	22,208,099
MARGINS & EQUITIES	\$43,358,829	\$41,010,054
Accounts Payable	\$2,234,544	\$2,135,397
Notes Payable	5,000	5,000
Consumer Deposits	160,295	254,955
Other Current & Accrued Liabilities	1,063,893	1,040,008
CURRENT & ACCRUED LIABILITIES	\$3,463,732	\$3,435,360
Long-Term Debt – RUS & Economic Development	\$52,847,486	\$47,049,799
Long-Term Debt – CFC	247,059	321,936
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT	\$53,094,545	\$47,371,735
Deferred Credits	903,941	232,987
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 100,821,047	\$92,050,136

2025 BY THE NUMBERS: OUR YEAR IN REVIEW



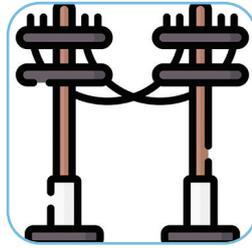
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MEMBERS



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PATRONAGE

\$2,090,324



ALLOCATION



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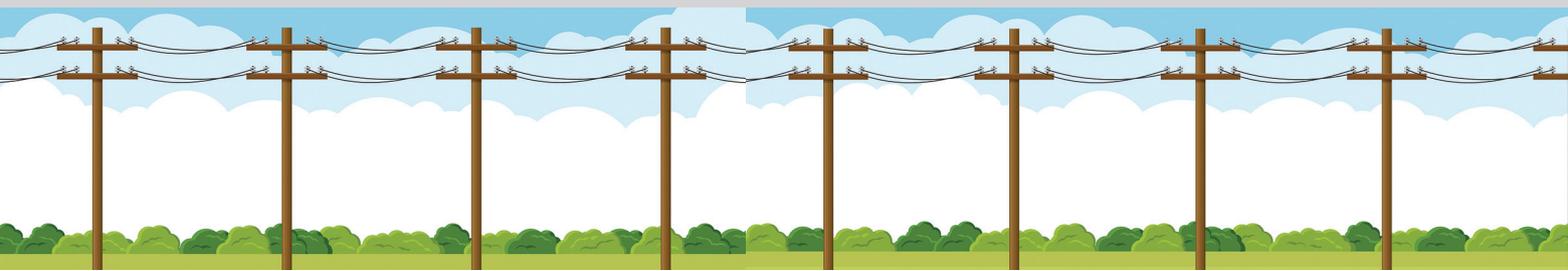
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HOURS OF
OUTAGES

Our Touchstone Energy Values



Touchstone Energy®

Integrity | Accountability | Innovation | Commitment to Community | Teamwork



The Seven Cooperative Principles

1. Voluntary and Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Members' Economic Participation
4. Autonomy and Independence
5. Education, Training, and Information
6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives
7. Concern for Community

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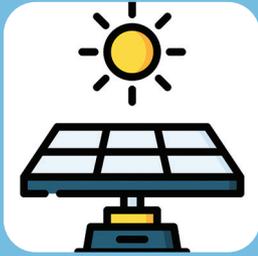
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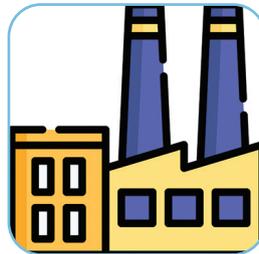


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**KWHS
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ACCOUNTS**



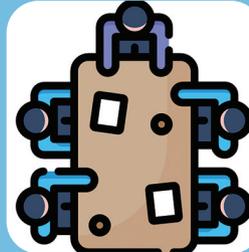
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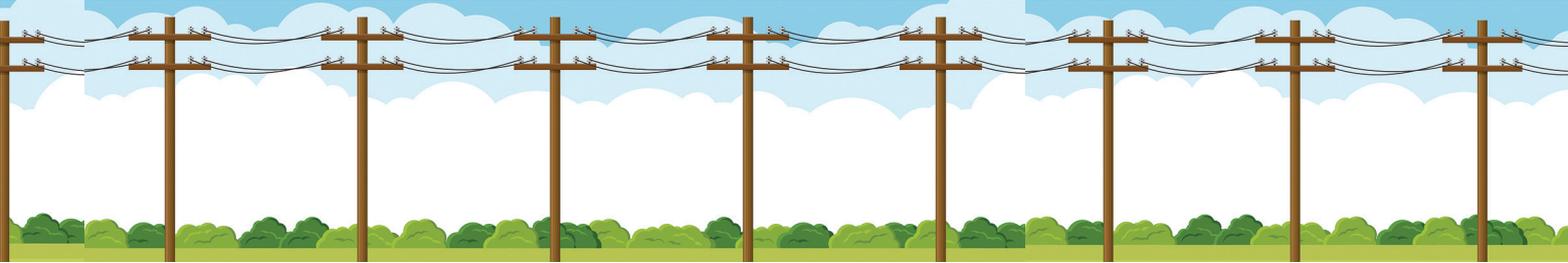
**34
EMPLOYEES**



**14
EMPLOYEE
VOLUNTEERS**



**9
DIRECTORS**







CORN BELT POWER COOPERATIVE REPORT



Jacob Olberding
Executive Vice President,
General Manager



Dave Onken
Board President,
Corn Belt Power;
Board President,
Raccoon Valley
Electric Cooperative

At Corn Belt Power, our work is rooted in connection—connecting power to communities, partners to shared goals, and people to a purpose greater than themselves. In 2025, that purpose guided every mile rebuilt, every storm restored, and every partnership strengthened.

Reliability continues to be a top priority. Throughout the year, our crews rebuilt more than 55 miles of transmission line across the system, reinforcing the infrastructure our members and their member-owners depend on every day. These investments—supported in part by the value we realize through our participation in the Southwest Power Pool—ensure we are building not only for today, but for the demands of tomorrow. With more than 50 miles rebuilt in 2025, and nearly 60 additional miles of transmission rebuilds planned, that momentum continues into 2026.

Our commitment to reliability was tested more than once in 2025. Severe winter storms and spring weather events challenged system operations and safety, yet time and again our employees rose to the occasion. From restoring service during blizzard conditions to providing mutual aid to neighboring cooperatives, our teams demonstrated what it truly means to be connected by purpose—standing together when it matters most.

Safety remains a top priority at Corn Belt Power. In 2025, we continued to strengthen our safety culture by enhancing our safety program and, for the first time, participating in the Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program (RESAP).

RESAP, administered by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, provides a nationally recognized framework for identifying risks, addressing hazards, and implementing effective controls. Used by more than 675 electric cooperatives nationwide, the program helps organizations evaluate and improve safety practices across all levels of operations.

Working in coordination with our statewide association, Corn Belt Power completed the initial RESAP process in 2025. The assessment helped identify opportunities for improvement while also affirming areas where our safety practices exceed expectations—reinforcing our commitment to protecting employees, partners, and the communities we serve.

In 2025, our focus drove important investments at Wisdom Station. Modernized control systems, upgraded protective relays, and fuel system tuning strengthened the connection between operators, technology, and performance. These upgrades enhance availability during extreme conditions and position the plant to meet evolving market and accreditation requirements, reinforcing reliability for the region.

The agreement involving the sale of Corn Belt Power's ownership interest in the Duane Arnold Energy Center marks an important milestone for the cooperative. NextEra Energy has signed definitive agreements to acquire the combined 30% ownership interest held by Central Iowa Power Cooperative and Corn Belt Power Cooperative, resulting in 100% ownership by NextEra Energy. As we move toward closing, we believe this transaction positions Corn Belt Power to deliver long-term value to our members while supporting system reliability and future energy needs.

Likewise, our engagement with state and federal policymakers ensured that the cooperative voice was heard on issues impacting rural electric systems, disaster response, and economic development.

Beyond infrastructure and policy, our cooperative principles remained front and center. Employees volunteered their time, supported community initiatives, pursued training and professional development, and shared the cooperative story locally and nationally. From industry conferences and leadership roles to community cleanups and food pantry support, these efforts reflect a deep commitment to the communities we serve.

None of this work happens in isolation. It is made possible by the dedication of our employees, the leadership of our board, the strength of our partnerships, and the trust of our member-cooperatives and their member-owners. Together, we are building a system—and a future—defined by reliability, cooperation, and shared purpose.

Thank you for your continued trust in Corn Belt Power Cooperative. We are proud of what we accomplished in 2025 and energized by what lies ahead.