

4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Candidate Packet

for the

2026 Trustee Election

Petition for Nomination Information Inside

All forms must be completed and returned to either 4 Rivers' **Lebo or Fredonia** office **no later than 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025**.

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Board of Trustees Candidate Packet

Instructions for Nomination by Petition

The material in this packet is for members of 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) who are interested in running for the Board of Trustees.

- Please read the qualifications sections and refer to the 4 Rivers Bylaws for more information.
- For those who are bona fide candidates, a district membership list is available to the candidate(s) running. If a candidate is interested in the list, refer to Policy 110 Disclosure of Cooperative Information, which allows candidates to request the district membership list after submitting the required request form, nondisclosure agreement, and affidavit included in this packet. The completed forms need to be returned to 4 Rivers at either the Lebo or Fredonia office by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025.
- A candidate photograph and completed biographical information should be submitted for your candidate profile to be shared with 4 Rivers' members. Biographical information needs to be submitted electronically in a format compatible with Microsoft Word. The photograph can be emailed to <u>election@4riverselectric.com</u>, mailed or delivered to a 4 Rivers office. Biographical information requirements:
 - Must be provided to 4 Rivers in an electronic format that can be opened by Microsoft Word.
 - Biographical information is limited to 500 words; any excess over 500 words will be truncated.
 - Each candidate is responsible for the content of their submittal. 4 Rivers is not responsible for proofreading, editing, or otherwise altering biographical materials, other than truncating materials in excess of 500 words (with the exception of inappropriate language).
 - o Biographical information can be updated until 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025.

Checklist

	Return to 4 Rivers office in Fredonia or Lebo by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025
	Policy 110 – Disclosure of Cooperative Information – Completed Exhibits and Affidavit (if requesting a district membership list)
	Petition for Nomination – Need at least 20 signatures from members in the district (more is recommended in case of member ineligibility)
	Candidate Information Form – Including Biographical Information and Picture
Ш	Candidate Compliance Affidavit



Per Article IV, Section 3 of the 4 Rivers Bylaws, a person must meet the following qualifications to be eligible for election as a director or to remain a trustee:

- Be a Member in good standing with the Cooperative (pursuant to Article I of the <u>Bylaws</u>);
- Be a natural person;
- Be a resident of the district for which election is sought for a minimum of three (3) years and receiving power at that residence. This residence must have been the primary address for at least the last three (3) years;
- Must not be employed or have financial interest in a competing business or business that sells energy, items, materials, or products that can be used to create electric energy, or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electric or plumbing appliances, fixtures, services, or supplies to the Members of the Cooperative (does not include a Member who installs renewable energy electric generation on his or her own property interconnected with the Cooperative);
- Must not have equipment connected to Cooperative Equipment and have an agreement to sell electricity to the Cooperative;
- Must not be a current employee or have been an employee of the Cooperative within three (3) years or a 'Family Member' as defined as: spouse, father, mother, son, daughter, step-son or daughter, or any lineal descendant of a current employee or an employee within three (3) years;
- Must not be a Family Member (as defined above) of a current Trustee;
- Be willing to devote such time and effort to his or her duties as a Trustee as may be necessary to oversee the Cooperative's business and affairs;
- While a Trustee, act in good faith and represent the best interests of the Cooperative as a whole, representing all members on an impartial basis.



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SWORN CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE				
	EFORE ME, the undersigned notary, appeared in o, upon oath, stated as follows:	in person,		
M _y	/ name is ecute this certification, and have personal know	, I am at least 18 years old, have capacity to wledge of the facts stated herein.		
I certify and attest that I wish to declare myself as a candidate for election to the Board of Trustees of Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) To do so, I requested this Board of Trustees Candidate Freviewed it, and provided the answers and responses required herein. I further attest that:				
2.3.4.5.6.	funds received from those organizations, per A The information I provide and that is contained of my knowledge. I consent and authorize investigation of all stat materials. I understand that I may be required by 4 River Manager/CEO or General Counsel, to provide Rivers, which is usually within 48 hours of requ	and Fiduciary Duty. and Policy requirements. or the purpose of my candidacy and any funds or promised Article III, Section 7 of 4 Rivers Bylaws. d in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best atements contained in this application and any attached ers, if such is deemed necessary by the General eradditional documentation within the time frame asked by 4 quest from 4 Rivers General Counsel; and I understand that requested information may result in my Candidate		
Signa	rure	Printed Name		
Signe	d and sworn to before me, on this thed	day of, 2025.		
		Notary Public, State of Kansas		



Board District (select one)

Candidate Information Form

A nominee must maintain primary residence receiving continuous electric service for three (3) years in the 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) trustee district for which election is sought. To find your district, refer to the map below, check your 4 Rivers bill, or call 620-364-2116. Return the Candidate Compliance Affidavit, Petition, and Candidate Information Form to 4 Rivers' Fredonia or Lebo office by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025.

☐ District 1	☐ District 2	☐ District 3
First Name	MILast Name_	
4 Rivers Account #:	Email	
Physical Address		
Mailing Address (if different)		
Contact Phone #		_ ☐ Mobile ☐ Home ☐ Work ☐ Other
Alternate Phone #		☐ Mobile ☐ Home ☐ Work ☐ Other
Candidate Applicant Signature	Date	_

Please submit a candidate photo and biographical information to be shared in your candidate profile with 4 Rivers' members. The biographical information needs to be submitted electronically in a format compatible with Microsoft Word. The photograph can be emailed to election@4riverselectric.com, mailed or hand-delivered to a 4 Rivers office. Physical photographs will be returned upon request.



To be nominated by petition, 4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (4 Rivers) Bylaws require candidates to obtain at least twenty (20) verifiable signatures from members who live in or have designated a voting residence within the board district the candidate seeks to represent. Candidates may request a district membership list in accordance with Policy 110 by completing the required affidavit.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Provide all information for each signing member. Spouses who have a joint membership will only be verified as one (1) member signature even if both spouses sign the petition. Business memberships (LLC, Inc., etc.) are also verified as one (1) member. A business membership must be signed by the authorized officer or designee.
- 2. Candidate applicants are encouraged to collect more than the 20 signatures required in the event a membership cannot be verified. Additional copies of signatures sheets can be made.
- 3. Signatures for which the printed name is not legible may not be validated.
- 4. All original signatures of the signed petition must be submitted and received by 4 Rivers by 5:00 p.m., December 30, 2025. Submissions may be by U.S. Postal Service or hand delivered to 4 Rivers' Fredonia or Lebo office.
- 5. Candidate applicants are encouraged to submit petition signatures well in advance of the deadline to ensure sufficient time for membership verification. Refer to the 4 Rivers Bylaws for more information.

Candidate Name	Board District #: □ 1 □ 2 □ 3
Name (Print) 4 Rivers Billing Address Member/Acct# Signature	Name (Print) 4 Rivers Billing Address Member/Acct# Signature
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Signature	Signature
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4 Rivers Billing Address	4 Rivers Billing Address
Member/Acct#_	Member/Acct#
Signature	Signature
Name (Print)	Name (Print)
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Member/Acct#_	Member/Acct#
Signature	Signature
Name (Print)	Name (Print)
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Member/Acct#_	Member/Acct#
Signature	Signature
Name (Print)	Name (Print)
4 Rivers Billing Address	4 Rivers Billing Address
Member/Acct#	Member/Acct#
Signature	Signature
Name (Print)	Name (Print)
4 Rivers Billing Address	4 Rivers Billing Address
Member/Acct#	
Signature	Signature

4 Rivers Electric Cooperative, Inc. Board Districts

DISTRICT 1 – Shall include Townships 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 south, from Range 9 east of the sixth principal meridian (PM), through Range 20 east of the sixth PM that are **SHOWN IN BLUE**.

DISTRICT 2 – Shall include Townships 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26 south, from Range 9 east of the sixth PM, through Range 21 east of the sixth PM that are **SHOWN IN ORANGE**.

DISTRICT 3 – Shall include Townships 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35 south, from Range 11 east of the sixth PM, through Range 18 east of the sixth PM that are **SHOWN IN GREEN**.

