

# Chariho Regional School District's Summary Slide

**NEED:** Our LEA's need for training and coaching connect to our need for (1) focused training for our identified team on energy efficiency and cost saving opportunities, (2) a process to train our custodial and maintenance staff on best practices with energy efficiency at the building and district level, and (3) how to engage with our community about District goals and needs. Due to our staffing constraints, our supervisory and management time is mainly focused on technical efforts with less time for strategic planning and goals. Our resource constraints relate to our skyrocketing energy usage and delivery costs, rise in supply costs, and inflation. Our price of overall utilities (oil, gas, electric, and propane) anticipates a 31% increase with oil alone being 44%.

**IMPACT:** The Energy CLASS Prize would have a strategic impact on our LEA, if selected. It would connect us with industry partners that would support our District as we vet future energy and cost-saving building upgrades. Additionally, the opportunity exists to tie this directly to educational and employment opportunities through CHARIHotech, our Career & Technical Center.

**TEAM:** Our team includes five members: Chariho's Director of Administration & Finance, the Director of Buildings & Grounds, the Custodial Services Administrator, CHARIHotech's Electrical Technology and Renewable Energy Instructor, and the District's Development Officer. This team directly impacts energy consumption decisions and costs to the local taxpayer and direct instruction on this diverse and growing industry with our CHARIHotech Electrical Technology students.

