ChromaDB vs Pinecone

CHROMADB (Local)
- ✓ Runs entirely local
- ✓ Free and open source
- ✓ No API costs
- ✓ Fast for small datasets
- ✗ Less scalable
- ✗ No multi-user support

PINECONE (Cloud)
- ✓ Managed service
- ✓ Massive scale
- ✓ Multi-tenancy built-in
- ✗ Needs internet
- ✗ Costs $0.25 per 100K vectors
- ✗ Data leaves infrastructure

DECISION:
For MVP: ChromaDB
Re-evaluate in Phase 2
Impact: Save ~ $50-200/month
Timeline: 3 days vs 2 days
Risk: Need migration path later