

## **News Release**

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## KUB a Tree Line USA Utility for 18th Consecutive Year

On Friday, November 8, Knoxville's City Tree Board hosted an Arbor Day Celebration at Christenberry Elementary School, where KUB representatives accepted the Tree Line USA® award from the Arbor Day Foundation for the 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive year as part of the event. KUB earned the award by following best practices in utility arboriculture in the areas of quality tree care, annual worker training, tree planting, and public education.

As one of only 19 Tree Line USA® utilities throughout the state of Tennessee, KUB is committed to following pruning practices that support safe, reliable electric service and help preserve the health of the tree. Trees add beauty and life to our community, as well as helping to conserve energy and clean our air and water. A strong vegetation management program and KUB's Century II initiative have helped reduce the number of outages customers have experienced in recent years.

KUB appreciates its customers' cooperation as it continues its vegetation management responsibilities to promote safety and support reliable electric service. KUB serves more 213,000 electric customers and maintains more than 5,000 miles of electric lines. For more information on KUB's tree pruning and vegetation management services, visit www.kub.org.



KUB is a municipal utility serving Knox and parts of seven adjacent counties and provides electric, gas, water, and wastewater services to more than 461,000 customers.