

## News Release

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### **KUB Plants Trees at Habitat for Humanity Homes** *Community Tree Canopy Grows on Tennessee Arbor Day*

**Knoxville, TN** – KUB has celebrated Tennessee Arbor Day by planting trees at Habitat for Humanity homes for 15 years. Today, KUB and its contractor planted dogwood trees throughout the community.

“This tradition means a lot to us at KUB,” Gabriel J. Bolas, KUB President and CEO, said. “Our partnership with Habitat for Humanity adds a special touch for these new homes with trees that provide benefits for our whole community.”

Trees can help homeowners conserve energy, increase property values, and clean the air and water. As a participating member of the Arbor Day Foundation’s Tree Line USA program since 2001, KUB follows best practices in utility arboriculture through quality tree care, annual worker training, tree planting, and public education. KUB encourages customers who are interested in planting their own trees to use proper tree planting techniques; including planting the right species of tree in the right place to avoid future growth into power lines and calling 811 to prevent dig-ins on utility lines during an excavation project.

KUB serves more than 215,000 electric customers and maintains more than 5,000 miles of electric lines. For more information on how to plant the right tree in the right place, Tennessee’s Call 811 system, or KUB’s tree pruning services, visit [www.kub.org/plantsmart](http://www.kub.org/plantsmart).

For more information on Habitat for Humanity, visit [www.knoxvillehabitatforhumanity.com](http://www.knoxvillehabitatforhumanity.com).



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