



# Paducah Power System

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# ENERGY edition

## PPS Wins National Safety Honor

Paducah Power System has earned the American Public Power Association’s Safety Award of Excellence for safe operating practices in 2018. The utility earned First Place in the category for utilities with 110,00 to 249,999 hours of worker exposure last year. Keith Cutshall, Chair of the Association’s Safety Committee and Safety Director at Clarksville Department of Electricity in Tennessee presented the award during the Association’s annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference.

“Safety programs are paramount to the well-being of employees that work for electric utilities,” said Cutshall. “The utilities receiving this award have proven that safety is of the utmost importance in the operation of their companies.”

More than 325 utilities entered the annual safety awards, which is the highest number of entrants in the history of the program. Entrants were placed in categories according to their number of worker - hours and ranked based on the most incident - free records during 2018.

“All of our employees work hard, every day, to maintain a strong safety culture at Paducah Power,” said PPS Assistant General Manager Rick Windhorst. “This award is a testament to their hard work that goes into ensuring that everyone goes home safe to his family every day.”

The Safety Awards have been held annually for the last 60 years. The American Public Power Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide.



Left to right: Keith Cutshall, Chair of APPA Safety Committee, Rick Windhorst, PPS Assistant General Manager, Brian Thomasson, PPS Operations Manager/Safety Director, and Mike Hyland, APPA Senior VP of Engineering Services.

## PPS Renovations

Due to major renovations to our headquarters at 1500 Broadway, all customer service operations for Paducah Power have been housed at our temporary headquarters at 1515 Broadway since late February. We expect construction to end in mid-or late May, and we will move all operations back to 1500 Broadway shortly thereafter. Please watch our social media feeds and webpage for details on the moving date. The renovations are to resolve major security issues, improve work flow and customer privacy, increase energy efficiency, and provide 24-hour access to our payment kiosk

### management team

**David C. Carroll**  
General Manager

**Rick Windhorst**  
Assistant General Manager

**Andrea Underwood**  
Director of Human Resources and  
Community Relations

**Doug Handley**  
Director of Finance, Power Supply & Rates

**Jeff Garner**  
Business Systems Manager

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## Summer Cooling Tips

Now is the time to prepare for those hot temperatures that put your air conditioning into overdrive this summer. Approximately 40-50% of your energy bill comes from cooling and heating your home, so any changes you make to this aspect of your energy usage can save you money. Here are some tips for keeping control of your electric bill this summer:

- Use our website, paducahpower.com, and our mobile app to monitor your daily energy usage.
- Clean air conditioning filters every month and get your system checked by a professional once a year to ensure that it's functioning as efficiently and inexpensively as possible.
- Leaking ductwork accounts for 25% of cooling costs in the average home, so have your ducts tested and have any leaks repaired by a qualified contractor. Duct cleaning is not the same as duct sealing.
- Set your air conditioner to 78 degrees or higher or the warmest setting you can tolerate.

- Use a programmable thermostat to automatically increase the temperature when no one is home during the day and to lower it right before everyone returns home.
- Use a ceiling fan so you can raise your thermostat a few degrees. Although a fan won't cool the air, it will circulate the air and create a breeze to make the room feel cooler.
- Conserve energy by running your dishwasher only when it is fully loaded. Turn off the dry cycle and air-dry dishes instead. Wash only full loads in the washing machine, too.
- Use your grill as much as possible instead of heating up the house with the oven and forcing your air conditioner to work harder.
- Replace your incandescent light bulbs with energy efficient LED bulbs. Look for the Energy Star label when buying bulbs.

For more energy saving tips, go to [paducahpower.com](http://paducahpower.com) > save money or pick up an energy savings booklet at our offices.

## PPS in the Schools



PPS Executive Assistant Marsha Roundtree at the Clark Elementary Surprise Reader program.



PPS Service Man J. R. Wix at the McCracken County High School Career Fair.

## Reminder



PPS will be closed Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.

## Mobile App



PPS employees participated in the 2019 Pizza Inn Dough Raiser, waiting tables as a fundraiser for United Way.

From left to right: Phillip Chesnut, Engineering Manager, Andrea Underwood, Director of Human Resources & Community Relations

## Reality Store



Employees of Paducah Power and other local businesses taught more than 900 middle and high school students lessons about money management at the Reality Store event at WKCTC last month.