



Regular Board of Directors MEETING NOTES

October 13, 2025

Approval of Mobile Workforce Management Software

The Board approved a contract with Baker Enterprises DBA Utilize, LLC for services to upgrade and enhance existing mobile workforce management software.

Reimbursement to TMPA for the Dansby to Steep Hollow Rebuild Project

The Board approved ratification of reimbursement to the Texas Municipal Power Agency (TMPA) for the Dansby to Steep Hollow rebuild project.

Approval of Master Service Agreements for Routing and Environmental Engineering Services

The Board authorized Chairman Bienski to sign two Master Service Agreements for engineering services for transmission routing and environmental engineering services with Burns and McDonnell and HDR Engineering, Inc.

Purchase of an Altec Bucket Truck

The Board authorized the purchase of an Altec Bucket Truck from Global Rental Co.

Construction Contracts for FY26 CIP Projects

Mr. Randy Trimble, Executive Director of Energy Delivery, presented the bid tabulations for construction services for the BTU Capital Improvement Projects for FY26. The Board approved separate contracts with 5 Star Electric, Sterling Global, and Ardent Services for certain FY26 CIP Projects.

Resolution Recommending Approval of a Bond Ordinance for the City Electric System

Mr. Stephen Adams with Specialized Public Finance, Inc. discussed the issuance of \$45,000,000 in revenue bonds for Capital Improvement Projects for the City Electric System. The Board approved a resolution recommending the Bryan City Council authorize the issuance of these revenue bonds.

Resolution Recommending Approval of a Bond Ordinance for the Rural Electric System

Mr. Adams discussed the issuance of \$23,500,000 in revenue bonds for Capital Improvement Projects for the Rural Electric System. The Board approved a resolution recommending the Bryan City Council authorize the issuance of these revenue bonds.

Approval of FY26 Contract for Primary Underground Unit Services

Mr. Trimble presented bid tabulations for a Primary Underground Unit Services contract for FY26. The Board approved a contract with Kasparian Underground DBA H&B Contractors for these services.

Approval of FY26 Contract for Secondary Underground Unit Services

Mr. Trimble presented bid tabulations for a Secondary Underground Unit Services contract for FY26. The Board approved a contract with Sterling Global for these services.

BTU BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

KIOSKS

Locations accepting credit cards,
cash and checks:

HEB	1609 N. Texas Ave.
HEB	725 E. Villa Maria
BTU Drive-Through <i>Open 24 hours</i>	205 E. 28th St.
BTU Drive-Through <i>Open 24 hours</i>	2611 N. Earl Rudder Fwy

Bring your BTU account number, BTU bill,
keycard or reminder letter.

OVER THE PHONE

Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the "e-payment" option by calling 979.821.5700. Account number and credit card required.

ONLINE

To register your account, view,
and/or pay your bill online, visit:

btutilities.com

BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES

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Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 5 PM

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(979) 821-5700

Electrical Outage/Lines Down
(979) 822-3777

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(979) 821-5770

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2026
Government-in-Action

YOUTH TOUR

**Applications are
NOW OPEN!**

The When

**Applications are currently being accepted
through February 6, 2026.**
The trip will take place June 14-21, 2026.

The Where

Students from Texas travel by chartered flight to Washington D.C. for a week of fun-filled days touring attractions and historical sites.

The Who

Three local high school students will be chosen as winners for the trip. To be eligible, students must be a sophomore, junior, or senior in high school and either live in or attend school in the BTU service territory.

The Why

The idea to send students to Washington D.C. came from President Lyndon B. Johnson, a Texan who advocated for rural electrification and youth development. In 1957, when he was still a U.S. senator, Johnson suggested "sending youngsters to the national capital where they can actually see what the flag stands for and represents."

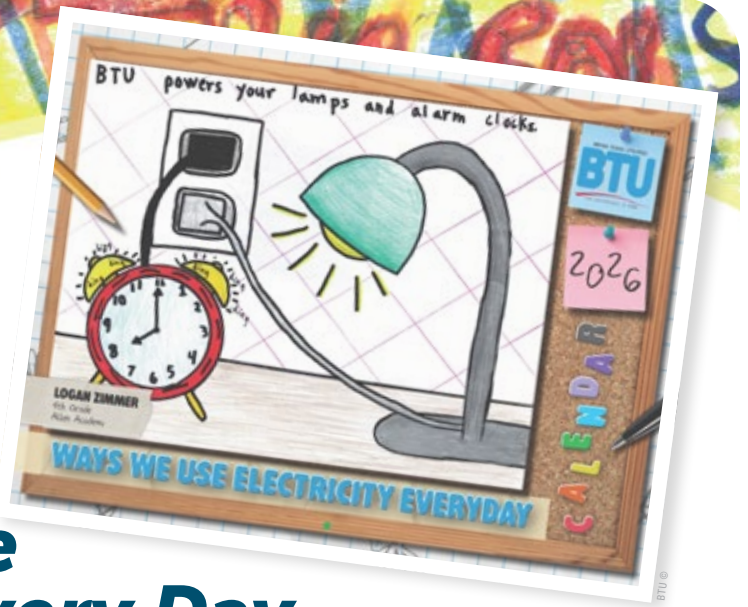
This notion evolved in the 1960s into a nationwide effort to send young people on organized, fun and educational trips to the nation's capital. Today, electric utilities from nearly every state send more than 1,500 youths to Washington D.C. each June. Since 1965, more than 50,000 students have toured the capital thanks to their local utilities.

Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU) is committed to powering and empowering the community we serve, and that means providing more than electricity. BTU also works to improve quality of life in the Brazos Valley, which includes investing in the area's young people.

We are working to shape tomorrow's leaders by proudly sponsoring three local high school students to attend the Government-in-Action Youth Tour.

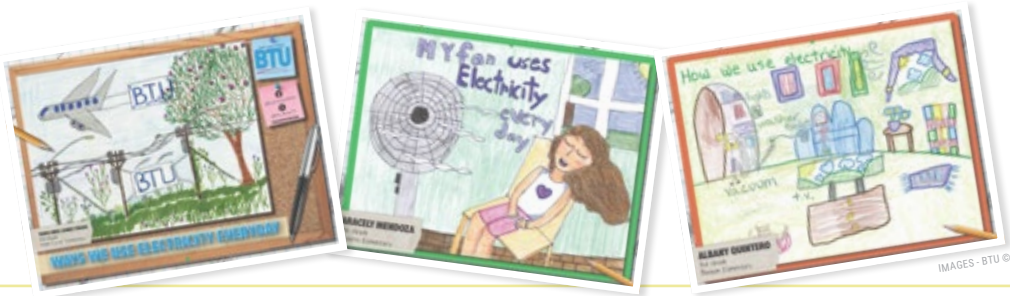
Apply online today at btutilities.com/youthtour

2026 BTU Kids Calendar: *Ways We Use Electricity Every Day*



For almost three decades, Bryan Texas Utilities has collaborated with the art instructors at 16 elementary schools in our service area to produce the annual BTU Kids Calendar Contest. The theme of the 2026 Bryan Texas Utilities Kids Calendar is ***Ways We Use Electricity Every Day***. We asked kindergarten through fourth grade students who live and go to school in the BTU service area to create artwork that focuses on how we use electricity in our everyday lives.

Our judges had the difficult task of narrowing down hundreds of entries from the participating schools to decide their choices for placement in this year's calendar. BTU would like to thank and applaud all of the participating elementary art teachers and their students for their hard work and participation!



Thank you to the following schools for their participation in the 2026 BTU Kids Calendar!

Allen Academy
Bonham Elementary
Bowen Elementary
Crockett Elementary

Henderson Elementary
Kemp-Carver Elementary
Navarro Elementary
Sam Houston Elementary

Snook Elementary
Sul Ross Elementary

BTU Kids Calendars are distributed to all elementary schools in the BTU service area, and are available on a first-come, first-served basis in the lobby of the BTU Administration Building, located at 2611 N. Earl Rudder Fwy in Bryan.

Safety Tips for Your Gifts

The holiday season brings joy, excitement, and often, a surge in new electronic gadgets we love to bless our friends and family with. From gaming consoles to smart home devices, electricity plays a big role in our gift-giving. Practicing a few simple electrical safety habits can keep your holidays merry and bright!

Inspect Before You Plug In.

Before using any new device, check cords and plugs for visible damage. Frayed wires, bent prongs, or loose connections are potential fire hazards. Always read the manufacturer's instructions to ensure proper use.

Avoid Overloading Outlets.

With so many chargers, lights, and decorations, it's easy to plug in "just one more." But overloading outlets or power strips can cause overheating and electrical fires. Use surge protectors for sensitive electronics and spread plugs out across multiple outlets when possible.

Keep Heat-Producing Items Clear.

Popular gifts like electric blankets, hair styling tools, and space heaters should never be used near bedding, curtains, or paper. Always unplug them when not in use and allow time to cool before storing.

Take Care with Batteries and Chargers.

Many toys, phones, and gadgets use lithium-ion batteries that can overheat if damaged or charged improperly. Use only the charger that came with the device, and never charge electronics on soft surfaces.

Use Caution with Kitchen Gadgets.

Air fryers, coffee makers, and other countertop appliances are common holiday gifts that draw significant power. Plug them directly into wall outlets instead of extension cords, and keep cords away from sinks and hot surfaces to prevent shocks or burns.

A little attention goes a long way toward preventing electrical accidents. By using caution, following basic safety practices, and following manufacturer's instructions, you can enjoy all the excitement the season has to offer safely.



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'Tis The Season to Give Back:

HOW YOU CAN GIVE MORE THAN JUST A GIFT THIS YEAR

The Holiday Season is filled with opportunities to make memories with our loved ones around full tables and long gift lists. But for the most vulnerable in our community, the season that should bring joy can amplify struggles felt year-round to new heights.

While blessing those we love is exhilarating for the giver and receiver, seeking out ways to serve the community, in ways big or small, can create a deeper connection to the community and meet real needs. And while they may not seem as obvious as other places across the state and nation, those needs are prevalent and pressing in the Brazos Valley.

There are dozens, maybe even hundreds, of organizations dedicated to serving the homeless, at-risk, and survivors of various injustices in our community, and they need an extra hand this time of year more than any other.

Twin City Mission has been at the forefront of serving men, women, children, and families in our community since 1963. Director of Development Lindsey Smart says that when those not in the community-service space daily step up to offer time or monetary donations, the whole community reaches its full potential.

"I believe volunteering makes the community what a community can be," Smart said. "If you don't partner the families and the for-profit businesses with the non-profit businesses, your community doesn't thrive."

Smart moved to the Brazos Valley from Los Angeles seven years ago and originally began volunteering with Twin City Mission during that difficult transition. Now, she helps oversee the fundraising and development side of the organizations five programs: homeless services, housing services, domestic violence services, family support services, and donation and resale services.



BTU's employees have served during the early morning shift at the Food for Families Food Drive for decades.

During the holidays, Twin City Mission's services are taken to the next level. From a Thanksgiving feast to providing Christmas gifts, the organization seeks to make sure that everyone in their care can find some joy despite their circumstances.

There are many ways to serve during this time of year, from taking a shift at the community kitchen to serving in one of the mission's four retail stores, but Smart says the Christmas gift program, which serves between 400-500 clients each year, is a great way to get the whole family involved.

"People that have done it in the past really love that they can take their kids out and have them be part of the experience," Smart said. ***"Many of our clients wouldn't have Christmas if somebody in the community didn't link arms with us and take care of that."***

Another organization, the Brazos Valley Food Bank, is celebrating 40 years of service to the community this year. BVFB Executive Director Theresa Mangapora says those facing food insecurity are reminded of that fact in additional ways this time of year.

"In addition to normal daily demands, we are faced with societal demands of attending and hosting get togethers, oftentimes centered around food, resources, like time and funds, are stretched thin," Mangapora said. "Pair these demands with current high food prices and tariffs making some gifts even more expensive than normal, and things are tight."

Each December, they benefit from the Food for Families Food Drive hosted by KBTX, one of the largest hunger prevention campaigns in the area that meets needs just in time for the holidays. Mangapora says the event is special because groups from across all walks of life, like schools, cyclists, Rucker groups, classic car and bike clubs, and local businesses, rally around the cause.

"Food for Families is an annual treasure of the Brazos Valley," Mangapora said. "Neighbors want to join KBTX in helping their neighbors because through stories and their efforts, it is clear that food is a basic need and no one in the Brazos Valley should go hungry."

Whether service and giving back are already an annual tradition for you and your family, or you're considering it for the first time, donating your time, talent, or treasure



goes a long way toward making the Holiday season brighter for everyone in our community. And you might just find added benefits for yourself.

"It has a way of balancing you," Smart said. "It has a way of offering perspective. I would say to anybody in the community that is in a transition or looking to have a life shift, the best medicine for that is to get outside yourself. Find an organization that matters to you, find a cause that matters to you, and put some time there."

Five Ideas for Serving the Community During the Holidays

1. **Volunteer with an organization like Twin City Mission, or one of the dozens of others serving the Brazos Valley**
2. **Organize a collection in your office or neighborhood for the Food for Families Food Drive**
3. **In lieu of one or more gift(s), decide on a charity to support as a family.**
4. **Check on your neighbors that might not have loved ones close by.**
5. **Consider donating to PowerShare, BTU's customer donation program that that helps our community's most vulnerable members keep their lights on.**



YOUR WASTEWATER FEE IS BASED ON UPCOMING WATER USE



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The City of Bryan would like to remind customers that, per city ordinance, your wastewater fee is determined by your water usage for billing cycles that end in December, January and February. For example, if your bill is issued on Dec. 2, the water usage reflected will be from Nov. 2 to Dec. 2. In this case, your water consumption is from November. The amount you are charged for wastewater from March through February is based on the second-highest month's water consumption within the December to February billing period. By conserving water during the months leading up to your billing cycles in this period, you can reduce your wastewater bill.

HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO HELP YOU SAVE WATER AND MONEY:



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WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

- **Fix leaks:** Check faucets, toilets, and pipes for any leaks and repair them as soon as possible. Even small leaks can add up.
- **Shorten showers:** Cutting your shower time by just a couple of minutes can save gallons of water.
- **Turn off the tap:** Don't leave the water running while brushing your teeth or washing dishes. If you use a water hose outside, make sure it has a shut off nozzle.
- **Use appliances efficiently:** Only run full loads of laundry and dishes to maximize water use.
- **Monitor usage:** Track hourly water usage through your **btutilities.com** account. Be aware of unusual spikes.
- **Reduce refills:** Cover pools and spas to reduce the need to refill.



LAWN IRRIGATION TIPS

- **Sign up for weekly Brazos Valley WaterSmart emails:** This free program provides customized watering recommendations based on data from weather stations and rain gauges throughout our area.

Visit bvwatersmart.tamu.edu to learn more.

- **Reduce evaporation:** Water early in the morning or later in the evening to avoid water loss due to evaporation during the heat of the day.
- **Check the system:** Regularly inspect your irrigation system for leaks and broken heads, and make sure you're not watering concrete.
- **Prevent runoff:** Use low-output sprinkler heads, bubblers, and drip irrigation to reduce runoff. Practice the cycle and soak method by watering in shorter intervals to allow the soil to absorb water more effectively.

FREEZE PREPAREDNESS TIPS

Winter freezes can lead to broken pipes, causing water loss and costly repairs.

- **Wrap exposed pipes:** Use foam pipe insulation, heat tape, or other insulating materials to cover exposed outdoor pipes, including those in attics, crawl spaces, or garages.
- **Cover outdoor faucets:** Install faucet covers or use foam insulation to protect exterior faucets from freezing.
- **Disconnect outdoor hoses:** Remove and store garden hoses before the first freeze to prevent damage to your faucet and pipes.
- **Drip, don't run:** Only drip faucets in areas where pipes are more exposed to freezing, like those along exterior walls or in unheated garages or attics. Turn the faucet on just enough for water to drip once every few seconds, not a stream. For single-handle faucets, leave it in the "warm" position to keep both hot and cold water flowing. For two-handle faucets, open both sides slightly.
- **Capture the drip:** Place a container under the dripping faucet to collect the water to use for other purposes.
- **Locate your water shutoff valve:** Know where your shutoff valve is in case a pipe bursts, so you can quickly stop the water flow.
- **Inspect for leaks promptly:** After a freeze, check for leaks both indoors and outdoors. A quick repair can prevent further water loss and damage.



For more information, or if you have questions, please call Water Services at 979-209-5900.