



Regular Board of Directors MEETING NOTES | August 11, 2025

Contract for FY26 CIP Project Right-of-Way Clearing

The Board approved a contract with Nelson Tree Services, LLC for FY26 Capital Improvement Projects right-of-way clearing.

Contract Proposal for Design of RELLIS Substation Capacitor Bank Additions Project

The Board approved a contract with M&S Engineering for the engineering and design of the RELLIS Station 138kV capacitor banks project.

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

2611 N. Earl Rudder Fwy, Bryan, TX 77803

email: ContactBTU@btutilities.com

btutilities.com

Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 5 PM

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Important Numbers

Billing/Collections/Connects
(979) 821-5700

Electrical Outage/Lines Down
(979) 822-3777

Line Design
(979) 821-5770

Social Media

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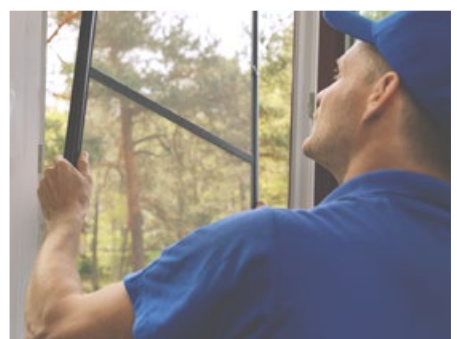
SmartHOME

saving makes sense



With BTU's SmartHOME program, you can upgrade your home's energy efficiency AND receive a rebate towards your costs!

Eligible homeowners can apply for rebates on these upgrades:



INSULATION

Attic and wall insulation upgrades

WINDOWS

Energy-efficient window upgrades

SOLAR SCREENS

Addition of solar screens to existing windows

FAQS

● How much will I get back?

Your rebate will be between 10% and 25% of your total project cost. Incentive payments are calculated based on the type of energy efficiency upgrade(s) completed.

● How will I get my rebate?

A check will be mailed to the address provided on your application.

● How long does it take to receive my rebate?

Please allow four weeks for processing and approval from the time your completed application is received.



Visit **btutilities.com/smarthome** to learn more and start your application today! >>>

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**PUBLIC
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ASSOCIATION



PUBLIC POWER WEEK

October 5-11

Public Power Week is October 5-11! Public power utilities across the U.S. celebrate Public Power Week the first full week of October every year to help customers and stakeholders understand how they can benefit from the offerings of their community-owned utility. Bryan Texas Utilities has been publicly-owned by the City of Bryan since 1909. Here are just a few reasons why publicly-owned utilities are beneficial to the communities they serve.

BTU'S RESIDENTIAL CITY RATES

27.5% LOWER

*than the average retail
choice rate in Texas*

AVERAGE INTERRUPTION DURATION

39 MINUTES

*Compared to national public
power average of 74 minutes*

\$120,000

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

LOWER BILLS

Public power residential customers saved an average of \$191.97 on their electric bills compared to customers of other utilities in 2023. That's \$4.2 billion public power residential customers save each year across the U.S. from rates alone! Locally, BTU's residential city rates were 27.5% lower than the average retail choice rate in Texas in June 2025!

LESS DISRUPTION

Public power customers have more time with the lights on. The average customer enjoys 72 more minutes with their creature comforts provided by reliable electricity each year. BTU, in particular, boasted an average interruption duration of 39 minutes in 2024, even lower than the national public power average of 74 minutes.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Nationally, public power utilities give 9% more to their communities than for-profit utilities. In 2024, BTU gave more than \$120,000 back to those it serves through charitable donations, including the Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce, Brazos Valley Food Bank, Salvation Army, and our yearly scholarship programs.

EMBEDDED WHERE WE SERVE

When you get your power from a public utility, you can trust that every decision is made locally and overseen by people who live and work in your community. There are no special interests or shareholders to appease, and our revenues directly benefit you through reinvestment in your utility. BTU has served the Brazos Valley for 116 years, and we intend to be here for the next 116 and beyond.

Publicly-owned electric utilities are a cornerstone of community well-being. They prioritize affordability, reliability, and local engagement, shaping a brighter and more resilient future for everyone who calls the communities we serve home.

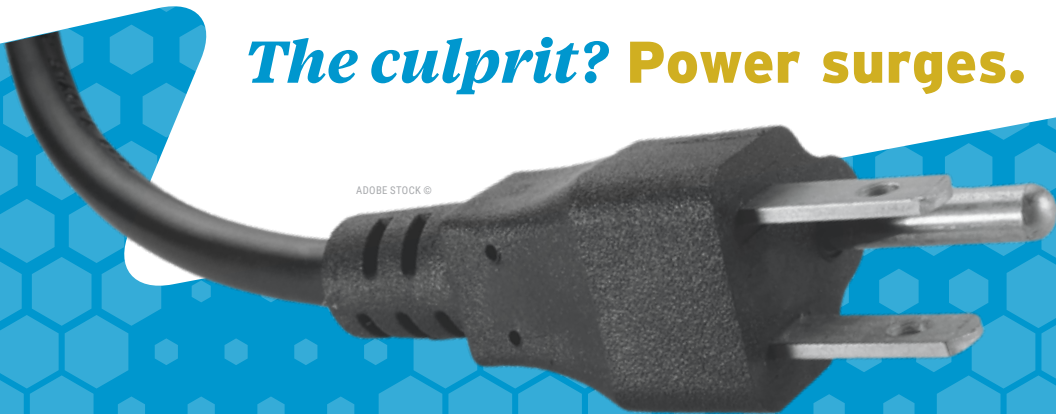


POWER SURGE PROTECTION

Home owners and renters alike are largely unaware of a lurking danger that could cost them thousands of dollars if left unaddressed.

While home and renter's insurance can help protect your home and possessions from natural disasters, inclement weather, fires, theft, and more, this ever-present problem is often not covered by those policies.

The culprit? Power surges.



Power surges are short spikes or disturbances, usually lasting fractions of a second, that “surge” high levels of voltage into electric systems. While they are less than a second in length, power surges can cause extensive damage, cause electrical fires, and present other safety hazards that put property and life at risk. Most people associate these surges with inclement weather and lightning strikes. While surges from these and other external sources are common, up to 80% originate from inside homes and businesses.

Regardless of how or where they originate, these surges can damage or destroy unprotected electronics within homes or businesses. Most electrical outlets in the U.S. supply 120 volts, but power surges could supply 10,000 volts or more, leaving those electronics, literally and figuratively, fried. According to the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA), the average American home has \$15,000 worth of equipment that needs protection from surges, including many modern necessities that make our daily lives easier.



Thankfully, there is an easy, cost-effective way to make sure your home and electronics are protected: surge protective devices, or SPDs.

An SPD is a device designed to protect your devices from voltage surges and spikes by diverting surge currents as they occur and limiting the level of voltage that reaches your vulnerable electronics. There are a few types of SPDs available to consumers, and choosing the right one can vary based on your specific needs.

The most common SPD is a point-of-use surge protector, more than likely known to you as a “power strip”. By plugging individual devices like televisions, gaming systems, or other common household electronics into these strips, you can protect them from most surges. Just make sure you operate them safely and avoid plugging too many cords into one strip.

You can purchase these strips for less than \$20, but not all “power strips” are created equal. Many inexpensive models sold in stores look similar to surge protectors, but do not offer real surge protection at all. When shopping, always check the product labeling for the words “surge protector” and look for indicators such as a joule rating and UL certification.

For broader protection, whole-home surge protectors can be installed directly at your electrical panel. These offer a more comprehensive shield against surges by stopping excess voltage before it travels through your home’s wiring to individual devices. Though they require professional installation, they are a worthwhile investment for homeowners who want lasting peace of mind. If your home was built after 2020, good news! It likely came with whole-home protection already installed.

Installing SPDs, alongside practicing smart electrical habits like unplugging high-value electronics when not in use, can go a long way toward keeping your property safe, saving you money, and preventing dangerous electrical fires. A simple device can mean the difference between a minor inconvenience and a major financial setback.

Don’t wait until you’ve lost something valuable to take action, make surge protection a part of your household safety plan today!



City of Bryan's
Parks & Recreation

FALL 2025 AT A GLANCE

Whether you want to learn a new skill, stay active, or simply have fun, there's something for everyone.

Registration is open and deadlines vary. There are no residency requirements.

Here's the fall schedule:

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Start Smart Baseball

Ages: 3 – 5

Program: Oct. 7 – Nov. 11

Start Smart Soccer

Ages: 3 – 5

Program: Oct. 9 – Nov. 13

Start Smart Basketball

Ages: 3 – 5

Program: Jan. 6 – Feb. 10

American Red Cross Babysitter's Training

Ages: 11 – 16

Class: Oct. 14

American Red Cross Child and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED

Ages: 11 – 16

Class: Oct. 15

Neal Recreation Center's Afterschool Program

Ages: 5 – 12

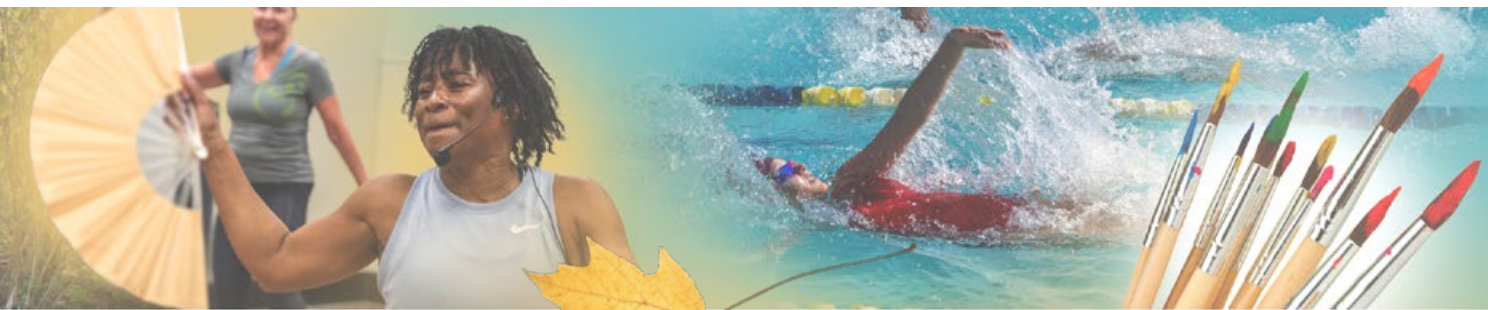
During Bryan ISD School Year

School Holiday Camp

Ages: 5 – 12

During Bryan ISD School Holidays





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ADULT PROGRAMS

Senior Socials

Ages: 55+

Socials: Oct. 14, Nov. 11 and Dec. 9

Intro to Pickleball

Ages: 18+

Program: Mondays, Oct. 6 – Nov. 3

Walk with a Doc

Ages: All welcome (*youth must be accompanied with an adult*)

Oct. 11, Jan. 3 and Feb. 7

Mixology Class

Ages: 21+

Class: Nov. 13

Cardio Dance Fitness Classes

Ages: 18+

Ongoing program: Tuesdays, 5:45 – 7 p.m.

Line Dance Class

Ages: 21+

Class: Oct. 18

Neal Recreation Center's Open Gym

Ages: 18+

Pickleball: Mondays & Wednesdays, 6 – 9 p.m.

Basketball: Tuesdays, 5:30 – 9 p.m.

Volleyball: Thursdays, 6 – 9 p.m.

AQUATIC PROGRAMS

Bryan Aquatic Center

Lap Swim

Family Fitness Swim

Ages: 9+

Ongoing program: Monday - Thursday, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Water Fit

Ages: 16+

Ongoing program: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5 – 6 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Trunk or Treat

Nov. 1

Reindeer on the Run

Dec. 1 – 14

Holiday Magic

Dec. 4



For more information, visit bryantx.gov/parks or contact us at **979-209-5528**.