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Our Energy...Your Power

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Duquesne Light Supports Earth Day and Arbor Day Community Events

Employee volunteer events focus on energy efficiency and vegetation management

PITTSBURGH – At Duquesne Light, not every hour is measured in kilowatts. The company supports the community year-round through nearly \$2 million in charitable giving donations and thousands of hours of employee volunteerism and community service annually. This month, Duquesne Light continues that tradition through support of Earth Day and Arbor Day:

Earth Day

With conservation even more top of mind on Earth Day, Duquesne Light's Watt Choices program is a helpful tool for customers looking to conserve energy and reduce demand while lowering their electricity costs. By participating in Watt Choices programs, customers are not only learning ways to conserve energy, for example by switching to energy efficient light bulbs or adjusting their thermostat, they also are reducing their overall impact on the environment. Check out these [Duquesne Light Conservation Tips](#) to learn more.

In addition, Phase III of Act 129, which is Pennsylvania legislation aimed at helping customers conserve energy and lower their electricity costs, is launching on June 1. Duquesne Light will be promoting new conservation programs and is starting to ramp up now by:

- Accepting speaking engagement applications to review new programs. To book an event, visit www.wattchoices.com or call 412-393-6014. Speaking engagements start in June.
- Making a donation to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium Green Team for their Earth Day event
- Participating in the "Respect our city, Respect our earth" event in McKeesport on April 23 in which Wattley, the Watt Choices mascot, will be on hand to promote the Watt Choices home energy audit program.

Arbor Day

"Right tree in the right place" is the motto of Duquesne Light's Vegetation Management team. As an early commemoration of Arbor Day, nearly 20 Duquesne Light employees volunteered with Tree Pittsburgh to plant 60 trees along the Three Rivers Heritage trail on April 21.

Because trees are one of top causes of power outages, it's important to plant them in a responsible manner. Before grabbing a shovel, find out how high and wide your tree may grow, and size up the area where you plan to plant it. When planting under or near a power line, pick a tree with a mature height that's less than 25 feet. Learn more about [choosing the right tree](#) to ensure reliable service.

About Duquesne Light Company

Duquesne Light Company is a leader in the transmission and distribution of electric energy, offering superior customer service and reliability to more than a half a million customers in southwestern Pennsylvania.

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