

# Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District Welcomes Executive Vice President & CEO, Mike Davidson

The New Year brings new leadership to Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District (MTNG), as Jim Hodges retires and turns over the duties of Executive Vice President & CEO to Mike Davidson. Mr. Davidson comes to MTNG after an extended career with the City of Cookeville, Tennessee. Mr. Davidson served as Cookeville City Manager from March 2015 through June 2019, and prior to that, he held the positions of Cookeville Finance Director and Director of Cookeville Gas Department. Mr. Jim Hodges, outgoing Executive Vice President & CEO of MTNG commented. "We are delighted to have Mike leading our strong team. Mike's character and his management and financial experience will serve MTNG and the District's customers well over the coming years."

Founded in Smithville, Tennessee in 1955, MTNG is the natural gas provider for all or portions of twenty-two counties in Middle and East Tennessee.

The mission of MTNG is to support the growth of the communities it serves by providing safe, reliable, and competitive natural gas service. MTNG is committed to meeting the needs of our customers with reliable, professional, and quality natural gas service by providing a well-trained, highly skilled, and safety-focused work force, while delivering America's primary energy source at competitive rates.

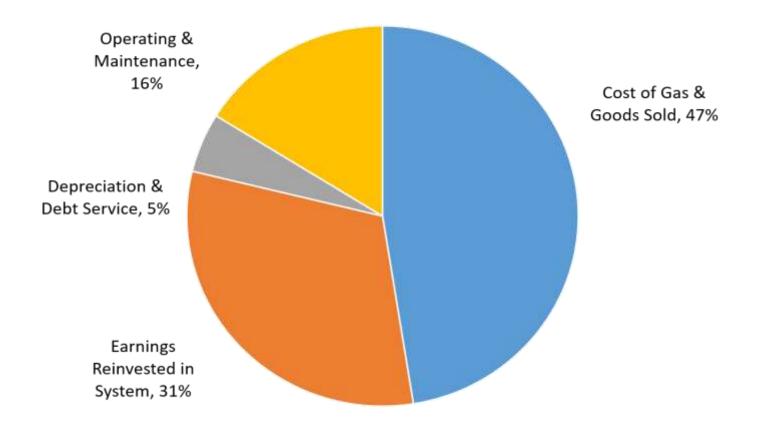
Mr. Davidson summed it up nicely by saying, "I decided to join MTNG because of the District's reputation as being a leader in the world of public natural gas systems. The dedication and

commitment of each employee both past and present has earned this reputation. Together we will continue to fulfill our District's mission to our customers and to the communities we serve."



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## **EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019**





# Project Hometown Help Allocates Funds

A total of **368** allocations were made to various agencies and organizations totaling **\$243,619** through Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District's Project Hometown Help from January 2019 through December 2019. Project Hometown Help has distributed over \$3,000,000 since 2005. The amount of funds disbursed in each county is determined by the level of participation in the Project Hometown Help program within that county.

Bledsoe	\$ 500.00	Cannon	\$ 9,200.00
Cumberland	\$ 79,085.00	DeKalb	\$ 20,210.00
Grundy	\$ 850.00	Hamilton	\$ 19,000.00
Jackson	\$ 1,550.00	Meigs	\$ 950.00
Putnam	\$ 18,700.00	Rhea	\$ 26,585.00
Rutherford	\$ 2,250.00	Smith	\$ 13,390.00
Van Buren	\$ 2,450.00	Warren	\$ 10,214.00
White	\$ 27,535.00	Wilson	\$ 11,150.00



### **KNOW THE FACTS TO RECOGNIZE AND REACT**

From start to finish, natural gas is the safest, most reliable, and efficient energy available. Though natural gas incidents are very uncommon, you should know telltale signs and what to do when faced with them.



The number one cause of natural gas emergencies is damage by a third party. Before <u>any</u> excavation, you must call Tennessee One Call at **811** to have utilities located and marked. It is smart, free, and *it is the law*. Please do not dig carelessly near gas pipelines. Call before you dig, wait to have the lines marked, respect the markers, and dig with care.

LOOK LISTEN SMELL

Blowing dirt, bubbling water, dry spots in moist areas, or dead vegetation may indicate a gas leak.

A hissing sound near a natural gas pipeline or an appliance may indicate a leak.

Natural gas has a unique odor added to it so you can be aware of a leak through your sense of smell long before there is any danger.

#### If you suspect a gas leak, TAKE ACTION:

**LEAVE IMMEDIATELY** – Do not try to find or stop the leak. Get to a safe area.

#### MINIMIZE POTENTIAL SOURCES OF IGNITION -

Do not touch anything electrical. Do <u>not</u> smoke, use phones, turn appliances or lights on or off, or operate any equipment that could spark.

CALL – Once you are out of the area where a gas leak is suspected, call Middle Tennessee Natural Gas to investigate.

#### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more, you can phone your local MTNG office or visit us at <a href="https://www.mtng.com">www.mtng.com</a>.

#### **FUEL COST COMPARISON**

FUEL	MIDDLE TENNESSEE AREA  FUEL AVERAGE PRICE  as of January 1, 2020		
NATURAL GAS	\$0.760 / therm Plus a \$7/month Customer Charge	\$ 7.60	
ELECTRICITY	\$0.072 / kwh Plus a monthly Customer Charge	\$ 20.99	
PROPANE	\$2.999 / gallon	\$ 32.67	
KEROSENE	\$4.599 / gallon	\$ 34.06	
GASOLINE	\$2.349 / gallon	\$ 18.79	