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ENERGIZER NEWSLETTER

A Statewide newsletter for
Citizens of Georgia Power.



State President's Message

Kelli Newman



The true measure of service is not how many projects we complete. It’s whether people are better because we were there.

This month, I have been thinking about the many ways Citizens Chapters are serving across Georgia. Each community has its own needs, and you continue to respond with care, creativity, and an understanding that meaningful service is never one-size-fits-all.

You are supporting organizations that feed families, care for neighbors, improve shared spaces, protect natural resources, and provide critical services. Just as importantly, you are building relationships that help our Chapters become trusted partners in the communities we serve.

That kind of impact does not happen by accident. It happens because someone makes the call, organizes the volunteers, gathers the supplies, works through the details, and encourages others to participate. It happens because you choose to care and then turn that care into action.

As we move into the final quarter of the year, I encourage each Chapter to focus not simply on doing more, but on serving well. Listen to your community partners, involve new volunteers, and choose opportunities where your time and resources can genuinely make a difference.

Thank you for the thought, energy, and compassion you bring to Citizens. I am grateful for the work you do, but even more grateful for the way you do it: with generosity, humility, and a sincere commitment to the people and communities of Georgia.

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Albany

The Albany chapter took time to volunteer at Feeding the Valley Food Bank. In about one hour, they packed 7 pallets which equaled 546 boxes and totaled 8,190 pounds of food. That's 6,825 meals for neighbors in their community. The warehouse ran out of products for them to pack! The need in the area is real, and a few hours of volunteering really does move the needle. Justin McLeod told his chapter, "As we head into the holidays, let's keep showing up for the work we're passionate about and keep giving back to the people who need it most. We are a Citizen wherever we serve."



West Georgia Ambassadors

West Georgia Ambassadors partnered with Carrollton Citizens to "shop and stock" the Mt Zion food bank. The recipients were very happy to see us with our donation to the community.

On Tuesday, September 15 the West Georgia Ambassadors partnered with the Plant Yates Citizens to serve dinner to "Circles of West Georgia" participants. This is a community outreach group that educates and encourages, participants to learn how to get back on their feet.



Carrollton

Chapter members Mike and Leigh Ann Bell pitched in with other community members and volunteered at the Mt Zion Community Food Bank distribution day, bagging and handing out meals to the hungry.



April Hale proudly joined Rick Hutchens and the other Journey Fellowship volunteers for Another Meals That Matter packing at the Mt Zion Community Food Bank. April said it's always such a blessing volunteering with this group. No child should be hungry!

Charlene Ruple did double duty at the August blood drive at 241. She worked at the registration table, as well as donating blood. Great job, Charlene!



Retirees and chapter members Larry and Donice Wood make sure that Carrollton's adopted section of the Greenbelt is clean for all to enjoy!

On Monday, Carrollton Citizens of Georgia Power members met at Aldi in Carrollton to shop and then headed to Mt Zion Food Bank to stock the shelves. I really appreciate everyone who showed up to help and Georgia Power for allowing us the time and funds to help our neighbors. There is a constant need for food in our community. Find somewhere to donate if you aren't already.



Metro South

Metro South Citizens “adopted” 12 teachers across Butts, Fayette, and Spalding Counties. Each teacher was asked to submit their wish list of school supplies and Metro South Citizens donated items and dollars to make these lists possible. Volunteers delivered the items to teachers the week before the start of school. Huge thanks to all the volunteers that participated and donated their time to help make these teachers’ school year great!



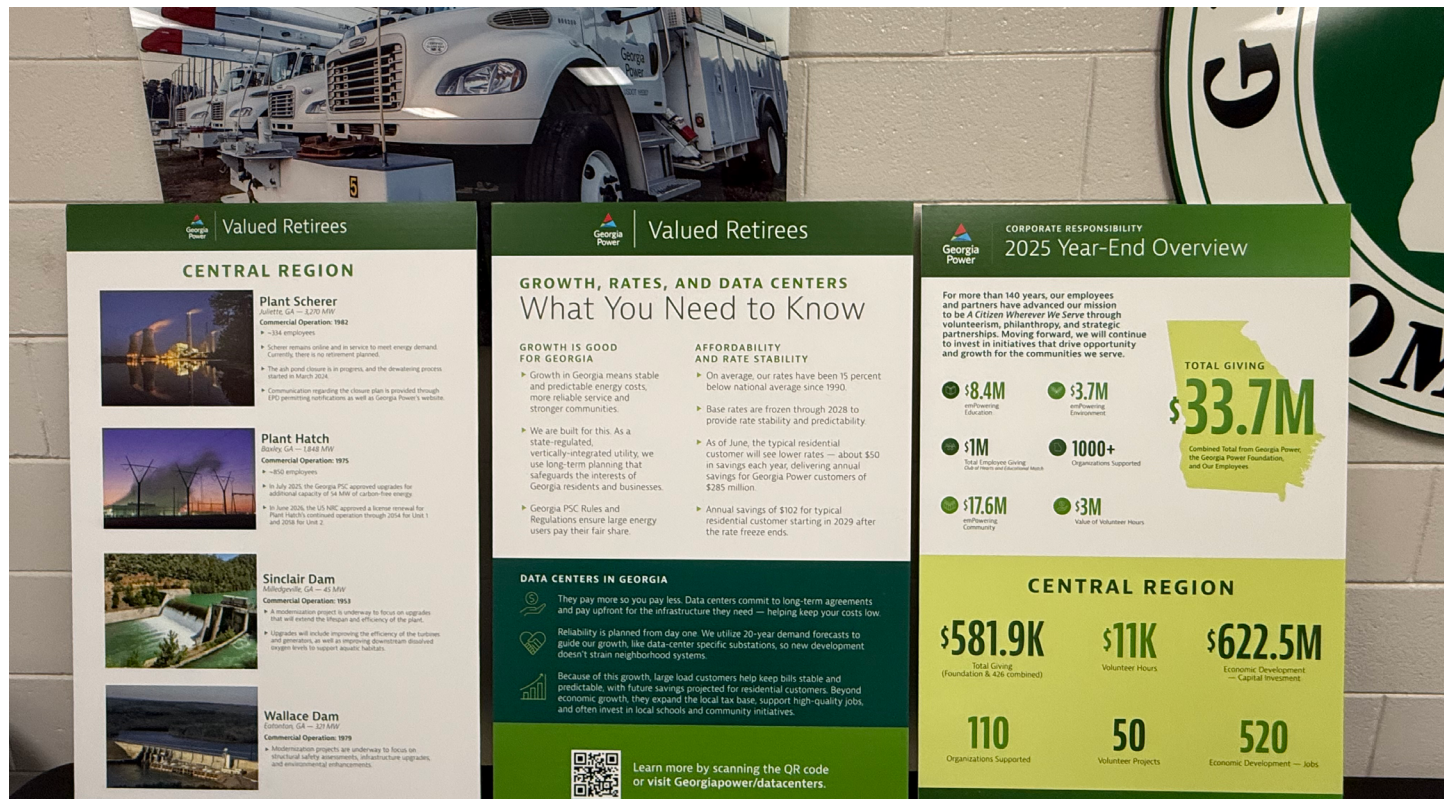
9/11 Atlanta Meal Pack

Teammates from Southern Company, Georgia Power, Atlanta Gas Light, Southern Linc, and Southern Power participated in the 9/11 Atlanta Meal Pack at the College Football Hall of Fame. Together, employees from across our OpCos came together to pack meals, give back to the community, and reflect on the spirit of service. Events like this showcase the power of collaboration and the impact we can make when we work side by side in support of others. Proud to be part of a team that continues to lead with service, partnership, and purpose.



Central Region Retiree Open House

Bowen Shoemaker, GPC Region Executive Central Region and her team, along with Jacob Hawkins, GPC Director of PR and Crisis Communication and his team hosted an informal meet-and-greet at the Key Street Operating HQ specifically targeted to local retirees to help them feel connected to current local leadership and company news. More than 20 retirees enjoyed a light breakfast, got the latest information on T&D and Generation projects in Central Region, and learned more about how we are managing data centers and our growth narrative. Great opportunity to leverage our retirees and their influence in their communities.





Plant Yates

In honor of September 11, Georgia Power volunteers came together for a day of service at Backstreet Arts, completing important improvements to enhance safety, accessibility, and comfort for those the organization serves. From repairing the wheelchair ramp and storage shed flooring to replacing the back deck and funding new outdoor sunshades, this small but mighty team made a meaningful impact and looks forward to returning soon to finish the project.



Citizens of Georgia Power volunteers recently partnered to serve a meal of Olive Garden and deliver much-needed supplies to Circles of West Georgia in Carrollton. It was even more special because this was their last session before graduating from the program. Through service, partnership, and compassion, we're helping strengthen our community and make a lasting impact in the lives of others.



Georgia Power Policy & Planning

Policy & Planning employees stepped up to the plate during their All-Stars themed team meeting, combining team building with community impact through a dental kit packing project benefiting Mercy Care and local homeless outreach programs. The team assembled 500 dental hygiene kits for children and adults, helping provide essential oral care resources to vulnerable individuals throughout the community.



Milledgeville

Citizens of Milledgeville volunteers were proud to donate food and personal hygiene items to stock the shelves at the new Brighter Days Center of Hope for its ribbon cutting in September. The Center of Hope will provide much more than food assistance. Individuals and families will have access to free food and clothing, laundry facilities, computer classes, internet access, and resources to help connect them with employment and other support services.



Milledgeville Citizens volunteers helped the Life Enrichment Center ahead of its 250th America Community Celebration in August. Milledgeville engineers and line crew members helped install shade sails and a new flagpole, creating a lasting symbol of community, patriotism, and pride. Citizens volunteers are grateful for opportunities to support organizations that strengthen our community and improve the lives of our neighbors through both direct assistance and lasting community investments.

2026 TARGET DATES AND DEADLINES

20 Monthly	Energizer Chapter Submissions DUE Post to Circuit and Citizens Facebook
January 31	2025 Financials uploaded in electronic folder
February 1	State Office verify financials and service hours
February 5	State Board Meeting
February 6	Leadership Summit -241 RMB Auditorium
February 28	2025 Chapter Financials Completed
June 15	Educational Loan Fund (ELF) Applications DUE
July 23	Summer State Board Meeting
August 10	State Board Officer Nomination forms due to the State Office (Current State Board members only)
September 18	Annual Business Meeting Invitations Emailed to all Citizens Leaders

October 7-8	State Board Officers will go through selection process for State Officers to serve on State Board during 2027
October 9	State Board Committee Chair application due to State Office
October 30	Chapter Information for Annual Meeting DUE to State Office
November 19	State Board Meeting
November 20	Citizens Annual Business Meeting
December 8	2026-Chapter Officer information DUE
December 11	Chapter Surveys to be returned to the State Office
December 16	All year-end donations distributed and prepare financials for audit and income tax forms
December 31	All 2026 Service Hours entered into Volunteer Microsoft forms

