Atlantic City Electric Grant Energizes STEM Program at Boys and Girls Club

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Atlantic City and Gloucester County have launched a STEM program funded by a $50,000 grant from Atlantic City Electric.

This new initiative will provide science, technology, engineering and math education to more than 300 elementary, middle, and high school-aged students.

The program, called the Atlantic City Electric STEM Club, is designed to serve South-Jersey youth annually with project-based curriculum and career development opportunities. Eligible students include those in local elementary, middle, and high schools.

The goal is to provide learning opportunities that can spark knowledge, interest, and skills in science, technology, engineering and math – STEM disciplines. The initiative builds a foundation from which students can better prepare for advanced education in STEM, as well as future workforce opportunities.
New Program Helps Increase Economic Growth in South Jersey

Business customers powered by Atlantic City Electric often share many common goals, among them, hiring new workers, expanding economic opportunity, and contributing to civic health. Now, Atlantic City Electric has a new initiative designed to assist new business owners in southern New Jersey reach those important metrics.

Atlantic City Electric’s Energy Discounts for Growing Enterprises Program (EDGE) is designed to help attract, retain and grow businesses small and large, boost the local economy and create South Jersey jobs.

The EDGE Program offers businesses of any size a 20 percent discount on the electric delivery portion of the electric bill. The discount is effective for five years, as long as the business continues to meet certain eligibility requirements.

“We want to do our part to encourage economic development, create job opportunities for residents, and support business growth for our customers and neighbors,” said Vince Maione, Atlantic City Electric region president. “The EDGE Program helps us deliver on our promise to energize our communities and local businesses.”

To learn more, including how your company can apply, contact the Atlantic City Electric EDGE Team at 1-844-574-5070, or email questions to EDGE@atlanticcityelectric.com.

Atlantic City Electric Customers Can Benefit From LIHEAP

Atlantic City Electric customers have an opportunity to take advantage of important energy assistance available through the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Utility customers in New Jersey can begin submitting their LIHEAP applications now to secure their grant, which can provide as much as $1,000 toward their energy bill.

Customers can apply for LIHEAP through April 30, 2018 via a network of local agencies, or by calling 1-800-510-3102 or visiting energyassistance.nj.gov.

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Atlantic City Electric Crews Assisted Post-Hurricane Restoration Efforts

Hurricane season in 2017 has been one for the record books. From late August through September, three major storms swept across the Caribbean and two of them made landfall in parts of the American southeast, damaging millions of homes and businesses. In Florida and Texas, two separate hurricanes created floods that caused widespread power outages.

In response, Pepco Holdings dispatched dozens of crews from across the mid-Atlantic to join with Florida-based utility crews that worked feverishly to restore power to millions of residents in the Sunshine State.

More than 600 employees and contractors traveled south as part of mutual assistance networks coordinating recovery efforts. Atlantic City Electric and other Pepco Holdings companies joined with its Exelon sister utilities—BGE, ComEd, and PECO—in providing more than 1,800 utility employees and contractors to assist in the restoration efforts in Florida regions devastated by Hurricane Irma.

“We greatly appreciate the dedication and skill of our employees and contractors who answer the call to assist others in times of need,” said Dave Velazquez, Pepco Holdings’ president and CEO. “We focused on their safety as they worked to restore the energy services that are critical to customers’ daily lives,” Velazquez said.

Over the weekend of Sept. 23, 2017, Atlantic City Electric crews and additional support personnel returned home after assisting with power restoration efforts in the southern U.S. in areas impacted by Hurricane Irma. Crews had spent two weeks in Melbourne and Fort Myers, Fla. as part of the large-scale emergency mutual assistance network that coordinated statewide restoration efforts.
In addition to LIHEAP, many other energy assistance programs are available for energy customers across South Jersey. For additional information about energy assistance programs, visit nj211.org or call 211, New Jersey’s non-emergency helpline, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Customers also can receive financial assistance through Helping Hands, a program funded by Atlantic City Electric, providing $4 million to assist those in need meet their energy costs during the next four years. These funds are annually dispersed to low-income residents through the Affordable Housing Alliance, New Jersey SHARES, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Camden and the People for People Foundation.

Atlantic City Electric will work with customers who may have difficulty in paying their electric bill and offers budget billing and payment plans. For more information, call Atlantic City Electric’s Customer Care Center at 1-800-642-3780.

Do you have concerns or questions related to your community or constituents? If so, our public affairs managers are available to assist.

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