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October 2024

It's Public Utility Week at FPUA!

PUBLIC POWER WEEK 2024

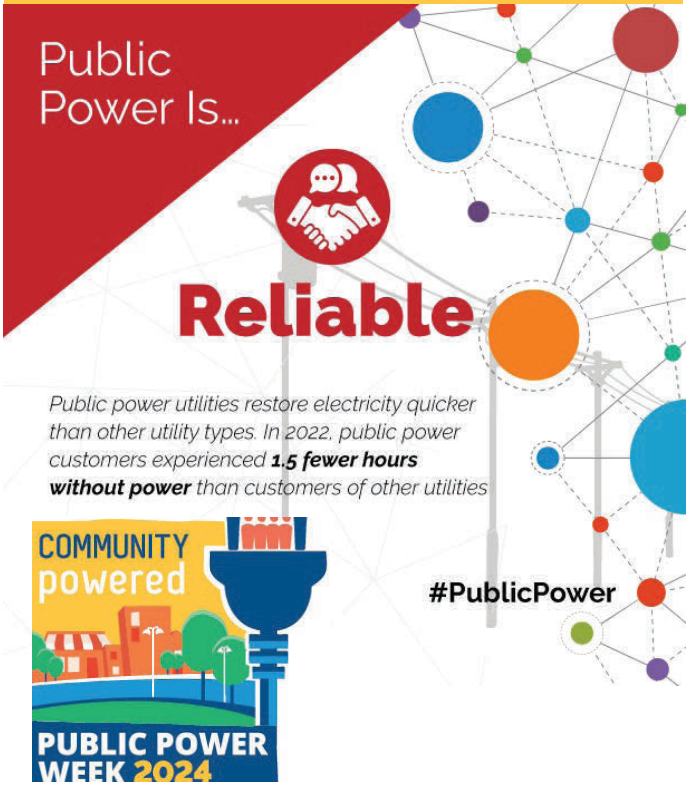
The first full week of October every year, municipal utilities and the communities that they serve celebrate Public Power Week across the nation. It's a week dedicated to helping customers and stakeholders gain a better understanding of the value and benefits of a hometown utility. Benefits such as affordable energy, local control, better service, and a local staff dedicated to improving the quality of life in our community.

What is public power?

Public power utilities are not-for-profit entities owned by their communities. Across the United States, 2,011 public power utilities serve 49 million people in 49 states and five territories.

October 6-12 is a special week of celebrations at FPUA...

And we have reason to celebrate!



PUBLIC NATURAL GAS WEEK
OCTOBER 6-12, 2024

This week, we also celebrate Public Natural Gas Week, dedicated to showcasing public natural gas systems and its tremendous benefit, as well as, Customer Service Week, recognizing the importance of our dedicated staff serving the Fort Pierce Community.

FPUA
COMMUNITY PROUD

On Friday, October 4th, join all FPUA divisions at the Main Street Fort Pierce Friday Fest from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Visit our interactive and informative displays and learn how your community-owned utility is modernizing and storm-hardening the utilities infrastructure, protecting the environment and Indian River Lagoon, and expanding services throughout all of Fort Pierce.

FPUA continues to make progress on important infrastructure projects and environmental intiatives and grant funding to better serve Fort Pierce as your locally-owned public utility.

PROJECT UPDATES:

1. **Wastewater Plant Relocation**.This critical project removes FPUA's existing island sewer treatment plant from the shores of the Indian River Lagoon, and places the new treatment plant five miles west, far away from the lagoon and in an industrial area away from neighborhoods. The project will replace aging infrastructure with new technology, increase resilience, limit potential environmental impacts, and better serve the community. So far, FPUA has secured grant funding of over $50 million to relocate the existing plant. Get construction project updates every week at: https://www.sustainablesewer.net/wastewaterwednesdays

2. **Expansion of gas, water, wastewater, and internet services**. This expansion will allow us to increase our customer base and reduce your share of the cost to maintain the utility infrastructure. **FPUA Natural Gas** completed expansion to Lakewood Park and is now installing a new Gate Station and piping program that will deliver natural gas to all FPUA customers. Eligible customers may qualify for up to five years of interest-free assistance installing new gas pipes. **FPUA Water and Wasterwater Services** continued expansion includes the addition of multiple neighborhoods served throughout the service territory. **FPUAnet** expansion continues with over 110 miles of fiber internet.

3. **Electric Grid Modernization.** FPUA received nearly $6 million in federal grant funding to modernize and storm-harden the grid against growing threats of extreme weather. Modernization efforts include upgrading two substations, a transformer meeting increased demand, and installing 400 mounted re-closers reducing outage frequency and duration.

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- Lincoln Park Community Center
- Fort Pierce Intermodal Center
- Moore's Creek Linear Park
- Jetty Park
- Jaycee Park
- Marina Square
- Means Court
- Manatee Center

Courtesy of FPUAnet COMMUNITY PROUD

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Available job postings include:

- Geospatial Systems Administrator
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- Mechanic I, II or III - Water Resources
- Mechanic I, II or III - Water Reclamation
- Line Specialist
- Engineering Technician I Electric & Gas
- System Operator
- Low Pressure Sewer Coordinator

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