

# Natural Gas Today



## Middle Tennessee Natural Gas and Upper Cumberland Gas Utility District Merge

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Effective Thursday, October 23, 2014, Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District and Upper Cumberland Gas Utility District merged to better, more efficiently serve the existing customers of both districts, as well as future customers that will be requesting service. UCGUD's service area included Cumberland County north of I-40 [Fairfield Glade and US 127 North] and a small section of southern Fentress County.

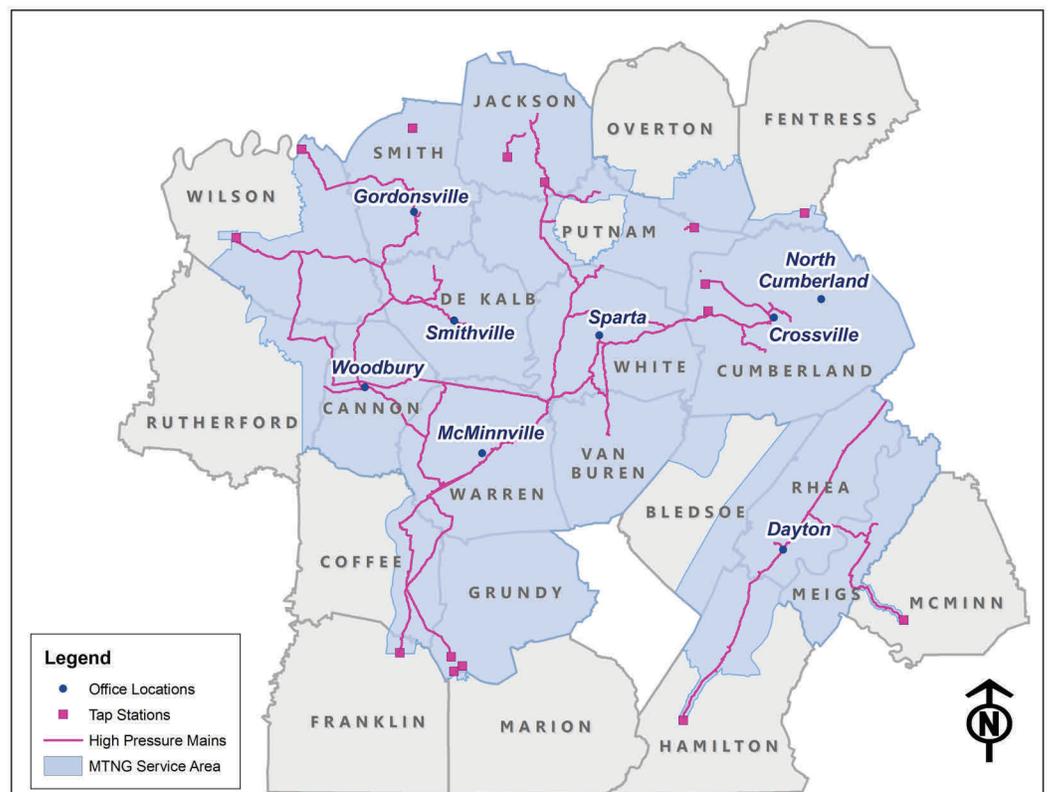
With this merger MTNG now serves 59,000 customers in parts or all of twenty-two counties in Middle Tennessee. See the map with this article for a visual reference of our new combined service area.

Our mission at MTNG is to support the growth of the communities we serve by providing safe, reliable, and competitive natural gas service with "Service" being the key word in that statement.

We look forward to serving your energy needs with America's premium energy product, natural gas, and supporting you and your communities together. Please visit us on the web at [mtng.com](http://mtng.com), or come by any of our office locations for more information.

Enjoy your warm gas heat this winter,

James E. Hodges  
Executive Vice President  
& Chief Executive Officer



## Project Hometown Help Allocates Funds

A total of 428 allocations were made to various agencies and organizations totaling \$193,683.00 through Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District's Project Hometown Help from November, 2013 through November, 2014. The totals are shown below by county:

Cannon	\$ 6,825.00	Coffee	\$ 550.00	Cumberland	\$ 45,287.00
DeKalb	\$ 18,000.00	Grundy	\$ 1,850.00	Hamilton	\$ 14,000.00
Jackson	\$ 1,650.00	Meigs	\$ 1,055.00	Putnam	\$ 15,540.00
Rhea	\$ 30,470.00	Rutherford	\$ 1,550.00	Smith	\$ 11,750.00
Van Buren	\$ 1,700.00	Warren	\$ 17,456.00	White	\$ 20,750.00
Wilson	\$ 5,250.00				

Project Hometown Help began in April, 2005 and since that time has distributed more than \$1,900,000.00 to the communities the District serves. It is funded by the customers of Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District who allow the District to round their monthly bill to the next dollar. Funds collected are allocated back to the areas from which they were contributed to the extent practical.

*The pictures below and on the following page are all recipients of Project Hometown Help funds from November, 2013 through November, 2014.*



The Cumberland County Christian Women's Job Corps used the funds to provide assistance and training to develop professional skills for the participants of the program. They also purchased needed supplies.



The Dayton Chamber of Commerce used the funds for the 2014 Tennessee Strawberry Festival.



The Watertown Warrior Run used the funds for the run, and the proceeds from the run were given to help veterans in need.



Habitat for Humanity of DeKalb County used the funds to purchase construction materials for the most recent home built.



The American Legion Auxiliary Post 163 used the funds for community service projects and to care for disabled veterans.



The Evensville Fire Department used the funds for repairs to the fire department's brush fire truck.



The Foundation for Educational Progress used the funds to purchase books for the Books from Birth Program.

Organizations who would like to request funds through Project Hometown Help may download an application from the District website and submit it for consideration. For more information on Project Hometown Help, log on to [www.mtnj.com](http://www.mtnj.com) or call 615-597-4300.

## MTNG Employee Spotlight: Brandon Miller

Brandon Miller joined the MTNG family on March 17, 2008 as the Financial Accounting Analyst in the Smithville Administrative Office. Prior to his employment at MTNG, Brandon worked for seven years in the banking industry in various roles with his later position being the Assistant Branch Manager for Regions Bank in Smithville.

Brandon is a 2001 graduate of DeKalb County High School and went on to receive his Associate's Degree in Accounting from Motlow State Community College in 2003. Since his employment at MTNG, Brandon graduated Cum Laude in 2013 from Middle Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting with a minor in Business Administration.

Brandon has been married to Rebecca Miller, a teacher at DeKalb County High School, for eight years and currently resides in DeKalb County. A few of his hobbies include jogging, reading, and singing in the church choir. He and his wife are members of the Elizabeth Chapel Baptist Church where they co-teach the 7th and 8th Grade Youth Sunday School Class. He currently does not have any children of his own, but he loves to spend time with his two nephews and three nieces every chance he gets.

Brandon has been an advocate in establishing the District's computerized merchandise billing system, and he hopes to continue his passion to help make the District's accounting department as efficient as possible. He also enjoys helping the customer service representatives with accounting related functions whenever needed. Everyone knows that Brandon is always willing to go the extra mile to get a job done right and on time.



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## FUEL COST COMPARISON

FUEL	AVERAGE MIDDLE TENNESSEE AREA PRICE JANUARY, 2015	PRICE PER MILLION BTUs
Natural Gas	\$0.935 / therm Plus a \$7/month Customer Charge	\$10.05
Electricity	\$0.09105 / kwh Plus a \$13.36/month Customer Charge	\$30.49
Propane	\$2.210 / gallon	\$24.07
Kerosene	\$4.339 / gallon	\$32.14
Gasoline	\$1.959 / gallon	\$15.67