

City of Calhoun Receives 4 Prestigious Awards for the 2017 results in Reliability, Safety and System Effectiveness

Three national awards from the American Public Power Association and one state award from Electric Cities of Georgia:

The American Public Power Association (APPA) is the national voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. APPA provides standards, training and support that give our community a competitive advantage in the changing energy industry. Electric Cities of Georgia (ECG) is a state organization serving 52 public power members in Georgia. ECG provides strategic and technical services to its members insuring maximum performance of their utilities and, to a greater extent, create successful communities with economic prosperity and opportunity.

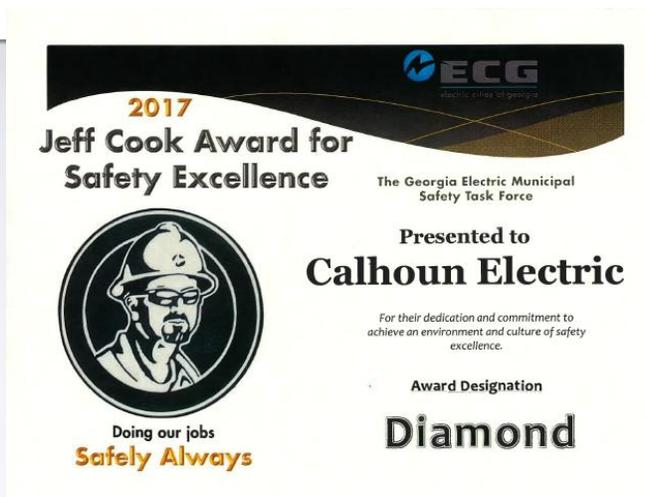
The City of Calhoun has been recognized as one of the most reliable Electric Utilities in the country for significantly outperforming the Electric Industries national average.



Reliability reflects both historic and ongoing investment decisions within a utility. Measuring reliability ensures that a utility is not only performing its intended function for the community, but also is providing service in a consistent and effective manner. APPA compiles information on public power utility system outages and the data collected from the government Energy Information Administration (EIA) of all electric suppliers. This information is evaluated for a truly accurate comparison of reliability. The City of Calhoun Electric Department is proud to receive this recognition. It is a testament to the hard work

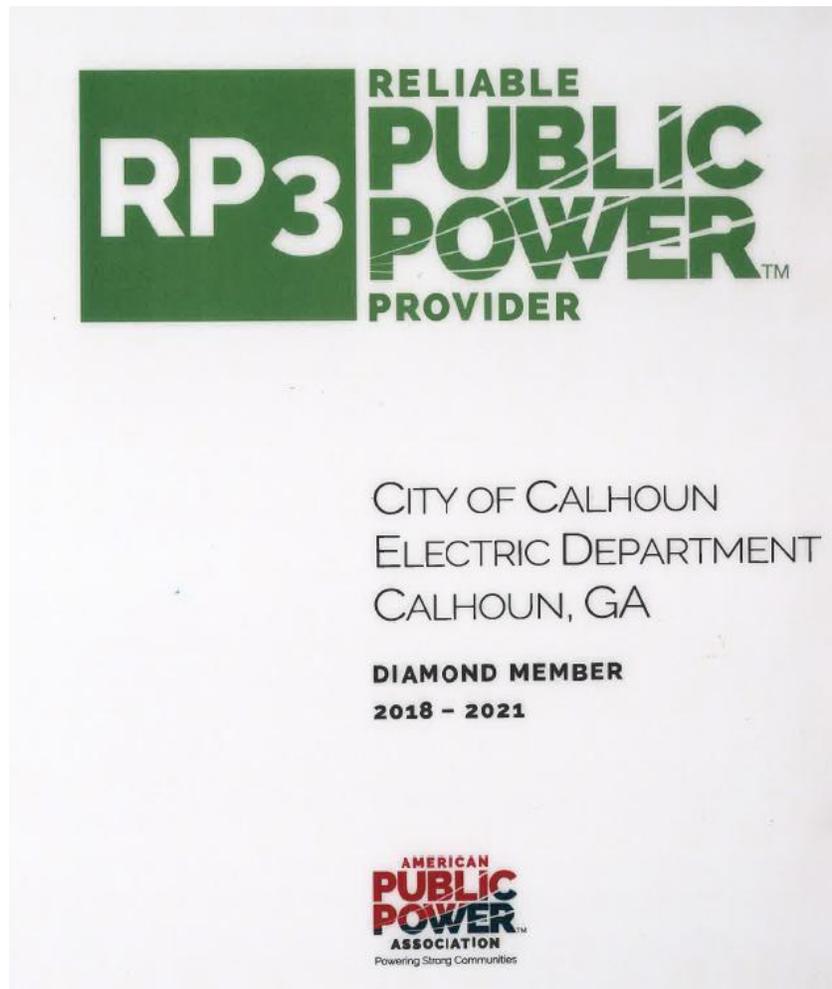
every day by everyone. We are honored to be able to continue the legacy of powering our community's progress since 1907.

The City of Calhoun has been recognized with the American Public Power Association (APPA) First Place Safety Award of Excellence and the Electric Cities of Georgia (ECG) Jeff Cook Safety Award of Excellence.



Utility Line work requires very strenuous and complex work with high voltage equipment, high above the ground and sometimes in extreme weather. This is why the Bureau of Labor Statistics list Utility Line work as one of the most dangerous jobs in America. Line workers often have to repair the storm damaged lines and support equipment while the storm is raging. The push to restore our community's power sometimes leads to lethal mistakes. That is why winning First Place in the national APPA Safety Award of Excellence is so important. Our Line workers have the equipment and skills necessary to work in a very hazardous environment, and do it safely. The Jeff Cook Safety Award of Excellence by the Electric Cities of Georgia (ECG) is judged on a comprehensive survey of topics including: safety policy, employee safety awareness, training, accident investigation, facilities and equipment inspection, personal protective equipment, rescue training and lost time accidents.

The City of Calhoun has been recognized with the American Public Power Association (APPA) Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3). The RP3 is a comprehensive measurement of the utilities overall system effectiveness.



This is the highest national recognition an Electric Utility can achieve. APPA measures proficiency in reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement. This comprehensive approach gives a true picture of a utility's system effectiveness and how it compares on a national level. The City of Calhoun achieved 98 out of a possible 100 points and was awarded the Diamond Certification, which is the highest level achievable.