

TVA and Your Community

In 2007, TVA and its employees volunteered more than 36,000 hours of their time and made more than \$5.5 million in charitable contributions to communities throughout the Tennessee Valley region.

Contributions for community and economic development in 2007

- More than 26 percent of TVA's Fiscal Year 2007 revenue – \$2.4 billion – was returned to the Valley through TVA purchases of goods and services provided by businesses in the Valley.
- TVA provided state and local governments in the Valley with \$452 million in tax-equivalent payments that help communities support local education and other vital needs.
- TVA's economic development investments helped create or keep 45,000 jobs in our region and leveraged \$5.6 billion in funding from other sources.

Contributions for Better Education in 2007

- TVA employees volunteered more than 4,000 hours of their time and raised more than \$730,000 for school activities in the region, including assistance to 71 schools in TVA's Partners in Education program.
- TVA gave schools and community organizations equipment and supplies valued at \$129,212 and contributed \$60,000 to help community and technical colleges enhance future workforce skills.
- TVA taught computer-assisted drawing and personal computer skills to more than 4,600 high school students through TVA's CADNet program.

Contributions for Human Services in 2007

- TVA employees donated more than \$3 million and volunteered more than 5,500 hours of their time to help local families and charities through the Combined Federal Campaign, holiday food and toy drives, and other activities.
- In Tennessee and Alabama, TVA employees helped build four Habitat for Humanity houses, providing quality housing at an affordable price for families of limited means.

- TVA's Community Connections program awarded \$45,000 in grants to local community organizations to which 104 TVA employees volunteered more than 8,000 hours of their time.

Contributions for a Better Environment in 2007

- TVA invested \$239 million as part of an ongoing \$5.8-billion program to reduce emissions from its fossil plants. TVA has reduced sulfur-dioxide emissions by 82 percent since 1977 and has reduced nitrogen-oxide emissions during the summer ozone season by 81 percent since 1995.
- TVA helped more than 3,500 volunteers remove almost 146 tons of trash from Valley reservoirs and streams.
- TVA employees and retirees taught water safety, boater safety, and bicycle safety classes to more than 30,000 school children across the Tennessee Valley.