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Sharp Propane Celebrates 61st Anniversary with Sharp Service Week

The employees of Sharp Propane celebrate the company's anniversary with a week of volunteer service in the communities they call home.

BASTROP, TEXAS -- Sharp Propane employees spent the week of August 9-13 volunteering across the state to celebrate the company's 61st anniversary. Sharp Service Week is part of the company's year-round community service program.

"Since 1949, Sharp Propane has been dedicated to the communities we serve, so Sharp Service Week is an ideal way for us to celebrate our anniversary annually," said Steve McKay, Sharp Propane CEO. "Our team takes great pride in our communities and enjoys having the time to give back not only during our service week but throughout the year."

This year during Sharp Service Week, employees focused on assisting at food banks in their communities, sorting donations to help make ready for distribution. The Austin office team volunteered throughout the week at the [Capital Area Food Bank of Texas](#). In Bastrop, the corporate office team volunteered at the [Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry & Support Center](#). In Bryan and Fort Worth, team members volunteered at the [Brazos Valley Food Bank](#) and [Tarrant Area Food Bank](#) respectively. The La Grange team assisted at the [Area Ministry for Emergency Needs](#). Additionally, the Safety Division responded to a local news story and provided donated toiletries for the [Hope Alliance](#) in Round Rock, serving Williamson and Northern Travis counties.

"Our local Food Banks provide valuable resources to our communities, and we were happy to make them our focus for service this year," said McKay. "I know many of our team members will continue their involvement throughout the year."

Sharp Propane has a year-round community service program, which in addition to Sharp Service Week, provides employees with 20 hours a year of community service leave. Additionally, Sharp's charitable and community engagement fund provides financial assistance to organizations where employees are involved in their communities. The overall program is geared toward giving time and resources in ways that make communities better.

About Sharp Propane

Sharp Propane is a leading service provider of residential and commercial propane systems providing customers a green, safe and reliable energy source for the way they live and work. The Propane Professionals™ at Sharp are

dedicated to being a customer-first company that is setting the standards for safety and service in the industry.

Sharp is the innovator of industry-revolutionizing programs such as the Complete Care™ customer service program, which includes the Always There™ Guarantee. These programs are direct results of Sharp's commitment to fuse their expansive industry expertise with their customer relationships in order to always deliver safety, comfort, care and convenience.

Sharp has been providing propane energy solutions to Texans for more than 60 years. Founded in 1949 in Smithville, Texas, Sharp is one of the largest propane dealers in the United States and the largest independent retailer in Texas. Sharp is headquartered in Bastrop, Texas with operations also in Austin, Bryan, Fort Worth and La Grange.

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