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**LIBERTY UTILITIES – EMPIRE EMPLOYEES RAISE  
OVER \$192,000 FOR AREA UNITED WAY ORGANIZATIONS**

JOPLIN, MO – March 16, 2018 – Liberty Utilities – Empire announced yesterday their 2017 – 2018 United Way campaign results and presented a check for over \$192,000 to United Way organizations serving throughout their local service area. The presentation took place at the Company’s State Line Combined Cycle Power Plant located at 2299 South State Line Road between Joplin and Galena.

The funds were raised through employee pledges, fundraisers, and a company match, beginning last fall. Last year’s campaign raised a similar amount. The Company has held an annual United Way campaign for more than 50 years.

Customer Service Manager, Angie Ulbrich, served as chairperson for the company’s annual campaign. According to Ms. Ulbrich, “We are very proud of our employee’s generosity. Through their financial support, their time and their talent, we are able to help make a difference for our friends and neighbors who will be touched by one of the many United Way agencies across our service area.”

Based in Joplin, Missouri, Empire District is a subsidiary of Liberty Utilities Co. and headquarters for the Liberty Utilities Central Region, providing electric, natural gas, water, and wastewater service to nearly 320,000 customers across six states. A subsidiary of the company provides fiber optic services. For more information regarding Empire District, visit [www.empiredistrict.com](http://www.empiredistrict.com). For more information about Liberty Utilities, visit [www.libertyutilities.com](http://www.libertyutilities.com).

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