

SHAWANO MUNICIPAL UTILITIES HONORED WITH NATIONAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SAFETY PRACTICES



WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1, 2025 - Shawano Municipal Utilities has earned the American Public Power Association's Safety Award of Excellence for safe operating practices in 2024. The utility earned the gold award in the category for utilities with 16,640 worker-hours of annual worker exposure.

More than 200 utilities entered the annual Safety Awards for 2024. The entrants are placed in accordance with

their number of worker-hours and ranked based on the most incident-free records and overall state of their safety programs and culture during 2024. The incidence rate is based on the number of work-related reportable injuries or illnesses and the number of worker-hours during 2024, as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"This award is a testament to the safety culture we have built and the hard work that goes into ensuring that our team members have a safe work environment."-Bruce Gomm Shawano Municipal Utilities General Manager

"Harnessing electricity to keep our communities powered is vital work that can be dangerous, even deadly, if the proper attention isn't paid to tried-and-true safety practices," said Jon Beasley, Chair of APPA's Safety Committee and Vice-President of Electric Cities of GA. "This award honors utilities that hold fast to these practices and – in doing so – put the safety of their personnel and their customers above all else."

APPA has conducted the Safety Awards annually for more than sixty-six years. APPA is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide.

Who Should I call?

**Shawano Municipal Utilities
SMU
715-526-3131**

- Questions regarding your utility bill
- Power outage
- Burnt out streetlights
- Branches on powerline
- Powerlines down or hanging low

**Department of Public Works
DPW
715-526-3512**

- Garbage, recycling & yard waste pick-up
- Information regarding spring cleaning & fall leaf pick-up
- Garbage can replacement
- General street maintenance, street sweeping, snow and ice removal, sidewalk repair and maintenance, traffic light outage

In 2009, the City took over direct operations of the water and sewer department, but SMU continues to provide the customer service, billing and collection functions.

Do You Like Taking Photographs?



We are looking for artistic individuals to help us with our 2026 Calendar Contest. We are looking for photographs from the Shawano area that can be featured in our 12 month calendar. Photographs can be seasonal, nature or animals. This is open for all ages and winning photos will be in our 2026 calendar. Winners will also receive a money prize. Photographs can be submitted throughout the year, but our deadline will be October 3rd. Pictures can be emailed to us at support@cityofshawano.com with the subject line of 2026 Calendar Contest.

If you have any questions please call us at 715-526-3131. We look forward to seeing your photographs!

Important Message!

Effective April 2025-

We are no longer reconnecting disconnected electric services past 8pm. Starting April 2026 we will no longer be offering after hour reconnections for non-emergencies.

Our reconnection charges will remain the same at \$45 during regular office hours and \$90 after regular office hours.

DPW Office Update

The Department of Public Works (DPW) office located at 2905 E Richmond Street has been closed to the public effective February 24th, 2025. Please visit City Hall at 127 S Sawyer Street with your inquiries or concerns. DPW can also be reached by calling 715-526-3512

