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## **KCP&L EMPLOYEES VOLUNTEER IN OVERLAND PARK AS PART OF COMPANY – WIDE CAMPAIGN**

**Overland Park, Kan.** (Sept. 29, 2009) – This morning, KCP&L continued its “Renewable Energy from the Heart” campaign in Overland Park, KS. The campaign is a series of volunteer projects throughout the KCP&L service territory to benefit thousands of people and strengthen working relationships among employees. This effort began in June 2009, and is providing all KCP&L employees with an opportunity to volunteer on a specific project near their work location.

Working with district and facility leadership as well as the key non profits, the Community Relations department at KCP&L identified several large and small volunteer projects customized to meet the needs of those in the communities KCP&L serves.

Today, employees from KCP&L’s Metro District headed to Johnson County for a volunteer project with one of SAFEHOME’s transitional living homes. SAFEHOME is Johnson County's only comprehensive provider of services to victims of domestic violence. Included in the many services SAFEHOME provides to the county and community is the domestic violence shelter, a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling, court and hospital advocacy, civil legal assistance, transitional housing and prevention education.

“SAFEHOME truly relies on volunteers to help us fill the needs our staff can’t meet,” said SAFEHOME’s Executive Director Sharon Katz. “We are so grateful that KCP&L adopted this project to improve one of our transitional living homes. For the family moving in, there is a great deal of pride in their new home thanks to the hard work of KCP&L employees.”

The facility needed several minor repairs for the security and safety of residents. Volunteers fixed windows, replaced doors, trimmed trees and brush, worked on cabinets and painted the SAFEHOME transitional living property.

“Helping the customers and communities we serve is very important to us; our employees have a long history of giving back. We are delighted to help this organization because it is extremely beneficial to the community,” said Elizabeth Danforth, senior manager of Public Affairs at KCP&L.

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**About KCP&L:**

Headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., Great Plains Energy Incorporated (NYSE: GXP) is the holding company of Kansas City Power & Light Company and Aquila, Inc. (doing business as KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company), two of the leading regulated providers of electricity in the Midwest. Kansas City Power & Light and Aquila use KCP&L as a brand name. More information about the company is available on the Internet at: [www.kcpl.com](http://www.kcpl.com).

**About SAFEHOME:**

Since its incorporation as a not-for-profit agency in 1980, SAFEHOME has grown from a network of “safe homes” in the community to a 45-bed shelter and comprehensive service provider for victims of domestic violence. Last year, SAFEHOME assisted over 6,500 survivors of domestic violence. SAFEHOME was honored for their work with the Outstanding Victim Service Organization of the Year for the state of Kansas.