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BEL Honors 225 Golden Citizens with Electricity Bill Pay Awards

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) held a ceremony this morning at its Corporate Headquarters for its Golden Citizens. As a part of BEL's Electricity Bill Pay Awards Program, BEL will pay the monthly electricity bill for an entire year for 225 senior citizens.

Some of the senior citizens received their award during this morning's ceremony, and the remaining awardees will be visited and presented with certificates at their homes over the next few days.



Some of the recipients of this year's Golden Citizen Electricity Bill Pay Awards

Awardees were selected based on the following criteria:

- Must be 65 years of age or older and registered as a Golden Citizen with BEL.
- Must hold only one active account with BEL which is billed under the Social Rate Category.
- Consuming less than 60kWh monthly, at their place of residence.

Manager, Customer Care, Celina Gill, expressed gratitude for the contributions of our elders, saying, "We wish that through our program, a message is being propagated throughout Belize, that we should become more conscious, more appreciative, more respectful, and more giving to our Golden Citizens for they have built the pillars on which Belize now stands."

Although this award is issued on a yearly basis, Golden Citizens may benefit for more than one year. Included in this year's 225 awardees, are 89 who were selected in 2014 and will continue on to a second year of the program. A third category of awardees is also being established: Lifetime Awardees who, once selected, will remain on the program permanently. These include persons who require extraordinary assistance due to disabilities or are dependent on the use of life support systems and other medical devices that require electricity.

The program is one of several initiatives through which the Company fulfills its Mission "to provide reliable electricity at the lowest sustainable cost, stimulate national development and improve the quality of life in Belize." BEL also offers a Golden Citizen Priority Service at all BEL offices countrywide and free service entrance for Belizeans that cannot afford to get connected.

BEL encourages senior citizens who have not yet done so, to register their Golden Citizens status on their electricity accounts and become eligible to benefit.

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