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## Safe and Reliable



**This Davey Tree (The Davey Tree Expert Co.) vehicle has a boom arm with a saw that cuts branches, which are seen as potential threats to the safe and reliable electric service provided to members of Central Florida Electric Cooperative. As for Davey, it was founded in 1880, and has been employee owned since 1979.**

<https://youtu.be/Zn2dRHv44Ek>

**The video above shows the machine at work.**

Davey has been providing solutions to utilities for more than a century. In that time, regulatory and reporting requirements, customer concerns, joint-users of assets, and the number of diseased or at-risk trees have increased dramatically. What hasn't changed is the value Davey delivers to clients and their customers. Davey works with clients -- like CFEC -- to optimize cost, achieve compliance, improve response time and customer satisfaction and enhance reliability. As for CFEC, since 1939, Central Florida Electric Cooperative Inc. has been proudly serving the Tri-County Area of Dixie, Gilchrist and Levy counties. First introduced as Rural Electric Cooperative (REA), CFEC has been providing electrical services to less-populated areas, which would not have had affordable and reliable electric utilities otherwise. At the start of 2018, CFEC had more than 35,707 active services in six counties in North Central Florida. CFEC currently serves Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, and portions of Alachua, Lafayette and Marion counties. CFEC is also an active participant in various community events. Each year, CFEC raises funds for organizations such as the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The co-op supports programs that directly benefit the people of the communities it serves.

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