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Montgomery County, TN – Arcadia Senior Living has become the latest local business to join the Clarksville-Montgomery County Green Certification Program. A green ribbon cutting was held on August 26th to celebrate its achievement. The ribbon cutting was attended by City of Clarksville Mayor Joe Pitts, Program Manager Carlye Sommers and Program Board Members Daryl Pater, Gene Fish, Doug Jones and Melinda Shepard.

Arcadia is the first senior living facility to join the Green Certification Program. Jackie Stone, Executive Director and her staff have worked to create a sustainable building that promotes sustainability not only with staff but also with residents. Common areas of the facility are 95% LED lit and the majority include occupancy sensors. Residents are encouraged to use LEDs in living areas as well. Faucets and toilets throughout the property are low flow and Arcadia considers sustainability in its product purchases by selecting dye free paper towels and using green cleaning products. Their efforts continue outside the building with maintenance staff adjusting mow times to reduce emissions during prime ozone producing hours.

Ms. Stone told the ribbon cutting attendees that “Arcadia strives to be a leader in environmental stewardship and promoting that to our staff and residents. We’re looking forward to expanding our efforts and already have additional initiatives we plan to undertake.”

In addition to becoming Green Certified, Arcadia also reached the silver level of the Green Certification Program. The Program offers four levels: bronze, silver, gold and platinum. Organizations obtain points based on the sustainable practices they have in place. The final point total indicates the level they have level achieved. Organizations complete the point system at the end of the certification process and, if they choose, every two years during recertification. Arcadia is the first organization to achieve silver level during the initial certification process. “This really shows the great commitment that Arcadia has for the community and its residents. I’m excited to have them joining the Program.” Ms. Sommers stated.

Arcadia Senior Living is a facility designed for seniors who want to live maintenance free in an apartment home with access to various amenities. The facility offers residents restaurant style meals, recreation opportunities and educational activities while providing supportive services. For more information about Arcadia, visit them online at www.arcadiaclarksville.com or in person at 175 Chesapeake Lane.

The Clarksville-Montgomery County Green Certification Program promotes environmental stewardship within Montgomery County. The free Program is open to any organization with a physical location within the County and focuses on expanding recycling and improving resource efficiency. If your organization is interested in learning more about the Program, contact Carlye Sommers at cmsommers@mcgtn.net or call 931-245-1867. You can also find information about the Program at <http://mcgtn.org/green>.

Pictured left to right: Daryl Pater, Mayor Joe Pitts, Valerie Stone, Melodie Adair, Jackie Stone, Trish Mefford, Gene Fish, Wayne Darke, Charity Fetzer, Doug Jones and Melinda Shepard

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