



A moment to focus on the good our team is doing every day



FALL 2020 CASA ADVOCATES GRADUATING CLASS ANNOUNCED

Four new advocates have graduated from the Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program in Putnam County and an additional six advocates from Overton County. CASA trains community volunteers to be advocates that are the voice of abused and neglected children.

Out in the Field



WEATHERIZATION TAKING PRECAUTIONS TO ENSURE CLIENTS SERVED

Our weatherization program is following all recommended protocols to protect clients from COVID-19 (such as wearing face coverings and gloves) while ensuring clients receive the energy-saving benefits of home weatherization.

Contact your local UCHRA office to learn more about our Weatherization Assistance Program. (Pictured: LaNelle Godsey, Community Services Director, and Tommy Simcox, Weatherization Program Manager.)

CLIENT SUCCESS STORY: AMANDA GIPSON AND FAMILY

Amanda Gipson is a client of UCHRA's Substance Abuse Solutions (SAS) program. The following information was provided by the client, with permission, and has been edited for clarity.

"I lost my job in July and everything went downhill," Gipson said. "In August, our power got shut off due to being behind in rent and utilities. We stayed for a while longer in the house until the Department of Children Service (DCS) told me that my youngest child could not be in the house."

With the help of UCHRA services — SAS and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) — along with the Cookeville Human Fund and friends Gipson and her family were able to stay in a motel until getting on their feet.

Assistance for Amanda and her family was made possible by the collaborative effort of Cookeville Police Department, Cookeville Human Fund, and UCHRA's Job Access, LIHEAP, and SAS programs.



“ THANKS TO GOD'S GRACE, UCHRA, AND FRIENDS WE NOT ONLY HAVE A HOME OF OUR OWN, BUT WE START NEW JOBS AS WELL. LIFE COULDN'T BE BETTER. ”

-AMANDA GIPSON, UCHRA CLIENT