



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



## SERVING UP SWEET TREATS FOR COOL COWORKERS

What better way to celebrate our awesome teammates than with ice cream?! Thank you, UCDD and UCHRA teams, for all of your hard work!

### *Out in the Field*



Thanks to a partnership between the Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency (UCHRA) and McMinnville Public Works, Bus Stop Shelters are being installed at five (5) different Go Upper Cumberland bus stops throughout the city!

The first shelter has been installed at the corner of Oriole Dr. and Cascade Ave. in McMinnville. Stay tuned for more updates and be sure to visit [ucpublictransit.com](http://ucpublictransit.com) to read more about UC Public Transit services.



## UCDD, UCHRA EMPLOYEES VOLUNTEER FOR COMMODITIES



UCHRA commodities events can serve hundreds of families in just a few short hours. During these events, pre-packed bags and cases of canned goods are distributed to clients as they wait in their cars. When UCDD and UCHRA team members were asked to volunteer their time Thursday, they came in full force; braving the heat and the fast pace of the event to ensure clients received their commodities quickly and efficiently.

Of course, the success of the event is the result of having the guidance of Jeff Walling and Phillip Swann (UCHRA commodities veterans) and LaNelle Godsey, UCHRA Community Services Director. Great work, everyone!

### BEST WISHES. AMBER!



*Cannon County Coordinator Amber Milligan wraps up her last commodities distribution prior to taking maternity leave. Best wishes, Amber!*



## UCHRA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REDUCES NUMBER OF CITY MAYORS ON GOVERNING BOARD

*As originally reported by Newstalk 94.1 on June 16, 2021*

Fourteen county mayors and six city mayors will make up the UCHRA governing board. The change enacted at a Wednesday meeting following new state legislation this session based on participation issues. Jackson County Mayor and Executive Committee Chair Randy Heady said the change was needed.

“This was not taken lightly,” Heady said. “There was a lot of discussion that went on, and there is no perfect way is the right word to say. The whole purpose to having to do this is quorums are hard to establish when you have as many on the board as we have now by our bylaws.”

UCHRA’s Steering Committee A recommended the Executive Board to approve three city mayors on the board. That changed after Carthage Mayor Sarah Marie Smith said she wanted more of a balance between counties and cities.

“The county has unique challenges and municipalities have unique challenges,” Smith said. “And, I don’t know if either of us can speak to those for the other.”

Overton County Executive Ben Danner was one of three mayors on the Steering Committee that voted against the recommendation. Danner said he also wanted more representation and made the motion to amend the suggestion.

According to the passed motion, the Upper Cumberland would be divided into three regions with two city mayors from each. A stipulation was added by Danner to only allow one city leader from each county.

Executive Director Mark Farley said before, all 31 city mayors in the region were included.

“Out of the 31 city mayors our estimate is we think there is only six maybe seven that are full-time,” Farley said. “All the others have full-time jobs, and it is hard for them to get off work and come.”

Changes of the policy and advisory council passed as the Steering Committee recommended.

## LINDSEY OLSEN SWORN IN AS NEW UCHRA CASA DIRECTOR

Olsen has held several positions over the last 10 years in non-profit organizations and has extensive experience in community awareness and fundraising. Welcome to the team, Lindsey!



## UCHRA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, VAN BUREN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER NUTRITION RECEIVE ZERO-FINDING AUDIT RESULTS

