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



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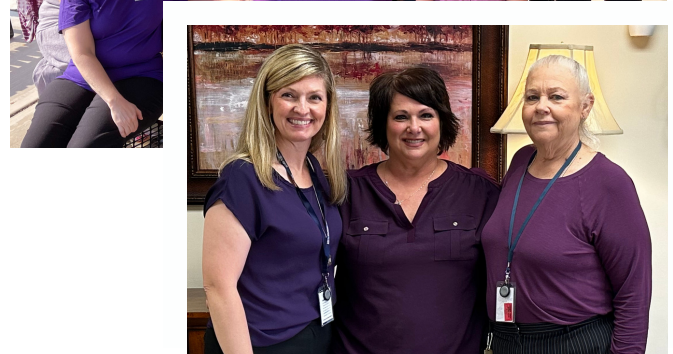
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TAKING A STAND AGAINST ELDER ABUSE

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) was launched on June 15, 2006, by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations.

The purpose of WEAAD is to provide an opportunity for communities around the world to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older persons by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic, and demographic processes affecting elder abuse and neglect.

WEAAD reminds us that, as in a just society, we all have a critical role to play to focus attention on elder justice.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Lloyd Williams and John Brock for their completion of the Certified Community Transit Managers (CCTM) course through the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA). *Great job, Lloyd and John!*

CCTM status marks the greatest performance and highest efficiency in the community transportation industry. The program is built around a rigorous professional exam, which requires a two-day study class.

UCHRA'S BOWMAN EARNS CPRS CERTIFICATION



UCHRA Community Services employee Heather Bowman recently completed the 40-hour Certified Peer Recovery Specialist (CPRS) training.

Heather is now a CPRS after achieving a score of 98 on the exam. Tennessee's Certified Peer Recovery Specialist program provides State certification for individuals who provide direct peer-to-peer support services to others who have a mental illness, substance abuse, or co-occurring disorders. *Congratulations, Heather!*

Visit www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/cprs.html for more information about the CPRS program.

ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES OF AGING



UCHRA and the In-Home Services team was well represented at the CARES Conference on Aging in May. This conference brings together nationally recognized experts and trainers from around the country focused on addressing challenges among aging and vulnerable adults in the 21st century and is the result of a partnership between the Tennessee Department of Human Services, Adult Protective Services and Tennessee State University, College of Public Service Center on Aging Research and Education Services (CARES).

CALL for VOLUNTEERS

Looking for ways to get more involved with UCDD, UCHRA, or your local community? Check out these available volunteer opportunities:

- The Upper Cumberland State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) are conducting a series of volunteer trainings. Visit www.ucdd.org to learn more.
- UCHRA's commodities program needs volunteers to assist with bagging and distributing commodities. Contact Judy Sanchez or Adam Knepp at UCHRA for more information.
- Empower Upper Cumberland is currently seeking volunteers. Visit www.empoweruppercumberland.org to learn more and apply.
- The Court Appointed Special Advocates program at UCHRA is seeking volunteers. Visit uchra.org/casa/ to learn more.

TRANSIT TRAINING IN JACKSON CO.



UCHRA Public Transportation Training Specialist Penny Hix recently visited the Jackson County office, conducting annual training with the local transit operators.

UCHRA Public Transportation strives to maintain a professional, customer-friendly, low-cost transit system that provides transportation to rural residents of all ages. We pride ourselves on helping individuals by providing a safe, quality, and dependable service.

For more information, visit ucpublictransit.com.

WHO WE ARE

OUR MISSION

To help the Upper Cumberland region cultivate self-sufficiency and build true wealth through innovation, collaboration, and leadership.

OUR VISION

A region abundant in resources, fostering a productive and vibrant life for the people of the Upper Cumberland.

get plugged in.

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THANK YOU: FENTRESS COUNTY COORDINATOR RECEIVES LETTERS OF APPRECIATION



DID YOU KNOW?

Introducing a new segment to help staff make the most of available tools, resources, and information!

Did you know, UCDD and UCHRA have an internal team dedicated to creating quality, in-house branded materials? From brochures to posters to social media posts, and more, the Marketing and Communications team is happy to assist with your needs!

Simply submit a ticket (at ucsupport.happyfox.com) to the attention of Marketing and Communications, include pertinent information you'd like to include, and the team will take it from there!

Please direct any questions to Amye Anderson, Communications Coordinator, at aanderson@ucdd.org.

