

# Positively UC

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



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## OVERTON COUNTY SCHOOLS HAVE SUCCESSFUL FOOD DRIVE



The food pantry at the Overton County UCHRA office was very low until the Overton County School System partnered with the local UCHRA office to help feed our community through a food drive.

Each of the five schools held a friendly competition to collect items and the winner in each school received a pizza party from UCHRA and Renea Stover, UCHRA Overton County Coordinator, on May 19. With help from focus group member Deanna Savage from the Overton County School System, we delivered the pizzas to each school with a huge thank you and big smiles.



The kids and teachers collected around **2,500 items!** *Thank you to all who made this food drive a success!*

## CLAY COUNTY UCHRA PARTNERS WITH METHODIST CHURCH



Our Clay County office regularly partners with the Celina Methodist Church to address the needs of Clay County residents when emergencies, such as food shortages, electric bill disconnects, and clothing and basic necessities needs occur.

When the Clay County office exhausts all options, the staff contacts the Benevolence Committee at the church for additional assistance. The church partners with Second Harvest Food to provide community outreach and also has a Blessing Box filled with food daily to help meet immediate food needs.

*We are so thankful for this wonderful partnership!*

## UCHRA'S NIELSEN EARNS CPRS CERTIFICATION



Congratulations are in order for Whitney Nielsen, UCHRA Public Transportation employee, who recently completed the 40-hour Certified Peer Recovery Specialist (CPRS) training through the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services!

Certified Peer Recovery Specialists can provide support to others with mental illness, substance abuse, or co-occurring disorder and help them achieve their personal recovery goals by promoting self-determination, personal responsibility, and the empowerment inherent in self-directed recovery.

*Way to go, Whitney!*

# GET READY FOR AN ALL-NEW EPISODE OF WISH YOU WERE HERE



On the next episode of *Wish You Were Here*, follow along as our correspondents visit the Isha Institute in McMinnville, the Farmer's Storehouse in Sparta, Grinder House Coffee Shop in Crossville, the Tuscany Inn in Hickman, and, the cascading waterfalls and unique ambiance of Waterloo Venue & Events in Cookeville

This episode will air on Thursday, June 29 at 7 p.m. on WCTE PBS channel 22 or on YouTube.



IT'S  
ALMOST  
OUR  
BIRTH  
DAY!



## ADAM AND ERIC TO THE RESCUE

Thank you, Adam Knepp, UCHRA Commodities Manager, for answering the SOS to help the In-Home Services team transport client supplies back to the office.

We would also like to extend a very special thank you to Walmart employee Eric who regularly helps the In-Home Services team with their big purchases. If you see Eric at Walmart, be sure to thank him! He has been a big help in loading up our many, many cases of items.

## 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.*



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