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



WELCOME ABOARD, CPRS TEAM MEMBERS

UC RECOVERY RAMPS UP RECOVERY SUPPORT ASSISTANCE ACROSS THE UPPER CUMBERLAND



We're thrilled to announce that our new Certified Peer Recovery Specialist (CPRS) Team is gearing up to serve communities across the region!

These dedicated professionals will work directly with individuals on their recovery journey while also partnering with community leaders to strengthen local recovery efforts.

Over the course of six weeks, these new team members will be participating in an intensive boot camp to ensure they are ready to begin the important work of

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LOVE AT FIRST LOGIN: TEAM ASSISTS DRIVERS WITH AGENCY EMAIL ACCESS

Following UCHRA Public Transportation's first Driver Roundtable, we're excited to announce the launch of *Love at First Login*!

This initiative aims to enhance communication across our transit team. This week, we set up at a couple of county offices to provide hands-on support, helping drivers access their agency email accounts and stay connected.

A special thanks to Mason Garrison, our IT guru, for helping drive this goal forward! We'll be visiting more counties soon to assist more drivers.



EMPOWER PARTICIPANTS TAKE FIELD TRIP TO APHENA

Recently, Empower participants had an incredible opportunity to visit Aphena in Cookeville and dive into the world of manufacturing!

It was an amazing experience where participants got a behind-the-scenes look at how products are made and the importance of innovation and teamwork in the manufacturing process.

A huge thank you to Aphena for hosting this educational tour and giving our group such valuable insights into the industry!

Visit <u>www.empoweruppercumberland.org</u> to learn more about Empower UC.



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helping communities' recovery efforts. Part of the BootCamp includes CPRS staff visiting and familiarizing themselves with the Upper Cumberland and the specific county they will serve.

Stay tuned as our CPRS Team begins making a difference in a community near you!

For more information, visit www.uchra.org/uc-recovery to learn more about UC Recovery and follow on Facebook for additional updates!





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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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UCHRA COUNTY COORDINATORS INTRODUCED TO NEW TIME TRACKING SOFTWARE — CONNECTEAM





The new ConnecTeam time-tracking application has started its rollout at UCHRA. Earlier this week, IT Director Lewis Betterton presented an overview of the app's features to the County Coordinators. Transitioning to ConnecTeam will enable staff to move away from traditional paper timesheets.

Currently, this app is already being utilized by UCDD employees and is being implemented department by department at UCHRA.

During the County Coordinator meeting, the newly unvattendees also had the opportunity to meet Public Transp Jessie Phillips, Empower UC Resource rain ponchos.

Coordinator, who will be working closely with county offices to gather updated resource information.

The county offices will assist in compiling updated local resource lists, which will then be utilized to further enhance the UCAssist.org website.

Executive Director Mark Farley was a great sport during the meeting, helping to showcase the newly unveiled UCHRA Public Transportation-branded rain ponchos.

SECOND-ANNUAL UCDD CHILI CONTEST COMING SOON

Attention all chili enthusiasts, culinary wizards, and flavor fanatics! We're thrilled to announce the second-annual UCDD Chili Cookoff, where the competition is hot, and the flavors are even hotter.

In addition to the coveted bragging rights of being the top chili chef, there are awards nd prizes up for grabs for the winning dishes.

The contest will take place beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 27 in the UCDD kitchen.

For questions or more information, please contact Marcie Ackerman by phone: (931) 476-4175 or by email: mackerman@ucdd.org.

