

Building Kentucky

Since the first State of Emergency was declared by Governor Beshear on February 14, the Kentucky REALTORS Relief Foundation (KRRF) has distributed more than \$343,000 in funds to nearly 500 Kentucky families impacted by severe weather in 2025.

In response to deadly storms, flooding, and tor-

nadoes that have impacted communities across the Commonwealth, KRRF offered housing assistance to help cover mortgage or rental payments, as well as lodging assistance for those who were displaced due to the natural disaster.

"We have endured a number of natural disasters this year that have touched Kentuckians in every corner of the state,"

said Barb Curtis, President of Kentucky REALTORS. "We wanted to ensure communities across the Commonwealth had access to the assistance and the resources they needed to rebuild because everyone deserves a safe place to call home. Kentucky REALTORS are committed to helping our neigh-

A separate grant was

bors however we can."

established for each State of Emergency declared on February 14, April 2, and May 16. Totals include:

February \$195,508 distributed to 290 families

- April 2: \$108,209 distributed to 146 families

 May 16: \$39,437 distributed to 53 families

Total: \$343,154 distributed to 489 families.

Funding was available

to eligible residents who applied online, and relief assistance was limited to one month of housing expenses up to a maximum of \$1,000 per household.

"Whether it was providing housing assistance or delivering much-needed supplies, the Kentucky **REALTORS®** Foundation was proud to help when our state needed it most," said Ann Elizabeth Delahanty, President of the Kentucky REAL-TORS Relief Foundation. "These natural disasters hit close to home for many of us, and I'm glad Kentucky REALTORS® was able to help make a difference for families across the state."

REALTORS across the state are dedicated to the communities they serve. Since the devastating western Kentucky tornado outbreak in December 2021, KRRF and the national REALTORS Relief Foundation have allocated nearly \$2 million in relief funds and housing assistance to victims of natural disasters in Kentucky.

Kentucky REALTORS have responded to many of the state's severe weather incidents since the 2021 tornadoes, including the deadly flooding in eastern Kentucky in 2022, flooding in western Kentucky in the summer of 2023 and tornadoes in western Kentucky last year.

**Fulltime experienced** carpenters needed for construction company. **CDL** & equipment operating is a plus. Send resume to PO Box 2446 London KY 40743

# Laurel County Literacy Council recognized for adult education success

Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet

Kentucky First Lady Britainy Beshear recognized recent enrollment gains in adult education programs and celebrated top-performing service providers during a National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week celebration in Frankfort on Sept. 18.

Enrollment in Kentucky's adult education and family literacy programs — including GED instruction, workforce

preparation, workplace training, integrated education and training, English language acquisition and postsecondary education preparation - increased by 19% during the 2025 state fiscal year. Adult education in Kentucky also achieved significant improvement in its statewide measurable skills rate from 55.89% in program year 2023 to 63.75% in program year 2024.

"Education opens doors for Kentuckians of all ages, and thanks to the hard work of Team Kentucky and the dedicated providers we're celebrating today, more of our people are on the pathway to a brighter future," said Mrs. Beshear. "Congratulations to everyone who is being recognized today - and to all those who have taken positive steps in their own education journey."

"The numbers reflect notable improvements in instruction, learner engagement and program effectiveness across all adult education providers," said

John Gregory, executive director of the Kentucky Office of Adult Education. "We remain dedicated in providing services that empower Kentuckians to achieve their educational

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Laurel County.

BLUE DIAMOND LEASING LLC 8630316 RN 3 10/23/2025

**NOTICE** 

Notice is hereby given that Laurel County Water District #2 expects to file an application with the Public Service Commission on or about November 1, 2025, seeking approval of a proposed adjustment to its rates for water service. The proposed rates shall not become effective until the Public Service Commission has issued an order approving these rates or six (6) months from the date of the filing of the application, whichever occurs first.

### **CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES**

		Laurel C	ounty W	ater District	#2		
5/8 Inch M	eter		Cı	ırrent	Proposed	Differe	
First	1,000	Gallons	\$15.00	per month	\$17.36 per month	\$2.36	1
Next	99,000	Gallons	0.00586	per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
1 Inch Mete	<u>er</u>		<u>Cu</u>	ırrent	Proposed	Differe	nce
First		Gallons		per month	\$44.49 per month	\$6.05	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
1-1/2 Inch I				ırrent	Proposed	Differe	
First	-,	Gallons	\$67.74	per month	\$78.41 per month	\$10.67	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
2 Inch Mete				ırrent	Proposed	Differe	
First		Gallons		per month	\$146.24 per month	\$19.90	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
3 Inch Mete	<u>er</u>			ırrent	Proposed	Differe	nce
First	30,000	Gallons		per month	\$214.07 per month	\$29.13	1
Next	-,	Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
4 Inch Mete	<u>er</u>		Cu	ırrent	Proposed	Differe	nc
First	,	Gallons		per month	\$349.73 per month	\$47.59	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
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First		Gallons		per month	\$60.03 per month	\$8.17	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
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First	-,	Gallons		per month	\$44.47 per month	\$6.05	1
Next		Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
		MT. HII Apartments)		ırrent	Proposed	Differe	
First	,	Gallons		per month	\$316.08 per month	\$43.01	1
Next	-,	Gallons		per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon	\$0.00092	1
Over	1,000,000	Gallons	0.00523	per gallon	\$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00082	1
	mma's Place		_	ırrent	Proposed	Differe	
Final	49 000	Gallons	\$604.88	per month	\$700.15 per month	\$95.27	1
First	-,						
Next Over	-,	Gallons	0.00586	per gallon per gallon	\$0.00678 per gallon \$0.00605 per gallon	\$0.00092 \$0.00082	1

\$1,118.44 per month 0.00523 per gallon \$0.00082 15.75% 200,000 Gallons \$0.00605 per gallon If the Public Service Commission approves the proposed water rates, then the effect on the

Current

Current

\$322.23 per month

0.00586 per gallon 0.00523 per gallon Proposed

\$372.98 per month

\$0.00678 per gallon

\$0.00605 per gallon

Proposed

\$50.75 15.75%

\$0.00092 15.75%

\$0.00082 15.75%

Difference

\$176.15 15.75%

Chestnut Green(Pine Grove #2 Apart.)

Corban Manor Apartments

26,000 Gallons

74.000 Gallons

1,000,000 Gallons

200.000 Gallons

Customer Class	Average Gallons		xisting Pr		Proposed		\$	Percentage	
	per Month	_	Bill	W	ater Bill		Change	Increase	
5/8 X 3/4-Inch Meter	4,000	\$	32.58	\$	37.71	\$	5.13	15.75%	
I-Inch Meter	24,000	\$	149.78	\$	173.37	\$	23.59	15.75%	
I 1/2-Inch Meter	20,000	\$	126.34	\$	146.24	\$	19.90	15.75%	
2-Inch Meter	60,000	\$	360.74	\$	417.56	\$	56.82	15.759	
3-Inch Meter	145,000		830.49		961.29	\$	130.80	15.759	
-Inch Meter	1,680,000		8,858.54	1	0,253.72	\$	1,395.18	15.759	
Campground Heights (Buildings 1-8)	6,000	\$	63.58	\$	73.59	\$	10.01	15.759	
Campground Heights (Buildings 9)	2,000	\$	38.42	\$	44.47	\$	6.05	15.759	
Manenterprises, LLC, (MT. Hll Apartments)	62,000	\$	507.47	\$	587.40	\$	79.93	15.759	
TR, LLC (Emma's Place Apart.)	256,000		1,719.62		1,990.46	\$	270.84	15.759	
Chestnut Green Lmtd Partnership (Pine Grove #2 Apart.)	106,000		787.25		911.25	\$	124.00	15.75	
Corban Manor Apartments	545,000		2,969.86		3,437.60	\$	467.74	15.75	

The Application may be examined at the utility's office located at 3910 South Laurel Road, London, Ky 40743; telephone (606) 878-2494.

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by the utility. However, the PSC may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice.

A person may examine this application at the Public Service Commission offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or through the PSC website at http://psc.ky.gov. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the PSC through its website or by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602. You may contact the Public Service Commission at (502) 564-3940.

A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Public Service Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, the Public Service Commission may take final action on the application.



#### **PLEASE READ!** PARENTS / GUARDIANS & TEACHERS:

We have set a few simple guidelines that will make your child's letter easier to read.

THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Make (CLEAN duplicate copies)
- Must be the exact same size and written on original letter included in this ad
- Must be written in **BLACK INK** (for print quality reasons)
- NO FAXES Please!

YOUR COOPERATION WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED

## All I want for Christmas

Dear Santa.

**ATTENTION, KIDS:** Wanna see your name in print? The Sentinel-Echo will be printing Letters to Santa in a special edition of the newspaper. Write your letter in the space provided and letters needs to be received by Dec. 3rd, 2025.

Mail letters to:

#### Santa Letters

P.O. Box 830 • London, Kentucky 40743

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Letters will be published December 24th, 2025

LETTERS MUST BE RECEIVED **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 3rd, 2025**