

Buffalo Trace CASA Program Welcomes New Staff Member



Pictured left to right are Melanie Strode, Amy Pickett and Mary Beth Rudd.

Amy Pickett has been hired as a new Advocate Supervisor for Buffalo Trace CASA. Executive Director Mary Beth Rudd and Advocate Supervisor Melanie Strode introduced her to CASA volunteers at a training meeting on Monday, February 23, 2026.

Ms. Pickett comes from Indiana, where she

worked for a CASA program for three years. She brings experience and court knowledge to her new position.

Court Appointed Special Advocates are volunteers assigned to children in the court system who have experienced abuse or neglect. The Buffalo Trace CASA Program, which covers Bracken, Fleming, Ma-

son, Nicholas and Robertson Counties, believes that every child needs at least one caring, consistent adult to look out for their safety and nurture their self-worth.

For more information on becoming a CASA volunteer or supporting the Buffalo Trace CASA Program, visit tbt-casa.com or call 606-563-7431.

2026-2027 KY Fishing and Hunting Licenses Available

The 2026-2027 Kentucky license year for fishing, hunting, boating and more began Sunday, March 1, 2026. Outdoor enthusiasts are able to purchase all the licenses, tags and permits they need to enjoy Kentucky's outdoors through the end of February 2027.



Licenses and permits are sold online through the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resource's License Sales portal and the My Profile app, both searchable on the department's website at fw.ky.gov. Licenses and permits also are sold at agent locations across the state. A list of license agent locations by county is available on the department's website.

The 2026-2027 license and permit fees will remain the same as the license year that ended Saturday, February 28, 2026. License and permit fees for the 2025-2026 license year were increased slightly across the board in January 2026. The Federal Duck Stamp and application fees were exempt from CPI adjustments.

In Kentucky, a license covers basic hunting or fishing for many species, whereas additional state permits are required when pursuing specific species, such as fishing for trout or hunting for migratory birds, deer, wild turkey or black bear. Sportsmen's-type licenses include multiple species permits

as well as basic hunting and fishing privileges.

For newcomers to all the great outdoor opportunities that Kentucky has to offer, a reduced-cost sportsman's license is now available for resident first-time buyers. Only individuals who have not purchased an annual Kentucky hunting or fishing license – or a combination license that includes an annual license - since 1996 are eligible. The \$37 license includes a resident hunting and fishing license, spring turkey permit, fall turkey permit, trout permit, state migratory bird and waterfowl permit and statewide deer permit.

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife provides a number of resources to assist avid outdoor enthusiasts and newcomers alike with information on waterbodies, public lands, fishing and hunting education and all the regulations to help anglers and hunters make the most of their time outdoors via its website and the hunting and fishing guides it produces annually. This includes the new *Fishing and*

Boating Guide available online and in print.

Another great resource is the Fish Boat KY app. Available free from the Apple App Store and Google Play, the app helps anglers find waterbodies, boat ramps and other water access from the palm of their hand. Users can also search by species of fish, store copies of their licenses, and much more using the smartphone app.

The department receives its primary funding through revenue raised by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and permits, as well as federal excise taxes generated by the sale of recreational firearms and ammunition, archery gear and fishing equipment.

For questions, the public may refer to the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Licenses webpage or type "Licenses" into the search bar on the agency website (fw.ky.gov), or contact the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information Center at 800-858-1549 or at info.center@ky.gov, weekdays 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Eastern), except holidays.

Kentucky Crafted Market Returns to Lexington

The Kentucky Crafted Market will return to Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, March 6-8. This year, more than 120 of the commonwealth's finest artists and craftspersons will participate in Kentucky's premier showcase of arts and crafts. The Market opens to wholesale buyers on Friday, March 6, and to the general public on

Saturday, March 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sunday, March 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event features live music, artist demonstrations, hands-on activities, and a wide range of fine art and craft, including clay, fiber, glass, wood, metal, jewelry and more.

In addition to returning favorites, the 2026

Market will welcome 16 artists for the first time, highlighting the continued growth and vitality of Kentucky's creative economy. The full event program with a list of all exhibitors and more information on the Kentucky Crafted Market, visit the Kentucky Arts Council's website, artscouncil.ky.gov.



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Contractors there is hundreds & hundreds of items that we haven't got to see, so please attend both days. We will be getting more pictures when we get it set up in the Gym.

These following items will be sold on Saturday only along with thousands of other items: ½ inch Impact wrench 24 volt, polish sanders, portable air tank, portable Wurlitzer mini juke box, drainage tile, ropes, scrub brushes, air drills, 25 gallon spot sprayer, high end black pug pipe, Brownings hunting backpacks, plumbing supplies, and galvanized steel pieces

Check us out on Facebook or AUCTIONZIP.COM for pictures

MARCH 15TH 2026

Open House

TIME: 1PM - 5PM

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