

RCMS Grizzlies of the Week



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McConnell Announces Over \$1.5 Million to Address Substance in Kentucky

Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY) announced recently the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will allocate \$1,501,532 to Kentucky for the Recovery Housing Program. This program was created by Senator McConnell’s Comprehensive Addiction Recovery through Effective Employment and Reentry (CAREER) Act, under the bill he cosponsored.

In 2018, Senator McConnell and Congressman Barr introduced the CAREER Act into the Senate and House of Representatives, respectively, and the legislation was signed into law as part of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act. In February, they introduced the CAREER Act of 2025 to enhance the workforce reentry and recovery housing programs created in the 2018 law. Since becoming law, the CAREER Act has directed nearly \$12.5 million to the Commonwealth, helping hundreds of Kentuckians recovering from substance use disorder.

The CAREER Act addresses the devastating impact of substance abuse on America’s workforce, connecting individuals recovering from substance use with career services and temporary, stable housing opportunities. The Recovery Housing Program, established within this legislation, is a transitional housing pilot program to help states increase access to safe transitional housing for individuals in addiction recovery while they rehabilitate and reenter the workforce.

“Our nation’s substance abuse epidemic has claimed countless lives in communities across the Commonwealth. The CAREER Act is a crucial tool in our fight to end this crisis,

targeting resources into lifesaving organizations that support Kentuckians’ recovery and their reentry into the workforce. I’ve been proud to champion CAREER Act funding over the years, and support these

organizations’ heroic efforts as they help Kentuckians break free from addiction,” said Senator McConnell.

Under the bill, HUD would be directed to allocate that funding to the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department

of Local Government, which will then select specific funding recipients. In past years, these federal funds have gone toward building out capacity and access to effective recovery housing across the Commonwealth.

NOTICE OF MASTER COMMISSIONER SALE

In order to comply with the orders of the Russell Circuit Court, the Master Commissioner of the Russell Circuit Court shall proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder at public auction the below properties on **Friday, May 23, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., CT, Russell District Courtroom, Russell County Judicial Center, Jamestown, Kentucky.**

Said properties shall be sold to raise the amounts hereinafter set forth, together with interest and the costs of the action, and upon (unless otherwise indicated) the following terms and conditions:

- A) For the purchase price, the Purchaser(s) must pay in full by cash or good check on the date of sale or the Purchaser(s) may pay ten (10%) down on the day of sale and shall execute a good and sufficient purchase money bond, with approved surety thereon, equal to the balance of the purchase price payable to the Master Commissioner within thirty (30) days. Any such purchase money bond shall have the force and effect of a Judgment and shall be a lien upon the property sold as additional security for the payment of the balance of the purchase price. The Master Commissioner’s bond shall bear interest at the rate the judgment bears from the date of sale until paid in full. **In the event the successful bidder is not paying the full amount of the purchase price on the date of sale, purchaser will be required to post bond and furnish an acceptable surety thereon.** In the event the successful bidder is the Plaintiff, then in lieu of the deposit the Plaintiff shall be allowed to bid on credit up to the Judgment amount.
- B) Purchaser shall be required to pay property taxes for current tax year and all taxes thereafter, for which the Purchaser(s) shall receive no credit against the purchase price.
- C) The property shall otherwise be sold free and clear of any right, title, and interest of all parties to the action and of their liens and encumbrances thereon, excepting easements and restrictions of record in the Russell County Court Clerk’s Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America or the Defendant(s).

The Master Commissioner Sale/Deed is not a warranty of good title. Possession shall be given to the Purchaser(s) with the delivery of the Master Commissioner’s Deed thereto. Purchaser(s) will assume and be responsible for all risks of loss to the premises upon acceptance of their bid by the Master Commissioner at the Master Commissioner’s Sale.

Bidder should examine the records of the Russell Circuit Clerk and the Russell County Clerk prior to the sale for further information. Any statements made the day of the sale shall take precedence over advertised material. Bidder shall be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

(Sale bonds will bear interest at the rate of Judgment entered in each separate action)

SALE NO. 1

Property Address: 201 Primrose Street, Russell Springs, Kentucky 42642 (includes 2020 CMH manufactured home, Serial No. CAP033507TNAB) Map No. 043-20-04-004.00

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC. vs. LACY MICHELLE DUDGEON a/k/a LACY M. DUDGEON a/k/a LACY DUDGEON; JAMES L. DUDGEON a/k/a JAMES DUDGEON; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF RUSSELL, BY AND ON BEHALF OF SECRETARY OF REVENUE Civil Action No. 24-CI-00125 Amount to be raised: \$109,592.15

SALE NO. 2

Property Address: Lot 247 (.61 acre) Stillwater Subdivision, Phase II Map No. 076-20-01-247.00

CENTURION HOLDINGS, LLC vs. MARIA ESCALERA, GEORGE ESCALERA, RUBEN RODRIGUEZ, STILLWATER PROPERTY OWNERS’ ASSOCIATION, INC., TRUIST BANK, INC. and COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF RUSSELL Civil Action No. 25-CI-00126 Principal amount to be raised: \$3,583.51

SALE NO. 3

Property Address: 819 Main Street, Jamestown, KY 42629 Map No. 047-10-04-016.00

KY LIEN HOLDINGS, LLC vs. MAIN STREET TAX FUND, LLC, CITY OF JAMESTOWN, KENTUCKY, RUSSELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY, CENTRAL KENTUCKY TAX ACQUISITION, LLC, UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS OF 819 MAIN ST., COMMONWEALTH OF KY, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION CABINET, FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, KENTUCKY PROPERTY TAX SERVICE, WACHOVIA N/K/A SASS MUNI V LLC and MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP Civil Action No. 23-CI-00262 Principal amount to be raised: \$7,733.87

M GAIL WILSON, MASTER COMMISSIONER, RUSSELL CIRCUIT COURT

Community Calendar

Gospel Singing

Southern Gospel Artist Mark Bishop will be in concert Sunday, June 1, 6:30p.m. at the Columbia Church of God, 708 Mitchell Street, Columbia, KY. For more information, call 270-384-4590.

Hadley Cemetery Memorial Service

Hadley Cemetery, located on Hwy. 55 in Jamestown, will be holding a memorial service May 25, 2025 at 1:30pm. Bro. Kenny Kimbler will be speaking and local youth will be singing. Donations are needed for the upkeep of the cemetery. In case of bad weather, services will be rescheduled for June 29th at 1:30pm. For question call 270-507-8935.

Memorial Service at Dixon Cemetery

Dixon Cemetery will be holding a memorial service on Sunday, May 25th at 2:00PM. Bro. Eric Antle will be holding the service. Donations are greatly needed for the upkeep of the cemetery.

Free Aquatic Exercise Classes

Free aquatic exercise classes will be held at Russell Springs City Park pool every Mon/Wed/Fri starting June 2 until Aug 29 from 9:00-10:00am. Sponsored by Russell Co Hospital Physical Therapy.

Jack Lawless Cemetery

Jack Lawless Cemetery is located on Lawless Cemetery Road in Jamestown, KY. For upkeep of cemetery grounds, donations can be made to Tammy Johnson 1547 Hwy. 379, Russell Springs, KY 42642 (270-566-2686) or Donnie Knight 1375 Warriner Ridge Rd., Jamestown, KY 42629 (270-507-9402).

Senior Community Service Employment Program

Accepting applications for part-time positions in Adair, Clinton, Cumberland, Laurel, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Wayne, and Whitley. Must be 55+ years of age, meet limited income guidelines, be unemployed and looking for employment. Call Connie Foster at 606-210-1129 or Jolene Aleman at 270-566-5316 or visit www.goodwill.org/SCSEP Let us help you re-enter the workforce!

D.A.V. Meeting

The D.A.V. meets the 4th Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M. CST at 155 Owentown School Road Russell Springs, KY

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly is a weight loss support program whose goal is to help men/women/youth to become healthier by losing weight in a sensible manner. The local chapter, TOPS 396 Russell Springs meets Mondays at 5pm at Liberty Baptist Church, 215 Wilson Street in Russell Springs. Online memberships and virtual chapter memberships are also available. Yearly membership dues are less than \$50, first visit is free. Questions? Text/call Bonnie, chapter leader, 270-566-1284 or visit TOPS.Club.org

God’s Food Pantry of Russell County

God’s Food Pantry of Russell County is open Monday-Wednesday-Friday from 12:00-4:00 PM. The pantry is located at 101 Brian Walters Dr. In Russell Springs. Call for information 270-866-7992.

Adult Bereavement Group

A new adult bereavement group will begin at the Russell County Public Library on Thursday, March 2 from 10:00-11:30 AM CST. The group will meet on the FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH and is free and open to the public. There is a limit of 15 attendees. To join the group, contact the RC Library at 270-343-7323 or the Hospice of Lake Cumberland office at 606-679-4389.

Alcoholics Anonymous(AA) Men

Monday nights at SPARC(Sobriety, Peace, Awareness, and Recovery) 270-585-5377 at 6:00 PM

Alcoholics Anonymous(AA) Women

Saturday mornings at 11:00 AM Senior Citizens Center, Russell Springs, KY

Alcoholics Anonymous(AA)

Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM Senior Citizens Center, Russell Springs, KY

Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday nights at 6:00 PM, First Baptist Church, Russell Springs, KY. Sunday nights at 5:15(meal) 6:00 P.M. Large Group, The Springs, 226 Jamestown St., Russell Springs. Monday nights at 6:00 P.M. Solid Rock Church 189 West Drive Russell Springs.