


Ronald McDonald House Charities® of the Bluegrass

Keeping families close



LICKING VALLEY RECC

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Electric cooperatives collecting items for Ky.’s Ronald McDonald Houses

Licking Valley RECC is collecting items for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bluegrass during July.

For many years, Kentucky’s Touchstone Energy Cooperatives have partnered with the two Houses in the commonwealth. We’re asking members to bring items from the House’s Wish List.

Top Needs

Copy Paper, Clorox Wipes, Kaboom Cleaner in a Can, Swiffer Wed Pads, Windex, Tupperware/Meal Containers, Snack Crackers, Individual Packs of Nuts, Breakfast Bars, Apple Juice Boxes

Additional Items Needed:

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Poptarts, Microwavable Soup Cups, Quart & Sandwich Ziploc Bags.

More Info

The items will be taken to the House in August. Last year, more than \$18,000 of much-needed items for Ronald McDonald Houses are located in Lexington and Louisville. Since 2017, co-ops have collected items from employees and the public.

We support the Ronald McDonald Houses, which are not-for-profit homes that enable families to be near their hospitalized children, especially during summer months when

donations tend be low.

Commitment to community is one of the cooperatives’ core values, and helping families of sick children fits the bill perfectly.

“Our cooperatives are proud to support this organization and the priceless service they provide to families during their times of greatest need,” said Travis Stacy, manager of Corporate Services.

The Wish List Drive ends July 31.

Drop off at the Licking Valley RECC business office at 271 Main Street, West Liberty, KY 41472, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Uncommon Sense

By Dr. Glenn Mollette



How Many Friends Do You Have?

How many friends do you have? Possibly more or less than you think.

Your real friends show up when everyone else has walked away.

We have many acquaintances in life but not that many close friends. How many people know you and still love you and want to be around you? So many of our relationships today are surface relationships. People only know your surface. They don’t know your hurts, fears, problems, stresses, failures and so much more.

Most likely your spouse or significant other knows you well and still loves you and is there for you. Most parents are there for their children and grandchildren but they are family. You don’t really consider them friends because the relationship is deeper and more intimate. However, it’s nice if you feel like you have family who are friends.

A friend will be there regardless of success or failure. They rejoice in your successes and hurt with you in your failures. Real friendship doesn’t

hinge on a failure. Friendship supports, helps and communicates. Most of us don’t communicate unless we feel it’s safe to do so. You don’t want to talk to someone who is going to blister you with judgement and condemnation. Although a good friend will listen and try to steer you in the right direction without emotionally debilitating you. No one wants to share their aspirations or pain with someone who is a critical, arrogant know it all.

Some of your best friends may not be the people you run around with all the time. They actually may be those people you just see occasionally but when you do see them, there is a peaceful bond of respect, love and open dialogue.

A real friend will try to come to you if you need them. A real friend will help problem-solve with the assurance that whatever you are talking about won’t go any further. A real friend can keep your secrets, if you have any. A real friend will not stab you in the back or cut your throat. An old friend of mine who has passed on had this saying about an acquaintance, “He would cut his mother’s throat to get ahead.” Keep this in mind, if someone has stabbed you in the back before they are likely to do it again. If he or she has fooled you once then shame on them. If you allow them to fool you twice then shame on you.

Life can be interesting with the people we encounter along the way. We meet a lot of good people. We meet some who are not so great. It’s critical to our well-being that we are able to know the difference and the sooner the better.

Jesus said, “Greater love has no one than this to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” John 15:13 He certainly did that.

Give thanks today for your friend, or friends. It’s always good to make a new friend and it’s certainly worthwhile to maintain an old one, if it’s a good one.

MAYOR ...

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Commissioner Donalda Harper inquired about the status of water service for Wolfe County customers in the impacted area.

“Do they have water now?” Harper asked.

“They do,” May said. “But we’ve had to stop the project. If they pulled those funds out, those people would not have water. And that’s basically one half of our county.”

MCWD Board Chairman Chris Adams and Legg suggested that a representative of the Kentucky Rural Water Association (KRWA) could assess the situation to determine if and how MCWD could further assist the City of Campton.

May said she would be open to speaking with a KRWA representative.

“Anything you guys can do to help us we would greatly appreciate,” May said. These pumps need to be rehabbed in the worst way. Since we’ve got this project fully funded, I really don’t want to lose this money.”

The meeting adjourned shortly after May concluded her remarks with no additional actions taken.

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Circuit Clerks support raffle for life saving cause

The Circuit Clerks of Kentucky are once again making a lifesaving difference across the Commonwealth. Through a longtime partnership with Donate Life Kentucky Trust (Trust), they are helping to raise critical funds for transplant patients and donor families through the 2025 Summer Raffle featuring a brand-new Axis UTV as the grand prize.

“This raffle is just one of the ways we continue to support the nonprofit we helped create,” said Debra Sparks, Wolfe County Circuit Clerk. “Since 1992, we have been proud to stand with the Donate Life mission to ensure no family faces the donation or transplant journey alone.”

Donate Life Kentucky Trust was founded by the Circuit Clerks of Kentucky in 1992 and continues to thrive because of their leadership and commitment. Over the years, their efforts have helped the donor registry grow to over 2 million Kentuckians.

Their dedication allows increased donation education in communities, scholarships, and supports thousands of families across the state. With over 1000 Kentucky kids and adults waiting for a lifesaving transplant, the need is greater than ever.

Thanks to Hopkins Co. Circuit Clerk Tanya Bowman for securing the Axis UTV donation, all proceeds from the raffle will directly support the Trust’s programs including travel and lodging for donor families, care packages for transplant patients, and early kidney disease detection efforts in underserved communities.

Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased online at www.donatelifeky.org. The drawing will take place on Aug. 20 at 2 p.m. ET on Facebook @ [donatelifekentucky](https://www.facebook.com/donatelifekentucky). Details, Terms and Conditions

Founded in 1992 by the Circuit Clerks of Kentucky, Donate Life Kentucky Trust is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that provides vital funds for transplant patients and donor families and increases public education to grow the Donor Registry through scholarships, driver’s license education, and more. Learn more by going to www.donatelifeky.org or text or call or text 1-502-694-3015.

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Child Find for Children with Disabilities in Need of Special Education or 504 Services

CHILD FIND

The Wolfe County School District keeps educational records in a secure location in each school and Board office.

The Wolfe County School District obtains written consent from a parent or eligible student (age 18 or who is attending a postsecondary institution), before disclosing personally identifiable information to an entity or individual not authorized to receive it under FERPA.

For students who have been determined eligible for Special Education, educational records will be destroyed at the request of the parents when they are no longer needed to provide educational programs or services. The Wolfe County School District may destroy the educational records of a child without parent request (5) Five years after they are no longer needed to provide educational programs or services. Parents are advised that data contained in the records may later be needed for Social Security benefits or other purposes. The Wolfe County School District may retain, for an indefinite period of time, a record of the student’s name, address, telephone number, grades, attendance records, classes attended, grade level completed, and year completed.

Children eligible for Special Education include those children with disabilities who have autism, deaf-blindness, developmental delay, emotional-behavior disability, hearing impairment, mental disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, or visual impairment and who because of such an impairment need Special Education services.

Children eligible for 504 services include those children in a public elementary and secondary education program who have a current physical or mental impairment that currently substantially limits some major life activity which causes the student’s ability to access the school environment or school activities to be substantially limited.

Children eligible for the State-Funded Preschool program include three-and four-year old children identified with disabilities and four-year-old children who are at-risk, as defined by federal poverty levels up to 150%. Preschool children eligible for special education must have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) instead of a 504 plan to receive State-Funded Preschool program services.

The Wolfe County School District has an ongoing “Child Find” system, which is designed to locate, identify and evaluate any child residing in a home, facility, or residence within its geographical boundaries, age three (3) to twenty-one (21) years, who may have a disability and be in need of Special Education or 504 services. This includes children who are not in school; those who are in public, private, or home school; those who are highly mobile such as children who are migrant or homeless; and those who are advancing from grade to grade, who may need but are not receiving Special Education or 504 services.

The district’s “Child Find” system includes children with disabilities attending private or home schools within the school district boundaries who may need special education services.

The Wolfe County School District will make sure any child enrolled in its district who qualifies for Special Education or 504 services, regardless of how severe the disability, is provided appropriate Special Education or 504 services at no cost to the parents of the child.

Parents, relatives, public and private agency employees, and concerned citizens are urged to help the Wolfe County School District find any child who may have a disability and need Special Education or 504 services. The District needs to know the name and age, or date of birth of the child; the name, address, and phone number(s) of the parents or guardian; the possible disability; and other information to determine if Special Education or 504 services are needed.

Letters and phone calls are some of the ways the Wolfe County School District collects the information needed. The information the school District collects will be used to contact the parents of the child and find out if the child needs to be evaluated or referred for Special Education or 504 services.

If you know of a child who lives within the boundaries of the Wolfe County School District, who may have a disability, and may need but is not receiving Special Education or 504 services, please call (606) 668-8002 or send the information to:

TRACY CREECH Director of Special Education	TRACY CREECH Section 504 Coordinator
Wolfe County Schools P.O. Box 160 Campton, KY. 41301 Phone (606) 668-8002	Wolfe County Schools P.O. Box 160 Campton, KY. 41301 Phone (606) 668-8002

If you know of a child who attends a private or home school within the boundaries of the Wolfe County School District, who may have a disability, and may need but is not receiving Special Education services, please call (606) 668-8002 or send the information to:

TRACY CREECH
DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION
WOLFE COUNTY SCHOOLS
P.O. BOX 160
CAMPTON, KY. 41301
PHONE (606) 668-8002

“Child Find” activities will continue throughout the school year. As part of these efforts the Wolfe County School District will use screening information, student records, and basic assessment information it collects on all children in the District to help locate those children who have a disability and need Special Education or 504 services. Any information the District collects through “Child Find” is maintained confidentially.

Written Policies and Procedures have been developed which describe the District’s requirements regarding the confidentiality of personally identifiable information and “Child Find” activities. There are copies in the Principal’s office of each school, and in the Board of Education office. Copies of these Policies and Procedures may be obtained by contacting:

Wolfe County Board of Education
P.O. Box 160
Campton, KY. 41301
Ph. (606) 668-8002

The District office is open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Wolfe County School District provides a public notice in the native language or other mode of communication of the various populations in the geographical boundaries of the District to the extent feasible.

If you know of someone who may need this notice translated to another language, given orally, or delivered in some other manner or mode of communication, please contact the *Director of Pupil Personnel*, the *Director of Special Education* or the *Section 504 Coordinator* at the address or phone number listed above for the Wolfe County Schools.