

Public Notices

Legislative Report by Sen. Robin Webb

I've kept very busy these past weeks, starting with a few days at the Public Safety Boot Camp in the company of national experts in law enforcement, corrections, rehabilitation, economists, researchers, academia, other legislators, and former New Jersey Governor. Chris Christie.

We had an interactive panel discussing truth in sentencing, victim impacts, and fiscal impacts.

The past couple weeks have reminded me of the importance of sticking close to family and friends, and continuing to serve in my community. I'm grateful to the Grayson Police Department for putting public and officer safety first with new body camera technology. This technology

builds transparency and promotes justice in our community.

I am proud of Grayson's mayor who attended the FIVCO board of directors annual meeting. This meeting works to move projects forward and establish services that make our northeast region better.

Back in Frankfort, I've been busy with committee work. In Appropriations and Revenue, we discussed tax code and provisions, Kentucky's workforce, and heard a review by the Budget Office.

In the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, we discussed measures to address service disconnections during extreme weather conditions, outdoor adventure tourism opportunities, and several

administrative regulations.

In the Committee on Agriculture, we received an update from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's Division of Agricultural Economic Development and discussed several initiatives tied to economic development. In Justice and Judiciary, we received an update on the judicial branch budget from representatives of the Administrative Office of the Courts.

I also attended the Families and Children committee meeting, where we heard updates on three major child- and family-centered initiatives focused on reducing trauma, strengthening families, and modernizing care. The Isaiah 117 House provides a home-like setting for chil-

dren on removal day, easing caseworker load and equipping foster families with essentials.

Ramey Estep/Re-group, a Kentucky-based provider with 80 years of history, showcased its integrated model, which spans behavioral health, addiction treatment, and primary care.

Finally, the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky, now rebranded as OneQuest Health, reported serving 1,800 clients in 2025—a 22 percent increase—as it transitions toward a fully integrated medical and behavioral health model.

I take the work I do both in the district and in Frankfort seriously and am proud to be your state senator.

Unemployment is down in all but one county

FRANKFORT – Unemployment rates fell in 119 counties and rose in Martin County between August 2024 and August 2025, according to the Kentucky Center for Statistics (KYSTATS), an agency within the Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 3.5%. It was followed by Fayette and Scott counties, 3.6% each; Cumberland, Harrison, Kenton, Oldham, Shelby and Todd counties, 3.7% each; and Boone, Bourbon, Campbell, Franklin, Graves, Jessamine and Washington counties, 3.8% each.

Martin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate at 8.8%. It was followed by Magoffin County, 8.1%; Lewis County, 7.4%; Elliott and Wolfe counties, 7% each; Carter and Jackson counties, 6.8% each; Harlan and Lawrence counties, 6.6% each; and Knox County, 6.2%.

Kentucky's county unemployment rates and employment levels are not seasonally adjusted because of small sample sizes. Employment statistics undergo sharp fluctuations due to seasonal events such as weather changes, harvests, holidays, and school openings and closings. Seasonal adjustments eliminate these influences and make it easier to observe statistical trends. The comparable, unadjusted unemployment rate for the state was 4.3% for August 2025, and 4.5% for the nation.

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted August 2025 unemployment rate was released on Sept. 18, 2025, and can be viewed here. The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell from 4.9% in July 2025 to 4.7% in August 2025.

In that release, Kentucky's statewide unemployment rate and employment levels are adjusted to observe statistical trends by removing seasonal influences such as weather changes, harvests, holidays, and school openings and closings. For more information regarding seasonal fluctuations, visit the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics here.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The data should only be compared to the same month in previous years.

Perfect training

This princess of a puppy at the Old Fashion Days Mutt Strut, sponsored by the Greenup Gazette, is proving that talent - as in obedience tricks - goes right along with beauty.



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Moving dirt at Wurtland

Preparation work has begun on the site of the new SOMC medical facility along U.S. 23 in Wurtland. The center is scheduled to open next year.

Program helps those with special response needs

GREENUP – Greenup County Public Safety has a way to help keep those with special needs safer in case of an emergency.

The S.A.F.E.R. - Special Assistance for Emergency Response - program allows people to provide first responders with details about medical conditions, disabilities, medications, emergency contacts and other essential needs, says Garth Wireman, the county emergency management director.

This enables first responders to have essential knowledge when they are called out for help.

Wireman says those who should sign up are:

- Individuals with disabilities.
- Individuals with chronic illness.
- Individuals with special needs.
- Individuals with mobility challenges.
- Individuals with communication barriers.
- Individuals requiring specialized medical assistance.

To sign up or for more information, visit www.greenuppublicsafety.com

INVITATION TO BID
The Greenup County Fiscal Court is offering the following surplus vehicle for bid:

2013 Ford Explorer
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This vehicle can be viewed at the Greenup County Public Safety Center, 1819 Ashland Road, Greenup, KY 41144. Bid sheets can be obtained at this location or at the Greenup County Courthouse 301 Main Street, Greenup, KY 41144.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2025, and opened at the Greenup County Fiscal Court Meeting. Bids will be awarded after review and comparison. The Greenup County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and make awards in a manner deemed to be in the best interest of Greenup County.

Garth Wireman
Emergency Management Director
Greenup County Public Safety

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Greenup County Fiscal Court will hold a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed formation of a Greenup County Water Commission pursuant to KRS 74.420 through 74.510. The purpose of the Commission will be to oversee long-term planning and coordination of public water infrastructure within Greenup County, including potential future projects and regional service partnerships.

The hearing will be held on:
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Location: Greenup County Courthouse
301 Main Street
Greenup, Kentucky 41144

All interested persons are invited to attend and provide public comment. Written statements may also be submitted in advance of the hearing to the Greenup County Judge-Executive's Office.

For additional information, please contact the Greenup County Judge-Executive's Office at (606) 473-6440.

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