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DHC Delivers 100+ Gift Cards to Bell County



Doctors for Healthy Communities (DHC) celebrated the holiday spirit with their fellow Kentuckians in Bell County. Gift cards were provided to more than 100 employees and students of Red Bird Mission, Clinic and Housing, Inc on December 17th, 2021.

Red Bird Mission and Clinic has been providing ministry and services in eastern Kentucky since 1921. The need remains critical in this isolated, rural distressed area.

Chronic poverty, lack of jobs, poor housing, and rugged mountainous terrain provide obstacles to a fuller life for the residents of this area. Red Bird Mission and Clinic strives to meet these needs through ministry in five areas: Education, Health and Wellness, Community Outreach, Economic Opportunity, and Community Housing Improvement.

Thank you to their Executive Director Kari Collins, LCSW, and the staff for their passion to help others. DHC looks forward to further collaboration and assisting the residents of eastern Kentucky in the new year.

Kalia's Kloset and DHC Team-up for Christmas Outreach

Kalia's Kloset designated their Christmas Community Outreach to an "Angel Tree" type service. DHC assisted in collecting and distributing gifts for this year's event. Volunteering took place at the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 4610

Manslick Rd. More than 125 kids received Christmas gifts through this program! Thank you to everyone who took part.



DHC Participated in UKPD's Cram the Cruiser Event



DHC volunteers continued their support for University of Kentucky Police Department's (UKPD) fifth annual "Cram the Cruiser" toy drive. They delivered unwrapped toys for patients of UK HealthCare's Kentucky Children's Hospital (KCH) on November 23rd, 2021.

"The 'Cram the Cruiser' toy drive is something that UK Police look forward to every holiday season,"

said UK Police Chief Joe Monroe. "Being involved in our community is an important part of our core values, and this is a wonderful opportunity to help out the children and their families who are away from their homes while hospitalized.

This initiative helps to relieve the stress and burden of shopping for Christmas gifts for parents that are unable to leave the hospital. It continues to grow every year, and we invite the UK and Lexington communities to help continue bringing smiles to the children and their families." For Monroe, delivering toys to Kentucky Children's Hospital is so special because of the joy it brings to the patients and their families. Each year, Monroe trades in his police uniform for his Santa Claus suit and even wears a full gray beard.

Kentucky Country Day School Hosted an Amazing Mayfield Supply Drive

On December 15, Kentucky Country Day School collected hundreds of

health and hygiene supplies for individuals impacted by the deadly tornadoes that devastated Western Kentucky on December 11.

Thank you to all those who donated or volunteered to help organize the supplies. This was an amazing team effort and we're so grateful to all who took part.



[View the team effort on KCD's Instagram.](#) [Or on KCD's Flickr!](#)

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