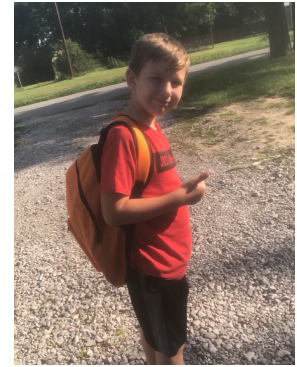




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Thank You TVA

Our sincere appreciation goes out to TVA and their generous donation of backpacks and school supplies. The backpacks were assembled by Empower Upper Cumberland, TVA staff, and local power company representatives and distributed by our Empower Navigators to our families in all 14 counties.



Congrats to Deborah Goodwin (DeKalb), Regina Stowers (Fentress), and Shelia Parris (Pickett) on meeting their enrollment goal for the month of July. Keep up the good work!!

Participant Spotlight

Since enrolling in Empower UC, Misty has received an offer with a new company, including a pay increase for her and her family. Way to go Misty!

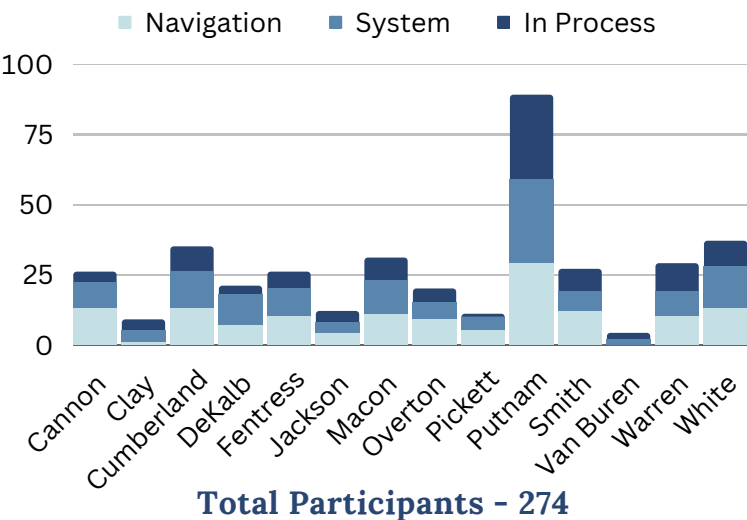


Empowering the UC

Empower team members continue to be out in the community attending food drives, back-to-school events, radio interviews, and so much more!



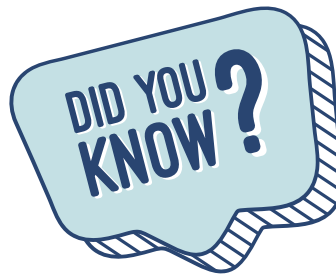
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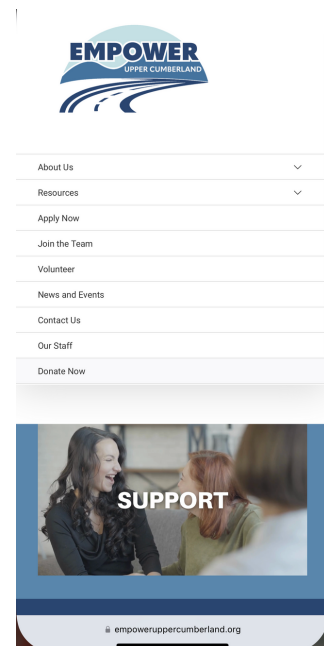
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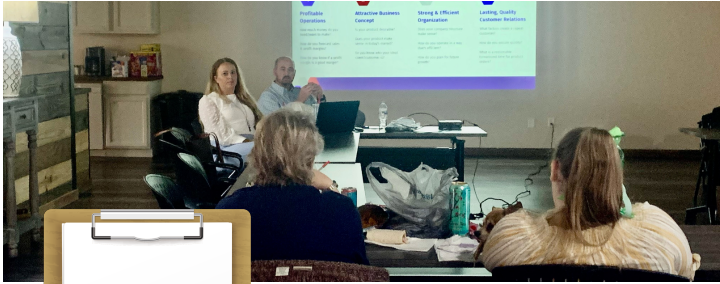
- 15- Monthly reports and invoices due
- 17- Collaboration Team Meeting @UCHRA
- 24- Prosperity Team Meeting @UCHRA
- 24- Empower Staff Monthly Training



Our website now has a "Donate Now" tab that anyone can use to donate money. Donations will be used to purchase meals for group meetings, transportation to training classes, and health needs. We have also added an Events Calendar to the website. This is where you can find the times and locations of PBS Ready to Learn, Circles meetings, and other events for the collaboration.



Partner Updates



A total of three participants are currently enrolled in the **Highlands Training Center**. This month they had guest speakers from First Bank and Tennessee Small Business Development Center. Four participants have graduated, with one starting a new job with better pay. Congratulations!

Childcare Update



Cumberland Childcare received a grant to purchase a residential home to expand an in-home childcare facility to a childcare agency. This will allow 40 additional childcare slots and 10 positions in Cumberland County.

Wonderbees also received a grant to purchase an office building to expand the current childcare facility in order to take an additional 16-20 children and create three to seven employment positions in Overton County.



WCTE-PBS started its first Ready to Learn four-week program in White County. Two families and a total of six kids are attending and are enjoying the program. They finished this series on August 10th.

