

NEWSLETTER

CLAY COUNTY FISCAL COURT



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Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the Clay County Fiscal Court Newsletter! We're excited to share updates on county projects, community events, public services, and the work being done to serve the residents of Clay County. We hope this newsletter keeps you informed, connected, and engaged with what's happening throughout our community.

Infrastructure Improvements

Building a Better Clay County



New Roof on Detention Center

The Clay County Fiscal Court is investing in the future of the Clay County

Detention Center through a \$1.6 million roof replacement project. This major infrastructure improvement will help protect the facility for years to come by enhancing its safety, efficiency, and long-term reliability. The project reflects the county's ongoing commitment to maintaining public facilities and making responsible investments that benefit both employees and the community.



Old County Jail Renovations

The former Clay County Jail, which now serves as the county's Emergency Management and FEMA office, recently received a new roof as part of the county's ongoing commitment to maintaining essential public facilities.

This improvement helps protect the building, extends its lifespan, and ensures Emergency Management personnel have a safe and reliable facility to serve the citizens of Clay County.

3,878 Tires Collected

Clay County successfully collected 3,878 waste tires during its three-day Waste Tire Collection Event. The event provided residents with a convenient way to dispose of unwanted tires, helping reduce illegal dumping and improve the cleanliness and appearance of our community. Clay County Fiscal Court extends its appreciation to everyone who participated and helped make the event a success.



Over 174 Tons of Waste Collected



Clay County's 2026 Free Dump Day was a tremendous success, with residents disposing of more than 174 tons of unwanted waste. The event provided a convenient opportunity for the community to clean up properties, properly dispose of large items, and help keep Clay County clean and beautiful. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this year's event a success.

\$143,000 Awarded in Opioid Grants

The Clay County Fiscal Court recently awarded opioid settlement grant funding to six local organizations dedicated to prevention, treatment, recovery, and community support. These funds will help expand resources and programs that address the impact of the opioid crisis while strengthening services for individuals and families throughout Clay County.



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Service Recognition Lois Mosley

20 YEARS OF SERVICE

In April 2026, the Clay County Fiscal Court proudly recognized Lois Mosley for 20 years of dedicated service to Clay County. Throughout her two decades of commitment, Lois has exemplified professionalism, hard work, and a genuine dedication to serving the community. We extend our sincere gratitude for her years of faithful service and congratulate her on this remarkable milestone.



Second Quarter | Highlights

A Quarter in Review

Stay up to date with the latest happenings across Clay County! From community events and county projects to special recognitions and important announcements, here's a look at what's been happening throughout our county.

Leaders Recognized at KMCA Conference



The Clay County Fiscal Court and the Clay County Board of Education were recognized by the Kentucky Magistrates & Commissioners Association for their partnership in the 2025 Children's Shoe Drive. Through the initiative, more than 800 pairs of new shoes were distributed to Clay County students, helping support local families and ensuring children had the resources they needed for a successful school year.

Fiscal Court Hosts First Responders Dinner



The Clay County Fiscal Court recently honored local first responders at its annual First Responders Dinner, featuring guest speaker Clay Dyer and recognizing Donna Couch as the first female Assistant Chief of Big Creek Volunteer Fire & Rescue. The evening celebrated the dedication,

service, and sacrifice of those who work every day to keep Clay County safe. During the event, a moment of silence was observed in honor of Eddy Sizemore, Jesse Jones, and Lee Dobbs, who each made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. Their service and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Colter Named 2026 Nancy Mitchell Republican Leadership Award Recipient



Barbara White Colter was honored with the Nancy Mitchell Republican Leadership Award during the 5th Congressional District Lincoln Day Dinner in Corbin, Kentucky. The award recognizes her years of dedicated leadership, public service, and commitment to the people of Eastern

Kentucky. Colter's lasting contributions to her community continue to make a meaningful impact and serve as an inspiration to others.

County Hosts National Day of Prayer Breakfast



The Clay County Fiscal Court was honored to host our annual National Day of Prayer Breakfast, bringing community members together for a morning of prayer, reflection, and fellowship. Guests heard inspiring messages from Joe White and Pastor Allen Roberts, as the event celebrated faith, unity, and the importance of coming together to support our community.



Community Events

Clay County Days 2026

Clay County Days was a tremendous success, bringing thousands of residents and visitors together for three days of live music, local vendors, great food, carnival rides, and family-friendly fun. The festival showcased the very best of Clay County while creating lasting memories for attendees of all ages. From the bustling vendor area to the exciting entertainment lineup, the event celebrated the strong community spirit that makes Clay County special.

The concert series was a highlight of the weekend, featuring outstanding performances by Eddie Montgomery of Montgomery Gentry, Sawyer Brown, Elvie Shane, Alex Miller, Paisley Grace, Second Helping, Red River George, and Dawanna & the Funky Bunch. The Clay County Fiscal Court extends its sincere appreciation to the sponsors, volunteers, vendors, entertainers, and everyone who attended and helped make this year's Clay County Days one of the best yet.



Colter Named 2026 Wall of Fame Inductee

Clay County Tourism proudly inducted Barbara White Colter into the Clay County Wall of Fame in recognition of her lifelong dedication to education, public service, and community leadership. As a former educator and State Representative, Colter made a lasting impact on Eastern Kentucky through her work supporting education, infrastructure, economic development, and Kentucky families. Her induction honors a legacy of leadership, service, and unwavering commitment to the people of Clay County and the Commonwealth.