



# Welcome to the

# BLUE RIBBON EVENT AND CEREMONY



## Welcome to the Blue Ribbon Event and Ceremony.

Every April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, we recognize and give voice to children who have been victims of abuse and neglect. In our County alone in 2025 there have been 532 cases and 1330 children involved. The Blue Ribbon Event educates the community in how we all can be a part of coming together and preventing abuse as well as standing up and speaking for those who can't. We have so many dedicated resources and organizations to come alongside parents, teachers and community leaders to help our children and

work hard to see them become happy healthy adults. It takes a village and we all are that village here today.

**Why April** and why do we wear blue ribbons and display pinwheels? The Blue Ribbon is a nationwide campaign and many wear blue ribbons each April in memory of those who have been the victim of child abuse. Most recently, the focus has shifted toward a more positive message of those "blue ribbon" individuals, organizations, and communities who strive prevent child abuse and neglect.

**Pinwheels for Prevention** are displayed on lawns and doors showing we stand in the gap for children and bringing awareness to the issue of abuse.

Join us, hand in hand today, and discover all the areas and ways Cumberland County keeps your kids safe. Visit all the displays and organizations. Ask them what they do and how they impact the future of our children here in our city on a hill.



## Program Schedule

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**Welcome:**.....**Sheri Nichols**  
**Opening Prayer:** ..... **Pastor Donald Haston**  
**Master of Ceremonies:** .....**Sheri Nichols**  
**Presentation:** ..... **Dr. Denise Weaver**

### Bumper Sticker Contest Winners:

Mia Smith, Grayce-Lynn Bell, Mya Spray, Piper Bogie, Sophia Baker, Christyn Kettel, Kaleb Woodring, Anna Weaver, Colton Spriggs, Matthew Reed, Jensen Kraus and Tyrone Sussman

*Food will be served following the presentation. Please present your ticket to receive your meal.*

**Thank you for helping us make a difference in the lives of our children.**

Stop by our displays!  
We'd love to see you!

- CASA
- Home Away From Home Head Start
- House of Hope
- Jonah's Joy: Home for children
- LBJ&C Head Start
- The Stephens Center
- Lake Tansi Exchange Club
- Cumberland County Sheriff's Department
- City of Crossville Police Department
- Plateau Pregnancy Services
- Health Connect of American
- Deer Run Ranch Equine Connection

## In 2025

- In Cumberland County
- 532 Cases of child abuse
- Approximately 1330 children involved

**TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE**

**1-877-237-0004**

## **Cumberland County Organizations Working with children and families**

CASA of the Tennessee Valley  
Cumberland County Girl Scouts  
Cumberland County Sheriffs Department  
Deer Run Ranch Equine Connection  
Health Connect of America  
Home Away From Home:Head Start  
House of Hope  
Johnah's Joy: Home for Children  
LBJ&C Headstart Crossville  
Plateau Pregnancy Center

The Blue Ribbon Committee  
The Lake Tansi Exchange Club  
The Stephens Center



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Cumberland County

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