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Dogwood Lights

Now is the time to prepare for lighting up your home during the annual Dogwood Trail Celebration. The Trail will start in April when the dogwoods bloom. Paducah Power is a sponsor of the event this year and will help with a sale of spotlights appropriate for the lighting of flowering trees and bushes. More information will be announced, once the details of the sale have been finalized. We encourage you to light up your dogwoods and other flowering trees, especially if you have not in a few years. The event began in 1964 and features eleven miles of flowering dogwoods, Japanese Maples, Redbud trees and spring plantings. The celebration involves several special events, including trolley rides, a bike ride and a new poster contest for school children. Go to paducahky.gov/dogwood-trail for more information.



Dispose of Your Old Light Bulbs

Each year, the city and county give McCracken County residents a one-day opportunity to get rid of all sorts of solid waste and household hazardous waste, free, at Spring Clean-up Day. The date for this year's event had not been announced when this newsletter went to print but will be in April. Paducah Power System will be there to collect your old fluorescent light bulbs. The event will run from 7am to 2pm at 829 Burnett Street.

PPS will accept old fluorescent tubes of all sizes and compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs). They must be unbroken. Each family turning in old fluorescent bulbs will receive one new LED bulb. Fluorescent bulbs contain a small amount of mercury and are not recommended for residential curbside trash pick-up. Paducah Power will also collect liquid mercury and mercury filled items.

Other items collected at Spring Clean-Up Day include weed killers, household insecticides, paint, cleaners, solvents, pesticides, batteries and tires. You may also drop off E-scrap, such as computers, monitors, TV's, keyboards and printers.

This collection is for Paducah-McCracken County residential customers. Residents must bring a driver's license to verify residency.

Be Counted

The United States Census Bureau is preparing to count everyone living in our nation. The goal is to have at least 80 percent of the population counted by the end of April 2020. This month, you will receive in the mail either an invitation to respond to the census online or a letter with a census form attached. You will be able to complete the Census questionnaire on the internet, by telephone, or by mail. If you do not self-respond, the Bureau will send Census takers to your home. The Census guides how much money a community gets from the federal government for public services, making it the most important reason for you to respond to the Census.

2020 Census FAQ

What is the census?

The census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. It happens every 10 years. In early 2020, you will be asked to count everyone who lives in your home as of April 1. Responding to the 2020 Census is a chance to shape your future.

What's in it for me?



Your responses inform where over \$675 billion is distributed each year to communities nationwide for clinics, schools, roads, and more.



Census data gives community leaders vital information to make decisions about building community centers, opening businesses, and planning for the future.



Responding also fulfills your civic duty because it's mandated by the U.S. Constitution. The United States has counted its population every 10 years since 1790.



Your responses are used to redraw legislative districts and determine the number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Is my information safe?

Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure, and protected by federal law. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics. They cannot be used against you by any government agency or court in any way—not by the FBI, not by the CIA, not by the DHS, and not by ICE.

When can I respond to the census?

In early 2020, every household in America will receive a notice to complete the census online, by phone, or by mail. In May, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin following up in person with households that have yet to respond.

What will I be asked?

You will be asked a few simple questions, like age, sex, and the number of people who live in your home, including children.

What won't be asked?

The census will never ask for Social Security numbers, bank or credit card numbers, money or donations, or anything related to political parties.

For more information, visit:

2020CENSUS.GOV

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Kentucky 811

Call Before You Dig

If you are planning a spring project that involves digging, you should first make a free call to Kentucky 811. Digging without a call could result in injuries, legal problems, interruption of utilities or project delays. Dial 8-1-1 at least two full business days before you dig. Find out more at kentucky811.org.



Kiosks

We have three payment kiosks in the community. One is inside Banks Market on Lone Oak Road and is open during the store's regular business hours. The kiosks at the southside Walmart and at our headquarters at 1500 Broadway are accessible 24 hours a day.