

# March 2019

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GRADD has updated our mobile APP and website.



### Upcoming Meetings & Events

- 04 Green River Area Council on Aging
- 04 Ombudsman Advisory Council Meeting
- 05 Green River Economic Development Corporation

### Recent GRADD Headlines

- New transportation improvement program
- GRADD Hosts Senior Games
- GRADD @ 50
- Funding Available for Child Abuse Prevention
- GRADD Given \$510K for 38 AmeriCorps Members

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March is National Professional Social Work month. GRADD appreciates each and every one of our Social Workers and the work they do to assist our clients in the GRADD region.

*SOCIAL WORK*  
**ELEVATE**



The 2020 Census Concurrent Resolution making its way through the legislature right now. [Click to read the resolution](#)





Dr. Lionel Phelps and Dr. RonSonlyn Clark from RiverValley Behavioral Health will present Mental Health First Aid Training to a full house at GRADD on Thursday, March 28. The training is made possible by a \$1,350 grant received from the state mental health and aging coalition. The grant funds provide training materials and lunch for 50 people. Registration for the training quickly filled in the first week.

Mental Health First Aid is an eight hour course that gives people the skills to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. Mental Health First Aid takes the fear and hesitation out of starting conversations about mental health and substance use problems by improving understanding and providing an action plan that teaches people to safely and responsibly identify and address a potential mental illness or substance use disorder.

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The GRADD Regional Transportation Committee met on Wednesday, February 27 to determine projects to Sponsor for the Kentucky Road Plan that will be considered by the Kentucky Legislature in the 2020 session. The committee prioritized 23 projects using the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) process that

helps to focus the road plan on safety and economic development priorities for the counties of Hancock, McLean, Ohio, Union and Webster Counties. Projects in more urban counties like Henderson and Daviess County are prioritized by a Metropolitan Planning Organization.



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## Calendar of Events

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Thursday March 7 1:30 PM

Family Caregiver Support Group

Wednesday	March 13	9:00 AM	GRADD Executive Committee
Tuesday	March 19	10:00 AM	Green River Regional TRIAD
Thursday	March 21	1:30 PM	GRADD Water Management Council
Tuesday	March 26	10:00 AM	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)/Policy Committee —Owensboro City Hall, Room 406

[See Complete Calendar and details](#)

## New Contracts

- GRADD received a grant, in the amount of \$1,350, from the Kentucky Mental Health and Aging Coalition to host a training for “Mental Health First Aid.”
- GRADD received a grant from Eastern Kentucky University in the amount of \$25,000 to provide Educational Neglect Prevention and Family Engagement services to identified families in the Owensboro and Daviess County School Systems.
- GRADD received a sustainability grant, in the amount of \$70,000, from the National Council on Aging, to continue operating a Benefits Enrollment Center for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.



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