



Green River Area Development District

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Assistance Available for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) is offering financial aid and support services to grandparents raising their grandchildren through the Kentucky Family Caregiver Program. Assistance is available to grandparent caregivers who meet program eligibility requirements.

Eligible grandparents can receive up to \$500 per grandchild per year to help with purchases such as school supplies, bedroom furniture, clothing, tutoring, counseling and respite care. GRADD also offers support services, including connection to support groups, training and counseling.

Program eligibility requirements include:

- The grandparent must be the primary caregiver of a child or children who are no more than 18 years of age, and the parent of the child cannot be living in the home.
- The grandparent must be a Kentucky resident.
- The grandparent must be related by blood, marriage or adoption.
- The household must meet the income eligibility guidelines of 150% of poverty for the household size for the current year.

“We want to help as many families as we can through this program,” says Lexi Camron, GRADD’s Family Caregiver Support Specialist. “Anyone who thinks they could benefit from the program; I highly encourage reaching out. We want to get this funding out into the community.”

To find out if they qualify, individuals can contact the Aging & Disability Resource Center at 1-800-928-9094 for an initial screening and referral to the program.

The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) is a regional planning agency and council of governments serving the communities of Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, McLean, Ohio, Union, and Webster counties. GRADD offers assistance in the fields of aging, health, and social services; community and economic development; transportation planning; and workforce development. Our mission is to afford local governments and citizens a regional forum to identify issues and opportunities, and to provide leadership in planning and implementing programs to improve the quality of life in our district.

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