

County of Harlan, Kentucky
Proclamation

by
Dan Mosley
County Judge Executive

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, for over 20 years Kentucky Drug Courts have been restoring lives, reuniting families and making communities across the Commonwealth safer; and
- WHEREAS, Drug Courts facilitate community-wide partnerships that bring together criminal justice, public safety and treatment professionals in the fight against substance abuse and criminality; and
- WHEREAS, Drug Courts are now recognized as the most successful criminal justice intervention in our Nation's history; and
- WHEREAS, Drug Court reduces criminal recidivism: 9 percent of Kentucky Drug Court graduates were convicted of a new felony in the two years following graduation, versus 18 percent for non-Drug Court defendants on probation for similar offenses; and
- WHEREAS, the Drug Court movement has grown nationwide from the 12 original Drug Courts in 1994 to over 3,000 operational Drug Courts; and
- WHEREAS, Over the past twenty-five years Drug Courts have served over 1.5 million individuals nationwide; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky Drug Court is operating successfully in 113 counties, with 89 adult programs; and
- WHEREAS, Drug Court has helped more than 8,200 Kentucky citizens turn their lives away from drugs to become contributing members of society; and
- WHEREAS, in May, National Drug Court Month celebrates the promise of recovery and restored hope to Drug Court graduates and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dan Mosley, County Judge Executive of the County of Harlan, Kentucky, proclaim May 2017 as

DRUG COURT MONTH

in Harlan County, Kentucky, and urge all citizens to recognize the practitioners and participants who make drug courts work and the significant contributions that Drug Courts have made, and continue to make, in reducing drug usage and crime.

DONE IN THE COUNTY OF Harlan, this the 3rd day of May, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen and in the 225th year of the Commonwealth.

Dan Mosley
County Judge Executive