

2019-2020 Project Book Summaries

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- Arkansas County—Arkansas County Council—Crochet Connection—Arkansas County Council has helped make difference in the lives of patients at Arkansas Children’s Hospital by donating crocheted hats. Members and guests made approximately 132 hats and donated them. All yarn was donated.
- Arkansas County—New Providence/Turley EHC—SR. Citizen’s Day at the Fair—The New Providence/Turley EHC sponsored Senior Citizens’ Day at the Arkansas County Fair. This event allows senior citizens to view the exhibits with less crowds, plenty of seating, and daytime hours. Guests could visit with their friends, take as long as they like to view the exhibits and enjoy delicious finger food refreshments. Approximately 100 senior citizens attended.
- Arkansas County—Prairie Gems EHC—Teaching Dolls and Pillows—The Prairie Gems EHC participated in a community service workshop and made 40 teaching dolls and 48 pillows for Arkansas Children’s Hospital. We are making a positive impact on the lives of others!
- Craighead County—Craighead County Council—Walker Bags—The Council took on a project for Jonesboro’s St. Bernard’s Hospital’s “Total Life” Walker Bags. Low cost and easy to make, 50 walker bags were delivered to “Total Life”, nursing homes in Jonesboro and also to Little Rock Veterans Services.
- Craighead County—Black Oak/Lake City EHC—Walker Bags for Veterans—The Black Oak/Lake City EHC chose to make walker bags in patriotic colors for the veterans in Lakeside Nursing Center in Lake City, AR. The bags were constructed over 2 meetings and some of the work was done at our homes. Bags were made from patriotic colored placemats and materials with straps made of webbing and ties of grosgrain ribbon. 7 bags were made and delivered to the veterans, who were surprised and pleased with the walker bags.

- Craighead County—Oak Grove EHC—Servant’s Heart—The Oak Grove EHC has always had a “Servant’s Heart” for the needs of those in Craighead County. They chose to work with 3 organizations this year. They completed 150 comfort pillows for Arkansas Children’s Hospital. 30 plus comfort blankets for Northeast Arkansas Children’s Advocacy Center and 20 dog beds for the Northeast Arkansas Humane Society.
- Craighead County—Opportunity EHC—Helping Neighbors Food Pantry—The Opportunity EHC donated 484 pounds of food and \$50 to the Helping Neighbors food pantry to help feed the needy in Jonesboro and Craighead County.
- Craighead County—Pleasant Grove EHC—Serving Others who Serve Us—To show our appreciation for keeping our city safe, the Pleasant Grove EHC members chose to cook for the Jonesboro Police Department. Members and some members-at-large took part in “Serving Others who Serve Us” by making several pots of soup, chili, cornbread, and cookies. The food was delivered to the police station and served to all 3 shifts. Approximately 101 officers and office personnel were served.
- Craighead County—West Mart EHC—Lap Quilts—West Mart EHC chose to make and/or purchase lap quilts to distribute to various charities within the Jonesboro area. Over 100 lap quilts were distributed to the following charities: Northeast Arkansas Children’s Advocacy Center, Lindley Nursing Home in Newport, Elizabeth’s Place, Lexington Place Healthcare and Rehabilitation and the Methodist Day Care Center.
- Drew County—Southside EHC—100 Years as a Club—The Southside EHC celebrated 100 years as a club. We presented programs on how things were done 100 years ago, such as canning, butter making, quilling, the flu epidemic of 1918, bread making, and quilting. We ended the year with a grand birthday celebration to which all the clubs were invited.
- Drew County—Town and Country Quilters EHC—Quilts of Love—The Town and Country Quilters EHC created 22 quilts for the children of the

Presbyterian Home for them to keep forever. We wanted to give every child a physical representation of our dreams and hopes for them and their futures.

- Jackson County—South Tuckerman EHC—Cot Sheets for Kids First—The office manager of Kids First in Newport contacted the South Tuckerman EHC about making new cot sheets for them. All members were involved, either Measuring, cutting, or sewing. 53 new bright colored cot sheets were made and delivered for the children.
- Jefferson County—Jefferson County Council—Appreciation Day—The Jefferson County Council hosted an “Appreciation Day” by delivering trays of homemade cookies to honor those who serve our community. All 6 clubs participated. Approximately 2,000 cookies were brought to be packed in trays and delivered. Members felt this would be encouraging and help bring about a stronger community.
- Jefferson County—Camden Road EHC—CASA Women’s Shelter of Pine Bluff—One of the best ways to bring happiness and satisfaction to oneself is by serving others. The Camden Road EHC decided they wanted to support and encourage the women and children of our city who were victims of domestic violence. Items, from a list provided by the CASA Women’s Shelter, were brought to all club meetings during the year and donated to the shelter. Members also took magazines several times for the women to enjoy. They also volunteered their time to provide childcare to allow the women to attend support group meetings. Donations of clothing and house goods were also made to the local thrift store that supports the shelter.
- Jefferson County—Grace Willing Workers EHC—Animal Shelter Project—Grace Willing Workers EHC members chose the Pine Bluff Animal Shelter as their project for the year. Members provided food, blankets, collars, and other needed items along with \$95 to the Pine Bluff Animal Shelter. The director was very appreciative for our help and the animals were well fed and happier.

- Jefferson County—Heart-N-Hands EHC—Honoring Senior Citizens of the Quarter—The Heart-H-Hands EHC are concerned about the needs of the elderly. They donated approximately 70 items to the residents of The Quarter at the Villages of General Baptist Health Care West. Money for hair care was also donated and a decorated Christmas tree was set up. Club members felt they had encouraged the residents.
- Jefferson County—Lunch Bunch EHC—Dolls for Children’s Hospital—The Lunch Bunch EHC selected “Dolls for Children’s Hospital” as their community service project. Approximately 80 teaching dolls were cut out, sewed, stuffed, and delivered to the Arkansas Children’s Hospital during Festival of Stars. Club members wanted to show our love and compassion to the patients of the Children’s Hospital.
- Jefferson County—New Horizons EHC—Salvation Army—New Horizons EHC chose the Salvation Army, a non-profit organization that assists men, women, and children of all ages in time of need, as their community service project. Members donated toiletry and other items, including money at each monthly meeting. Donated money was used to purchase clothing and toys for the 2 “Angels” from the Salvation Army Angel Tree.
- Jefferson County—Willing Workers of White Hall EHC—ACH Warm Caps—The Willing Workers of White Hall EHC worked all during the year making caps of all sizes for the Arkansas Children’s Hospital. Members made over 150 caps out of bright colored yarn. These are placed in children’s wagons at the hospital where sick children and their families can get them.
- Lawrence County—Scrapers EHC—A Christmas Sampler—The Scrapers EHC presented a Christmas Sampler to show the community that you don’t have to do the “same old thing” for holidays every year. We showed how to set a formal table, do some easy new holiday décor and had a food tasting of more than 25 recipes that are not a part of the traditional “turkey and dressing/stuffing” meal. We gained new EH members for our club and raised awareness of EH in our county.

- Lincoln County—Lincoln County Council—AARP Smart Driver Course—To give back to our community, the Lincoln County Council sponsored the AARP Smart Driver Course for drivers 50 and older. This course is designed to teach senior drivers current rule of the road and defensive driving techniques so they can operate their vehicles more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment. 56 participants completed the ARRP Smart Driver Course.
- Lincoln County—Hickory Grove EHC—Care Items for Cancer Patients—Patients going through cancer treatments know how nice a thoughtful gift can make a person feel. At one of the lowest points in your life, someone shows they care about you. Hickory Grove EHC showed they care about cancer patients by hand making and donating 105 small pillows, 70 infusion bags, 38 port buddies, and 38 blankets to Arkansas Cancer Institute and UAMS.
- Lonoke County—Lonoke County Council—Baby Quilts for ACH—The Lonoke County Council chose to make baby quilts for ACH as our service project. 14 county members made 51 quilts using donated panels, backing fabrics, and purchased batting.
- Lonoke County—The Quilters of Lonoke EHC—Judy Blue Remembered—The Quilters of Lonoke EHC chose to make a quilt to honor our late president, Judy Douglas. The strip block style quilt, Judy Blue Remembered, was constructed with donated fabrics, some from Judy's husband and supplies. 6 members and 3 other volunteers worked on the quilt, which was given to Judy's husband, James. He asked if the club would accept payment for the quilt and they asked for \$50 which would be given to Open Arms Shelter in Judy's name. The Douglas family responded by donating \$500 in Judy's honor, directly to the shelter.
- Prairie County—Prairie County Council—First Aid Kits for Sheriff's Office—Prairie County Council learned that the Prairie County Sheriff's Department needed first aid kits for their 8 deputy vehicles. They decided that each club would purchase items for 1 kit, therefore, all Prairie County clubs participated in this project by buying and

assembling a first aid kit for the deputies. Now our deputies are better equipped for emergencies.

- Prairie County—Biscoe EHC—Sharing Our Blessings—The Biscoe EHC chose “Sharing Our Blessings” as our community service project to demonstrate kindness and caring to those who might need encouragement. Members brought and prepared LOVE Boxes of useful items to give chosen recipients. In Memory donations were given in the loss of community members and trained members also volunteered freely to assist individuals applying for Medicare Savings.
- Prairie County—Busy Hands EHC—Des Arc Food Bank—The Busy Hands EHC voted to help the Des Arc Food Bank. Members shared food from their pantries and brought it to meetings each month. They collected 675 cans of non-perishable food items during the year and took turns delivering it to the food bank.
- Prairie County—Couponistas EHC—Random Acts of Kindness—The Couponistas EHC chose “Random Acts of Kindness” as their community service project. Club members felt blessed to be able to surprise several different groups with acts of kindness throughout the year in an effort to spread peace, joy, and positivity in the community.
- Prairie County—Idlewild EHC—Back to School Fair—The Idlewild EHC re-elected the project to help the children of Hazen school with their school supplies. They had a back to school fair for our community service project. Our club provided school supplies for all grade levels to Hazen students. Students were able to get what they needed for their class. Over 300 students attended the fair.
- Prairie County—Oak Prairie EHC—Helping to Fight Hunger in our County—The Oak Prairie EHC chose to collect and donate canned goods and non-perishable staples for the Prairie County food pantry. Through our monthly contributions, we collected 225 pounds of canned items and other staples. It was a blessing to know we were “Helping to Fight Hunger in our County”.

- Randolph County—Randolph County Council—Promoting Participation/Volunteerism at the Fair—Members of the Randolph County Council felt steps needed to be taken to promote the June Simington Educational Exhibit Building at the Randolph County Fair. The goal was to educate, increase public awareness, participation, and volunteerism in the Exhibit building. We achieved an increase in items entered, understanding how things are run, and the roles the volunteers play in a successful fair. There was an increase in awareness and interest in volunteering.
- Randolph County—Attica EHC—Quilt Fundraiser—The Attica EHC made a goal of raising money for the council's treasury where they could fund county wide projects in the coming year. With the help of other members, we created a quilt that was raffled at the Randolph County Fair. The quilt was a great success by raising over \$300 for the treasury and brought members that did not know each other together.
- Randolph County—Frugal Friends EHC—Canning Demonstration—The Frugal Friends Project club decided to hold a canning demonstration after many requests about how to preserve foods. With an engaged audience of 25 interested community members and EHC members, demonstrations on how to can with a water bath and pressure canning was presented. Also explanations on pressure, sterilizing, types of lids and jars was also given. Canning guidelines of the University of Georgia and Arkansas were followed in the demonstrations.
- Randolph County—Water Valley EHC—Teaching Dolls for ACH—We all hate to hear of sick or suffering children. When we learned that ACH was in need of teaching dolls, we decided that would be our project for this year. Water Valley EHC made 100 teaching dolls for ACH. The white, featureless dolls are used by doctors to draw on to show the child what is wrong with them and how it will be fixed. The doll is then given to the child to keep.
- St. Francis County—Ties that Bind EHC—Quilts of Valor—The Ties that Bind EHC chose making Quilts of Valor for veterans of foreign wars

because we feel our veterans have been overlooked. We made quilts of red, white, and blue material from varied patterns. We followed the national regulations in making and presenting the quilts in ceremonies to local veterans. The club members enjoyed working together on this project.

- White County—White County Council—Phonology II—The White County Council members decided to organize another presentation to learn more about their phones after having a successful one in 2017. Phonology II was presented on May 3, 2019 with a guest speaker from Verizon. This presentation had a positive outcome and the 12 visitors were treated to a one-on-one instruction. Refreshments were provided by the clubs of the county and the visitors were grateful for the presentation.
- White County—Bald Knob EHC—Fall Party for White County Foster Families—The Bald Knob EHC hosted their 8th Annual Fall Party for Foster Families in White County. “Carnival” was our party theme. We decorated the gym for the kids with games, prizes, and food for all. Modern Woodmen paid for food and EHC members provided homemade cookies. 50 foster children and families attended.
- White County—El Paso EHC—They Reap what We Sew—“They Reap what We Sew” is the theme of the El Paso EHC project for patients being treated in ACH. During 10 workshops, 20 members made 324 teaching dolls and 554 hand-knitted or crocheted hats. The members spent 3,084 hours and \$1,350 on materials and supplies.
- White County—Floyd EHC—Sunshine School Bibs—The Floyd EHC members provided 85 bibs to the Sunshine School in Searcy. The students had a wonderful time trying on the bibs and enjoying the company of the club members. Members enjoyed creating the patterns and providing the needed bibs for the students.
- White County—Little Indian Creek EHC—Comforts for the Homeless—With the weather turning so cold and an increase in the number of homeless individuals in our community, the Little Indian Creek EHC

saw a need to provide items to make them more comfortable. We collected socks, gloves, and club members had workshops and made 18 thick blankets to be donated to the Mission Machine for distribution to the homeless in our county.

- White County—U-Neek EHC—Cases for Caring—The U-Neek EHC adopted “Cases for Caring” as their community service project. This project was to benefit children who had been pulled from their homes due to family situations and had nothing but the clothes they were wearing. We gathered items and assembled them in backpacks and delivered them to the Department of Human Services, Division of Children and Family Service. We were happy to be helping these children and hope it made this time for them a little easier to bear.

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- Calhoun County—Calhoun County Council—Kindness Project—The Kindness Project was developed by the Calhoun County Council to provide items that were environmentally friendly and needed by people housed at the Ronald McDonald House. Members brought paper products, personal hygiene products and non-perishable food items to the Extension Office and they were sorted and packed for delivery. Local high school students and their sponsor participated in this project along with 4-H members. A total of 19 bags and 6 boxes were filled.
- Calhoun County—Artesian EHC—Learn by Doing—The Artesian EHC chose “Learn by Doing” as their project. This project used food preservation as the method to introduce 4-H youth to methods of preservation. Over 2 days, 4-H members participated in training to learn the basics of food preservation and how to measure and use creative thinking.
- Calhoun County—Needle Art EHC—Veterans’ Pillow Project—To honor our veterans, The Needle Art EHC selected comfort pillows and wooden stars as their project. 5 wooden stars were painted red, white, and blue and given as door prizes. 135 pillows were stitched and stuffed for the veterans of Calhoun County.

- Calhoun County—Smart Belles EHC—Holiday Tasting—Holiday tasting was selected by the Smart Belles EHC as their project. The program provided health information on diabetic dieting and a variety of recipes for participants. The recipes were compiled in a cookbook that sold for \$3.
- Calhoun County—Thornton EHC—To Your Health—The Thornton EHC continue to promote the health initiative of the state AEHC emphasis major and minor program areas. Special educational programs were planned by the Council during their regular business meeting. Speakers spoke on “Drug Use and Abuse in the Home” and “A Dose of Reality” at Spring Council and other programs on health issues were presented each month. Members put up an educational exhibit at the Hogskin Festival.
- Cleveland County—Cleveland County Council—Students Day at the Fair—The Cleveland County Council helped with Students Day at the fair by escorting students to the Exhibit Hall, Livestock Barn, and the Vegetable, Flower, and Herb Gardens. Members educated the students at each station as to what things were. They also encouraged students to enter their exhibits in the fair next year. Students went back to school with some new knowledge and a Farm and Drug Awareness coloring book.
- Cleveland County—Friendship EHC—Lighting Rison at Christmas—The Friendship EHC took the hanging Christmas lights that had been stored, refurbished them, and hung 25 of the lights on the main streets of Rison. We spent \$615 on this project and intend to refurbish and add more. Hanging the lights made Rison beautiful and cheered many people.
- Cleveland County—New Home EHC—Headstone Cleaning Workshop—With many older cemeteries in our county, the New Home EHC wanted to learn the proper way of cleaning the headstones, and wanted to have a workshop to teach the correct procedure. 2 members attended a workshop to learn the proper procedure. A notice was put in the local paper for anyone around the county to come and learn the procedure.

Many attended that were not EHC members and this gave us a chance to let them know what interesting projects and programs we offer.

- Garland County—Garland County Council—Breakfast Bags for the Homeless Count—The Garland Council purchased and prepared food for 200 decorated breakfast bags that were given away during the “Point in Time” Homeless Count 2019 in Garland County. The bags contained biscuits with eggs and sausage, juice, fruit, cereal/granola bars and peppermints.
- Garland County—All Things Home EHC—Pop Up Cards Workshop—Individual EHC’s were invited to sponsor a workshop or class at the fairgrounds. The All Things EHC chose to sponsor a workshop to create Pop Up Cards. Workshops were held for members to learn how to make various types of pop up cards. Each member learned to make 3 different types of cards. At the fairgrounds, participants were divided into 3 groups. Each group made a different card, then groups rotated until each participant was able to make 3 cards. Refreshments were served.
- Garland County—Crazy Quilters EHC—Jackson House Project—The Crazy Quilters EHC project for the year was to donate time, food, and fill Christmas stockings for the Hot Springs Jackson House. The Jackson House serves the homeless, working poor, and the seniors on low budgets. Approximately 150 people are served food per day. Club members donated food items collected monthly at club meetings. They volunteered 150 hours during the year serving lunches and filled 50 Christmas stockings for teens and preteens.
- Garland County—Fiber Therapy EHC—Homemade Afghans for Hospice—A project starting off on a small scale grew into a major ongoing project throughout the year for the Fiber Therapy EHC. Over 60 afghans were lovingly hand crocheted or knitted and distributed to hospice patients in the Garland County area. Some afghans were “lap ghans” that worked for those in wheelchairs, some were more masculine for the men, and some frilly for the ladies. Some were

designed as “fidget blankets” for those that needed to be active at all times.

- Garland County—Lakeside EHC—Caring for Seniors—Lakeside EHC chose “Caring for Seniors” as their project and donated food and toiletry items in December and then in February through June to the Area Agency on Aging of West Central Arkansas. We were able to help many seniors who are clients of this non-profit organization receive a few of the extras they might need to live a dignified and meaningful life in their own homes.
- Garland County—Loyal Ladies EHC—Succulent Container Gardening— The Garland County clubs are asked to provide a “Funday” at least once a year to help educate those in the community on a topic of the clubs choice. The Loyal Ladies EHC noticed that succulent plants were becoming very popular and decided to teach ourselves, and then pass it on to others at a “Funday” one year later. Club members had to educate themselves in order to teach others. We found all kinds of good information and attended the Master Gardeners lecture on succulent gardens. Members had a great learning experience by growing our own plants and a very successful “Funday” attended by over 40 people. We received many compliments from all who attended.
- Garland County—Park Heights EHC—Samaritan Ministries—The Park Heights EHC has been working with Samaritan Ministries a long time. They chose them as their project this year. The ministry is for homeless men. They have affordable apartments for them after they graduate from classes. We bake cookies twice a month and take to the facility and once a year we make a monetary donation to benefit the program and the men it serves.
- Grant County—Grant County Council—Heritage Day Arts and Crafts— The Grant County Council members were asked to reenact Heritage Arts and Crafts that were popular 150 years ago at the Grant County’s 150th Anniversary. Approximately 500 Grant County residents visited the

displays and shared stories of their own crafts and crafts that were used by their ancestors and passed down to another generation.

- Hot Spring County—Hot Spring County Council—Feeding the Hungry—The Hot Spring County Council decided “Feeding the Hungry” would be their project. As a group, we donated \$1,000 to the food bank. In turn, it can buy 5,000 boxes of cereal with this money. We received the award for donating the most in our county by 1 organization.
- Hot Spring County—Gifford EHC—Adult Bibs for Senior Adult Center—The Gifford EHC had left over adult bibs so we decided to donate them to our local senior adult center. It sold the bibs for \$4 each to help compensate what they have to match each month with the government.
- Montgomery County—Montgomery County Council—Ouachita Family Center—A representative from the Ouachita Family Center spoke at our Spring Council, telling members about items that they need to help abused families. The Montgomery County Council voted to take this on as a county project. A box was placed at the Extension Office to collect items such as toiletries, diapers, bottles, cleaning products, hangers, clothes, and personal hygiene products. We had 25 members give 200 volunteer hours and \$500 in merchandise donated already.
- Montgomery County—Snap, Crackle, and Pop EHC—Making a Pot Garden—The Snap, Crackle, and Pop EHC project club, mainly an exercise club for elderly women, decided on a project which would give us a different kind of exercise, be educational, and we would possibly end up with home-grown vegetables. We prepared the space and built a fence to keep out animals. We bought our materials and began planting at the proper time. When the plants began to produce, we picked 2 or 3 times a week and all had vegetables to take home. Overage was given to family or friends and some to the Montgomery County food pantry.
- Pike County—Pike County Council—The Call-Helping Foster Parents—The Pike County Council chose to collect and make supplies for “The Call” of Montgomery and Pike Counties, a non-profit organization which trains foster parents and provides for their needs as they take in foster

children. The clubs all decided what they wanted to do for this project. Lots of different items were collected and throws, fleece blankets, quilts, and pillow cases were made and donated. These items made a difference in the lives of many.

- Pike County—East Delight EHC—Bringing it Back—Cemetery Restoration Year 2—The East Delight EHC encouraged many others to become aware of the need to care for the headstones of their loved ones who have passed on from this life. We have had lots of comments on the work. Many other cemeteries are getting help from those who have attended our workshops and learned how to care for the headstones properly.
- Pike County—Glenwood EHC—Glenwood City Park Beautification Project—The Glenwood EHC was able to apply for and receive a grant from Blue & You Foundation for the Glenwood Park Beautification Project. We bought paint and supplies to paint the free standing walls. We partnered with the City of Glenwood for the washing of the walls. This is a continuing work in progress.
- Pike County—Pisgah EHC—Brighten the Town—The Pisgah EHC chose as its project to refurbish a mural which had faded on 1 of the closed businesses in Delight, AR. The community was to host a state meeting in early July and the mural was one of the first sites that the visitors see as they entered the town. Members scraped off chipped paint, swept down the walls, and removed excess grass and weeds that were along the wall. Then members and a volunteer youngster met and began the process of repainting the mural. Various paints were purchased to emulate as many of the original colors as possible. Many positive comments were received from town members and from guests who visited made the project a fresh way to brighten the small town of Delight.
- Pulaski County—Sweet Home EHC—Teaching Dolls for ACH—The Sweet Home EHC feels making dolls for the ACH is an important project. We made 220 dolls to help the doctors in teaching the children

what part of their body has a medical issue. The children also have a doll to take home to have what we hope will be good memories of their stay in the hospital.

- Saline County—Saline County Council—Quilt of Valor—The Saline County Council chose to honor a WWII veteran in our community with a Quilt of Valor. Members began collecting and buying materials. After several sewing sessions, the quilt, case, and label were finished. The quilt was awarded on Veterans Day at the Saline County Courthouse that was filled with family and community members.
- Saline County—Dabblers EHC—Honoring Veterans—The Dabblers EHC chose honoring veterans after hearing from a member of the local VFW Post 2256 of the needs for toiletries, lap blankets, hats, and scarves for in-patients at Ft. Roots Veterans Hospital. Members started gathering and assembling the needed items for the veterans. After many hours of sewing, crocheting, and sorting items into 100 bags, the items were donated to Ft. Roots Veterans Hospital.
- Saline County—Sardis EHC—Fidget/memory blanket—The Sardis EHC chose fidget/memory blankets as a worthwhile on-going contribution to the community. It was started after a club presentation by Arkansas Hospice. 2 finished blankets won blue ribbons at the Saline County Fair and another was used in the EHC Education booth display. These will be donated to the Arkansas Hospice and one was donated to a special needs teacher. Members will continue to make the blankets and donate on a monthly basis.
- Scott County—Busy Hands EHC—Sewing Pillowcases with Children—The Busy Hands EHC were contacted by the Waldron Public Schools to help provide a sewing experience for their 28 4-th grade summer school students. A pillowcase design was chosen and the fabric was cut out. Children selected a patterned fabric for the top and a contrasting color for the pillowcase. The workshop was held on 6 days with members meeting with 6 students each session. Students completed a pillowcase during the sessions.

- Scott County—Pleasant Hill EHC—Soup for Law Enforcement—Soup for Law Enforcement was chosen by the Pleasant Hill EHC to show thanks and appreciation for the great job that the Waldron City Police, and the Scott County Sheriff's do. The Pleasant Hill EHC, in cooperation with Scott County 4-H, cooked and delivered soup, cornbread, and dessert. This was chosen as an effort to encourage and honor the local law enforcement agencies.
- Scott County—Shutterbugs EHC—Hats for ACH—Hats for ACH was chosen as the project for the Shutterbugs EHC after hearing about the need for preemie hats as a leader training at Ferndale. Members obtained a pattern and placed announcements of workshop on Facebook and in the bulletin of 2 churches. Those that participated spent 150 hours and made 103 preemie hats. It was a wonderful day of crochet, coffee, and conversation benefiting the smallest patients of ACH.
- Sevier County—Sevier County Council—Imagination Library—To help the children in our community to have a love for reading using Dolly Parton's “Imagination Library”, children from the age of birth to 4 years old will receive a book every month. The Sevier County Council decided to make a donation to the local sponsor of Southwest Arkansas Imagination Library to be given to “Imagination Library”. A \$700 donation was made by the Sevier County Council.
- Sevier County—Gillham EHC—Learn, Laugh, and Live Well Craft Fair—The Gillham EHC decided to hold an outreach event to get new members and make the AEHC more known. A paint class, “Learn, Laugh, and Live Well Craft Fair” was held at the UA Cossatot, free to the public. We had a professional teacher, around 25 attended and it was a great success as we had several interested in becoming members.

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- Benton County—Benton County Council—Shiloh Ministries Chicken Coop—The Benton County Council chose Shiloh Ministries Chicken Coop as their project. Shiloh Ministries is a non-profit home for troubled

young men. The current pen occupied by the hens was unstable and subject to invasion by predators. County members decided to “Pass the Hen” at Fall Council to raise funds for shelter for the “homeless hens”. There was \$600 raised to build a chicken coop. Shiloh Ministries has a new flock of hens and these are laying eggs in their newly completed chicken coop.

- Benton County—Bella Vista Homesteaders EHC—Fair Judges Luncheon—For this year’s project, the Bella Vista Homesteaders EHC chose to serve lunch to the Benton County Fair judges, staff, and volunteers who judge and set up exhibits. We chose to do this to show our appreciation for all their efforts to make the fair a success. We served over 100 people and donated the earnings to the Benton County 4-H Scholarship Fund.
- Benton County—Evening Star EHC—Rag Dolls for Pioneer Exploration Days—The Evening Star EHC chose Rag Dolls for Pioneer Exploration Days as its project, to help the Benton County Historical Society and the Bentonville History Museum promote history and pioneer life as it was back in the day. 30 dolls were made during 2 meetings plus time in between at their own homes. Pictures were taken of the children drawing faces on the dolls during the program. Members found it very fulfilling to be a part of this historical project.
- Benton County—Highfill EHC—Port Pillows for Highlands Oncology Group—Members of the Highfill EHC made 107 Port Pillows for the Highlands Oncology Group in Rogers, Arkansas. The purpose of the pillows is to hold the seat belt up off the port. We worked 67 hours and donated \$214 worth of items.
- Benton County—New Meadowbrook EHC—Meals for God’s Pantry Volunteers—New Meadowbrook EHC decided to provide meals for the volunteers at God’s Pantry once a month for a year. Meals were prepared and delivered each month to encourage and reinforce our appreciation for the volunteers. Members are proud to be a contributing force in our community.

- Benton County—Vaughn EHC—Essential Outreach—The Vaughn EHC adopted Essential Outreach for its year-long community service project. The purpose is “to collaborate with communities outside of the I-49 corridor to assist those in need”. The goal is “to provide essential items which otherwise may be unattainable for those living at or near poverty”. Each month, we selected one item from their needs list and each of our members bought 1 or more of the items. We contributed 370 personal care items for the year.
- Carroll County—Carroll County Council—Giving a Little Cheer to Cancer Patients—The Carroll County Council learned of this project from a lady who had started making turbans for cancer patients but couldn’t get them completed. Members met for a workshop and some ironed, some pinned, others sewed, and some put elastic in. Before we knew it, we had 55 turbans finished. These were delivered to the Cancer Treatment Center. 1 lady took 1 and wore it right away and said she liked it because it was made out of soft cotton material and it was cool.
- Carroll County—Busy Bee EHC—Giving Love to the Foster Children—The Busy Bees EHC learned that children come into the foster system without anything to carry their clothes in. 1 members had a pattern for a duffle bag she had gotten at a state meeting. The members had workshops where some sewed, some stuffed items they were making , and then some bought throws and backpacks. Members donated 3 afghans, 8 blankets, 16 duffle bags, 17 throws, 12 stuffed toys and dolls, 5 quilts, 12 backpacks, and 5 lice kits. The club plans to make more for children coming into the system to make their lives a little happier.
- Carroll County—Domestic Divas EHC—Caring and Sharing—The Domestic Divas EHC decided instead of buying birthday or anniversary gifts for each other, they would donated the \$5 to \$10 to their treasury twice a year. They donated \$50 to 4 non-profit groups: A Cup of Love, Senior Center, Loaves and Fishes, and The Berryville Free Store for a total donation of \$200. Sharing with others because we care.

- Cleburne County—Cleburne County Council—Arkansas Plants—The Cleburne County Council presented an educational class on “Arkansas Plants” to EHC members and the public. Interest in using native plants and protecting our pollinators sparked the idea for this class. Local talent presented the class. 11 people attended and EHC members presented this information at their May club meetings.
- Cleburne County—Seven Springs EHC—Why? Community School—Why, because the Community School is a special place where children with disabilities are welcomed into a safe environment to learn and grow. These children need extra help, so Seven Springs EHC said yes, we would help them. We bought school supplies, made over 30 new pads for mattresses where they nap, and donated underwear and socks. We then judged Halloween Costumes at their party, cooked and served Christmas breakfast to a well deserving staff. To know we were making a difference in the lives of children was the most important part of this.
- Cleburne County—Today’s Homemakers EHC—Providing Needed Supplies for the Community School of Cleburne County—The Community School needed help in making cot covers for the preschool students to use at naptime. Today’s Homemakers EHC decided to not only help the preschoolers, but also do something for the older students. They chose “Providing Needed Supplies for the Community School of Cleburne County” as their project and collected 15 aprons and 12 sugar-free baking and frosting mixes for the cooking classes to help them learn to be more independent. They also made a cash donation so additional baking supplies could be purchased. They made 26 cot covers in 2 patterns for the preschoolers.
- Conway County—Conway County Council—Room 29:11 Promise House—The Conway County Council participated in providing clothing, gift cards, and casseroles for workers each month at Room 29:11. Approximately \$3,000 and 300 hours were spent helping alleviate some of the burden foster care and guardianship families endure. Thankfully,

we were a part of helping Room 29:11 become “The Promise House” where families can meet and shop.

- Conway County—Birdtown EHC—Community Service—Birdtown EHC took items to a senior adult center, had a Valentine’s Day and Mother’s Day sale, participated in Farmers Market, collected and distributed school supplies, and created a food pantry for the community of Birdtown.
- Conway County—Hilltopper EHC—Pathfinder Inc. (Cottonwood)—The Hilltopper EHC members loved getting to know the clients at Pathfinder Inc.(Cottonwood), a home dedicated to taking care of special needs adults. We loved to see their smiles when we would bring books and snacks and read or sing with them. They loved us helping them with projects we brought for them. We received many smiles and thanks from the staff every time we came to visit.
- Conway County—Oppelo Twilite EHC—Room 29:11 Promise House—13 members of the Oppelo Twilite EHC participated in this project by baking goodies for club bake sales, bidding, and buying items at the auctions to make money to donate to 29:11. We contributed \$548, which helped them get 1 step closer to now being “The Promise House”.
- Conway County—Petit Jean EHC—Room 29:11 Promise House—The Petit Jean EHC assisted community volunteers in raising funds to benefit the Promise House. Our effors made it possible to purchase a complete alarm system for the newly renovated home for foster care children in a 4-county area. With our assistance, we provided the financial support as well as hope to families that were in need of encouragement.
- Crawford County—River Belles EHC—Bows for Fairview Cemetery—River Belles EHC took on this project because the ladies on the board of the cemetery needed help from the community to produce 400 bows for the Fairview Cemetery. Members met 3 different days and worked over 20 hours, making 400 new bows for the Fairview Cemetery wreaths.

- Izard County—Izard County Council—Beautification of Izard County Fairground—The Izard County Council needed a flag, along with something else for the entrance to our building at the Izard County Fairground. The flag was donated and when we went to our local frame shop to get it framed, the owner donated all of his framing expense. We planted 2 large pots with plants at the entrance too. Our entire county will be able to benefit from this project.
- Izard County—GID EHC—Kids Business—Most of the members of GID EHC are from a small town in Izard County where we have one daycare, “Kids Business”. There are always supplies needed and appreciated at the daycare. GID members made sweet little nap time pillows for “Kids Business”. They also donated other items such as hand sanitizers, tissues, paper, crayons, etc. The owner was very proud to receive it all.
- Johnson County—Hagarville EHC—Lunch with Santa—The Hagarville EHC held a mid-day program for the little ones. They served lunch with Sanda and Mrs. Clause and plain sugar cookies were provided for each child to decorate as they pleased, giving them a glimpse into food preparation. They were very proud of their creations. After lunch, each child’s height was measured with yarn and attached to an ornament for them to take home so they could see how much taller they grow next year. Each child was given a goodie bag from under the tree which contained candy canes and a small amount of candy.
- Johnson County—Ozark EHC—Feed the Children—10 of the Ozark EHC committed to 280 hours during a 3-month period to complete this project “Feed the Children”. Members cut and sewed 68 backpacks and delivered them to the Ozark School for their Backpack Food Program. We believe this project helps the lives of the children by supplying food for the weekends. It brought pleasure to each member that we could help with doing this for the children.
- Johnson County—ReRuns EHC—Needy Paws—The ReRuns EHC chose Needy Paws, the local animal shelter, as their project. Members provided supplies and made several fleece doggie blankets of various

sizes for the “no kill” shelter. Personnel at the shelter were very appreciative.

- Logan County—Prairie View EHC—Little Free Library—The Prairie View EHC followed the 5-step plan for starting a Little Free Library. The library was placed on the community building porch and EHC members served as a collective. The Little Free Library was registered and given the Charter Number 89270. Ribbon cutting was held on June 14th. This project is a worthwhile endeavor involving both EHC and the community. Research has shown that the earlier children are exposed to books and reading, the better they do in school. We support reading and literacy in our community.
- Madison County—Farmers & Charmers EHC—Sweetheart Dinner & Dance—The Farmers & Charmers EHC created a Sweetheart Dinner & Dance event to raise funds for the Meals on Wheels program through the Madison County senior center. They raised and donated \$744 to the program.
- Newton County—Deer Lady Bug EHC—Privacy Bags—The Deer Lady Bug EHC created privacy bags to be used by residents who use wheelchairs or walkers at the Newton County Nursing Home. These bags will provide privacy as well as safety for those who have catheters or use oxygen tanks. The members designed colorful bags for the residents and have made 30 bags.
- Newton County—Jasper Pioneers ECH—“Who are we?”—The Jasper Pioneers EHC chose to make a biographical album of our current members to promote understanding of people from different backgrounds and areas of the country and to reinforce bonds between members, families, and local people. It should prove to be of future historical interest in the Jasper Museum. We hope too the information inside will be useful to new Extension agents. Only time will show.
- Sebastian County—Sebastian County Council—Cot Sheets for Lincoln Daycare Center—74 members of the 5 Sebastian County clubs and 5 members of the Dayton 4-H club cut, sewn hems, attached elastic, and

tie-dyed 165 crib and cot sheets for the Lincoln Daycare Center, Inc. Value of time and contributions is approximately \$10, 480.

- Sebastian County—Excelsior EHC—Wrapped in Love Scarves—21 members of Excelsior EHC helped cut and fringe scarves for a total of 200 volunteer hours. Several members donated fleece. 300 scarves were made and distributed to residents of Pink Bud Nursing Home, Lincoln Childcare Center, Hope Campus, and the Women's Crisis Center. Value of volunteer hours and fabric is \$5150.
- Van Buren County—Highway 110 EHC—Leg-It for the Library Fun Run/Walk Goodie Bags—The Highway 110 EHC volunteered to make 100 goodie bags for participants in the Van Buren County Library's annual fundraiser "Leg-It for the Library Fun Run/Walk". 1 of the members designed the bag using a box pleated bottom and drawstring closure. Upon approval by the Friends of the Library, members laid out the fabric, cut the bags, marking the box pleats, sewed, prepared the drawstrings, and secured the drawstrings in each. Members also helped fill the bags and worked at different stations at the event as needed.
- Washington County—Washington County Council—Little Hats, Big Hearts—The Washington County Council answered a request from the American Heart Association to make knitted or crocheted red baby hats to symbolize and honor babies and moms in a shared mission of heart-healthy lives for everyone. Members donated red yarn and began knitting and crocheting hats, both newborn and preemie sized. Washington County members contributed 331 caps for new babies in the NWAR area.
- Washington County—Bethel Grove EHC—Medical Teaching Dolls—The Bethel Grove EHC voted to assist ACH by making teaching dolls to fulfill its ongoing need. The project was divided into 2 meetings. Dolls were cut, stitched, and stuffed in January. In February, we finished stuffing and hand sewed the openings. 38 dolls were finished and delivered to ACH in Little Rock on February 15, 2019.

- Washington County—Goshen EHC—Medical Teaching Dolls and Comfort Pillows—The Goshen EHC chose to make child sized pillows and teaching dolls for ACNWH in Springdale. 2 workshops were held to complete 111 pillows, using mostly Dr. Seuss prints. The pillows were delivered on March 20, 2019. Another workshop was held with 30 dolls completed. The dolls were delivered on May 23, 2019.
- Washington County—Serendipity 59ers EHC—Quilts in Memory of Grady Welch—In searching for a club project this year, a member of the Serendipity 59ers EHC said her deceased grandson's favorite quilt was one he had gotten at ACH in Little Rock. Members decided to make quilts in memory of her grandson, Grady Welch. 12 quilts have been donated so far involving several members and 100+ volunteer hours.
- Washington County—Winslow EHC—The Hope Center Resource Center—The Winslow EHC adopted the Hope Cancer Resource Center for its project. Members volunteered behind the scenes making favors and other decorations for the Center's fundraising activities, "Heroes for Hope" and "Gentlemen of Distinction" dinners. Members are available to help with other activities that promote community awareness and raise funds to help the cancer patients and their families battle cancer.
- Yell County—Spring Creek EHC—Thrift Shop—The Spring Creek EHC chose "Thrift Shop" as its community service project. The profits will help support the Battered Women's Shelter. Members donated items throughout the year to this worthy project. This is the only thrift shop in Danville and the members appreciate being able to donate locally. Several members have also shopped there. The shop reported it was doing well and appreciate the donations from the club.