

## City of Munford, Tennessee

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Mayor's Report September 25, 2023

It was our distinct honor to host the 22nd Anniversary of the 9/11 Memorial in Tipton County on September11. It was gratifying to have so many citizens join us at Munford Fire Department to remember the 2977 souls lost on 9/11/2001 and honor their lives. Munford Fire Chief Jeremy Reeves did an outstanding job of coordinating the memorial and several Fire and Police Departments were present and had a part in the ceremony. Many thanks to all who participated. We will not forget.

In August, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved a \$2.7M loan through the Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund. These funds will be used for various projects including Munford's portion of the sewer lagoon expansion, Veterans Plaza, playground equipment for Poplar Park, City Park and the rear portion of Valentine Park, a bucket truck for Public Works, downtown planning, and a generator for the Parks and Recreation building. I signed the documents for this loan recently and funding is now in place for these purchases and projects.

Celebrate Munford 2023 is scheduled for October 21, and I am very pleased to announce that booth sales are SOLD OUT. Over two hundred vendors will be present for our 39th annual community celebration for your pleasure. Also included at Celebrate Munford 2023 are our classic car show, food booths, music and entertainment, and fun for all. October should bring relief from Summer heat, and we look forward to a great day in downtown Munford. "Celebrate Good times, Come on!"

Many thanks to Jessica Collier, owner of Collier Realtors, LLC, for being our Celebrate Title Sponsor this year. Jessica is passionate about Munford and the Mid-South and has collaborated with me on numerous projects. After many years as a realtor, she opened her own realty company in 2020 and is driven by a customer-centric approach to every listing. Thank you, Jessica, for your continued commitment to "My Kind of Town.' In addition to the Title Sponsor, I want to thank Entertainment Sponsors Landers Ford North, Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Ram, AireServ; Car Show Sponsors Homer Skelton Ford, Homer Skelton Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep, and Cypress Magazine as well as many other fine sponsors who annually make Celebrate Munford a very special day.

Congratulations to the students, Administration and Faculty of Munford High School and Munford Middle School for attaining level 5 Tennessee Value Added Assessment Scores (TVAAS) recently. This score measures the amount of academic progress a student makes from year to year. Once again, our students are excelling in the classroom as well as athletic competition. We are very proud!

Band competition season has begun, and our Band placed fifth in their first Bands of America competition in Chattanooga this weekend. Our Cougars continued their winning ways in football as well as in soccer, golf, and other competitive sports and clubs, our students are excelling. Students attending Munford schools are achievers.

Great days are ahead for our town, and I am thankful to be a part of the growth and excellence we are experiencing.

Warm regards,

Dwayne Cole



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