

Bardstown/Nelson County Tourism Celebrates the Success of the 2nd Annual Christmas Carnival in the Park

Bardstown, KY [December 10, 2025]: Bardstown/Nelson County Tourism is proud to announce the incredible success of the 2nd Annual Christmas Carnival in the Park, held at My Old Kentucky Home State Park. Year two of the event exceeded expectations and raised \$15,000 for children in our community thanks to the overwhelming support of sponsors, vendors, volunteers, and attendees.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to the incredible partners who made this event possible. My Old Kentucky Home State Park was amazing to work with, and the countless hours their staff put into bringing this experience to life did not go unnoticed.

Because of the generosity, time, talent, and belief in this event from our community, we are proud to donate:

- \$5,000 to The Salvation Army Angel Tree
- \$5,000 to the STEM Program
- \$5,000 to Shop with a Cop

Thank You to Our Sponsors

A huge thank you to our amazing community sponsors who helped make this event possible and such a success. We are incredibly grateful for their support, generosity, and commitment to helping create a magical weekend for families across Bardstown and Nelson County.

- My Old Kentucky Home
 - Bartons 1792 Distillery
 - Swope Family Dealership
 - The Old Talbott Tavern
 - Bardstown Motor Lodge/Toogie's Table
 - Lux Row Distillers
 - The Kentucky Bourbon Festival
 - CHI Flaget Memorial Hospital
 - Buzick's Construction
 - WesBanco
 - Making Good Scenz
 - Green Dot
 - Boone's Butcher Shop
 - Heaven Hill Brands
 - Town & Country Bank
 - Smith Brothers Distributing Co.
- Sarah Curtsinger – State Farm

Thank You to Our Vendors

Another huge thank you to all the vendors who helped us on-site and throughout the event weekend. We could not have done it without you!

- BYB Events
 - Party on Air Events
 - Bounce Around Etown
 - Back Road Cookin'
 - Backroad BBQ
 - Nacho Mama
 - Spinelli's Pizza
 - Tay's Treats
 - Southern Style Kettle Corn & Mini Donuts
 - Teddy Bear Mobile Truck
 - Gleam & Glow Princesses & Super Heros
 - Nelson Co. Public Library Truck
 - Face Painting by Ariane
 - Brian Scott Hall – Santa Claus
 - My Old Kentucky Home State Park
 - WhiskMe Transportation
 - Manoj Patel for Trolley Transportation
 - MOKH Park Rangers
 - DSH Media
 - Sun Belt Rentals
 - M&H Tent Rentals
 - Brad Metcalf
- Kim Goff / FBLA NCHS

Thank You to Our Volunteers

Lastly, a big thank you to our volunteers who helped make this event everything that it was. Your time, enthusiasm, and dedication helped create an unforgettable weekend of holiday fun for families across Nelson County and beyond!

Thank You, Nelson County

To our incredible community, thank you for showing up, supporting this event, and helping make Christmas Carnival in the Park such a special holiday tradition. From families who braved the cold to create memories, to those who helped spread the word and support our mission, we are beyond grateful. ***We can't wait to see what next year brings!***