

Evergy Green Team Invites Area Youth to Annual Deer Hunt

Applications will be accepted through Nov. 9

TOPEKA, Kan. – October 24, 2023 – Applications are now open for the Evergy Green Team's **annual youth rifle deer hunts November 29 through December 10**. Due to the highly supervised and educational nature of the event, youth with little or no deer hunting experience are allowed to apply to participate.

Hunts will be conducted at **Jeffrey Energy Center 25905 Jeffrey Rd, St. Marys, KS 66536** during the early firearm deer season. **Youth aged 12 to 18 are invited to apply through November 9**. Requests for applications should be sent to GreenTeam@evergy.com.

The Green Team's annual youth deer hunts are conducted in partnership with the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and are designed to provide an opportunity to educate young hunters about wildlife conservation principles, habitat protection, and safe and sustainable harvest practices. The hunts are safe and fun hunting experiences focused on engaging inexperienced hunters, in an area where the odds of success are high due to the abundance of deer. Other important items of note include:

- Participants must be accompanied by an adult.
- Hunts will take place in the early morning or late afternoon.
- A limited number of slots will be awarded to applicants, with priority to those with little or no deer hunting experience.
- Hunting will be conducted from blinds and participants will be led by volunteer, experienced hunters.
- Youth hunters are encouraged to bring their own rifle, but one can be provided if needed.
- Every hunter must have a Unit 9 deer permit from the Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks. Hunters 16 and older must also possess a hunting license and hunter education certificate or an apprentice license for those who do not have a hunter education certificate.

A mandatory orientation session will be held prior to the hunt on Saturday, November 18 at Jeffrey Energy Center. Organizers will instruct on safety, deer biology and assist youths with sighting in rifles.

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