DuBois Salvation Army still trying to reach $40,000 Red Kettle goal
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— DuBois — The bells of the DuBois Salvation Army continue to ring and Captain Andrew and Belenio Spooner are still hoping to reach their Red Kettle campaign goal of $40,000 which it is恻 on Christmas Eve.

“We are so thankful to all the generous individuals who have donated to the Red Kettle this season,” said Capt. Spooner.

To date, the DuBois Salvation Army has raised $10,425.29 toward the matching grant from Pare Uniform Services. “We have until Dec. 24 to reach our goal of the $25,000, and we are asking the community to step up and donate a red kettle or mail a donation marked for ‘Red Kettle’ indicated in the memo line,” said Spooner. “The $40,000 goal for this year’s campaign will help those in need in the DuBois area, he said.

In November, Pare Uniform Services said they would match all donations during this year’s Red Kettle Campaign up to $25,000. David Stern, CEO of Pare Company, has been passionate about supporting The Salvation Army DuBois and is customer to inspire new donors to give this year.

“Many people know The Salvation Army for its kettles and thrift stores, but it is important for people to learn that red kettle donations fund year-round programing for local youth and seniors, comprehensive social services, emergen- cy housing, and so much more,” Stern said. “It is our hope that by matching donations through Christmas Eve, we can inspire others to get into the giving spirit to help local children.”

The Salvation Army’s Annual Red Kettle Campaign is one of its year-round programs and has been providing Christmas assistance for local youth and seniors since 1919. The monthly council decided to raise the rate to $30 per month, or $360 in full advance. Jackson and the council failed to take into account the lost of plumes in the downtown area over two years of COVID and its impact on the economy. She added that no one on the council was in favor of any business owner on the increase. She said that the council voted to proceed with the rate increase.

For 2022, the final 2022 budget, the council of revenue are from real estate taxes, which include $2,000, the water -based project, which is the tax increase. The council approved the final 2022 budget, which shows $851,300 for wa- ter rates and $12,100 for sewer rates. The total combined income total is listed at $4,697,668.57, while the final 2022 budget comes to a total of $4,697,608.77, which is $4,061,625.70.

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