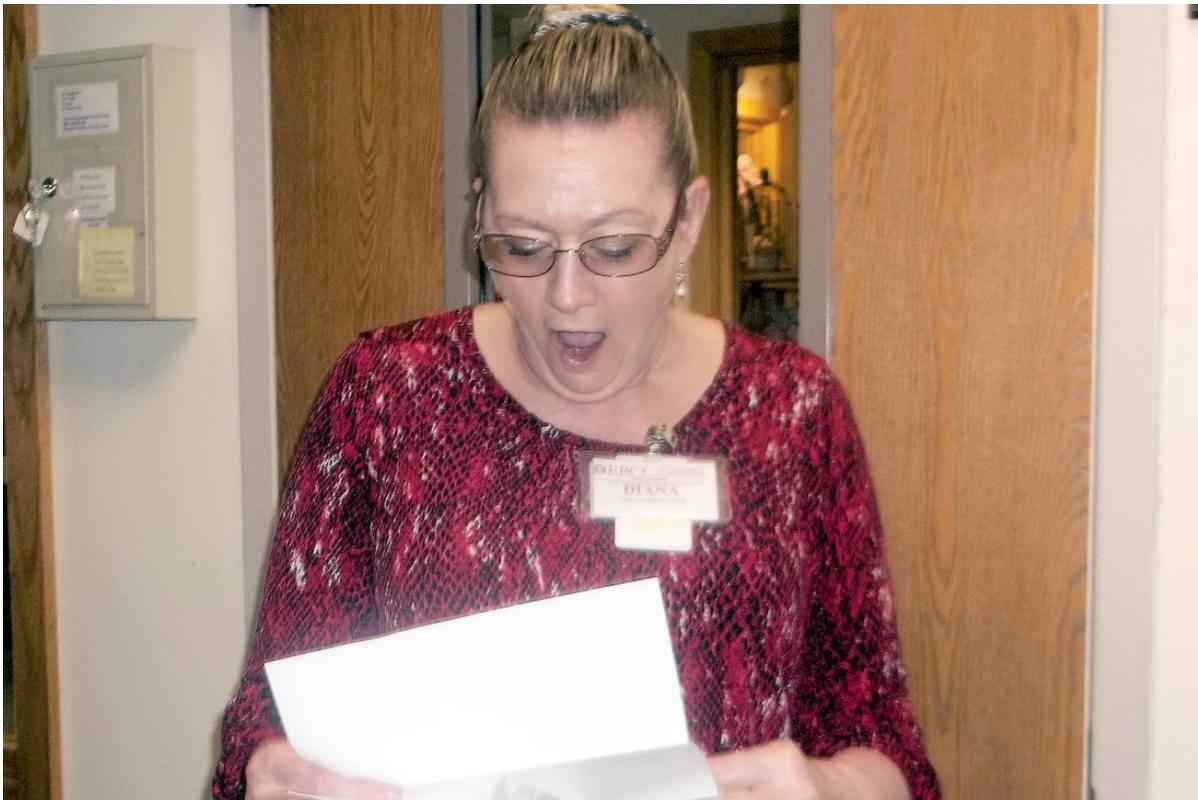


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## ERCC employees receive bonus

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Submitted photo Diana Smith, RN, MDS coordinator at ERCC, shows her surprise after receiving her 'stimulus package' appreciation gift.

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ELKINS — Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center officials have gifted all 145 employees at the facility with a \$100 “*stimulus package*” bonus and is helping fund child care for employees to show their thanks for staff members adjusting to tightened changes and continuing to provide complete, compassionate care to all residents and each other in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

*“Our employees have worked so hard to continue to provide top-notch care during this crisis,” ERCC Administrator Tara Shaver said. “We know these times are extra stressful and we wanted to show them that we do not take their work for granted and we appreciate everything they do.”*

In addition to the \$100 appreciation gift, ERCC is helping with child care issues that staff may be facing. Child care has become an issue throughout the nation because of school closures in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. In order to ensure their employees do not have to stress about the additional expense of childcare while they are at work, ERCC is providing a stipend to those who now have to pay for daycare, Shaver said.

*“Our staff members are the very best employees out there,” Shaver emphatically stated. “We want them to know that we appreciate them and everything they do very much.”*

*“This crisis will pass and, when it does, I want all of our employees to look back on this time and be proud of what they have done, because we here at ERCC are proud of them too,” she added.*

The company is also working with employees to help alleviate the myriad of problems that arise because of the COVID-19 outbreak, from providing laundry

service to additional meals, she added.

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