

PURCHASE AREA

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

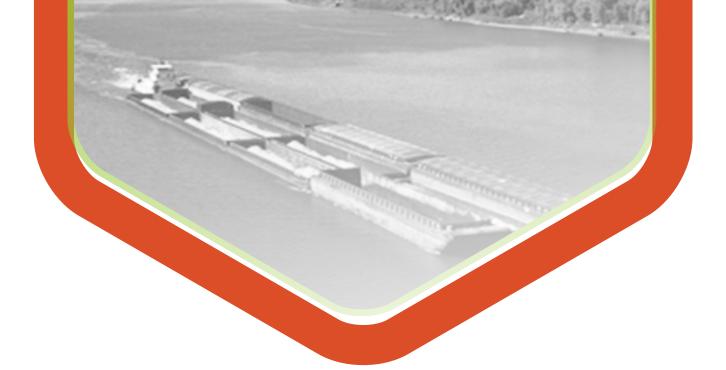


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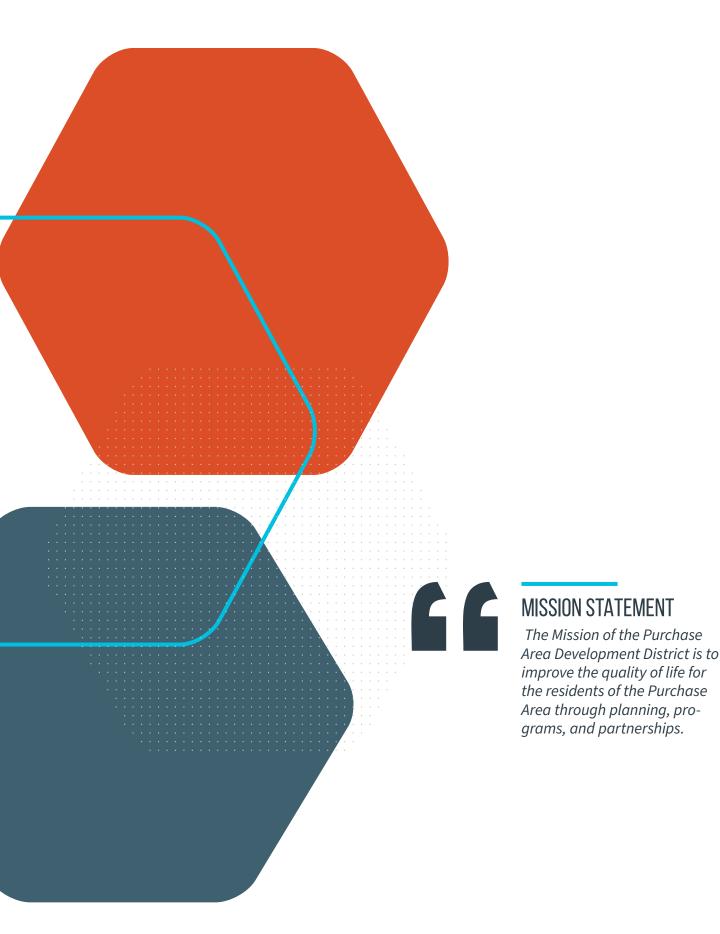
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PURCHASE AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Jackson Purchase region is comprised of eight counties: Ballard, Calloway, Carlisle, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, McCracken, Marshall with a population of 196,799 and a combined land area of 2,394.8 square miles. The region is uniquely located, bordered by both the Mississippi and Ohio rivers as well as the Tennessee River and Kentucky Lake. The region is a haven for outdoor recreation and tourism with numerous state parks and historic sites.

The Purchase area has seen a slow in- to transportation including the work crease in its overall population over the past few decades. The Purchase area labor force makes up just over 44 percent of its total population. Government, including education are the leading occupations in the region followed by retail, healthcare/social services and manufacturing while also being a leader in agriculture. There is a growing need for a skilled, youthful workforce due to an aging population to help ease strains within local economies. The region provides incredible opportunities for recreation and tourism with countless miles of shoreline located on Kentucky Lake as well as both the Ohio and Mississippi rivers and is home to numerous historic sites and state parks. The region is committed to education with 90% of citizens possessing at least a high school diploma and over 62% possessing at least some college education. The region makes continued efforts to improve its access

on the I-69 corridor and is focused on continued development of multi-modal transportation while taking advantage of its unique access to waterways along both the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. The region, like much of the country, has experienced a strain in the availability of affordable housing but has been exacerbated by the recent western Kentucky tornadoes of 2021. During this time of recovery, community leaders in the region are focused on using increased state and federal funding to address both the displacement of people and businesses affected by the natural disasters as well as focus on the improvement or replacement of aging infrastructure within the region. The Purchase Area Development District is committed to working with local community leaders accross the region to improve the quality of life for residents through planning, programs, and partnerships.

KEY AREAS OF FOCUS

There are many factors that go into growing and maintaining thriving communities and econmic growth. The primary areas of focus for the Jackson Purchase Region for the next 5 years as set out by community leaders and committee members are: Housing, Workforce and Transportation. These key areas are crucial to the continued support and development of strong communities within the region. Each area of focus has a specific vision, goal and objective that is obtainable through a collaborative effort.

3 KEY AREAS OF FOCUS **WORKFORCE** HOUSING **TRANSPORTATION**

PURCHASE REGIONAL

SUMMARY BACKGROUND

87.9%

/I 10% 2.3%

REGIONAL POPULATION (1) 2021 POPULATION EST. CHANGE SINCE 2010

196.799

193,495 195,436 196,741

source: census.gov

REGIONAL WORKFORCE STATS

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

ALL GOVERNMENT 12,976 RETAIL TRADE 11,623 HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE 10.693 MANUFACTURING 10,067 ACCOMODATION & FOOD SERVICES 8.907

TOTAL LABOR FORCE AGE 16+

87,086

TOTAL **EMPLOYMENT**

82.966 TOTAL EMPLOYER

ESTABLISHMENTS

4.644

source: kystats.ky.gov / census.gov

WHITE/CAUCASIAN

LABOR FORCE %

OF POPULATION

44.3%

TOTAL

UNEMPLOYED

4.120

UNEMPLOYMENT

RATE

4.7%

BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN

HISPANIC /LATINO BACHELOR'S DEGREE MULTI-RACIAL OR HIGHER

source: cedik.ca.uky.edu

EDUCATION R

LESS THAN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR EQUIVILENT

SOME COLLEGE OR ASSOCIATES DEGREE

INCOME

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD \$44.790

PER CAPITA INCOME

\$28,274

source: census.gov

REGIONAL HOUSING STATS

TOTAL HOUSING UNITS *07/01/21 94,394 OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS 66.577

OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING RATE

AVERAGE HOME VALUE \$126,50

MEDIAN MONTHLY OWNER COSTS \$988 MEDIAN GROSS RENT \$660

93 **BUILDING PERMITS**, *2021

source: census.gov

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION



AVERAGE COMMUTE TIME TO WORK 20 MINUTES



OF COMMUTERS WORKING IN OTHER COUNTIES 19.807

OF COMMUTERS WORKING IN THEIR COUNTY 59.430



POVERTY RATE

15.6%

ROUTE MILES OF PASSENGER RAIL TRANSIT 46

NUMBER OF

BRIDGES

1.374



PRIMARY & COMMERCIAL AIRPORTS



source: bts.gov (Bureau of Transportation)

STRENGTHS

- COST OF LIVING
- RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION INTERSTATE ACCESS ARTS & FAMILY CULTURE



WEAKNESSES

- AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- ACCESS TO MASS TRANSIT
- AGING WORKFORCE LIVING WAGE EMPLOYMENT
- AGING INFRASTRUCTURE
 FUNDING AVAILABILITY
- LACK OF SKILLED WORKFORCE
- **ELDERLY SERVICES**



- RECREATIONAL TOURISM
- DEVELOPING WORKFORCE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
- AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT
- MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION



THREATS

- HOUSING AVAILABILTY
- SEVERE WEATHER POVERTY
- LACK OF COMMUNITY FUNDING LACK OF SKILLED WORKFORCE
- INCOME DISPARITIES AGING INFRASTRUCTURE

PURCHASE REGIONAL

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

The Purchase area is committed to the community and economic growth of the region. To facilitate the continued development of local communities it is vital for there to be a vibrant, highly skilled workforce supported by available affordable housing and the ability to transport people, goods and services efficiently. Workforce, Housing & Transportation are the three key focus areas of the reaion to best improve local communities and foster economic growth and development.

WORKFORCE

Collaborate with federal, state, and regional workforce organizations to ensure that local communities are building a skilled workforce.

GOAL:

To strengthen the alignment of employment, training, and education programs, and to promote individual and economic growth of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014.

OBJECTIVE:

The Purchase ADD, as the One-Stop Operator and Direct-Service Provider for the West Kentucky Workforce Board will coordinate the operations and services of the Kentucky Career Center System. Promote Kentucky's targeted industries and their high-demand occupations to the region's job seekers, providing job search and training assistance to low-income adults, dislocated workers, and youth. Meet established workforce performance outcomes.

HOUSING

To establish an environment that encourages affordable single family, multi-family and mixed used development through economic incentive and regional collaboration.

GOAL:

To structure regional housing development plans for counties utilizing current market conditions, future projections, and regional housing needs assessment.

OBJECTIVE:

Complete a regional housing study to better understand the full housing needs and impacts on the community in order to better address present and future housing issues.



TRANSPORTATION

Advocate for regional transportation infrastructure & encourage safe & efficient access for all modes of travel between residential, industrial, business, civic and recreational facilities.

GOAL:

Advocate & promote a balanced, multi-modal transportation system to serve the local & regional movement of people, freight & services that supports & strengthens economic vitality & competitiveness of the region. Improve the ability of local communities to access national and international trade markets and support regional economic development.

OBJECTIVE:

Regionally promote the maintenance, improvement and development of transportation facilities including; mass transit, highways, airports, riverports, and rail lines, that will enhance the transportation of people, goods and services. Support the development and operation of the region's riverports and riverport authorities.

ACTION PLAN

WORKFORCE

- STRENGTHEN THE ALIGNMENT OF EMPLOYMENT
 TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS
 WHILE PROMOTING ECONOMIC GROWTH.
- COLLABORATE WITHE FEDERAL, STATE AND REGIONAL WORKFORCE ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL COMMUNITIES ARE BUILDING A SKILLED WORKFORCE.
- PROMOTE WEST KENTUCKY'S TARGETED INDUSTRIES

 AND HIGH-DEMAND OCCUPATIONS TO JOB SEEKERS.

 PROVIDE JOB SEARCH AND TRAINING ASSISTANCE.

HOUSING

- COLLABORATE WITH ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS KHC,
 HUD, USDA, STAKEHOLDERS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
 TO DEVELOP HOUSING PLANS FOR COMMUNITIES.
- WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS TO HELP ADMINISTRATE
 TO INCREASE SINGLE FAMILY, MULTI-FAMILY
 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE REGION.
- ANALYZE THE HOUSING NEEDS POST 2021 TORNADOES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS, KHC, HOUSING AUTHORITIES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS.

TRANSPORTATION

- ADVOCATE FOR FEDERAL, STATE AND PRIVATE INVESTMENTS INTO ROAD, RIVER & RAIL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FOR COMMUNITIES.
- SUPPORT THE INCREASED INVESTMENT BY THE KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET & GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR RIVERPORT & RAIL PROJECTS.
- SUPPORT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN IMPROVING INTERMODAL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN RAIL, AIR. HIGHWAY AND RIVER SYSTEMS.

EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

WORKFORCE	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY	TIMEFRAME	STATUS
Promote & assist in training individuals throughout the region to obtain suitable employment.	PADD, WKY Workforce Board, Municipalities	ongoing	in-progress
Acheive at least 80% employment among adults participating in and receiving WIOA co-enrollment & training services.	PADD, WKY Workforce board, Program partners	1-3 YEARS	in-progress
Help dislocated workers acheive at least 90% employment rate after receiving WIOA co-enrollment & training services.	PADD, WKY Workforce Board, Program partners	1-3 YEARS	in-progress
HOUSING	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY	TIMEFRAME	STATUS
Structure housing development plans for counties utilizing current market conditions and future projections.	Municipalities, Housing Authorities, Program Partners	1-3 YEARS	in-progress
Increase single family, multi-family used development through economic incentive and regional collaboration.	Municipalities, Housing Authorities, Program Partners	1-3 YEARS	in-progress
Collaborate with local officials, KHC, Housing Authorities, etc. to address concerns for displaced families post-2021 tornadoes.	PADD, Municipalities, Housing Authorities, Program Partners	1-3 YEARS	in-progress
TRANSPORTATION	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY	TIMEFRAME	STATUS
Advocate for federal, state, and private investments into transportation priorities (including rail and riverport).	PADD, KYTC, Municipalities	ongoing	in-progress
Support increased investment by KYTC/General Assembly for riverport and rail projects.	PADD, KYTC, Municipalities	ongoing	in-progress
Improve intermodal connections between rail, air, highway, and river systems.	PADD, KYTC, Municipalities	ongoing	in-progress

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE

PLANNING FOR AND IMPLEMENTING RESILIENCE:

The Purchase Area Development District will continue comprehensive planning efforts throughout the region to improve the economic diversity and resilience of all its communities and addressing all economic challenges and deficiencies. This includes developing and growing its workforce, increasing broadband availability, increase the supply of affordable housing and improve multimodal transportation infrastructure to support a diverse and resilient economic landscape.

ESTABLISHING INFORMATION NETWORKS:

Communities within the region work closely to plan and mitigate disruptions within the economy due to natural disasters or changes within economic environment. The region will continue to establish and improve the communication network between community leaders and their local regional emergency managers to address the risks identified in the **Hazard Mitigation Plan** and **Disaster Resiliency Plan which** includes helping businesses with preparedness efforts and post-disruption recovery. (See HMP & DRP)

OPPORTUNITY ZONES

Opportunity Zones, created under the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, are a federal economic development tool focused on improving the outcomes of communities across the country, especially in areas that have suffered from disinvestment over many years. Opportunity Zones are designated low-income census tracts where tax incentives are available to groups or individuals who invest in an Opportunity Fund (i.e., an investment vehicle for injecting money in an Opportunity Zone) and hold their capital gains in Opportunity Zone-related assets or property.



Source: statsamerica.org/opportunity/map.aspx



ZONES PER COUNTY

BALLARD COUNTY:

TRACT 9502.00 | BARLOW, KY | POPULATION 1,143 | 62 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 16.2% LABOR FORCE 583 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 61.4% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 2.7%

TRACT 9503.00 | WICKLIFFE, KY | POPULATION 2,657 | 68 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 24.6% LABOR FORCE 977 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 45.8% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 5.9%

CARLISLE COUNTY:

TRACT 9602.00 | BARDWELL, KY | POPULATION 1,749 | 79 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 20.5% LABOR FORCE 501 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 35.0% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 8.4%

CALLOWAY COUNTY:

TRACT 0104.00 | MURRAY, KY | POPULATION 2,779 | 11 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 38.6% LABOR FORCE 1,032 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 47.8% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 8.0%

CHI TON COUNT

TRACT 9601.00 | FULTON, KY | POPULATION 3,410 | 85 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 30.5% LABOR FORCE 1.296 | LABOR FORCE PART, RATE 50.3% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 3.5%

GRAVES COUNTY

TRACT 0201.00 | MAYFIELD, KY | POPULATION 4,039 | 13 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 28.2% LABOR FORCE 1,675 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 54.3% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.2%

MCCRACKEN COUNTY

TRACT 0304.00 | PADUCAH, KY | POPULATION 1,275 | 2 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 19.7% LABOR FORCE 569 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 55.6% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 1.9%

TRACT 0303.00 | PADUCAH, KY | POPULATION 1,527 | 1 SQ MI | POVERTY RATE 36.8% LABOR FORCE 420 | LABOR FORCE PART. RATE 28.7% | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 0.7%

OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROJECTS

Over the last five years local governments in partnership with the Purchase Area Development District have made concerted efforts to invest in opportunity zones throughout the Purchase region. The region has funded six loans totaling **\$330,960**. In the upcoming years the region will continue to focus on and invest in it's opportunity zones to help its citizens and local businesses to acheive greater economic stability in every part of the region.

CARLISLE COUNTY:

BNU OUTLET | BARDWELL | \$35,710

CALLOWAY COUNTY:

GRANOLA GIRLS | MURRAY | \$92,750 BELLA'S BOUTIQUE | MURRAY | \$25.000

GRAVES COUNTY:

WEST KENTUCKY MOVING COMPANY, LLC. | MAYFIELD | \$127,500 STEAM WRIGHT | MAYFIELD | \$25,000

MCCRACKEN COUNTY:

L&J DEVELOPMENT | PADUCAH | \$25,000



Founded on the confluence of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers in 1842, Ballard County is the most northwestern corner of Kentucky. The county has a land area of 165,760 acres or 259 square miles. Wickliffe is the county seat. U.S. highway routes 51, 60, and 62 bisect the county. Connecting state routes complete the major roadway network with county roads completing the farm to market network. Barkley Regional Airport is located 10 miles east of the county line and is easily accessible via US 62 and US 60.

POPULATION THE 2021 POPULATION **CHANGE SINCE 2010** 7.695 WHITE/CAUCASIAN POPULATION TREND 8,286 8,249 BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN 7.728 MULTI-RACIAL 2.5% 990 2000 2010 HISPANIC /LATINO 15% OTHER

INCOME

PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE

Source: census.gov

S45.517

15,5%

Source: statsamerica.org (EDA)

HOUSING 命

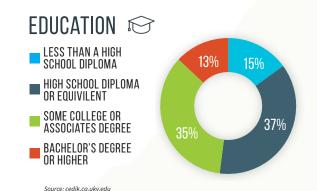
MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT

\$103.800

3,697 \$659



Source: census.gov



WORKFORCE @

LABOR FORCE 3,447

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 5.3%

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

MANUFACTURING ALL GOVERNMENT RETAIL TRADE HEALTHCARE ADMIN. & SUPPORT

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

78%

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER 840/n

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION

Ballard County's primary mission is to provide its citizens a rural quality of life without sacrificing access to goods and services through partnerships and collaboration.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🎰



INDIVIDUAL

HEALTH AND WELLNESS INSTITUTIONS, ACCESS TO MULTIPLE FORMS OF TRAINING SERVICES, PROXIMITY TO MCCRACKEN COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PADUCAH WITHOUT LIVING THE CITY LIFE.



INTELLECTUAL

THE BALLARD COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM IS CONSID-ERED A SCHOOL OF DISTINCTION, BALLARD COUNTY MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL ALSO INCLUDES A CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER FOR STUDENTS THAT WISH TO GO INTO INDUSTRIAL, BUSINESS, OR NURSING FIELDS UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY EXTENSION OFFICE IN LA-CENTER, TIES TO MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY THROUGH EAGLE REST PLANTATION.



SOCIAL

A STRONG NON-PROFIT SECTOR FOCUSED ON COMMU-NITY GROWTH



CULTURAL

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WHERE PRAYERS ARE SAID BEFORE EVERY MEETING AND MEAL, HISTORICAL SITES SUCH AS THE WICKLIFFE MOUNDS, COMMUNITY LIBRARIES, AND LOCAL CELEBRATIONS SUCH AS THE HARVEST AND MUM FESTIVALS.



NATURAL

WILDLIFE PRESERVATION SITES, MULTIPLE LAKES, CYPRESS SWAMPS. THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOAT-ING, FISHING, CAMPING, TRAIL WALKING, AND KAYAKING.



HIGH-SPEED FIBER OPTIC INTERNET TO EVERY HOME IN BAL-LARD COUNTY, DIRECT HIGHWAY ACCESS TO EVERY CITY IN THE COUNTY, TWO DEVELOPED INDUSTRIAL PARKS, AND ESTABLISHED SMALL BUSINESSES.



POLITICAL

FISCAL COURT MEETINGS STREAMED TO FACEBOOK SO THAT ALL MAY HEAR DISCUSSIONS AND CONTRIBUTE, OPEN-DOOR POLICY TO BOTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ECONOMIC DE-VELOPMENT EFFORTS.



FINANCIAL

BUSINESS GRANT/LOAN OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE BALLARD IDA, NON-PROFIT PROJECT FUNDING APPLICA-TIONS THROUGH THE FISCAL COURT, AND REGIONAL COMMU-NITY LENDING INSTITUTIONS

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS





DEVELOPMENT





& IMPROVEMENT



IMPROVEMENTS











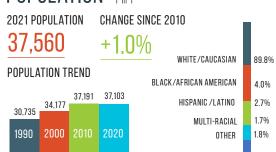




CALLOWAY COUNTY

Calloway County established in 1822 consists of 386 square miles and is located along Kentucky Lake. It encompasses two incorporated cities, Murray and Hazel, with Murray being the county seat. Calloway County is home to Murray State University, the region's leading public university. It also encompasses other community features such as award-winning school systems, excellent health care, and a diverse economic profile. Rand McNally recognized it as the number one retirement community in the 1989 and USA Today named Murray as the "Friendliest Small Town" in 2012.

POPULATION min



INCOME

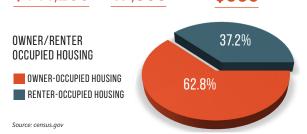
PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE

\$41.841

15.6%

HOUSING 命

MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT \$141.200 17,960 \$669



EDUCATION LESS THAN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR EQUIVILENT SOME COLLEGE OR ASSOCIATES DEGREE BACHELOR'S DEGREE Source: cedik.ca.ukv.edu

WORKFORCE @ LABOR FORCE

17.608 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

4.8%

Source: kystats.ky.gov

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

HEALTHCARE SERVICES

24% ALL GOVERNMENT 14% MANUFACTURING 11% RETAIL TRADE ACCOMODATION & FOOD SRV.

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A

BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION

83%



Calloway County's primary mission is to oversee the business functions within the county while conscientiously managing the resources for its constituents, providing the best services possible while being financially responsible. An increase in high quality jobs and higher educational opportunities is a priority in the growth of the community. Therefore, the county's vision to grow the community must include improvements to infrastructure, broadband, technology, tourism, safety, security and recreation.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

THE CALLOWAY COUNTY COMMUNITY POSSESSES GREAT INTELLECTUAL CAPACITY WITH A STRONG WORK ETHIC. HOSPITALITY, AND FAMILY VALUES.



INTELLECTUAL

CALLOWAY COUNTY IS HOME TO THE REGIONS PRIMARY LEARNING INSTITUTION, MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY. THE COUNTY IS A PLACE OF INNOVATION. TECHNOLOGY AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONTINUING TO GROW AND DEVELOP FOR THE FUTURE.



SOCIAL

THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FOR ITS FRIENDLINESS. BEING HOME TO A COLLEGE TOWN AND ITS LOCATION ON KENTUCKY LAKE ALLOWS FOR UNIQUE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE REGION AS A WHOLE.



CULTURAL

CALLOWAY COUNTY EMBRACES CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND HOSPITALITY WHILE PROMOTING A HEALTHY COM-MUNITY. THE COUNTY IS MADE UP OF GREAT ORGANIZA-TIONS. CHURCHES AND NON-PROFITS WHICH PROMOTE AN ENVIRONMENT OF SAFETY, SECURITY AND STRONG COMMUNITY VALUES.



NATURAL

LOCATED ON KENTUCKY LAKE, CALLOWAY COUNTY POSSESSES A GREAT AMOUNT OF NATURAL RESOURCES WHICH INCLUDES LARGE AREAS OF FARMLAND, FOREST-RY AND ACCESS TO WATERWAYS. ALL OF WHICH CAN BE UTILIZED FOR THE INDUSTRIAL AND RECREATIONAL BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.



BUILT

CALLOWAY COUNTY HAS AND CONTINUES TO MAKE EFFORTS TO IMPROVE ITS INFRASTRUCTURE WHICH INCLUDES COMMUNITY BUILDINGS, WATER SYSTEMS, ROADS, BROADBAND, INDUSTRIAL PARKS, AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CONTINUED GROWTH AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR ITS CONSTITUENTS.



POLITICAL

CALLOWAY COUNTY HAS STRONG COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO SHARE THE SAME VISION AND GOALS. ALL LEAD-ERS ARE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER AS ONE FOR THE BET-TERMENT OF THE COUNTY AND COMMUNITIES INVOLVED.



FINANCIAL

CALLOWAY COUNTY IS PROUD OF ITS ECONOMIC STA-BILITY. THE COUNTY POSSESSES SEVERAL PROFITABLE INDUSTRIES, ENTERPRISES AND HAS A NUMEROUS AMOUNT OF LOCAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT CALL CALLOWAY COUNTY HOME.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS

















TOURISM CONNECTIVITY **UPGRADES IMPROVEMENTS**







COUNTY OVERVIEW

CARLISLE COUNTY

Established in 1886 the County seat is Bardwell, KY, which is known historically as a premier railroad station and and condinues to capitalize on the strategic advantages of the river and rail. The city of Arlington is located in southern Carlisle County which boasts of a rich agricultural community. Milburn & Cunningham are non-incorporated cities with Cunningham being the county's largest employer and shortest drive time to neighbor, McCracken County/Paducah. Located atop river bluffs with incredible water views of the Mississippi River and the Confluence Carlisle County possesses strategic agricultural strengths and family-friendly communities.

POPULATION MA 2020 POPULATION CHANGE SINCE 2010 4.791 POPULATION TREND WHITE/CALICASIAN 93.0% 5,238 <u>5,351</u> 4,826 4,791 BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN HISPANIC /LATINO 2.2% MULTI-RACIAL 2.3% 1.0% OTHER INCOME PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE 14.40%

Source: statsamerica.org (EDA)

HOUSING 命

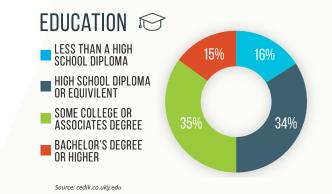
MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT

14

2,301

\$65





WORKFORCE @ LABOR FORCE

2,244 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

4.0%

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

MANUFACTURING	22 %
ALL GOVERNMENT	18%
RETAIL TRADE	9 %
HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSIST.	5 %
CONSTRUCTION	4 %

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER 89%

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION



Carlisle County's prime strategic business location is surrounded by a natural paradise paired with an easy drive to diverse populations. Access to a strong workforce, infrastructure, and loaistical hubs-paired with a low barrier entry into business gives us many strategic advantages. Our objective is the maximize opportunity within our County while supporting our local residents and local businesses. We strive to attract new businesses and industries as well as improve broadband within the area and maximize resources in regards to leisure, recreation and agriculture.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

CARLISLE COUNTY IS A CERTIFIED WORK READY COM-MUNITY AND STRIVES TO ENCOURAGE ALL INDIVIDUALS TO REACH THEIR POTENTIAL. KEY POINTS TO A WORK READY COMMUNITY IS IDENTIFYING THE GAPS AND CAR-RYING OUT STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE A MORE KNOWL-EDGEABLE, TRAINED WORKFORCE.



INTELLECTUAL

CARLISLE COUNTY IS AN INNOVATIVE AND GROWTH READY COMMUNITY, WHICH HAS LONG BEEN HOME TO STRONG MORALS, HARD WORKERS AND RENOWNED VISIONARIES.



SOCIAL

CARLISLE COUNTY IS HOME TO EXTREME ATV TRAILS AND CAMPING, IN ADDITION TO BEING A DESTINATION FOR HUNTING AND FISHING, MAKING CARLISLE COUNTY EVERY OUTDOOR SPORTSMAN'S DREAM. WITH 252 ACRES OF TRAILS AND ROUGHLY 23 MILES OF RIDING TRAILS, CARLISLE COUNTY IS A PRIME TOURISM LO-CATION. WITH OUR NEIGHBORING COUNTIES HAVING COLUMBUS BELMONT STATE PARK AND WICKLIFFE MOUNDS STATE HISTORIC SITE.



CULTURAL

42% OF THE UNITED STATES POPULATION IS LOCATED WITHIN 600 MILES OF CARLISLE COUNTY. OUR PRIME STRATEGIC BUSINESS LOCATION IS SURROUNDED BY A NATURAL PARADISE PAIRED WITH AN EASY DRIVE TO DIVERSE POPULATIONS.



NATURAL

CARLISLE COUNTY IS LOCATED ON THE TIP OF FOUR STATES, (KY, MO, IL, TN) ALONG WITH CLOSE PROXIMI-TY OF THE CONFLUENCE OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND OHIO RIVERS-ALL CONNECTED BY A NETWORK OF HIGHWAYS AND INTERSTATES. THE COUNTY HAS A LAND AREA OF 199 SQUARE MILES ON MOSTLY FLAT LAND WITH AN ABUNDANCE OF FRESH WATER AND STREAMS THAT DRAIN INTO THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER. MOST OF THE AREA IS FARMLAND, GROWING CROPS AND TOBACCO.



CARLISLE COUNTY HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN IMPORTANT BUSINESS LOCATION THROUGHOUT HISTORY. WITH CAR-LISLE COUNTY BEING LOCATED ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIV-ER, CN RAILWAY AND 30 MILES FROM INTERSTATE AND THE AIRPORT, IT PROVES THAT TRANSPORTATION BY AIR, FREIGHT, WATER AND ROAD ARE ALL EASILY ACCOMMO-DATED IN THIS LOGISTICAL HAVEN.



POLITICAL

CARLISLE COUNTY HAS STRONG COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO SHARE THE SAME GOALS AND OBJECTIVES. ALL LEADERS ARE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER AS ONE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THIS UNIQUE COUNTY.



FINANCIAL

CARLISLE COUNTY SHOWS A LOW COST OF LIVING WITH HIGH POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE A LOW BARRIER OF ENTRY FOR BUSINESS, NEW CONSTRUCTION. AS WELL AS LOWER PERSONAL EX-

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS

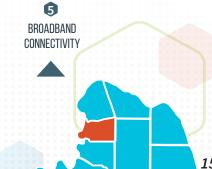


ROAD **IMPROVEMENTS** SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

INDUSTRIAL/COUNTY

DEVELOPMENT







COUNTY OVERVIEW

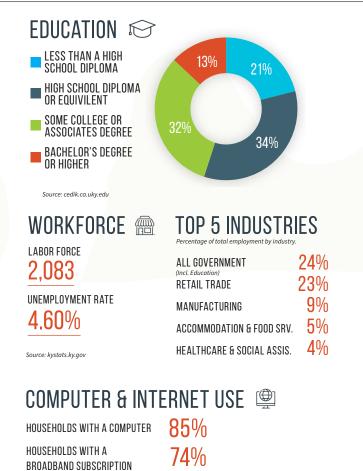
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FULTON COUNTY

County is the westernmost county in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, with the Mississippi River forming its western boundary and much of its identity. The county was named after Fulton Robert Fulton, the inventor of the steamboat, and the Hickman-Fulton County Riverport serves as the only public port on the east side of the Mississippi River in Kentucky. The City of Fulton is located on the Canadian National Railroad mainline and the future I-69 corridor. The county has a land area of 208.95 square miles, an average of 37.1 people per square mile. Fulton County has two incorporated cities – Hickman, the County seat, and Fulton.

Source: census.go

POPULATION Min 2021 POPULATION **CHANGE SINCE 2010** 6.512 -0.05% WHITE/CAUCASIAN POPULATION TREND BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN 7,752 24.5% 6,515 6,512 HISPANIC /LATINO MULTI-RACIAL INCOME PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE \$19.149 \$31,587 25,20% Source: statsamerica.org (EDA) HOUSING 命 MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT 3,329 \$63,800 \$593 OWNER/RENTER 34.1% OCCUPIED HOUSING OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING 65.9% RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING





Fulton County's primary objective is to improve the quality of life for all its citizens through community development and economic growth. Our growth strategies include improving multi-modal assets for industrial sites and the Hickman-Fulton County Riverport as well as enhancing utility infrastructure (including broadband), workforce training, and tourism assets throughout the county.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

FULTON COUNTIANS ADHERE TO A SOUTHERN CHARM KNOWN FOR ITS WORK ETHIC, FRIENDLINESS, CHARITA-BILITY, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP.



INTELLECTUAL

FULTON COUNTY BENEFITS FROM CLOSE PROXIMITY TO TWO EXCEPTIONAL REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES AND A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE. AS A RESULT, OUR MANUFACTURING AND AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES ARE SURPRISINGLY HIGH-TECH AND INNOVATIVE.



SOCIAL

SMALL COMMUNITIES THRIVE ON RELATIONAL TRANS-ACTIONS. FULTON COUNTY IS POPULATED WITH COM-MUNITY AND BUSINESS LEADERS WHO ARE ALSO NEIGHBORS AND WORK TOGETHER IN A NEIGHBORLY FASHION TO GET THINGS DONE.



CULTURAL

FULTON COUNTY HAS A RICH HISTORICAL, AGRICULTURAL, AND TRANSPORTATION-RELATED IDENTITY. THOSE ROOTS CONTINUE TO INFORM OUR TRADITION-AL FAMILY VALUES, A GIFT OF HOSPITALITY, AND A UNIQUE SENSE OF PLACE. ONE OF THE COUNTY'S BIGGEST EVENTS IS THE INTERNATIONAL BANANA FESTIVAL, HOSTED BY THE CITY OF FULTON IN EARLY



NATURAL

FULTON COUNTY BOASTS EXCEPTIONAL NATURAL BEAUTY AND SCENIC BYWAYS AFFORDED BY THE MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND THE ADJOINING NATIONAL GREAT RIVER ROAD. OPPORTUNITIES FOR HUNTING, FISHING, CAMPING, BOATING, HIKING AND OTHER HEALTH-PROMOTING OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES ARE UNPARALLELED IN OUR COUNTY.



BUILT

EXCEPTIONAL MULTI-MODAL ASSETS ARE LOCATED IN FULTON COUNTY INCLUDING A MISSISSIPPI RIVER PORT, CLASS 1 RAIL, AND THE FUTURE I-69 CORRIDOR. ELECTRIC RATES LOWER THAN 70 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY, ABUNDANT NATURAL GAS, AND MULTIPLE AQUIFERS CAPABLE OF YIELDING LARGE AMOUNTS OF GOOD-QUALITY WATER. THE ISO FIRE RATING IN THE CITY OF FULTON IS 3. OUTSTANDING FOR A CLASS 5 CITY.



POLITICAL

FULTON COUNTY IS INCLUDED IN A USDA-LEAD PILOT PROGRAM, RURAL PARTNERS NETWORK, EMPLOYING AN ALL-OF-GOVERNMENT APPROACH TO SOLVING PROBLEMS IN RURAL AMERICA. THE CATALYST FOR THAT DISTINCTION IS A DEMONSTRATED WORKING RELATIONSHIP AMONG CITY, COUNTY, INDUSTRY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LEADERS IN OUR COUNTY.



FINANCIAL

FULTON COUNTY IS GROWING ITS WAY OUT ECONOMIC CHALLENGES THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF LOCAL COMMUNITY-MINDED ENTREPRENEURS AND STRATEGIES DESIGNED TO ADDRESS HOUSING SHORTAGES, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE ENHANCEMENTS, AND MARKETING TOURISM ASSETS.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS



MULTI-MODAL ASSETS IMPROVEMENTS



INFRASTRUCTURE

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT





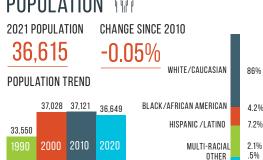
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COUNTY OVERVIEW GRAVES COUNTY

Graves County is in the southwest corner of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. As one of Kentucky's largest counties boasting 557 square miles, it is easily accessible by intersection of I-69, State Highway 80, and State Highway 45N in the region. Graves County is a top-producing agricultural county but has deep roots in manufacturing and is home to the world-renowned centrifugal air compressor industry.

POPULATION MA



INCOME

Source: census.gov

PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE

\$25.557

\$45.614

Source: statsamerica.org (EDA)

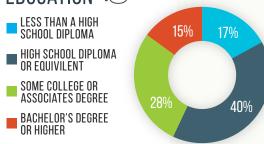
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MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT \$109.000 16,893 \$660



Source: census.gov

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WORKFORCE @

Source: cedik.ca.uky.edu

LABOR FORCE 15,892

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.6%

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

15% MANUFACTURING 13% ALL GOVERNMENT 9% RETAIL TRADE HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSIS. ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SRV.

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER 87%

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION

78%

The vision of Mayfield-Graves County is to rebuild for a vibrant, robust place to nourish commerce, industry, and sense of community with the enhancement of workforce development, housing, and amenities.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

OVER THE PAST TWO DECADES, THE COMMUNITY HAS EXPERIENCED THE LOSS OF MAJOR EMPLOY-ERS, A PANDEMIC, AND AN F4 TORNADO, AND YET STILL ENDURES TO BE A RESILIENT COMMUNITY.



INTELLECTUAL

SPIN-OFF BUSINESSES AND ENTREPRENEURIAL IN-DUSTRIES HAVE GROWN FROM THE AREA TO SPUR INNOVATION THROUGHOUT THE BUSINESS BASE OF GRAVES COUNTY WITH AN INTERNATIONAL REACH.



SOCIAL

MAYFIELD & GRAVES COUNTY BENEFITS FROM MULTIPLE CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, NON-PROFIT GROUPS AND AREA CHURCHES WHO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN COMMUNITY NETWORKS.



CULTURAL

OVER THE PAST THREE DECADES, MAYFIELD & GRAVES COUNTY HAS BECOME A MULTICULTUR-AL COMMUNITY WITH OVER FIFTEEN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES REPRESENTED IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM AND CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS.



NATURAL

MAYFIELD & GRAVES COUNTY HAS A RICH AGRICULTUR-AL HISTORY THAT LENDS ITSELF TO SOME OF THE FINEST OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES WITH MANY PUBLIC PARKS AVAIL-



BUILT

THE MOST PROMISING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT THAT HAS HAPPENED TO MAYFIELD-GRAVES COUNTY IS THE BADGING OF INTERSTATE 69, CONNECTING WEST KEN-TUCKY, AND SPECIFICALLY MAYFIELD-GRAVES COUNTY, TO NORTH AMERICA NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR.



POLITICAL

MAYFIELD-GRAVES COUNTY HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN A POLITICAL PLAYER IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KEN-TUCKY THANKS TO THE FANCY FARM PICNIC. HELD EACH YEAR ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF AUGUST.



FINANCIAL

LOCAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, STATE AND NATIONAL AGENCIES MAKE UP THE FABRIC OF MONETARY RE-SOURCES IN MAYFIELD GRAVES COUNTY.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS



RECOVERY



INFRASTRUCTURE









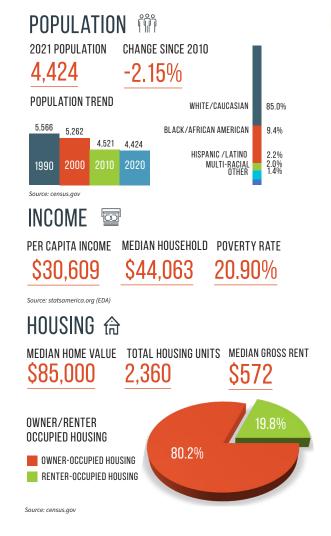


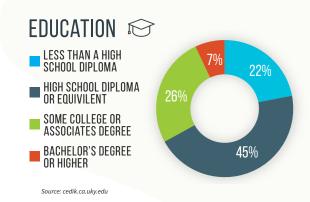




COUNTY OVERVIEW HICKMAN COUNTY

Formed in 1821, Hickman County is one of four Mississippi River counties in the Jackson Purchase region and consists of 244 square miles. Located on the banks of the Mississippi in Hickman County is Columbus-Belmont State Park, the site of a Confederate fortification built during the American Civil War. The park, a popular tourism destination, commemorates military actions that took place in both Columbus, Kentucky and Belmont, Missouri across the river. Hickman County has rich natural resources promoting recreational activities and robust agriculture production.





WORKFORCE @ LABOR FORCE

1.719 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.7%

Source: kystats.ky.gov

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

CONSTRUCTION

15% ALL GOVERNMENT HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSIS. 6% AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, ETC. 4% RETAIL TRADE

2%

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A 80% BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION



The county's primary objective is to improve the quality of life for all its citizens through community development and economic growth. Our growth strategies include universal access to reliable broadband, commercial and industrial expansion, and developing and marketing our unique recreational and tourism assets.

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

HICKMAN COUNTIANS ARE KNOWN FOR THEIR TRA DITIONAL VALUES, HOSPITALITY, AND HARD WORK IN FACT, HICKMAN COUNTY IS A CERTIFIED WORK READY COMMUNITY.



INTELLECTUAL

HICKMAN COUNTY BENEFITS FROM CLOSE PROXIM-ITY TO TWO EXCEPTIONAL REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES AND A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE. THE AWARD-WINNING FAL-CON ACADEMY, FORMED IN 2009, HAS BECOME THE MODEL FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY'S DUAL CREDIT PROGRAM.



SOCIAL

COMMUNITY IS IMPORTANT IN HICKMAN COUNTY. WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER IN SMALL TOWNS TO GET THINGS DONE AND WE VALUE GENUINE RE-LATIONSHIPS PRODUCED BY COMMON VALUES AND SERVING OTHERS.



CULTURAL

HICKMAN COUNTY EMBODIES A 'SWEET TEA' CUL-TURE OF SOUTHERN CHARM, SMALL TOWN FAMILY VALUES, AND HOSPITALITY.



NATURAL

THE KENTUCKY GREAT RIVER ROAD NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY, WHICH MEANDERS THROUGH HICKMAN COUNTY. MARKS THE ENTIRE WESTERN BORDER OF THE MISSIS-SIPPI RIVER IN KENTUCKY FOR ABOUT 60 MILES. AN ABUNDANCE OF OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE ALONG THE RIVER AND MULTIPLE WA-



BUILT

THE CITY OF CLINTON'S DOWNTOWN IS DOMINATED BY A RECENTLY-RENOVATED COURTHOUSE THAT IS LISTED ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES. THE POP-ULAR ROTARY PARK FEATURES A BEAUTIFUL FARMERS MARKETS STRUCTURE AND A LAKE THAT IS REGULARLY STOCKED WITH CATCHABLE-SIZE CATFISH. COLUM-BUS-BELMONT STATE PARK ON THE BLUFFS OF THE MIS-SISSIPPI RIVER IS A REGIONAL HISTORICAL TREASURE.



POLITICAL

HICKMAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY LEADERS ARE UNITED IN PROVIDING COUNTY-WIDE BROADBAND COVERAGE, MAINTAINING QUALITY K-12 EDUCATION, SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE NONPROFIT ORGA-NIZATIONS AND FOSTERING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



FINANCIAL

HICKMAN COUNTY IS HOME TO STRONG FINANCIAL INSTI-TUTIONS, PROFITABLE INDUSTRY AND ROBUST AGRICUL-TURE-RELATED ENTERPRISES.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS





INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT







COUNTY OVERVIEW

MARSHALL COUNTY

Marshall County is located on Kentucky Lake and has a total land area of 340 square miles. Benton is the county seat The lake runs along the entire eastern border of the county which plays a big role in recration and tourism. Marshall County has a great industrial footprint. The Marshall County School District is top-ranked in the state and its residents have access to comprehensive health care at Marshall County Hospital.

POPULATION MA 2021 POPULATION **CHANGE SINCE 2010** 31.659 +0.67% POPULATION TREND WHITE/CAUCASIAN 30,125 __31,448 __31,659 BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN MULTI-RACIAL HISPANIC/LATINO OTHER 27,205

INCOME

PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE

\$30.564

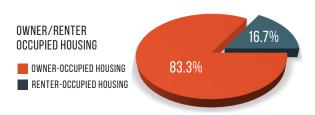
\$57,348

Source: statsamerica.org (EDA)

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MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT \$138,000 16,306



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WORKFORCE # LABOR FORCE

14,446

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 4.9%

Source: kvstats.kv.aov

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

16% MANUFACTURING 12% ALL GOVERNMENT 11% RETAIL TRADE ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERV. 8% CONSTRUCTION

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION

86%

90%



The county's primary objective is to maximize the opportunity within the county to best support the local residents and local businesses. An increase in high quality job and higher educational opportunities are a priority in the growth of our community. We want to acheive this by attracting new businesses and industries as well as improve the broadband within the area as well as maximize resources in regards to leisure, recreation and agricul-

EIGHT CAPITALS 🏛



INDIVIDUAL

INTELLECTUAL

SOCIAL

NITY AS A WHOLE.

CULTURAL

USA PROGRAMS ACTIVE.

MARSHALL COUNTY HAS A GENERATIONAL WORK-FORCE OF ACTIVE LIVING INDIVIDUALS WHO ENJOY THE

HIGH SKILLED WORKFORCE WITH ACCESS TO HIGHER

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. SKILLS

MADE UP OF SELF-SUFFICIENT, PROGRESSIVE CITIES

NETWORKING TO GET THINGS DONE FOR THE COMMU-



NATURAL

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE WITH MILES OF SHORELINE, WILDLIFE AND BEAUTIFUL SUNSETS.



BUILT

LAND, WATER OR AIR. EASY ACCESSIBILITY. CALVERTY CITY INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX AND GROWTH ENABLING AT SOUTH WEST ONE.



POLITICAL

ORGANIZATIONS & VOLUNTEERS ARE DRIVEN TO GUIDE THE COMMUNITY CREATING A PROMISING COUNTY FOR RESI-DENTS AND BUSINESSES ALIKE.



INNOVATIVE AND GROWTH READY COMMUNITY THAT HAS LONG BEEN HOME TO STRONG MORALS, HARD WORKERS AND RENOWNED VISIONARIES.



FINANCIAL

CREATING WEALTH, STRIVING TO INVEST FINANCIAL CAPITAL IN WAYS THAT INCREASE AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS



INFRASTRUCTURE



& SAFETY

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MCCRACKEN COUNTY

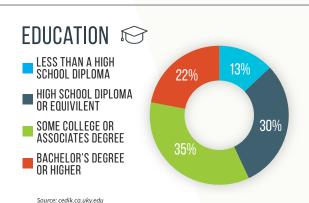
McCracken County was established in 1825 located on the confluence of the Ohio and Tennessee River bordered by Illinois to the north and consists of 268 square miles. Paducah is the county seat and was incorporated as a City in 1830. Blending a rich history with a stable economy, healthy business climate, and outstanding schools and neighborhoods, Paducah is a thriving place for families and business. The City of Paducah has a population of 27,137 and consumes 20.75 square miles. Paducah serves a major hub for the maritime industry. Additionally, Paducah is served by four major railroad lines and direct interstate access. Paducah is also home to two regional healthcare centers, and award-winning Western Kentucky Community and Technical College and Murray State University Campus.

POPULATION min 2021 POPULATION **CHANGE SINCE 2010** 67.875 +3.52% POPULATION TREND WHITE/CAUCASIAN 67,875 BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN 65.514 65.565 62,879 1990 HISPANIC /LATINO 2.5% 2.5% OTHER 1.0% INCOME PER CAPITA INCOME MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD POVERTY RATE \$30,044 \$47.011 15.50%



MEDIAN HOME VALUE TOTAL HOUSING UNITS MEDIAN GROSS RENT \$145,200 27,787 \$744





WORKFORCE LABOR FORCE

29,655 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE 5.3%

Source: kystats.ky.gov

TOP 5 INDUSTRIES

HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSIS. RETAIL TRADE ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERV. 14% ALL GOVERNMENT CONSTRUCTION

COMPUTER & INTERNET USE

HOUSEHOLDS WITH A COMPUTER HOUSEHOLDS WITH A

BROADBAND SUBSCRIPTION

85%



Paducah is a city where people can strive to reach their full potential through lifelong learning, healthy lifestyle, creativity, culture, and compassion for one another. The City's mission is to be the best city in the world through discovering innovative solutions that meet our current and future needs; provide excellent service delivery for both our internal and external customers through creating a welcoming and respectful environment; believing that every person that chooses to live, work, and play in our City matters; believing that Paducah leads through responsiveness, positive forward momentum, and a thirst

EIGHT CAPITALS 🖮



INDIVIDUAL

THE CITY OF PADUCAH & MCCRACKEN COUNTY WORK DILIGENTLY TO DISCOVER AND CREATE INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO COMPLEX CHALLENGES AND OPPOR



INTELLECTUAL

THE CITY OF PADUCAH IS HOME OF WESTERN KEN-TUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, AND HAS SATELLITE CAMPUSES FOR MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY. THESE RESOURCES ASSIST WITH CREATING A STRONG WORK-FORCE, A CREATIVE ENTREPRENEUR BASE, AND AN ENVIRONMENT FOR TECHNOLOGY TO THRIVE.



SOCIAL

THE CITY OF PADUCAH HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS A UNESCO CREATIVE CITY, AND A PLACE WHERE ARTS AND CULTURE THRIVE, WITH MORE THAN 90 BUSI-NESSES LOCATED IN THE HEART OF DOWNTOWN PA-DUCAH, THERE ARE ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES.



CULTURAL

MCCRACKEN COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PADUCAH PROMOTES DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION AND WORKS DILIGENTLY TO HIGHLIGHT ITS HISTORICAL PAST AND RICH CULTURE. WITH NUMEROUS CULTUR AL RESOURCES AND ASSETS. THE COUNTY ALONG WITH THE CITY OF PADUCAH WORKS DILIGENTLY TO BRING ATTENTION AND ADD VALUE TO CONVERSA-TIONS AND EDUCATION THAT ADVANCES THE COMMU-



NATURAL

THE CITY OF PADUCAH HAS MORE THAN TWO DOZEN PARKS AND FACILITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO ENJOY. THE CITY IS WORKING TO IMPROVE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND SAFETY THROUGHOUT THE CITY. BEING LOCATED ON THE TENNESSEE RIVER LINE. THE CITY IS WORKING TO ACTIVATE AND BRING RECREATIONAL TRAFFIC TO THE TEN-NESSEE AND OHIO RIVERS.



BUILT

THE CITY OF PADUCAH IS WORKING TO IDENTIFY NEW INFILL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES, WHILE ALSO LOOKING FOR NEW URBAN TERRITORIES TO EXPAND DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES TO.



POLITICAL

MCCRACKEN COUNTY HAS STRONG COMMUNITY LEAD-ERS WHO ARE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER AS ONE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THIS UNIQUE COUNTY. THE CITY OF PADUCAH HAS A CITY MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT WITH A MAYOR AND FOUR CITY COMMISSIONERS WHO ARE ELECTED AT-LARGE.



FINANCIAL

THE CITY OF PADUCAH AND MCCRACKEN COUNTY HAS A DIVERSIFIED ECONOMIC BASE AND WORKFORCE. THE CITY DOES FACE THE CHALLENGE OF REDUCING THE ECONOMIC DISPARITY AMONG ITS RESIDENTS AND AN AGING WORK-FORCE.

ESSENTIAL PROJECT GOALS















COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is updated on a yearly basis and has a complete re-write every 5 years. Committee members are appointed by local officials to represent their county or jurisdiction. These members come together and collaborate in planning and development for their communities and the region. The CEDS is a regional economic development plan consisting of current statistics, demographics, goals and objectives to help plan for for our future and acheive economic success. We want to thank all of our committee members for their hard work and dedication to their communities and the region.

Committee Chair

Jim Martin, Judge Executive, Fulton County

Ballard County

Hannah Chretien Terry Simmons

Calloway County

Mark Manning Chris Wooldridge Gina Winchester

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