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PADD BOARD



Pennyryle Area Development District Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on November 14th at 12:00 Noon at the PADD Office in Hopkinsville. Federal and State reports were provided and information was shared regarding availability of Area Development Funds, 2016 CEDS Annual Update, Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living, and the 2016 NADO Conference. The Board approved a resolution to adopt the PADD 2016 Update of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy document. Guest Speaker Marion Brown, Executive Director, Sanctuary, Inc., presented information about the programs and services provided to domestic violence and sexual assault victims in the Pennyryle region. Jason Vincent, PADD Executive Director, welcomed new PADD Board members Mr. Wade Berry, Mayor's Designee - City of Marion, and Mr. Brian Ahart, Mayor's Designee - City of Cadiz. Mr. Vincent stated the PADD Executive Committee met prior to the Board meeting and appointed Mr. Eddie DeArmond to fill the vacant position on the Pennyryle Development & Governmental Center, Inc. Board of Directors.

Pictured Left: Ms. Marion Brown

PADD WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Mr. Brian Ahart

Mr. Brian Ahart was appointed as Mayor's Designee for the City of Cadiz. Brian is the City Clerk for the City of Cadiz. He enjoys fishing, boating and watching his children play sports.

Mr. Wade Berry was appointed as Mayor's Designee for the City of Marion. Wade is the President & CEO of Farmers Bank & Trust Company, Marion. He received his Bachelor of Economics Degree at WKU and he is a graduate of the Louisiana State University Graduate School of Banking. He enjoys golfing, boating and traveling.



Mr. Wade Berry

PENNYRYLE DEVELOPMENT & GOVERNMENTAL CENTER, INC

The PADD Executive Committee met on November 14, 2016 and appointed Mr. Eddie DeArmond, Muhlenberg County, to fill a vacant position on the Pennyryle Development & Governmental Center, Inc. Board of Directors and to serve a three year term beginning January 1, 2017. Mr. DeArmond is a former PADD Board Member and former Mayor of the City of Greenville.

Pictured Right: Mr Eddie DeArmond



COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Delta Regional Authority Announcement - City of Cadiz

Delta Regional Authority, state and local partners will invest in a Water Treatment Plant Project in Cadiz (Trigg County, KY). DRA Investment is \$400,000 with a total Investment of \$4,900,000. This project will construct a water treatment plant for the City of Cadiz, KY, increasing water production by 1 million gallons per day. This increase in capacity will be sufficient to support any new industry moving into the community as well as aid the city in preparation for future growth in population. PADD Staff assisted the City of Cadiz in the submission of the application and will serve as the project administrator on behalf of DRA. ***Congratulations!***

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT *CONT'D*

Hopkinsville Community College Emerging Technologies Center Groundbreaking Ceremony

On November 30, the Hopkinsville Community College held a groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of the Emerging Technologies Center on the campus in Hopkinsville. The approximately 55,000 square foot facility will house courses that will provide career paths in healthcare, technology, and agriculture. The Pennyriple Area Development District assisted the Christian County Fiscal Court, through a partnership with the Todd and Trigg County Fiscal Courts, in obtaining \$500,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds in 2015 towards the construction of the project. Hopkinsville Community College is a pivotal economic driver for the Pennyriple region, and this project will provide an opportunity to leverage local investment with new programs and spaces to meet the demand of students and employers for education and training.

The HCC Emerging Technologies Building project is part of the Kentucky BuildSmart Investment Program passed by the Kentucky General Assembly in 2014. The BuildSmart Investment Program is about building a skilled, educated workforce to ensure Kentucky thrives in both today's and tomorrow's economy. It is a public-private partnership to provide funding for the top capital project at each Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) college. BuildSmart is an example of public/private partnership that will build upon the strong connection the local community colleges have already forged with local business communities that contribute to enhanced economic and workforce development. KCTCS students and local communities will benefit from having state of the art facilities that can house new programs that will not only enhance educational experiences while enrolled in college, but will enhance the economic growth of the region by providing a well-trained, skilled workforce that can fulfill the needs of employers in the region. The BuildSmart program represents the single largest investment in the KCTCS system since its formation.



Industry Announcement - Dawson Springs

On December 1, 2016, Wink Equipment announced they will locate an aluminum trailer manufacturing operation in Dawson Springs. This project will spur \$1.5 Million in private investment and create 50 full time jobs.

The company will set up manufacturing operations in a 69,000 square-foot building where it plans to construct 400 to 600 aluminum side-dump trailers per year. Production is scheduled to begin in 2017. Side-dump trailers are in high demand in a variety of industries, especially for use in regions where narrow mountain roads and high winds threaten the usability of traditional 50-foot frameless dump trailers. By manufacturing in high-strength aluminum, Wink claims its trailers weigh up to two tons less than their steel counterparts, offering truckers better fuel economy.

Congratulations to Wink Equipment and the City of Dawson Springs!

Communities Receive Funding for Law Enforcement Initiatives

Governor Matthew Bevin and Kentucky Office of Homeland Security Executive Director John Holiday have announced that the following Pennyriple communities have received funding under the Law Enforcement Protection Program (LEPP):

- Caldwell County Fiscal Court - \$9,349.00 for tasers and taser equipment
- Christian County Sheriff's Department - \$10,860.00 for duty weapons
- Christian County Fiscal Court - \$8,790.00 for body armor vests
- City of Guthrie - \$3,325.00 for body armor vests
- City of Guthrie - \$4,754.00 for tasers and taser equipment
- Crittenden County Fiscal Court - \$2,263.00 for duty weapons and ammunition
- Greenville Police Department - \$5,535.00 for body armor vests
- Livingston County Sheriff's Department - \$9,310.00 for body armor vests
- Trigg County Fiscal Court - \$11,947.00 for tasers and taser equipment

The LEPP Program is a state program that is funded solely by the sale of confiscated weapons received by the Kentucky State Police from agencies such as local sheriff and police departments. Applications for the program are accepted year round and are funded on a quarterly basis. For more information regarding the LEPP program or for assistance in submitting an application, please contact Ashley Johnson or Angie Crawford at 270-886-9484.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT *CONT'D*

Christian County VOCA Award

The Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet awarded the Christian County Attorney's Office funding under the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA). The VOCA Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program has as a primary objective to provide hands-on assistance directly to victims of crime, and promote the development of comprehensive services to all victims of crime. Pennyrile ADD staff were honored to assist Christian County Attorney's Office in applying for funding.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Pennyrile Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living would like to welcome **Charlene Johnson**. Charlene was hired as a Social Services Case Manager on December 1, 2016. She will provide in home case management for Home Care and Title III programs in Trigg and Christian County. Welcome Charlene!

Pictured Right: Ms. Charlene Johnson



Attention Medicare beneficiaries! Are you a Medicare recipient and need help paying for your Medicare prescription drug costs? If you do, help is available! If you have limited income and resources and currently have or are eligible for Medicare Part D then you may be able to get help paying for your monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments through a program called Extra Help. Applying is quick and easy! You can apply by contacting **Ali Jones** at Pennyrile Area Development District in Hopkinsville, KY and set up an appointment with her to apply over the phone. You can contact her at **1-(866) 844-4396** or **1-800-928-7233**. You can also contact her by email at Ali.Jones@ky.gov.

WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE

Kentucky Career Center - Hopkinsville Staff Support Pennyroyal Veterans Center

Prior to Thanksgiving, staff of the Kentucky Career Center-Hopkinsville visited the Pennyroyal Veterans Center to provide a basket of donated items to help veterans maintain their individual living spaces as well as personal hygiene.

The Pennyroyal Veterans Center provides transitional housing with therapeutic services for male veterans experiencing homelessness. The facility can accommodate up to 50 veterans in its 25 semi-private rooms. The center's residents are encouraged to get back on their feet. This includes job training, visits to the career center, assigned duties around the building, and more. The career center partners with the Pennyroyal Veterans Center to help veterans with employment and career counseling so that they can become more marketable and self-sufficient.

Pictured L to R: Eugenia Snorton-Davis, Lisa Brasher, Patricia Schneider, Steven Perry and Eugene Braxton



Assisting Displaced Homemakers



When Rudy heard his wife Jessica was going to be laid off from her job at the USEC Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant, Rudy knew he needed to return to work. But, he knew he needed more education to earn the kind of money they needed to support their family. With his spouse's income being the primary support, and her job going away, they needed help.

Jessica was laid off and attended a Rapid Response session held at the career center to explain available services. Not only did she hear about services that would help her, but Rudy too. So, Rudy visited Career Solutions Community, a specialty career center in Paducah, KY to discuss the displaced homemaker program and other available services.

Displaced Homemaker services provide skills and training for those in the household that were providing unpaid services to family members in the home, and now are displaced from their job in the home due to their spouse's job loss. The goal of the program is to prepare the spouse to return to the workforce too.

Rudy applied for the displaced homemaker program. It was determined that Rudy would be a good candidate for the program and training, based on his previous college enrollment and grades in the mechanical engineering program. Following eligibility and assessments as well as some case management and labor market advice, he began training as a fulltime student at the University of Kentucky, College of Engineering, Paducah as completing the credential would help him obtain suitable employment.

Rudy completed his Bachelors of Science from UK College of Engineering in May 2016 and began fulltime employment with Marcum Engineering in Paducah, Kentucky.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time (CST)</u>	<u>Location</u>
Alzheimer’s Support Group	Dec. 13, 2016	10:00 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Pennyrile Housing Corporation Board Meeting	Dec. 15, 2016	10:00 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Pennyrile AAAIL Advisory Council Meeting	Dec. 16, 2016	10:00 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Pennyrile Long Term Care Ombudsman Advisory Council Meeting	Dec. 16, 2016	11:30 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Pennyrile Grandparents Support Group	Dec. 21, 2016	10:00 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Trigg County Caregiver Support Group	Dec. 27, 2016	12:00 Noon	John L. Street Library, Cadiz
Caldwell County Caregiver Support Group	Dec. 27, 2016	5:00 p.m.	Central Presbyterian Church, Princeton

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KCADD LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST - FEBRUARY 8, 2017 - FRANKFORT, KY

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