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PADD WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Stephanie Perry, Citizen Member for Trigg County, is a self-employed farmer and co-owner/operator of Vinson Farms. Stephanie is a Murray State University graduate and holds a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Business Education and a minor in Accounting. She is Vice Chair on the Trigg County Hospital Board of Trustees and serves on the Trigg County Extension Board, Trigg County... Ag Committee, and Trigg County Farm Bureau Board.

Lee Wilson, Citizen Member for Lyon County, serves as the Lyon County Attorney and Attorney with Wilson Law Firm, PLLC. Lee received his College of Agriculture Bachelor of Science degree and College of Law, J.D. from the University of Kentucky. He is President of the Lyon County Lyons Club, Board member of the Lyon County Senior Care Center, Lyon County Teen Court Coordinator, UK Young Alumni Council member, and serves on the District Committee on Ministry at the United Methodist Church.



COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Pennyrile Area Development District Receives Funding from the U.S. Department of Defense



The Pennyrile Area Development District has been awarded a \$1,699,067 grant (\$2.2 M total project) from the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA), the Department of Defense's field organization responsible for supporting state and local governments to respond to major defense program changes. The community adjustment assistance grant has been given in response to previously announced force reduction and aviation restructuring at Fort Campbell. The Ft. Campbell Strong initiative is a collaborative effort that began in 2015 to define a path for economic diversification and growth in the six-county region surrounding Ft. Campbell including Christian, Todd, and Trigg counties in Kentucky along with Montgomery, Stewart, and Robertson counties in Tennessee.

Funding from OEA will allow for the implementation of two strategies identified in the Ft. Campbell Strong Regional Economic Diversification and Growth Plan, which serves as the planning and implementation guide to address issues specific to changes at Fort Campbell and the region. The first strategy involves the collaboration and alignment of curriculum at the Hopkinsville Community College, Tennessee College of Applied Technology, and Austin Peay State University, in addition to the purchase of training equipment that will enhance and expand Advanced Manufacturing education in the region. The ultimate goal is to cultivate the talent pipeline of those coming out of Ft. Campbell in an effort to retain them in the local workforce. The second strategy involves the formation of a regional defense alliance to provide a dedicated, unified voice on matters involving Ft. Campbell and the surrounding region.

For additional information concerning the Ft. Campbell Strong initiative, please contact Amy Frogue at 270-886-9484 or via email at amy.frogue@ky.gov.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Application Cycle

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet announced Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) application cycle is open. These funds will assist County or City governments with surface transportation needs, such as on or off road facilities for non-motorized transportation, safe routes for non-drivers, overlook areas, rail trails and safe routes to school. TAP is a reimbursement program with 20% being the responsibility of the applicant. Applications are due October 2, 2017 by COB.

Pennyrile Area Development District was honored to assist the following funded applicants in the 2016 TAP cycle: City of Guthrie, \$180,000; City of Marion, \$154,560; and City of Mortons Gap, \$102,400. The funds will assist each City with new sidewalks in their communities.

For more information regarding TAP, contact Angie Crawford at angela.crawford@ky.gov or Ashley Johnson at ashley.johnson@ky.gov.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - CONT'D

CMRS Grant Award - Todd County

The Todd County 911 Dispatch was awarded \$66,015 from the Kentucky 911 Service Board for the 2017 CMRS Grant Funding Cycle. These grant funds were awarded for the replacement of their current dispatch console equipment along with updated software for the Todd County Dispatch. Likewise, the Trigg County 911 Dispatch was awarded \$70,000 from the Kentucky 911 Service Board. Trigg County's grant funds were approved for the purchase of a new phone system and software for the Trigg County Dispatch. Congratulations to both Todd County and Trigg County for receiving these awards.

Grant Funding Opportunities Available

Cleanup of Illegal Dumps - The Division of Waste Management will begin accepting applications for the **Illegal Open Dump Remediation Grant**. County governments can also now apply for funds to clean up illegal open dumps. Grant applications will be ranked based on three factors: location of the dump relative to sensitive receptors or protected areas; the relative hazard posed by the contents of the dumps; and the size of the dump. Each grant requires a 25 percent local match. Grant funding comes from the Kentucky Pride Fund and is underwritten by a \$1.75 per ton fee on municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky's contained landfills.

<u>Applications must be received by Lisa Evans at the Division of Waste Management no later than 4:30 p.m. EST on November 1, 2017.</u> Grant application packets were sent by email to county judge-executives and solid waste coordinators.

Litter Abatement - The Division of Waste Management will begin accepting applications for the 2018 Litter Abatement Grant Funds. The litter abatement grant funding is to be used for direct expenses, as defined in 401 KAR 49:080 Section 3, incurred during calendar year 2018, associated with anti-litter control programs; for litter cleanup on public roads as provided in KRS 224.43-505; and to meet the requirements established in KRS 224.43-345. The Litter Abatement Grant program is supported by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Road Fund and Highway Construction Contingency Fund.

<u>Grant requests must be received by Lisa Evans at the Division of Waste Management no later than 4:30 p.m. EST on November 1, 2017.</u> Grant request packets were sent by email to county judge-executives, mayors (via KLC) and solid waste coordinators.

Interested parties may contact Ashley Johnson at the PADD office at (270) 886-9484 for application information.

FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant 2017

The FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is a program to enhance the safety of the public, firefighters and emergency medical services (EMS) that are not affiliated with a hospital. Activities for the grant program include purchasing firefighting equipment, personal protective equipment, training, modifications to facilities (non-construction), wellness/fitness activities, firefighting/EMS vehicles, and driver training. Over the last several months, the following applicants have received FY 2017 funding:

- ⇒ Elkton Volunteer Fire Department, \$286,858.00 for Vehicle Acquisition
- ⇒ Grapevine Community Volunteer Fire Department, \$52,020.00 for Personal Protective Equipment
- ⇒ Grapevine Community Volunteer Fire Department, \$246,733.00 for Vehicle Acquisition
- ⇒ LaFayette Volunteer Fire Department, \$272,877.00 for Vehicle Acquisition

WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE

Veterans Transition Liaison

Marc Quesenberry has joined the West Kentucky Workforce team in a newly developed position as the Veterans Transition Liaison. Marc, a USMC Veteran, served seven years with two deployments to Iraq as a Combat Engineer Captain and later was the Assistant Inspector-Instructor for Anti-Terrorism Battalion, USMCR. Marc will be working with various military contacts at Fort Campbell under the Soldier for Life Transition program to connect transitioning military and spouses with local employers. Employers can contact him with special requests for assistance to make referrals for specific job skills. Marc can be reached at: marc.quesenberry@ky.gov.



WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE - CONT'D

Soldier for Life - Transition Assistance Program & Army Community Services

Regional Job Fair at Ft. Campbell

Thursday, September 21, 2017 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cole Park Commons Interested employers (with 15 or more job openings)

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Pathway to a Successful Career

Katlyn was an out of school youth working in a retail job and looking for more when she heard about the WIOA Youth Programs. She was hoping for a stable job with consistent hours and an opportunity for advancement. She applied and was accepted into one of the West Kentucky Workforce Board (WKWB) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Programs in July 2016. She worked with the contractor to evaluate her occupational, work readiness, and basic skills. Katlyn worked with the WKWB youth contractor to assess her abilities and build a successful career ladder. Together they designed a healthcare plan where she could gain work experience while attending college. Since Katlyn had low basic skills in Math, the Adult Education Center assisted her with tutoring along the way.

Katlyn attended Work Readiness Preparation, Customer Service Training, Employability Skills, and Adult Education tutoring Workshops in preparation for her job search as well as a Test Taking Strategies & Study Skills Workshop to better prepare her for her college classes. She also attended her CPR-AED Professional Rescuer Class and successfully attained her first healthcare certificate. Katlyn achieved her next short term goal by enrolling into an 8 week Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) class and with assistance from the youth contractor and the KY Career Center located an internship in a long term care facility. Katelyn completed her CNA class, passed her exams and obtained her state MNA certification.

Katlyn has been successful in reaching and completing more of her goals. After successfully completing her internship with Brighton Cornerstone Healthcare Facility; she was hired on permanently to work as a CNA in March 2017. She was recently accepted into the RN program and continues to work while pursuing her RN degree this Fall. *Congratulations on your achievements Katlyn!*

Are you a youth looking for a Pathway to a Successful Career? Or Do you know a youth (18-24) looking for a successful career?

In Madisonville area call Tammy Hardy (270) 824-1761 or email Tammy.Hardy@kctcs.edu In Hopkinsville area call Janet Level (270) 707-3744 or email Janet.Level@kctcs.edu

AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND INDEPENDENT LIVING

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.

31st Annual Pennyrile Senior Games

The 31st Annual Pennyrile Senior Games will take place from September 18th through September 20th at the Debow Complex. This yearly event is planned by Hopkinsville Parks and Recreation with the assistance of many sponsors in our community. This event allows individuals to be put in brackets by age that are 50 and over to compete in events. This event is not only for fun but it helps promote social interaction and a healthy lifestyle for older adults. Individuals in the Pennyrile region which consist of Christian, Caldwell, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Crittenden, Todd, Hopkins, Trigg, and Livingston counties are all encouraged to attend. Registration information is available in each county. Local senior centers or PADD staff can assist with obtaining and submitting the registrations. Volunteers will also be needed and can be scheduled by contacting Payton Kidd at the PADD office at (270) 886-9484. We look forward to seeing you there!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Date</u>	Time (CDT)	<u>Location</u>
Quad Elder Abuse Council Meeting	Aug 16, 2017	1:00 p.m.	DCBS Office, Princeton, KY
Pennyrile Grandparents Support Group Meeting	Aug 16, 2017	10:00 a.m.	PADD Office, Hopkinsville
Trigg County Caregiver Support Group Meeting	Aug 22, 2017	12:00 Noon	John L. Street Library, Cadiz
Caldwell County Caregiver Support Group Meeting	Aug 22, 2017	2:00 p.m.	Central Presbyterian Church, Princeton

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