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# **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

# **GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) provides federal grant funds to protect important natural areas, acquire land for outdoor recreation and to develop or renovate public outdoor recreation facilities such as campgrounds, picnic areas, sports and playfields, swimming



facilities, boating facilities, fishing facilities, trails, natural areas and passive parks. The minimum request is \$25,000 and the maximum is \$250,000. The LWCF is a 50/50 matching reimbursement program. Applications are due May 2024.



The Recycling and **Household Hazardous** Waste (HHW) Management Grants Program is funded by the Kentucky Division of Waste Management. The funds are to develop an



integrated recycling infrastructure, manage Household Hazardous Waste and provide recycling and HHW public education programs. Any county, waste management district, city, urban-county government or to other political subdivision of the state or any combination of the above, including school districts, shall be eligible to apply. The grant is a 75/25 match grant. Applications will be due in April 2024.



The **Recreational** Trails Program (RTP) is funded by the Federal Highway Administration. It can



be used to provide assistance for acquisition of easements, development and/or maintenance of recreational trails and trailhead facilities for both motorized and nonmotorized use. The RTP benefits communities and enhances quality of life. All trails that receive money under this program must remain open to the public and maintained for perpetuity. The minimum request under this program is \$25,000 and the maximum is \$250,000. The RTP is an 80/20 matching reimbursement program. Applications are due May 2024.



# Recreational Trails Program Eligible Projects:

- Maintain and restore existing trails (and bridges).
- Develop and rehabilitate trailside and trailhead facilities.
- Purchase and lease trail construction and maintenance equipment.
- Construct new trails (limits on Federal lands).
- Acquire easements or property for trails (willing seller only: Condemnation is prohibited).
- Trail assessments for accessibility and maintenance.
- Trail safety and environmental protection education.
- State administrative costs.

Interested parties seeking more information on or assistance with a grant may contact Jared Nelson (jared. nelson@ky.gov), Jessica Kaminski (jessica.meredith@ ky.gov), or Brian Jones (briant.jones@ky.gov) at the PeADD office at (270) 886-9484 or via email.

# WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE

# MANUFACTURING SEMINAR HELD IN FORT CAMPBELL



West Kentucky Workforce Board held a manufacturing seminar event at Fort Campbell's Transition Assistance Program in October, 2023. The picture includes Transitioning Service Members and Veterans who attended the event to meet local manufacturing employers. During the event, presenters from Toyota Boshoku America and Ascend Elements spoke to their companies' local and global economic impact, career opportunities, and employee benefits. The two hour event included a formal presentation by each company, along with informal networking, allowing those in attendance the opportunity to personally connect with an industry professional, thus expanding their professional network.

Represented in the picture: Transitioning Service Members, Veterans, Fort Campbell Transition Assistance Program and Career Skills Program personnel, Ascend Elements/ Toyota Boshoku America representatives, WKWB Veteran Transition Liaison.

# JOB FAIR SEEKING TO HIRE EXITING SOLDIERS, VETERANS & MILITARY SPOUSES



Several agencies including the Transition Assistance Program (TAP), the Career Skills Program (CSP), and the Employment Readiness Program (ERP) are coming together to host a Mini Job Fair for exiting soldiers, veterans, and military spouses. Job seekers can expect to network with over 30 employers looking to hire. The event will be located on Screaming Eagle Blvd. in Fort Campbell at the TAP Building 5661, CSP Building 5663, and the ERP Building 5662. For more information, call (270) 412-9870 (TAP), (270) 798-3195 (CSP), or (270) 798-4412 (ERP) or contact Derek Poor, WKWB Veterans Transition Liaison.

# WKWB TRANSITIONING VETERANS' SUCCESS



Retired Command Sargeant Major Nagib Mamud was excited to share of his successful transition from the military to civilian workforce, culminating in his recent appointment as the Senior Administrative Manager for Toyota Boshoku America in Hopkinsville.

Throughout his transition journey, he actively engaged with Derek Poor, West Kentucky Workforce Board's (WKWB) Veteran Transition Liaison, attending his insightful monthly "Manufacturing Seminar" events. This invaluable experience allowed him to gain a deeper understanding of the specific skill sought by local businesses.

Leveraging this newfound knowledge and connection, he was introduced to a representative from Toyota Boshoku America and subsequently applied for a position at their upcoming Hopkinsville plant. The application process, which involved three interviews and spanned over 45 days, was rigorous, but the preparation he received from the resources provided by Transition Assistance Program and the WKWB proved instrumental in his success.

He stated "I attribute my successful transition to remaining humble, exercising patience, and making the most of the resources available at Fort Campbell. I am immensely grateful for the friendships forged during this journey, and I am committed to extending assistance to others undergoing a similar transition. I eagerly anticipate contributing my skills and expertise as the Senior Administrative Manager at Toyota Boshoku America, and I look forward to the new challenges and opportunities that lie ahead."

# AREA AGENCY ON AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING

# **FORGOTTEN ANGELS 2023**



Thanks to the tremendous support and giving hearts of the citizens of the Pennyrile region, this was the most successful year to date. We served 432 Angels during the 2023 Christmas season. Those individuals received bags filled a variety of items including clothes, shoes, radios, and much, much more. To complete each gift, the bags were loaded with stocking stuffers in hopes to provide a little extra cheer.

# Mank you for your support



# SUPPORTIVE SERVICE PROVIDED IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS

The National Family Caregiver Support Program supports individuals caring for older adults and grandparents raising grandchildren or related family members in their home. Caregivers are less likely to feel overburdened and thus be able to care for their loved one for a longer period of time if they believe they have information and support services to help them.

National research has shown that caregivers are everywhere and their numbers are growing. For example:

- 66% of older persons with chronic disabilities are cared for by a family member.
- 65 million people provide care for a clinically ill, disabled, or aged family member or friend each year.
- 2.3 million grandparents have primary responsibility for their grandchildren.

The Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) can help by connecting them to existing resources or can give them financial help (within limits). Typical services paid for by FCSP for caregivers providing care to individuals age 60 and older include supplemental services which provide assistance purchasing needed items for a loved one, such as incontinence supplies or home medical equipment.

Pictured to the right are photos from the home of a client served through the NFS Program. The previous ramp (top photo) was made of plywood and had several holes in it rendering the need of a new ramp (bottom photo). American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds were used to purchase a 33-foot aluminum ramp, which was delivered just days before Christmas – rendering it a Christmas blessing!



**BEFORE** 



**AFTER** 



# **SAVINGS PROVIDED THROUGH SHIP**

The SHIP (State Health Insurance Program) Counselors in the Pennyrile region were able to help Medicare beneficiaries during the Medicare Open Enrollment period (October 15, 2023 – December 7, 2023) to select a Medicare Part D plan based upon their medication needs. Medicare Part D plans are utilized for prescription medications and coverage varies depending upon selected plan. With this assistance, the SHIP Counselors were able to save Medicare beneficiaries in the Pennyrile Region \$288,967.45. That's an amazing savings for the Pennyrile region!

# **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

EVENT	DATE	TIME (CT)	LOCATION
Hopkins/Muhlenberg Elder Abuse Council Meeting	January 3, 2024	9 am	The Paragon of Madisonville – Madisonville, KY
Pennyrile Area Development District Executive Committee Meeting	January 8, 2024	11 am	PeADD Office
Pennyrile Area Development District Board of Directors Meeting	January 8, 2024	1 pm	PeADD Office
Ombudsman Friendly Visitor Training	January 9, 2024	9 am	PeADD Office
Tri-County Elder Abuse Council Meeting	January 10, 2024	12 noon	PeADD Office & Zoom
Pennyrile Elder Abuse Board of Directors Meeting	January 10, 2024	1 pm	PeADD Office & Zoom
Alzheimer's Support Group	January 16, 2024	11 am	PeADD Office & Zoom
Pennyrile Grandparent Support Group	January 18, 2024	10 am	PeADD Office & Zoom
Long Term Care Multi-Agency Meeting	January 18, 2024	10 am	PeADD Office
Regional Transportation Meeting	January 24, 2024	10 am	PeADD Office

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