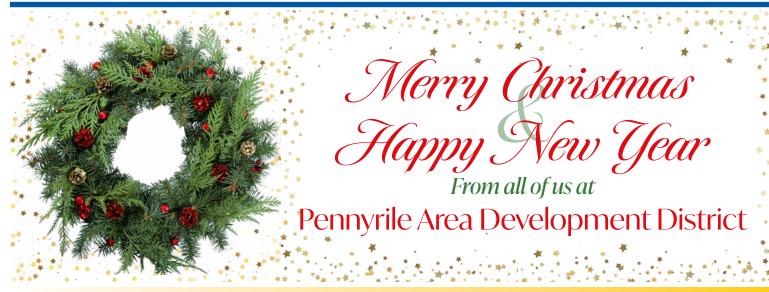
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AREA AGENCY ON AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING

EXPANSION OF ELDERLY TRANSPORTATION



Historically, transportation services for the elderly have been limited to remaining within an individual's county of residence, but this is challenging for senior citizens who need to access medical care outside of their county of residence. In February 2023, an Out of County Transportation Pilot was implemented, with American Rescue Plan Act funds, in Livingston County and Crittenden County. The service provides medical transportation for senior citizens to travel no more than 2 counties outside of their county of residence for medical appointments. There is a \$2.00 fee per one-way trip and the service must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance. Since implementation, 21 senior citizens have been served with 3,180 miles of medical transportation. With the success of the service and the need in other counties within the Pennyrile Region, we are very happy to announce the expansion of the

Out of County Transportation Pilot to Lyon and Todd Counties starting January 1, 2024. For more information about transportation services in the Pennyrile Region, please contact the Pennyrile ADRC at 1-866-844-4396.

ONE HOUR OF YOUR TIME COULD CHANGE A LIFE

Got an hour? Nearly 1.5 million seniors live in instructional settings such as nursing homes or assisted living facilities. Many of those seniors have no visitors due to family living out of state. In just one hour, you could visit someone living in an instructional setting and make an immesurable impact. In just one hour, you could simply listen to them and speak up for their needs. In just one hour, you could be an advocate. The Pennyrile Ombudsman program will be hosting a Friendly Visitor training on January 9, 2024, from 9:00 am – 11:00 am at the PeADD office. Contact Cindy Tabor at cindy.tabor@ky.gov, 270-886-9484 with questions or comments. Please RSVP if you intend on attending this training. Do you have one hour?



MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES ASSISTANCE

If you are currently having \$164.90 taken out of your Social Security check each month for your Part B monthly premium and you are low income, there is a program that may be able to assist you with that premium cost! If your income is under \$1,660/single or \$2,239/married and your resources/assets are under \$9,090/single or \$13,630/married then you may qualify to receive assistance through the Medicare Savings Programs. These programs could help pay for your Part B premiums and potentially assist in also paying for Part A premiums, deductibles, coinsurance, and copayments, depending on your income level. To see if you are eligible and apply for these programs, contact Ali Jones with the Aging & Disability Resource Center at (866) 844-4396 or (270) 886-9484.

WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE

WEST KENTUCKY WORKFORCE BOARD ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

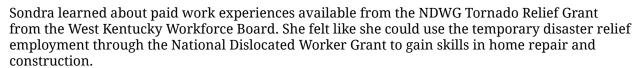
At the West Kentucky Workforce Board meeting held on November 9, 2023, the Nominating Committee presented their slate of officers for consideration. The WKWB Board elected the following officers for a two-year term:

- Chair Donnie Holland
- Vice Chair Dennis Courtney
- Secretary Jackie Jones
- Phillip Bean Treasurer

The WKWB is appreciative for these individuals using their time and talents to serve the seventeen counties of western Kentucky.

TRAGEDY TO TRIUMPH - A TORNADO RELIEF GRANT SUCCESS

In August of 2015, Sondra Collins experienced a work-related injury when she fell from a bridge and severely injured her back. The injury kept her from working for over seven years. During that time, she fell into alcohol and pain medication addiction that resulted in ruined relationships, financial irresponsibility, and spiritual deprivation. On December 10, 2021, Sondra's house was damaged by the EF4 tornado that decimated Mayfield, Kentucky. Help was slow to come, and Sondra took it upon herself to begin her own recovery, beginning with addiction rehabilitation.





Sondra began a work-experience program at His House Ministries' Hope Initiative, as a warehouse laborer, on November 7, 2022. To say Sondra succeeded is an understatement; she truly flourished! Mike Hanover, director of Hope Initiative, could give Sondra anything to do, and she would do it without hesitation or flaw: painting, trim-work, cleaning, networking, yardwork, seeding, supplies retrieval and management, warehouse organization, and volunteer supervision. Sondra worked closely with individual families to recover, adding small details to new houses to make them homes. She worked full-time to ensure that others had beautiful, clean homes and neighborhoods.

Sondra completed her work-experience with His House Ministries on September 21, 2023. To the relief and excitement of Mike Hanover and fellow staff, Sondra accepted full-time employment directly with His House Ministries. She has exceeded expectations and has proved to herself that she can not only work but be an asset to her employer, her community, and other people. She continues to share her story and testimony with everyone she meets.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

RIBBON CUTTING ON TRIGG COUNTY SPEC BUILDING

On November 29, 2023, a crowd gathered in Cadiz to cut the ribbon on the new Trigg County Spec Building located at the Interstate 24 Business Industrial Park. The project, initiated by the South Western Kentucky EDC and the Trigg County Industrial Development Board, was constructed through a partnership of funding between the Department for Local Government, TVA, Kentucky Association of Economic Development, and the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development. The 100,600 square foot building features 38 ft. ceilings, wide column spacing, 2 docks with space for ten more, and one drive-in. The facility is expandable on the 15-acre site. The South Western Kentucky EDC will market the property. For more information, visit www.southwesternky.com.









Mark your calendars for the Inauguration Open House at the Kentucky Council of Area Development Districts (KCADD) Office (501 Capital Avenue, Frankfort, KY 40601) on Tuesday, Dec. 12.

This event, organized in partnership with the Kentucky Magistrates & Commissioners Association, the Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association, the Kentucky Association of Counties, and the Kentucky League of Cities, promises to be a memorable day full of fun and fellowship.

We invite you to join us at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast including pastries, fruit, coffee and cider. Stay for lunch featuring grilled pork chops, chicken, and more.

2024 NADO & DDAA WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

Join the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) on March 10-13, 2024 in Arlington, VA for sessions focused on regional development, the federal landscape, and the programs and policies that matter most to Regional Development Organizations and their stakeholders. This conference also allows time for our Board and staff to visit legislators to discuss priorities in the Pennyrile region.



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2024 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING DATES

January Board Meeting
February Board Meeting
March Board Meeting
April Board Meeting
May Board Meeting
Annual Meeting

January 8, 2024 February 12, 2024 No March Meeting April 8, 2024 May 13, 2024 June 10, 2024

July Board Meeting
August Board Meeting
September Board Meeting
October Board Meeting
November Board Meeting
December Board Meeting

July 8, 2024 August 12, 2024 September 9, 2024 October 14, 2024 No November Meeting December 9, 2024

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	TIME (CT)	LOCATION
Hopkins/Muhlenberg Elder Abuse Council Meeting	December 6, 2023	9 am	The Paragon of Madisonville – Madisonville, KY
Pennyrile Area Development District Board of Directors Meeting	November 13, 2023	1 pm	Pennyrile Forest State Park – Dawson Springs, KY
Pennyrile Water Management Council Meeting	December 12, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office
Pennyrile Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living Advisory Council Meeting	December 13, 2023	10 am	Christian County Senior Center – Hopkinsville, KY
Pennyrile LTC Ombudsman Advisory Council Meeting	December 13, 2023	11:30 am	Christian County Senior Center – Hopkinsville, KY
Alzheimer's Support Group	December 18, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office & Zoom
Pennyrile Grandparent Support Group	December 21, 2023	10 am	PeADD Office & Zoom

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