



November 13, 2023

#### **MINUTES**

**Board Members Present –** Ms. Diane Ford-Beddingfield, Mayor Kevin Cotton, Mayor Gary Damron, Ms. Amanda Davenport, Mayor Ed DeArmond, Ms. Nikki Durham, Mr. Bart Frazer, Judge Jerry Gilliam, Mayor Arthur Green, Mayor Greg Greene, Judge Stan Humphries, Judge Todd Mansfield, Judge Mack McGehee, Judge Perry Newcom, Ms. Karen Robinson, Mayor Jenny Sewell, Ms. Beth Sumner, Judge Jack Whitfield, Mr. Lee Wilson, Judge William "Kota" Young.

**Call to Order –** PeADD Board Vice Chair, Judge Todd Mansfield, called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm with a quorum present. The meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom.

Approval of Minutes - The September 11, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes were presented for review and approval.

**MOTION** – Judge Jack Whitfield made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Kevin Cotton seconded the motion. With no questions or comments on the floor, the motion carried.

**Financial Report** – Mayor Kevin Cotton presented the Monthly Financial Report as of October 31, 2023, for review and approval. He stated that 33.33% of the budget should be expended and it is currently at 25.38% expended. Mayor Cotton mentioned that Year to Date Revenues Received are currently at 21% with those coming in throughout the year as services are being rendered.

**MOTION** – Mayor Arthur Green made a motion to approve the Monthly Financial Report as presented. Judge Perry Newcom seconded the motion. With no questions or comments on the floor, the motion carried.

**Federal & State Reports** – Legislative updates were provided by Ms. Morgan Alvey, Field Rep. for U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell's office, Mr. Austin Wetherington, Field Rep. for Congressman Comer's office, Representative Walker Thomas, District 8, Ms. Martha Jane King Field Rep. for Department for Local Government, and Representative Wade Williams, District 4.

#### Staff Reports -

1. Community & Economic Development – Ms. Amy Frogue, Director, Community & Economic Development (CED), stated that the CED department submitted 34 projects that could be linked to potential federal funding sources with \$370.4 million needed. Ms. Frogue mentioned that five applications have been submitted to the GRANT program in the amount of over \$30.3 million. She went on to say that the State Revolving Fund for Water & Wastewater Infrastructure projects is currently open for the FY25 funding cycle, and it closes on December 15. A Water Management Council meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 13 and any new projects submitted must be approved by the council on the 15th. Lastly, Ms. Frogue discussed that the CED department is in discussion with the KY Office of Broadband regarding contracting services to verify internet access across the region related to the Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) funding.

Ms. Angela Herndon presented the 2023 CEDS Update to the board for approval. Ms. Herndon stated that a 30-day public comment period was previously established, and approval of the resolution must be passed by the board in support of the draft in order to submit it to the Economic Development Administration (EDA).

**MOTION** – Mayor Kevin Cotton made a motion to approve the 2023 CEDS Resolution as presented. Judge Perry Newcom seconded the motion. With no questions or comments on the floor, the motion carried.

2. Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living – Ms. Jill Collins, Director, Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living (AAAIL), began by thanking all the veterans attending the meeting. She went on to discuss the Veteran Directed Care program which is administered in Kentucky and Tennessee through the Pennyrile AAAIL. Ms. Collins stated that the Pennyrile AAAIL is one of five dual state programs in the nation. With that, she stated, the agency has been asked to assist with expanding the program across the nation. She will follow up with more information on the expansion in the near future. Ms. Collins also updated the board on a pilot project that the agency has been participating in with the National Foundation to End Senior Hunger. She stated that it was determined that the Christian County Senior Citizens Center the unserved food waste is low at only 1%. Ms. Collins introduced three new employees to the board.



The new staff included Destiny Ash, Megan Moenig-Young, and Lorrin Washington. Lastly, Ms. Collins reminded the board that it was time again for the Forgotten Angels project spearheaded by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Cindy Tabor. She mentioned that this project provides Christmas gifts to residents in Personal Care homes in the Pennyrile region and is estimated to serve around 400 individuals this season. Drop off for the gifts begins December 1st and all gifts are due back by December 15th.

3. West Kentucky Workforce Board – Mr. Derek Poor, Veterans Transition Liaison, West Kentucky Workforce Board, shared the history of Veterans Day, along with highlights of issues that affect veteran employment, activities to assist with veteran employment, and a summary of the Southeastern Employment & Training (SETA) conference attended by workforce staff. Following a brief history of the origin of Veterans Day, Mr. Poor detailed the challenges that veterans face after their service in the military, including employment, physical and mental health, homelessness and even suicide. He then discussed the partnerships on post that are assisting transitioning service members including those working on-post, off-post, and statewide. Mr. Poor highlighted some contacts should the board seek further information about any of the programs mentioned. Lastly, he discussed the SETA fall conference attended by staff in Orange Beach, Alabama. He highlighted the workshops that he gained information from and mentioned that it was SETA's 50 anniversary, and the conference was concluded with a celebration.

#### **New Business**

- Monthly Code of Ethics Report Judge Todd Mansfield stated that there had been no Code of Ethics issues or violations reported this month.
- 2. Guest Speaker Ms. Megan Sandfoss, Executive Director of the Kentucky Office of Broadband Development, was the guest speaker. Ms. Sandfoss discussed the broadband deployment programs in Kentucky. She highlighted the PeADD broadband projects awarded funding in Round 1, including Caldwell, Christian, Lyon Todd and Trigg counties, and Round 2, including Caldwell, Christian, Hopkins, Lyon, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg counties. She stated that Kentucky is expected to receive \$1.1 billion for the BEAD program. Ms. Sandfoss reviewed the BEAD Program's overview, timeline, action plan, and other federal funds for broadband.
- 3. **Director's Report** Mr. Jason Vincent, Executive Director, thanked Ms. Sandfoss for attending and providing an update on broadband in Kentucky. He thanked the board for attending virtually due to construction happening at the PeADD office. He went on to invite the board to the KCADD Inauguration Open House on December 12<sup>th</sup> which is the prime spot to watch the Inauguration Parade. He mentioned the December board meeting will be at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park and will be a Christmas Luncheon and Legislative Update on December 11<sup>th</sup>. He then turned the floor over to Mayor Kevin Cotton for a summary of the NADO Annual Training Conference.

Other Business – There was no other business.

<b>Adjourn</b> – With no further business, Mayor K Whitfield seconded the motion.	evin Cotton made a <b>MOTION</b> to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 pm. Judge Jack
Crissy Carter, Board Chair	William "Kota" Young, Secretary

# Pennyrile Area Development District Financial Report July 1, 2023 to November 30, 2023

	Revenue Budget	YTD	% Budget	YTD	% Budget
	FY 2024	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<b>Expended</b>
Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living	\$ 19,841,553.00	\$ 5,578,182.60	28%	\$ 6,591,872.52	33%
<b>Training &amp; Workforce Development</b>	4,026,695.00	1,042,331.19	26%	1,094,243.77	27%
<b>Community &amp; Economic Development</b>	1,659,343.00	357,683.23	22%	391,202.63	24%
Local Projects	101,766.00	152,083.31	149%	36,194.86	36%
Shared cost not yet applied	-	<u> </u>	0%	91,916.67	0%
Total	\$ 25,629,357.00	\$ 7,130,280.33	28%	\$ 8,205,430.45	32%

#### PENNYRILE AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

# Monthly Expenditure Report as of November 30, 2023

	<b>Annual Budget</b>	This Month	Year To Date	% Expended
PERSONNEL				
Total Salaries	2,476,352.00	176,180.01	878,786.95	35.49%
Total Benefits	1,454,984.00	105,058.46	518,730.31	35.65%
TOTAL PERSONNEL	3,931,336.00	281,238.47	1,397,517.26	35.55%
TRAVEL				
Staff Travel	165,000.00	11,434.89	62,300.25	37.76%
Board Travel	65,000.00	3,815.07	11,897.83	18.30%
TOTAL TRAVEL	230,000.00	15,249.96	74,198.08	32.26%
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Operating Expense	762,652.00	85,888.61	318,962.14	41.82%
Service Expense	20,320,539.00	1,415,070.44	6,414,752.97	31.57%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	21,083,191.00	1,500,959.05	6,733,715.11	31.94%
GRAND TOTALS	25,244,527.00	1,797,447.48	8,205,430.45	32.50%

**SUBJECT TO AUDIT** 

## **PENNYRILE AAAIL WAITING LIST**

December 4th, 2023

	Home Delivered Meals	Homemaking	Personal Care
Caldwell	34	19	3
Christian	94	120	37
Crittenden	7	3	1
Hopkins	66	77	9
Livingston	15	4	1
Lyon	11	4	2
Muhlenberg	69	46	9
Todd	14	9	2
Trigg	25	10	3
Totals	335	292	67

## Kentucky eClearinghouse Reports



## **Project Summary Report**

#### KY202311081684

Title: SHWD - CWP Water System Improvements

Proj	ect Information	Applicant Information	Submitter Information	Funding I	nformation
WRIS:	WX21107062	South Hopkins Water District		Federal:	\$790,743.00
Status:	Under Review			Applicant:	\$0.00
Federal:	State Funds	Roy McGregor	Kyle Cunningham	State:	\$0.00
CFDA:	21.027	(270) 797-5760	(270) 886-9484	Local:	\$0.00
County:	Hopkins	shwd5760@gmail.com	kyle.cunningham@ky.gov	Program:	\$0.00
				Other:	\$0.00
(List):				TOTAL:	\$790,743.00

Desc.: This project will use Cleaner Water Grant funds to obtain a Preliminary Engineering Report for a large A/C waterline replacement project as well as a new maintenance shop and administration office. Additional Cleaner Water funds from HB001 will be used to purchase equipment including

as a new maintenance shop and administration office. Additional cleaner water funds from ABOOT will be used to purchase equipment inclu a new service truck, backhoe, billing software, and AMR meters. The district may also buy property for the new administration office and

maintenance building if funds are available.

#### KY202311171701

Title: Greenville - WWTP Improvements Project

Pro	Project Information Applicant Information		ject Information Applicant Information Submitter Information		Submitter Information	<b>Funding Information</b>		
WRIS:	SX21177035	Greenville Utilities Commission		Federal:	\$41,225,000.00			
Status:	Under Review			Applicant:	\$0.00			
Federal:	USDA	Wesdie Webb	Anna Starks	State:	\$0.00			
CFDA:	10.760	(270) 338-2642	(317) 888-1177	Local:	\$0.00			
County:	Muhlenberg	eaglesnest@bellsouth.net	astarks@contactcei.com	Program:	\$0.00			
-	_	-		Other:	\$0.00			
(List):				TOTAL:	\$41,225,000.00			

Desc.: The City of Greenville operates a 1.31 MGD Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) with a collection system consisting of fourteen (14) lift stations and approximately 319,000 linear feet of 2-inch to 18-inch sanitary sewer piping. The WWTP is in need of upgrade and repairs. The City is pursuing construction of a new 2.96 MGD WWTP complete with new headworks with influent screening and pump station, new oxidation ditches, new clarifiers, upgraded PAA system for disinfection, new outfall lift station, a sludge dewatering rotary press, conversion of their existing aeration basins to equalization basins, and a new administrative/laboratory building.

The WWTP is an extended aeration basin treatment facility consisting of one (1) mechanical cylindrical screen, two (2) aeration basins, two (2) clarifiers, a peracetic acid (PAA) contact tank, one (1) waste sludge storage lagoon, and a sludge dewatering belt press. The original WWTP was constructed in 1987, with two major rehabilitation / upgrade projects occurring in 2001 and 2012.

A majority of the WWTP equipment is 20+ years old and in need of replacement. The WWTP components do not have adequate capacity for existing or proposed flows. Wet weather flow events cause the WWTP to exceed system capacity, which leads to sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) at the WWTP and potentially within the upstream sanitary sewer system. These SSOs allow untreated wastewater to leak into the surrounding environment which poses a risk to human and environmental health.

The collection system is comprised of fourteen (14) lift stations and approximately 319,000 linear feet of 2-inch to 18-inch sanitary sewer piping. Two (2) of the existing lift stations, Paradise Park and Job Corps, are in need of repair.

#### KY202311271718

Title: LTRWC - Additional Sedimentation Train/General Plant Expansion

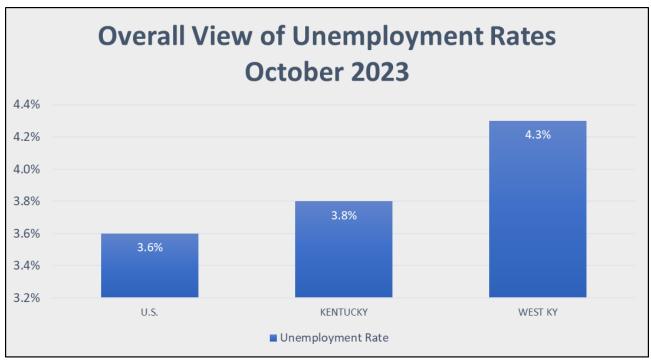
Proj	ject Information	<b>Applicant Information</b>	Submitter Information	Funding	Information
WRIS:	WX21219042	Logan Todd Regional Water Commiss	sion	Federal:	\$0.00
Status:	Under Review			Applicant:	\$0.00
Federal:	State Funds	Kyle Kenner	Chris Wilcutt	State:	\$19,475,000.00
CFDA:	00.000	(270) 483-6990	(270) 426-9143	Local:	\$0.00
County:	Todd	kkenner@ltrwc.org	chris.wilcutt@mcgheeengineering.	Program:	\$0.00
-		-		Other:	\$0.00
(List):				TOTAL:	\$19,475,000.00

Desc.: LTRWC is currently expanding the plant capacity from 10 to 12 MGD by adding membrane filter capacity. This will comfortably provide for current needs. However, if another major water user should locate in the service area, or if one of the existing customers should substantially increase its usage, LTRWC might find itself with inadequate plant capacity to continue to support the area's rapid growth. To further expand the plant to 15 MGD or above, a general plant expansion would be required. This expansion would include the addition of a third sedimentation train along with upgrades to most of the plant's components. This project also includes the addition of granular carbon filters to provide TOC and PFAS removal.

# **LABOR MARKET SNAPSHOT**

October, 2023

Released November 30, 2023



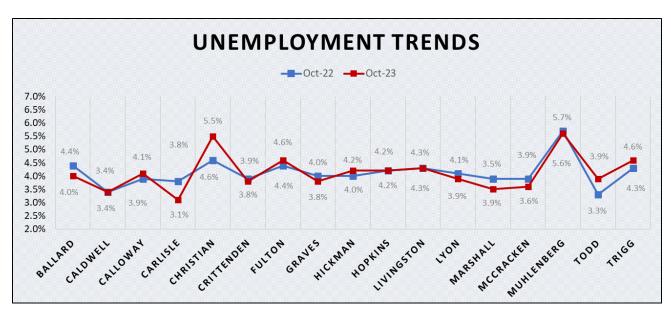


**Source: Kentucky Center for Statistics (KYSTATS)** 

## West Kentucky Unemployment Rates

October 2022 – October 2023

COUNTY	Oct 22	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Apr 23	May 23	Jun 23	Jul 23	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23
Local Area	4.1	4.3	3.9	4.6	4.9	4.1	3.7	4.4	5.0	5.0	4.5	4.5	4.3
BALLARD	4.4	4.5	4.1	5.1	5.3	4.7	4.9	4.4	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.6	4.0
CALDWELL	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.6	4.0	3.5	2.5	3.7	4.0	3.9	3.5	3.6	3.4
CALLOWAY	3.9	4.0	3.5	4.8	4.9	4.1	3.5	4.3	5.2	5.5	4.9	4.5	4.1
CARLISLE	3.4	3.4	2.7	3.6	4.4	3.2	3.3	3.2	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.6
CHRISTIAN	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.9	5.1	4.5	4.1	4.8	5.4	5.6	5.2	5.1	5.5
CRITTENDEN	3.9	4.0	3.7	4.2	4.5	3.7	3.1	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.0	4.1	3.8
FULTON	4.4	4.4	3.6	4.8	4.9	5.1	3.8	4.9	5.8	5.7	4.9	5.2	4.6
GRAVES	4.0	4.1	3.6	4.5	4.7	4.0	3.6	4.1	4.5	4.7	4.2	4.2	3.8
HICKMAN	4.0	4.1	3.4	4.3	4.9	4.5	3.2	4.1	5.2	5.4	4.9	4.8	4.2
HOPKINS	4.2	4.3	3.9	4.3	4.8	4.0	3.5	5.4	5.7	4.9	4.5	4.4	4.2
LIVINGSTON	4.3	4.6	4.4	5.6	6.0	5.0	4.2	4.7	5.2	5.1	4.7	4.8	4.3
LYON	4.1	4.4	4.1	5.0	5.5	4.1	3.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.3	3.9
MARSHALL	3.9	4.1	3.9	4.6	4.9	4.0	3.4	3.8	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.5
MCCRACKEN	3.9	4.0	3.6	4.0	4.4	3.6	3.2	3.9	4.3	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.6
MUHLENBERG	5.7	6.0	5.7	6.2	6.7	5.5	5.1	6.0	6.7	6.8	6.4	6.3	5.6
TODD	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.7	3.9	3.6	2.7	3.4	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.8	3.9
TRIGG	4.3	4.6	4.3	5.1	5.3	4.6	3.5	4.3	5.0	5.0	4.3	4.5	4.6



**Source: Kentucky Center for Statistics (KYSTATS)** 



#### RESOLUTION

#### MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

#### **HUTSON SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE**

**WHEREAS**, the Pennyrile Area Development District recognizes the critical role that veterinary medicine plays in promoting animal health, ensuring food safety, and supporting the agricultural industry within our region; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a School of Veterinary Medicine at Murray State University has the potential to enhance educational opportunities, contribute to economic development, and address the growing demand and shortage for veterinary professionals in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky currently does not have a School of Veterinary Medicine and spent \$5.6 million during Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and \$5.6 million in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to fund a total of 168 veterinary slots for Kentucky students with out of state universities; and

WHEREAS, in the United States there are only 32 veterinary colleges accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and, based on statistics collected by the AVMA, only approximately 86,000 veterinarians are currently practicing in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pennyrile Area Development District recognizes the positive impact that such an institution would have on the region's agricultural and animal-related industries, thereby promoting economic growth, job creation, and improved animal care practices;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pennyrile Area Development District fully supports and endorses the creation of a School of Veterinary Medicine at Murray State University; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pennyrile Area Development District encourages local, state and federal authorities, as well as educational stakeholders, to collaborate in facilitating the necessary steps for the establishment of the School of Veterinary Medicine at Murray State University, including securing funding, accreditation, and community support; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to relevant government officials, educational institutions, and other stakeholders to express the Pennyrile Area Development District's endorsement of this initiative.

Crissy Carter, Chairman
Pennyrile Area Development District

# KENTUCKY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS 2024 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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Continuation of the \$4 million investment in the Joint Funding Agreement as well as the additional ARC and DRA funding of \$250,000, respectively.



Fully fund the water management planning services and maintenance of the Water Resource Information System in the amount of \$2.1 million.



Sustain the Expanded Senior Meal Program, currently totaling \$14.48 million.



Maintain participant directed coordination and financial management of the Home & Community Based, Michelle P and Supports for Community Living waiver programs and attain sustainable reimbursement rates for case management.



Enhance the flexibility of workforce development efforts with the investment of state funds to complement federal dollars.



# Inauguration Day Open House



The Kentucky Council of Area Development Districts invites you to join us Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2023, for food and fellowship!

8:30 a.m., Breakfast: Pastries, fruit, coffee, and cider 11 a.m., Lunch: Grilled pork chops, chicken and more

**Location:** 501 Capital Ave. Frankfort, KY 40601

Questions? Email cellis@kcadd.org

Hosted in conjunction with the Kentucky Magistrates & Commissions Association, Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association, the Kentucky Association of Counties, and the Kentucky League of Cities



# 2024 NADO & DDAA WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

MARCH 10-13, 2024 ARLINGTON, VA



# 2024 NADO & DDAA Washington Conference

March 10-13, 2024 (Sunday to Wednesday)

**Crystal Gateway Marriott** 1700 Richmond Highway Arlington, VA 22202



Join the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) and the Development District Association of Appalachia (DDAA) for sessions focused on regional development, the federal landscape, and the programs and policies that matter most to Regional Development Organizations and their stakeholders.

Conference content will begin on the morning of Sunday, March 10 for NADO Executive Committee members, NADO Board members, NADO Research Foundation Advisory Committee Members, and DDAA Board Members. On the evening of Sunday, March 10, an opening reception will be held for all conference attendees, as well as a dinner for DDAA members.

Conference plenary and breakout sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 11 and continue through 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 13. Stay tuned for more information about a post-conference training for the EDD Community of Practice on Wednesday afternoon from 12-5 p.m. at the conference hotel.

Board members interested in attending, please contact Melissa Thompson at melissal.thompson@ky.gov or call the office at (270)886-9484.



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Due to the possibility of a meeting being canceled, relocated, or rescheduled, please call Pennyrile Area Development District (PeADD) at (270) 886-9484 to confirm a meeting prior to attending.

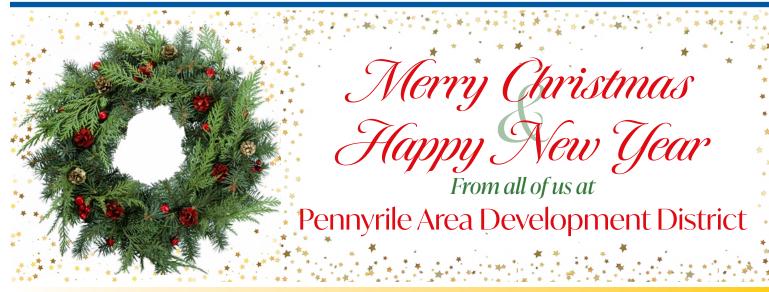
PeADD Upcoming Meetings 2023				
Event Name	Date	Time (CT)	Location	
Hopkins/Muhlenberg Elder Abuse Council Meeting	December 6, 2023	9 am	The Paragon of Madisonville – Madisonville, KY	
Pennyrile Area Development District Board of Directors Meeting	November 13, 2023	1 pm	Pennyrile Forest State Park – 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	

Translation services and/or auxiliary aids are available upon request. Accommodations for individuals with disabilities can also be arranged. Please allow up to seven (7) business days for implementation of all requests. PeADD will make reasonable efforts to accommodate requests when given suitable notice. Equal Employment Opportunity/ Affirmative Action Employer, M/F/D.

DECEMBER 2023

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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

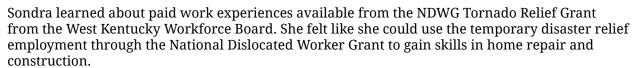
At the West Kentucky Workforce Board meeting held on November 9, 2023, the Nominating Committee presented their slate of officers for consideration. The WKWB Board elected the following officers for a two-year term:

- 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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