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WEST POINT HISTORIC CIVIL WAR SITE RECEIVES PRESERVATION GRANT

The Fort Duffield / Fort Hill Heritage Committee recently received a \$7,500 Federal Survey & Planning Grant in the area of Preservation Planning/Context Development. This grant will allow the Committee to develop a management plan for Ft. Duffield, located in West Point, Kentucky, regarding the preservation and interpretation of the Ft. Duffield historic Civil War site.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD RECEIVES LWCF GRANT

The City of Springfield has been selected to receive a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant for \$8,940.00 which will be used to make improvements to Idle Hour Park and the Springfield Swimming Pool. This project will greatly benefit the city and its residents by providing more recreational opportunities to area residents and by providing more access for the disabled to these facilities. The city should be commended for this project which was chosen from among 89 applicants in the annual LWCF funding cycle which began in the Fall of 1992.

building to facilitate the expansion needs of Nelson County Industries (NCI).

NCI is a program developed by Communicare, Inc., a non-profit corporation authorized by the Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources. This program provides constructive employment opportunities for mentally impaired adults within the area. NCI's expansion will create additional employment for 18 individuals. Currently, total employment at NCI has reached 49.

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON LARUE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER PROJECT

Weather permitting, construction will soon begin on the new LaRue County Senior Citizens Center in Hodgenville. Bids for the construction for the Community Development Block Grant project were opened on December 23, 1992. The low bidder was Central Kentucky Contracting, Inc. of Cecilia, Kentucky with a bid of \$198,900.00. The contract for construction was awarded in January. It is expected that construction will be completed and the center will be operational in the Summer of 1993.

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CITY OF BARDSTOWN RECEIVES CDBG - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The City of Bardstown has recently received preliminary approval of a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of \$365,000 for an economic development project. This grant will allow the city to purchase an existing industrial

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND BASIC SKILLS PROGRAMS (JOBS)

The JOBS Program is now stabilizing as it enters its third year of operation and has become virtually statewide. JOBS clients are being assessed as to individual needs by Department for Social Insurance case managers and referred to education and training components according to needs and abilities identified in the assessment process. Many clients in the Lincoln Trail Region are opting for the Community Work Experience component in which they are employed with a public agency at no cost to the agency. In return for their services, the client receives valuable job training and work experience under qualified supervisors and is able to retain the AFDC subsidy. Any public agency interested in hiring CWEP participants can contact the Area Development District for details.

The Regional JOBS Interagency Advisory Council is in the process of interviewing clients, providers of services to the clients, and case managers in an effort to forward an evaluation of the program to the Kentucky Department for Social Insurance. Council members are also actively involved in compiling the 1993-94 regional JOBS plan due April 1.

"The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a person's determination."

-- Tommy Lasorda

JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)

The JTPA program received a facelift on September 7, 1992, with the passage of the Job Training Reform Amendments of 1992. As a result of these amendments, the Lincoln Trail Area Development District has felt the impact of these changes, significantly. As the deadline for the implementation of the amendments draws closer, the ADD staff has been preparing fervently for the impending changes in order to achieve a smooth transition into the forthcoming program year.

The Lincoln Trail ADD staff has taken an active role in implementing these changes to the Job Training Partnership Act. Currently, staff are participating in committee meetings in Frankfort dealing with all aspects of the JTPA amendments. The meetings not only assist in clarifying the technical changes contained within the amendments and their direct effects on the Lincoln Trail Service Delivery Area, but they also allow us to make tangible contributions pertaining to the direction of the employment and training programs as a whole. In addition to these committee meetings, the ADD staff continues to receive on-going training on the amendments to ascertain that the interpretations of the amendments are consistent on a local, state and national level.

Although this is an extremely volatile time for Employment and Training programs, both on a local and national level, the contributions made by Lincoln Trail brings us one step closer to implementing an effective Employment and Training program to serve those individuals most in need. With continual effort being put forth, the Job Training Reform Amendments of 1992 will be successfully executed.

LTADD HOSTS SEMINAR ON ELECTION LAWS

A seminar for political candidates was held at the Lincoln Trail ADD on January 20, 1993. Mr. George Russell of the Registry of Election Finance conducted the seminar which helped explain many of the complex new laws and regulations candidates must comply with when filing for election and in running their campaigns. Approximately 75 persons from across the region attended the seminar.

1993 RATES AND FEES SURVEY AVAILABLE

The 1993 edition of the Lincoln Trail Area Cities Rates and Fees Survey is now available from the ADD office. Copies are free to cities in the Lincoln Trail region and may be purchased by other interested parties at a cost of \$9.50 per copy. If you are interested in obtaining a copy, please contact the ADD office.

KENTUCKY 2001 COUNTY FORUMS HELD

A critical element of the KY 2001 - Strategic Area Development process will be the input from citizens as to their "vision" of a particular county and its development. There is an abundance of information and data, from any number of sources, which will be utilized in the development of our Strategic Plan. This is in addition to current regional and local plans which provide a particular perspective from a specific locale or program area. What is both unique to the KY 2001 process and critical to its planning effort is the guidance and viewpoint of the residents themselves.

A Forum was organized in each county with the assistance of the County Judge/Executive at a time and location convenient to that county. A listing of subject areas was developed which covered certain discussion areas and which corresponded to the critical areas of the Strategic Plan: City and County Government, Economy & Business Development, Infrastructure, Training & Education, Human Resources, Environment, and Recreation & Culture. The Forums were not confined to these areas and in fact simply served as an "outline" for input.

Each Forum consisted of a discussion and recording of each county's strengths, weaknesses and opportunities/needs. This was developed solely from the input of the participants and dealt with their perception of their area and its future. The input will be utilized by the LTADD KY 2001 Steering Committee as they develop both the Assessment of the region and Strategies for future development.

The County Forums were held as listed below:

County	Date	Time	Location
Breckinridge	1/28/93	10:00 a.m. (CST)	Courthouse
Grayson	2/3/93	10:00 a.m. (CST)	Courthouse
Hardin	2/10/93	10:00 a.m. (EST)	LTADD
LaRue	1/28/93	6:30 p.m. (EST)	Courthouse
Marion	2/3/93	2:00 p.m. (EST)	Courthouse
Meade	2/4/93	10:00 a.m. (EST)	Courthouse
Nelson	2/11/93	1:30 p.m. (EST)	Sutherland Bldg.
Washington	2/2/93	9:00 a.m. (EST)	Courthouse

UPDATE: COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANS

The Division of Waste Management (DOW) recently sent comments to each Kentucky county regarding their solid waste management plans submitted on January 1, 1993. The Lincoln Trail Area Development District (LTADD) assisted the Counties of Breckinridge, Grayson,

LaRue and Marion with their Solid Waste Management Plans. With assistance from each county's fiscal court and solid waste advisory committee, the LTADD plans to address the comments received and re-submit them to DOW by the end of April. If all changes are found to be in compliance, the counties should receive final approval of their Solid Waste Management Plan from the Division of Waste Management at that time.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The next deadline for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is May 14, 1993. Applications for Public Facility and Housing projects are being accepted at this time. If you should have any questions or need additional information regarding the CDBG program, please contact the LTADD office.



BRANDENBURG WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

Construction has exceeded the midway point of the \$1.9 million Brandenburg Waste Water Treatment Plant Project. The project was financed through the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority Fund A loan program. The contractor, Howard W. Pence, Inc. of Elizabethtown, has been working since September 10th. Construction is on schedule and should be finished by the middle of this summer. The construction project will expand the current waste water treatment plant from .190 MGD capability to .312 MGD capability.

HARDIN/LARUE COUNTY WATER SUPPLY PLAN

The LTADD staff has been working on a regional water supply plan for Hardin and LaRue County. The plan will assess water use needs for the next twenty years, evaluate alternatives to meet those needs, and recommend water supply protection measures.

To date, most all Water Supply Surveys submitted in November to the various water suppliers and distributors of the Hardin/LaRue County area have been received. The surveys are currently being reviewed and formulated for their incorporation into the water supply plan. We anticipate providing the planning council with a draft plan by mid-April for their review and comments.

CO DETECTORS

We are all hearing a lot concerning carbon monoxide poisoning and with the heating season in full swing, information on this topic is being distributed through the HomeCare Case Managers. Through the use of HomeCare Home Repair funds, the Lincoln Trail Area HomeCare Program has purchased 100 carbon monoxide detectors which are being placed in the homes of high-risk elderly clients at no cost to the client. For more information, please contact the ADD office.

MARION COUNTY SOUTH 49 CDBG WATER LINE PROJECT

The Marion County South 49 water line extension project pre-construction conference was held on March 9th. Garrison Construction of Greensburg, Kentucky will begin construction sometime in the middle of March. The project will extend approximately 12.55 miles of rural water lines along State Highway 49 East from Bradfordsville in Marion County to the Casey County line and will serve 82 customers.

BARDSTOWN, DANVILLE, PIKEVILLE, SOMERSET, AMONG "BEST SMALL TOWNS"

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The 1993 edition of *The 100 Best Small Towns in America*, a Prentice Hall publication, recognized four Kentucky cities in its ranking of the top 100 small communities in the nation. The City of Danville was ranked 40th,

the City of Bardstown was ranked 79th, the City of Pikeville was ranked 85th, and the City of Somerset was ranked 89th. Kentucky and only one other state, New Hampshire, had four cities or towns in the ranking; no state had more.

Best Small Towns author Norman Crampton, a former journalist who is director of the Indiana Institute of Recycling in Terre Haute, used the population range of 5,000 to 15,000 to define small cities and towns. In ranking communities, he considered natural beauty, crime rates, institutions of higher learning, medical care and newspapers.

Congratulations Mayor Brauch and the City of Bardstown!!!!

WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

The Lincoln Trail ADD staff has been assisting the Washington County Planning and Zoning Commission with the development of a Comprehensive Plan for the county. Included in the Comprehensive Plan will be detailed and colorized land use and transportation maps. With its new GIS system and with new computer software, Lincoln Trail is now able to enhance plans and other documents with analytical maps and graphs.

"The speed of the leader determines the rate of the pack."

-- Wayne Lucas

COUNTY BUDGET WORKSHOP HELD

Officials from the State Local Finance Office conducted the annual County Budget Workshop for the Lincoln Trail area at the ADD office on March 9, 1993. Local Government Advisors Barbara Buechler and Tom Dobson conducted the workshop which explained budgeting procedures and requirements for the counties. Representatives of six of Lincoln Trail's eight counties were in attendance.

LINCOLN TRAIL UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES

Preliminary January 1993 (Provisional Estimate)*

Breckinridge	10.0%
Grayson	9.6%
Hardin	6.1%
LaRue	7.0%
Marion	9.1%
Meade	9.8%
Nelson	8.6%
Washington	7.0%

*Due to adjustments in data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics which will possibly revise unemployment data for Statewide and counties for 1990 forward, you are advised not to compare this information with data from December 1992 or to interpret the changes in these months in employment, unemployment or unemployment rate in economic terms. Revised estimates will be available as soon as they are received.

What Is a CDC?

The Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 Certified Development Company is a private, public sector nonprofit corporation that provides long-term financing to small businesses. There are approximately 410 SBA CDCs.

"Nothing makes a person more productive than the last minute."

-- Unknown

KMCA 93 SPRING CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN PIKEVILLE

The Kentucky Municipal Clerks Association (KMCA) will be holding its Spring Conference in Pikeville April 21-23, 1993. The conference agenda is packed

with informative sessions on such topics as solid waste issues, revenue sources, privatization of utilities and many others. In addition, there are several activities planned which promise to be very enjoyable. If you need additional information about the conference or about the KMCA, please contact the ADD office.

CALENDAR . . .

- 4/16-20 Kentucky Rural Development Council, Frankfort, KY
- 4/21-23 Kentucky Municipal Clerks Association (KMCA) Spring Conference, Pikeville, KY
- 4/23 LTADD Board of Directors Annual Meeting
- 5/13-14 Kentucky Industrial Development Council Meeting, Morehead, KY
- 5/14 Kentucky Small Cities CDBG Public Facilities and Housing Applications Deadline
- 6/4-5 LTADD Board of Directors Training at Rough River State Park
- 6/9-11 Governor's Local Issues Conference, Drawbridge Inn, Ft. Mitchell, KY
- 4/19-23 Central Kentucky Business & Procurement Fair and the Central Kentucky Business Computer & Technology Conference (Small Business Development Week), Leitchfield, KY

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