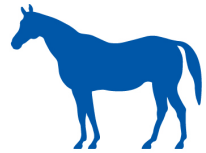


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Outline

- Purpose and Mission of Bluegrass Area Development District
- Regional Projects
- Overview of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
- Update on Workforce
- Update on Aging Services
- Update on Community Planning

Purpose and Mission of BGADD

To enhance the economy of our communities through **Planning** to maximize resources, **Projects** to promote development, and **Programs** to improve the quality of life for the citizens of the region.

Governed by a cooperative network of Mayors, County Judge/Executives and Citizen Members who represent a diverse range of subject matter expertise.

We believe success is accomplished by not creating the best cities in the Bluegrass but by creating the best Bluegrass for our cities.

Regional Projects

Opioid/Substance
Use Disorder – Board
Directed Jan 17'

Area Water
Management Plan

Comprehensive
Economic
Development
Strategy (CEDS)

Participant Directed
Options Medicaid
Waiver - in-home
services to
elderly/disabled

Regional
Transportation Plan
Safe Streets for All

Digital Rate Book

Intended Use Plan

Aging Department
Regional Programs

Workforce –
nationally
recognized Joint
Board Training

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

BGADD is the EDA-designated
“Economic Development
District” for central Kentucky

What is a CEDS?

- Regionally driven plan for economic growth and resilience
- Guides public and private investments across the 17-county Bluegrass region
- Updated every 5 years, with annual progress reporting

Community Driven Process

- Built on public input from local officials, businesses, non-profits, and residents
- Informed by data on economic trends
- Overseen by Bluegrass Economic Development Advisory Committee – representing diverse regional voice

Outcomes and Use

- Helps prioritize projects in local and regional planning efforts
- Guides economic recovery, diversification, and innovation
- Promotes collaboration across county and city lines

Recognized by Imagine
Lexington Comprehensive Plan
(ILCP) Stewardship Policy #2 to
partner with BGADD and
Bluegrass RPC

Workforce HIGHLIGHTS *Lexington-Fayette Edition*

**Program Year:
July 1, 2024 –
June 30, 2025
Client Numbers
for Fayette Co.**

WIOA Program	Putting Young Kentuckians First (PYKF)
64 Total Residents	48 Total Residents
17 Work-Based Learning	6 Work-Based Learning
37 Credentialed Training	11 Credential Training
10 Career and Supportive Services	7 Supportive Services
	24 Intensive Career Services
112 Total Clients	

**Program Year:
July 1, 2024 –
June 30, 2025
Funds
Expended in
Fayette Co.**

WIOA Program	Putting Young Kentuckians First (PYKF)
ITA: \$89,207.08	ITA: \$19,529.75
SS: \$6,570.88	SS: \$1,055.43
WBL: \$90,878.08	WBL: \$16,966.27
WIOA and Putting Young Kentuckians First Total \$224,207.85	

Program Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Fayette Businesses Served

- Corman and Associates
- FedEx
- Goodwill Industries of KY
- Lighthouse Ministries
- American Job Center
- Primary Purpose
- Clay Ingles

- Amteck LLC
- Molly Maids of Greater Lexington
- Lean Feast
- Tracy's House
- Shepherds House
- Roaring Brook



Program Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 Community Engagement Events

- Arbor Youth Services
- BCTC Career Fair at the Newtown Pike Campus
- BCTC Healthcare Summer Camp
- Black & Williams Center
- Charles Young Center Expungement Job and Resource Fair
- Clean Slate Expungement Clinic & Job/Resource Fair
- Consolidated Baptist Women's Health Fair
- Goodwill Empowerment Expo
- Healthy LEX-CHIP Meetings
- Jubilee Jobs Celebration & Dignity Lunch Resource Fair
- Jubilee Jobs Back-To-Work BBQ
- Kentucky Refugees Ministry Camp
- Learning Center
- Lexington Economic Partnership Meetings
- Marksbury Family Library Summer Job Fair
- Student Family Night Career Fair at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School
- Success Academy Career and Job Fair
- Safe Kids: Longest Day of Play Resource Fair
- UK Federal Credit Union Resource Job Fair
- United Way Job Fair
- Urban League Lift Career Fair for Summer Youth Internship Participants
- Veterans Job Fair

Program Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Additional Fayette Community Partnerships

- Adult Education
- Light House Ministries
- BCTC Refugee Initiative
- Childcare Council
- Goodwill Industries
- High Schools (*Bryan Station, Dunbar, Fredrick Douglas, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Tates Creek*)
- Isaiah House, Lexington
- Jobs for Americas Graduates Jubilee Jobs
- Jubilee Jobs
- Lexington Public Libraries
- Lexington Rescue Mission
- New Vista
- Perfect Imperfections Recovery
- Primary Purpose
- Shepherd's House
- Success Academy
- Tates Creek High School
- Women's Hope Center

Program Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 Comprehensive Career Center

Kentucky Career Center – Bluegrass / American Job Center is located at 2473 Fortune Drive in Lexington.

- Received its certification as a Comprehensive Site in November of 2024.
- The only comprehensive center in Central Kentucky and houses:
 - WIOA (Workforce Services)
 - Career Development Office
 - JVSG (Assistance for Veteran's)
 - Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Childcare Council of Kentucky



Program Year: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Assisting Mayor Gorton in her Role as CoCLEO

Providing assistance through...

- Annual Joint Training
- Regular updates from Workforce Board Meetings
- Responsive notification of agenda requests and review of items prior to Executive Committee of the Governing Board meetings.
- Partnering with LFUCG Director of Business Engagement on several ongoing projects, including both federal and state grant initiatives.



Aging and Independent Living

- Advocate for Seniors on a state and federal level
- We hold workshops in Lexington offering resources and education, such as: Embracing Next Best Years of Your Life, Grandparents as Parents.
- We are a community partner with I Know Expo.
- We serve on the Fayette County Diabetes Coalition and host the Bluegrass Aging Consortium meetings monthly.
- Our staff are actively involved in Age-Friendly Lexington and Dementia Friendly Lexington.
- Our staff serve on the Senior Services Commission.
- We served 196 Seniors, Caregivers and Grandparents from Fayette County in our Aging Programs.

Aging and Independent Living

Program	People Served
Homecare	60
Title IIIB (Senior Center)	3268
Title IIIC (Meals)	349
Title IIIE (Caregivers)	86
Title IIIE (Grandparents)	43
KY Caregiver (Grandparents)	13

Participant Directed Options

- BGADD operates the PDS program. It is a Medicaid Waiver program that allows eligible participants to self-direct their care by hiring people of their choice, who help them remain in their home rather than live in a long-term care facility.
- In FY25 we had 184 participants in Fayette county many of whom may employ more than one person to assist them.
- There was a total of \$10,966,778.55 paid to those individuals employed by the participant to provide their services in Fayette County.

Participant Directed Options

- In FY25, BGADD became a provider for the Veterans Direct Care Program. This is a program funded through the VA Medical Center. We provide Case Management to the Veterans enrolled in the VDC program.
- We enrolled and provided Case Management to 4 Veterans in Fayette County in FY25.
- This program continues to grow with partnership between BGADD, Lexington VAMC and Pennyrile ADD.

Community Planning

Transportation Planning

- Participation in LFUCG/MPO KYTC Project Coordination Meetings
- Coordination with LexTran and MPO regarding transit options for elderly/disabled persons derailed by Covid
- Coordination with MPO and KYTC District 7 regarding SHIFT Prioritization and the 6 year highway plan

Community Planning

Regional Collaboration

- Facilitates the following committees comprised of regional stakeholders:
 - Economic Development Advisory Committee
 - Emergency Preparedness Committee
 - Area Water Management Council
 - Community Resiliency and Public Health Council
 - Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Advisory Committee
 - Regional Planning Council
 - Regional Transportation Committee
 - Tourism, Historic Preservation, & Recreation Advisory Committee

Community Planning

Grant Writing and Administration

- In FY2025, BGADD administered over \$191,500,00 in grant and loan funding across the 17-county region.
- Grant writing and administration services are available to LFUCG from BGADD.

Purpose for Regional Council of Government

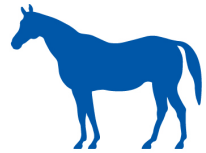
Strong need for better regional planning, cooperation, collaboration and governance

Issues such as opioid epidemic, broadband, transportation, aging services, water and sewer and workforce

Neither prosperity nor poverty recognize political boundaries

Inclusive and effective Public Policy Agenda needs to be championed

Thank You!



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