

Regional Partners Overview

Bullitt County, KY

If you want convenience with a suburban/rural feel, Bullitt County is the perfect spot!

Bullitt County is located immediately south of Kentucky's largest city, Louisville, and immediately north of Fort Knox/Elizabethtown area. The I-65 corridor runs directly through the county with five expressway exits to ease your commute.

Bullitt County has a dynamic Economic Development resource that has continued growth with companies including Amazon, The Geek Squad and Gordon Food Services. These companies ensure the job market will remain strong with other global corporations considering our area for expansion.

Shepherdsville-Bullitt County Tourist & Convention Center announced in 2013 that Bullitt County is an official Trailhead for the Kentucky Bourbon Trail. Bernheim Forest, our four beautiful Wineries, Glassworks and Golf Courses make this a great place to visit or live.

Bullitt County has its own campus as an extension of Jefferson Community and Technical College and is within a short distance of University of Louisville, University of Kentucky, Sullivan University, Bellarmine College and Spencerian College. There are also various technical schools in the Louisville area. The Bullitt County Board of Education serves over 13,000 students and currently has several building projects underway to provide the most updated means of education.

Bullitt County is rich in history and moving rapidly into the future with unprecedented growth and a friendly united voice. We welcome you!

Clark County, IN

Clark County is located in southern Indiana and named after William Clark. William Clark was an American explorer, soldier, Indian agent, and territorial governor. Along with Meriwether Lewis, Clark helped lead the Lewis and Clark Expedition of 1803 to 1806 across the Louisiana Purchase to the Pacific Ocean, and claimed the Pacific Northwest for the United States. Clark County was established in 1801 and is strategically positioned across the Ohio River from Louisville, Kentucky.

Clark County is a major transportation hub with Interstate Highway Access, railroads, close proximity to the Clark Regional Airport and the Louisville International Airport, and direct access to shipping on the Ohio River with the Port of Indiana-Jeffersonville facility. The Port of Indiana - Jeffersonville is one of three State of Indiana ports that operate as Foreign Trade Zones. Approximately 2 million tons of cargo moves through the Ports of Indiana - Jeffersonville annually.



Clark County has diversified its economic base and continues to expand in exciting new directions. River Ridge Commerce Center® is an example of a new wave of economic redevelopment taking place in the county. The River Ridge Commerce Center® was formerly the Indiana Army Ammunition Plant. The plant manufactured gunpowder during World War II, the Korean War, and the Viet Nam War. Congress declared the property surplus to its needs in 1998 and authorized 6000 acres of the property to be conveyed to the River Ridge Development Authority for economic development and other parts of the property to be used for expansion of the Charlestown State Park.

Floyd County, IN

Locals have long referred to the rolling hills of Southern Indiana's Floyd County as "the knobs," prominent natural features frequented by Shawnee Indians hunting the area long ago. Bison were known to travel through the region in great numbers, creating paths between the salt licks of Kentucky and the prairies of Illinois. The buffalo traces, as the paths were called, made travel slightly easier for man, as well, and an increasing number of settlers entered the area over time, eventually resulting in the establishment of the county in 1819.

As the county prepares to celebrate its bicentennial in two years, growth and forward momentum are keys to the community's success. The City of New Albany, the county seat, is the source of a lot of buzz, as the revitalized downtown attracts new residents, along with a range of restaurants and other businesses. Educational institutions such as Indiana University Southeast, Purdue Polytechnic Institute and the Prosser Career Education Center offer students a multitude of opportunities for learning and development. And roads and highways—from scenic county roads to multi-lane interstates—ease travel up and through the knobs.

Business and industrial parks are home to companies that churn out an impressive array of products. From beverage flavorings to auto components to signs and labels, Floyd County businesses have a track record of success and ingenuity.

Hardin County, KY

Hardin County has a population of over 107,000 while the population of the Elizabethtown-Fort Knox MSA is approximately 153,000. Hardin County's diverse economy is anchored by a growing manufacturing sector, agriculture, and U.S. Army installation Fort Knox.

Interstate 65 runs through Hardin County, and connects the community to Louisville/Indianapolis/Chicago to the North and Nashville/Birmingham/Mobile to the South. The Western Kentucky Parkway extends to Paducah and the Bluegrass Parkway extends east to Lexington, providing direct interstate trucking connections to the East and the West.



Fort Knox is home to U.S. Army Cadet Command, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, and more. The Post has a daytime population of about 23,000 soldiers, family members, civilian employees and contractors.

The county is home to two public school districts: Elizabethtown Independent Schools and Hardin County Schools. In addition, private and parochial schools add to the education options available to families.

Elizabethtown Community & Technical College (ECTC), with 6,600 students, offers more than 70 degree and diploma programs. ECTC's campus also is home to a regional campus of Western Kentucky University, which offers four-year and post-graduate degrees. Also in Hardin County, McKendree University offers a number of associate, bachelor's and master's degree programs.

Manufacturing is concentrated primarily in Elizabethtown with 78 manufacturing plants and supporting facilities employing more than 9,200 workers. Many industries manufacture automotive components and key in on Hardin County's central location relative to automobile assembly plants located throughout the Mid-South and Midwest.

Hardin County is poised for significant additional growth in the manufacturing sector with the 1,551-acre Glendale Industrial Site. Certified as a mega-site by CSX Railroad, it is the largest industrial tract in Kentucky.

Harrison County, IN

Just minutes from the City Center of Louisville, our community offers an outstanding location for businesses to succeed. Business Parks at Corydon and Lanesville offer immediate access to Interstate 64 and have proven to accommodate Distribution and Light Manufacturing companies as well as professional office and retail developers. Companies like Lucas Oil Products, Tyson Foods, Trilogy Health Services and Areva Pharmaceuticals can also attest to our outstanding workforce and that the cost to do business here is very competitive.

In addition to being a great place for business, the communities in Harrison County have invested wisely toward making improvements to create a better place for people to live. Eva Bates North, President of the Corydon Town Council said: "Our County Leaders recognize that investing in Quality of Place projects will continue to make Harrison County the best area to grow a company and raise a family for generations to come."

Three highly rated school systems serve the county. They provide Career and Work-Ready opportunities as well as Advanced Placement and Dual Credit Courses that put our many college-bound students on a path toward success in meeting their higher education goals.

The proximity to Louisville, Outstanding Highway access, and the rich, historic significance of our communities contributes to making Harrison County the ideal home for business!



Henry County, KY

Located 30 miles northeast of Louisville along Interstate 71, Henry County has five Incorporated Cities: New Castle, Eminence, Campbellsburg, Smithfield, and Pleasureville. Henry County has strong agricultural roots and continues to be a leader in tobacco and hay production, as well as beef production, and now wine and spirits. Smith Berry Vineyard & Winery is a working multigenerational family farm that provides the buyer a chance to enjoy the rural experience. The newest addition is Six Mile Distillery which began in summer 2017. This hundred plus acre farm will provide a historic perspective to Bourbon distilling that will be second to none.

While Henry County's industrial base is small, the availability of low cost land at three industrial sites, low tax rates, fully supported infrastructure, skilled workforce and a progressive government all point to opportunities for your startup or business expansion. If you ask Damion Prather from Six Mile Creek Distillery why he chose Henry County? He will tell you that location was the key. Less than an hour's drive from Louisville was what he wanted. With over 2 million people within a 50 mile radius of the Henry County, and easy, direct highway access; your company can succeed in an area that you will want to call home.

Jefferson County, KY

Louisville is a competitive, authentic, global city with a robust knowledge economy – we are home to two Fortune 500 companies, Humana and Kindred, the largest concentration of aging care headquarters in the world, and notable food and beverage headquarters, such as Papa John's International, Texas Roadhouse, Brown-Forman and Heaven Hill Brands. Louisville is among only a dozen U.S. cities that have all five major performing arts groups. As the hometown of Muhammad Ali, Louisville punches above its weight.

Louisville is the economic epicenter for business development, entertainment attractions, and arts and cultural events, living at the heart of this 15-county bi-state region. Within a day's drive of two-thirds of the U.S. population, it's also a strategic location for thousands of companies, including UPS Worldport, Clariant Corporation, Ford Motor Company, GE Appliances and Yum Brands! Louisville's talented workforce, high quality of life and competitive cost of doing business attracted recent new companies, including Computershare, Hogan Lovells and EY.

More than 24 million people come to Louisville annually to experience the Kentucky Derby and bourbonism, the year-round destination where tourism and bourbon meet. Louisville's reputation as a hub of innovation for food and bourbon (in addition to other spirits) has earned it accolades from far and wide, including Zagat, which named Louisville as a top foodie destination in the world. Since 2014, Louisville has seen more than \$10 billion in investments. Join the momentum... Louisville is the place to be!



Jeffersontown, KY

Jeffersontown, in Eastern Jefferson County, is one of the most vibrant areas of the metropolitan Louisville area. Its central location--only 15 minutes from Louisville International Airport, and the same distance from Downtown Louisville---has been instrumental in making it one of the region's most popular residential locales and a burgeoning environment for business. Interstate 64 runs through the City located half way between the I-264 and I-265 inner and outer beltways, with interchanges at Hurstbourne Parkway and Blankenbaker Parkway, offering a convenient transportation route to all of Metro Louisville.

A diverse array of businesses are located throughout Jeffersontown, many of them in the much acclaimed Bluegrass Commerce Park. Retailers, service providers, manufacturers and hundreds of other businesses have selected Jeffersontown as a prime area for a successful enterprise. Jeffersontown is full of hospitality and opportunities.

Jeffersontown is known for having everything one could hope for in a city. Home to over 26,000 residents, 1,750 businesses and a working population of 34,000 everyday, it boasts the finest in civic amenities: its own Parks and Recreation system which includes swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds, sports complexes and much more. It also has the finest in police and fire protection and a City government responsive to the needs of its residents.

With over 125 restaurants and 3,500 hotel rooms in the Jeffersontown area, hospitality abounds. There are several events throughout the year that attract devoted attendees. One of the most popular, the Gaslight Festival, is held each September. More than 200,000 people participate in its exciting and colorful activities.

Yes, Jeffersontown has it all. Spend some time with us, you may never leave.

Meade County, KY

Located approximately 40 miles outside of Louisville, Meade County was the 76th county established within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The county is known for its natural setting and breath-taking views. The bluffs, rolling hills, and rivers provide a scenic backdrop for residents and visitors year round. Meade County is also home to more river frontage than any other Kentucky county.

Meade County has three incorporated cities, Brandenburg, Ekron and Muldraugh, and 11 unincorporated communities, Battletown, Big Spring, Concordia, Doe Valley, Flaherty, Garrett, Guston, Midway, Payneville, Rhodelia, and Wolf Creek. It is also home to the Fort Knox Military Installation, home of the U.S. Army Armor Center and U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

With a ready and able workforce, adequate infrastructure, and dedicated civil leaders, Meade County is primed for development and ready for opportunities of any size.



Nelson County, KY

Bardstown, Kentucky is one of the most celebrated small towns in the U.S with national accolades from quality of life to its industrial recruiting efforts. Bardstown has attracted significant investments in recent years and in 2016 was named by Site Selection as “Top Ten Micropolitan” in the U.S for new and expanding facilities. Its top industries include automotive, food products, distilling, packaging, and plastics. Kentucky Gov. Matt Bevin and local leaders recently welcomed Thai Summit, a \$110 million investment to the community.

One of Bardstown’s most proud titles is that of the “Bourbon Capital of the World” as over 80% of the bourbon in the world is produced in this region including Jim Beam and Makers Mark.

Bardstown offers proximity to key markets and easy access for customers as Nelson County is within a day’s drive of two-thirds of the U.S. population and manufacturing production. Just 35 minutes from Louisville and 60 minutes from Lexington, Kentucky’s two largest cities, the community enjoys excellent access to air, rail and major highways.

In 2014, Bardstown was certified a Kentucky “Work-Ready” community, assuring that employers have the talent and skills and to master the innovative technologies new jobs will require.

Bardstown, with its movie set good looks, is not just a place you want to do business, but is a community where corporate leaders want to call home. Named one of the best small towns in America by various national publications, Bardstown residents enjoy strong leadership, excellent schools and quality health care services.

Oldham County, KY

Located 15 miles north east of Louisville, along Interstate 71, Oldham County is home to the “healthiest, wealthiest, most educated population in the Commonwealth”.

Key cities in Oldham County include LaGrange, Crestwood, Pewee Valley, Goshen, Orchard Grass, Park Lake, Prospect, River Bluff, and Westport. While all of its nine incorporated cities are unique and offer special amenities, La Grange is the County seat and is known for the active CSX line that runs directly through its downtown.

The 1,000 acre Oldham Reserve business park is primed for the business-service focused headquarters and office buildings that align with our highly educated workforce. Our Commerce Parkway industrial corridor has the direct rail connections and easy interstate access needed to take advantage of the region’s logistics industry capabilities.

Oldham County consistently ranks among the best school districts in the state, with North Oldham High School among the best public high schools in the country.



Oldham County also offers a quiet residential lifestyle with options ranging from new modernized, walkable neighborhoods to beautiful farms on rolling hills. The restaurants are unique and locally owned/managed, the shopping is plentiful and the lifestyle here allows access to quality jobs while enjoying an affordable lifestyle.

The exceptional quality of life, paired with the energy of growth and development all around, means Oldham County is where good business grows in the Greater Louisville region.

Scott County, IN

Scott County, Indiana, has a strong economy making it a viable place to do business. Major corporations have selected Scott County as their headquarters, or for sites to locate major manufacturing, warehousing and distribution centers.

The true strength of Scott County is our people. Time and time again they demonstrate a high work ethic, talent, commitment and proven ability for filling the employment needs of world-class businesses and industries across all sectors.

Our economy is as diverse as any comparable U.S. region. As a result, the City of Scottsburg created and built an industrial manufacturing training facility housed in the Mid-America Science Park (<http://maspark.org/>) to train tomorrow's high-quality workers needed to fill job vacancies for existing and new businesses. The training facility provides CNC, robotics, pneumatics, electrical, advanced manufacturing, welding, etc. training for regional manufacturers. Our educational system with access to accredited four-year and postgraduate institutions, as well as technical schools and incumbent worker training programs, helps meet the needs of local employers and growing companies.

Scott County is comprised of two cities: Austin and Scottsburg. Each city is governed by a mayor, a clerk treasurer and five city council members. Scott County has taken great care to ensure a modern infrastructure is in place to meet current and future demands of business and industry. As an example, high-speed fiber optics technology is in-place to help businesses communicate around the clock, regardless of where they are located in Scott County.

The Worldwide Communications and Conference Center at the Mid-America Science Park located in Scottsburg provides an ideal facility for business meetings, conferences and networking events. The technologically-advanced Science Park is equipped with audiovisual resources to facilitate real time, global communication from anywhere in the facility. Additionally, Scott County electric rates are among the lowest in the nation and low cost natural gas is available in plentiful supply. These services, infrastructure, and amenities, plus our impressive quality of life, make Scott County a wonderful home for your business and your employees.



Shelby County, KY

Nestled in the heartland of the Bluegrass, Shelby County is known as the “Saddlebred Capital of the World.” Fields abound with hundreds of beautiful horses and agricultural endeavors. But don’t be fooled – strategically and geographically located on I-64 between Lexington and Louisville, Shelby County is the perfect place to establish your residence or business.

Low utility rates and business friendly environment epitomize a strong and environmentally friendly industrial climate. Corporate giants like the Eaton Corporation, EON Energy and Humana Insurance have selected Shelby County as the place to locate their data centers.

Historic downtown Shelbyville offers an array of amenities from fine dining to a relaxing evening street concert in Fountain Park. Simpsonville is home to The Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass, offering over 90 name brand stores. The industries of Shelby County provide 5,000+ jobs for people of Shelby County.

Shelbyville and Shelby County have long been noticed for their excellent business climate. And with community leadership genuinely interested in new businesses and the opportunities they create, Shelby County is a wonderful place to bring not just your business but your employees as well.

Spencer County, KY

Rich in history and located in the heart of the Bluegrass, Spencer County has the best of the country while only minutes from Louisville, Shelbyville, Bardstown and Lexington, Kentucky.

Boat, swim or fish in the 3,050-acre Taylorsville Lake — the most heavily stocked fishing lake in Kentucky! Hike, bike or horseback ride the 24-mile trail system, or enjoy a game of golf with spectacular views. The rural atmosphere brings abundant deer and turkey, for nature-lovers and sports enthusiasts.

Spencer County takes great pride in our agricultural heritage, and welcome any development opportunities who can take advantage of our hard-working, able workforce. With plans underway to create innovative educational opportunities for our local students interested in the argi-sciences, and committed, forward thinking community leaders the future is bright in Spencer County. Come check us out for yourself!

Trimble County, KY

Trimble County is a county rich in agriculture and history. Trimble County lies along the Ohio River, some 40 miles upstream from Louisville and some 75 miles downstream from Cincinnati, Ohio. It is on the south bank, opposite Madison, Indiana. In December 1836 the Kentucky General Assembly established Trimble County. Taking lands from Henry, Oldham, and Gallatin Counties, the new county was formed on the banks of the Ohio River, among the rolling hills almost midway between Louisville and Cincinnati. It was named for the Kentucky lawyer and United States Supreme Court Justice, Robert Trimble. The formal government of Trimble County was first organized on March 27, 1837. Except for a lively river trade, Trimble County was



virtually isolated until 1927, when construction of state highways opened the community to travel and freight line services.

Two incorporated towns of Trimble County are historic indeed. The river town of Milton, one of the oldest towns in Kentucky, was established by the law of Virginia in 1789, three years before Kentucky became a state. Bedford, the County seat, was first settled about 1805 and was chartered by Kentucky in 1816. Trimble County is now bordered on the southwest by Oldham County, the southeast by Henry County, the east by Carroll County and the west and north by the Ohio River. Across the river lies Clark County, Indiana to the west and Jefferson County, Indiana to the north. The 1990 U.S. Census recorded a county population of 6090 living within its 148 square miles - an average of 41.1 persons per square mile. Trimble County is also host to a LG&E electric generating facility. Other industry includes hosting an Industrial Landfill known as Valley View.

Washington County, IN

Washington County is located in Southern Indiana, with a population of more than 28,000 residents. Home to three incorporated cities, Washington County boasts six major employers in the manufacturing industry, employing more than 1,500 skilled workers.

With rail access, a newly expanded municipal airport, and a barge port – Washington County has the infrastructure you need to get your products to market.

There are multiple local incentives available to business that choose Washington County as their home, including special tax abatements, employment expense credits, investment deductions and loan interest credits.

With space available, workforce ready to get to work, and incentives to make your transition easier- Washington County Indiana is the perfect place to set up shop!

