

Main Street Monday!



KYMS will be away from the office July 2-11 If you need immediate assistance please contact the Kentucky Heritage Council 502-564-7005



Many communities and organizations are reviewing their strategic plan/work plan initiatives and budget items. Some have spent large sums of money to have these plans created. Before you create yet another new plan see if the one you have is still relevant. Involve the community to review and see if it still meets their needs. You can do this via a public community meeting to plan the community your community wants. (how many times can we say it, but comm**UNITY** is extremely important in revitalizing your community for great economic vitality, quality of life and providing for residents before tourist. Help them become engaged and have civic pride in their place.

"Federal investments in place-based approaches to recovery are necessary to meet the needs of existing and aspiring entrepreneurs and the organizations that serve them."

Assets based approach to transformation.

- Communities know their deficeinces, especially rural communities.
- Leaders are often not aware of all of the assets in their communities
- Main Street enters every community focused on the assets we can build on
- Assest based approach shifts the conversation from despair to hope.
- · Assets create options that lead to opportunity
- Nothing empowers leaders more than seeing and capitalizing on opportunities.

Do you know what assets you have?

Conduct an asset inventory, include things like arts and artisans, public library, museum, trails that lead to town, parks, green space, downtown wifi, everything that is available in your downtown community and a separate one for the entire community. Write these all on a list, ask the community (there's that word again) Look at all the great things you have to offer.

What's missing? Do you need it? If you do, how do you get it?

Is the glass 1/2 full or do you need a bigger glass? Maybe the glass is overflowing. Where are the opportunities to make your community better?





In her recent blog, Michelle Harati, Policy Officer at <u>Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)</u>, explores the vital role that business development organizations – like Main Street programs – play in helping small businesses recover and in building strong, place-based ecosystems. She argues for the opportunity to support these on-the-ground entities by extending existing funding to support place-based recovery. Read more: https://bit.ly/3wu5jMc



DON'T FORGET!! T-Mobile and Smart Growth America to help build stronger, more prosperous small towns and rural communities through the Hometown Grant program! T-Mobile is investing big in small towns by awarding up to 100 towns a year with up to \$50,000 each to revitalize community spaces.

Main Street programs in towns with 50,000 people or less are encouraged to apply. Submit a proposal for a town project of your choice, and if selected, use the funds to get started. For example, you could implement tech upgrades at your library, refresh a local park, or break ground on a new place where neighbors can connect.

The summer submission period closes on June 30! Learn more and apply today <u>t-mobile.com/hometowngrants</u>



This weekend Covington Renaissance will have numerous events and promotions happening, check them out on FB for more info!!

Their newest project begins Thursday July! The Pike St. Pop-Up Shop, featuring their first quarterly vendor @mud_lane_blooms In the renovated office-turned pop-up on 2 W Pike!



Hometown Hollywood has opened in **Downtown LaGrange!** It is a gym, but so much more.

They offer Fierce Fitness by Design: A specialty boutique health and wellness center and Fierce First Response: Certifiying babysitters, offering CPR/AED/First Aid classes. Dance, Yoga and more along with a really cool apothecary in the front.



Stay tuned, something cool is coming to **Maysville** on West Second Street.

There is a lot of activity on the building and indication that it might be art related.







July 10th will be a day to remember!

Moonshiners and Bourbon stars will be the talk of the town as the Bourbon & Moonshine Festival gets underway. Music events all day, famous cars, Moonshiners, Distillers, and much much more including our own Teresa Mays and the **Beattyville** Hillbillies!



It is also a great chance to see the hard work of the community since the March flood. Come see us!





The **Murray** Main Street Farmer's Market Fresh Squad had a great time learning to make ice-cream this past Saturday! This program is a great way to involve kids and teach them not only the value of eating healthy, but the value of money and the value of their downtown! Way to go Deana!





Now Accepting Applications



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The Heart of **Scottsville** is also providing fun activities for kids during their First Friday events. Stop down at the Square in the Heart of downtown Scottsville this Friday and be prepared to have a great evening!

Local Assistance to Business applications are open! Deadline to apply for up to \$1500 is July 31, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact, London Downtown Director, Julie Rea, at 606-224-1126.

DISCLAIMER- Application submission does not mean you will receive funds. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Determinations as to awards, including recipients and amount, will be made after the July 31, 2021 deadline. Awards will be based upon a blind review of applications by a committee comprised of members of London Downtown, the London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce, and the Leadership Collective. No individual member of either organization has the authority to promise an award or the ability to choose award recipients.

https://form.jotform.com/londonkydowntown/lab-application



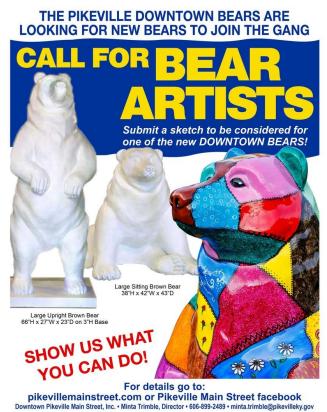
Jubilee time in Shelbyville is coming!



Don't miss the kick off breakfast! Along with all the other great events that happen during this great annual event. Shebly Main Street will be hosting a lot of fun things with their partners so keep watch for all the happenings.

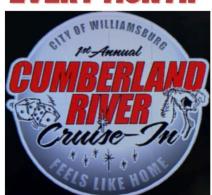






Historic Preservation of a different kind. Stop in downtown Williamsburg for great shopping and dining prior to viewing some beautifully restored automobiles.

3RD SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH



DOWNTOWN
WILLIAMSBURG AROUND
THE COURT HOUSE
COME OUT AND HAVE FUN
FROM 12 TO 7
FOR INFO CALL
606-344-7170



Taylorsville Main Street district was alive with activity this past weekend when hometown fella, JD Shelburne, came home to kick off the summer season! It was a night full of fun and excitement.

Explore how the arts sector can be harnessed as a part of a comprehensive economic development strategy for COVID-19 recovery—helping to ignite job growth, stimulate commerce, attract tourism, and more—in new research from the NASAA: https://bit.ly/2Te9Nbt

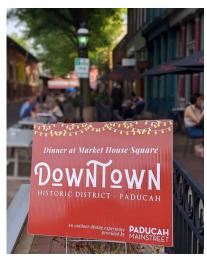








Bardstown downtown was busy last Thursday and every day. Everyone knows their director, Randi, and we love their open signs! Great design and presence on the street. Stop in and see her in the Bourbon Capitol of the World!



Summer has officially started and that means outdoor dining at Market House Square is BACK in downtown Paducah! The Shandies side of the square will be closed to vehicle traffic for the summer. Take advantage of the great weather and plan a selfie session or bestie photo shoot in Downtown Paducah this week. Get your bourbon walking tour tickets, have dinner under the open sky, and live #likealocal for a day!





Perryville Agricultural Society Fair and 159th Commemoration October 1-3, 2021

Do you own a horse and carriage or know someone who does? Would you be willing to ferry passengers around the historic parts of Downtown Perryville? You set the fare and keep the money! We just ask for a donation to restoration fund for Dr. Polk home and office and the Kerricks-Parks house (interior work and summer kitchen). You must also possess clothing appropriate to the mid 1860's. A nice quiet spot for you and your horse(s) will be provided along with access to water and grass. Contact Vicki at Perryville Main Street for details!

Check out their FB page for more opportunities!



FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2021 10 AM EDT – 4:30 PM EDT

DockDogs® at Splashin at the Chaplin 1000 Cunningham Way Danville, KY

Quarterly reinvestments are due Thursday, July 15th. Please send to KYMainStreet@ky.gov