OUR PROGRESS, OUR PLAN, OUR PROMISE.



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A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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The work reflected in this annual report is a testimony to the commitment of our best resource at BRADD, our team.

Our Progress, Our Plan, Our Promise was the theme for fiscal year 2025 as we explored new partnerships and programs, resulting in the creation of a plan and a promise to continue delivering at high levels of dedication and determination. Ahead in this report, you'll find information directly supporting the mission our entire staff and board believe in: improving the quality of life. A significant highlight, a \$20M dollar legislative appropriation to BRADD to coordinate a regional substance abuse pilot: The Anchor Project. This collaboration, along with the planning work to best serve our older Americans has been rewarding and meaningful work.

As of June 30, 2025 BRADD administered over \$131 million of local project investment through our Community & Economic Development department. Where local passion meets community progress, our team continues to demonstrate the effectiveness of a personalized CEDS (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy) for the region. We've continued to accomplish many county and regional goals and objectives. Our key focus areas have been providing professional development for our area emergency response teams, creating cyber-prepared communities and continuing to prepare our communities for the next round of local planning.

Our Area Agency on Aging & Independent Living ensured over 14,600 clients' needs were met, expending approximately \$28 million of federal and state funding. We continued to expand our reach for case management in Medicaid Waiver, growing to 654 clients. We began planning work to create and rebrand senior centers, looking at ways to create new partnerships. We continued to foster pilot projects that serve some of our most deserving older citizens. And we advanced our goal to ensure every senior who needs a nutritious meal can access one. As we approach the new fiscal year, we will become the direct service provider for our senior center programming across all 10 counties and 24 cities. Our goal will remain the same, help make life better for those who are aging or disabled.

This last fiscal year, while met with many new opportunities and excitement, was also bittersweet. One of our biggest champions, Warren County Citizen member and Board Chairman Gary Dillard, left us in December, just a few days shy of his final meeting. Mr. Dillard cared deeply about this organization, our staff and his fellow board members. He championed progress through his innate ability to form meaningful relationships that fostered positive change. The work reflected in this annual report is in large part due to his support. He pushed me to do better, to stay true to our mission and to continue making Southcentral Kentucky a great place to live and work. He supported Our Progress, knew Our Plan, and is the biggest part of Our Promise, the mission of BRADD. In his honor we present the fiscal year 2025 Annual Report.

ERIC SEXTON, BRADD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Fiscal Year 2025 has come to an end, and I'm nearing completion as my first year as the BRADD Board Chairman. The Barren River Area Development District has experienced a lot of growth and success this year. The community services and planning the talented team provide, each day, is critical to our region. This year we continued to see growth in programs to feed our older populations, which served over 182,000 nutritious meals. We leveraged federal and state grants to support our local governments and communities. We made investments to help prepare for cyber events and we advocated for a

regional response to the opioid crisis. Each year the finance and administration team makes sure every dollar of investment is reported and accounted for. Over \$30 million dollars passed through BRADD all with the goal of making life better for everyone calling southcentral Kentucky home.

As with all success, relationships are paramount. I'd be remiss if I didn't mention our former chairman, Gary Dillard, who left us too soon back in December as he closed out his two-year term as board chairman. He was most definitely a man who knew the value of partnerships, celebrated everything this organization represents and desired to simply make the region better. It's an honor to serve as the BRADD Board Chairman, and a privilege to also serve on the statewide affiliate board, the Kentucky Council of Area Development Districts (KCADD). The highlights contained in this fiscal year 2025 report, Our Progress, Our Plan, Our Promise, is a direct result of a dedicated staff and board who want to make the region better, just like Gary did.

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JOE CHOATE, BRADD BOARD CHAIRMAN

Building Regional Resilience

From 2020-2022, BRADD undertook an intense comprehensive planning process to update the regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Through this process, each of our 10 counties developed its own Strategic Plan complete with goals and objectives across 11 common categories: Affordable Quality Housing, Civic & Leadership Development, Sense of Place, Tourism & Cultural Development, Infrastructure, Transportation, Public Health & Safety, Public Facilities & Services, Economic Development, Downtown Development, and Workforce Development. With our Annual Report this year, we are focusing on the impact these strategic plans have had on the region. For each project highlighted here, you will find the direct CEDS goal or local strategic plan goal that project influences or supports. Additionally, on our community overview pages you will find summaries of the status of each county's strategic plan objectives. This Annual Report

This Annual Report also serves as BRADD's annual CEDS update report. To view the living, web-based CEDS visit planning.bradd.org or scan the QR Code.

BARREN R EA DEVELOPMENT D BRADD's FY25 Annual Report honors and remembers Gary Dillard, who passed away on December 11, 2024. Gary faithfully served as Chairman of the BRADD Board of Directors until his passing, providing steady leadership and thoughtful guidance to the organization. His commitment to the mission of BRADD and to the communities of our region was evident in every decision he helped shape. Gary's legacy is one of integrity, service, and dedication, and his absence is profoundly felt by his BRADD family and the region he cared for so deeply.

BRADD BY THE NUMBERS

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA OVERVIEW



73.75 yrs
Life Expectancy

+2.93%

Population Change 2020-2025



RESIDENTS

Under 5yrs 6% 13% 5-14 12% 15-24 12% 25-34 12% 35-44 13% 45-54 14% 55-64 65-74 11% 7% 75+

\$52,249

Median Household Income

18.33%

of Population is in Poverty

HOUSEHOLD INCOME

	\$10,000 OR LE <mark>S</mark> S	7.6%
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	\$15,000-\$24,999	12%
	\$25,000-\$34,999	9.6%
ш	\$35,000-\$49,999	13.5%
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RA	\$75,000 - \$99,999	11.3%
	\$100,000 - \$149,999	12.5%
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Ž	\$200,000+	4.3%

85.02%

High School Graduation Rate 2.82%



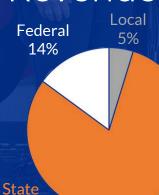
Unemployment Rate

121,686





Year End FY25 Revenues

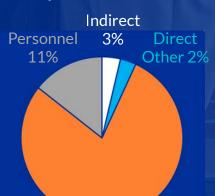


BRADD STAFF PRESENT TO STATE TREASURER'S ASSOCIATION

BRADD.L.4.1: By December of 2022 and annually thereafter, provide annual training on specific grant programs and grant application development in general in order to support and facilitate funding applications in the Region.

In March of 2025, several members of BRADD's Leadership Team were invited to present at the KACTFO (Treasurer's Association) Spring Conference. Staff gave an overview of BRADD's services to those in attendance.

Year End FY25 Expenses



Program Expense 84%

81%

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BRADD BY THE NUMBERS FISCAL YEAR 2025 REVENUES & EXPENSES	Federal	State	Local	Transfers	Total	
Aging						
Older Americans Act Title III	2,272,340	151,892	331,980	28,955	2,785,167	2,785,167
Older Americans Act Title VII	17,137		3,083	-	20,220	20,220
Nutrition Service Incentive Program (NSIP)	72,547	_	-	_	72,547	72,547
Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC)	34,300	116,617	_	_	150,917	150,917
State Health Insurance Program (SHIP)	43,635	· -	19,308	14	62,957	62,957
Expanded Senior Meal Program (ESMP)	-	880,936	50,756	65	931,757	931,757
BRADD DASH	19,541	_	_	_	19,541	19,541
Medicare Improvements for Patients & Providers Act (MIPPA)		-	_	_	16,686	16,686
Homecare	1,099,974	-	72,190	81	1,172,245	1,172,245
KY Caregiver	120,658	-	-	39	120,697	120,697
State Long Term Care Ombudsman	-	143,754	126	-	143,880	143,880
ADVC	-	-	-	-	-	
INNU	5,657	-	-	40	5,697	5,697
Senior Center Transition	-	-	-	173,977	173,977	173,977
Disaster Handbooks	5,718	-	-	-	5,718	5,718
Aging Contributions	-	-	48,455	(29,194)	19,261	467
Mental Health & Aging	-	-	13,546	-	13,546	12,355
Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP)	-	27,000	-	-	27,000	12,946
Total	\$3,708,193	\$1,320,199	\$539,444	\$173,977	\$5,741,813	\$5,707,774
Participant Directed Services (PDS)	-	\$23,654,799	\$73,788	\$(173,977)	\$23,554,610	\$22,405,772
Veteran Directed Services (VDS)	-	-	\$97,511	-	\$97,511	\$89,552
Anchor Project	-	\$356,884	\$148,823	-	\$505,707	\$356,884
Anchor Project Community Development	-	\$356,884	\$148,823	-	\$505,707	\$356,884
Community Development Joint Funding Agreement (JFA)	109,875	228,566	\$148,823	- 45	\$338,485	\$338,485
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OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY

The Barren River Area Development District's Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) partners with local leaders, community stakeholders, and service providers to prevent and reduce the impact of substance use across the 10-county region. ODCP supports communities through coalition development, public education, data collection, technical assistance, training opportunities, and coordination with state and federal partners. By promoting prevention, treatment, recovery, and enforcement strategies, the office works to strengthen local capacity and improve the health, safety, and quality of life for all citizens.

To view more about the ODCP and its efforts with the Regional Anchor Project, scan the QR Code below.









OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY

BY THE NUMBERS



4

Quarterly Opioid Advisory Committee Meetings Held



\$20m



Awarded from State Legislature to establish a 3-pronged approach to opioid response within the region.



Out-of-Region Educational Field Opportunities Provided to Local Stakeholders.

LEADERS TOUR NASHVILLE MENTAL HEALTH COOPERATIVE

BRADD.PF.2.5: By July 2025, construct a single point of entry facility that can serve as a 'front door' for an advanced crisis services system for the Barren River Area Development District. The facility would have the capability to accept, hold, assess, treat and refer persons in crisis across the acuity continuum, including those experiencing substance use disorders.

BRADD Staff and area stakeholders took a field trip to the Nashville Mental Health Cooperative as an exploratory mission to help shape the design and planning efforts around establishing a regional mental health crisis unit within the BRADD footprint.



Opioid Advisory Group Established

National
Conferences
Attended by
ODCP Staff



AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES

BRADD is a state and federal designated Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living (AAAIL) under the direction of the U.S. Administration on Aging and Community Living and under the supervision of the State Department for Aging and Independent Living. BRADD holds the responsibility of developing and administering a wide variety of comprehensive, coordinated, and cost-effective, in-home and community based services. These services help older and disabled individuals to maintain their dignity and quality of life, while living safely in their homes and communities. The AAAIL is administered by BRADD staff, advised by Barren River Aging Advisory Council, and operated under the supervision of the Barren River Area Development District Board of Directors.



BRADD HONORS 100 YEAR OLDS Mary Pokley Bernard Fullen Yolanda Wilson Dorothy Brake **SCAN ME** Billy Walker Bracey BRADD recognized several individuals from across the region who reached a remarkable milestone of turning 100 in 2025. To read more about these individuals, scan the QR Code above.

KENTUCKY CAREGIVER CONFERENCE

BRADD PF.4.2: By December of 2022, and annually thereafter, develop outreach and educational materials promoting the services of the Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living such as an annual resource guide, printed promotional materials, and radio/billboard ads, among others.

On April 24, 2025, the BRADD office hosted the Annual National & Kentucky Family Caregiver Conference. This day is designed to give the caregiver a break from their stressful lives, but also educate them on ways to help make their lives easier as caregivers. Clients were educated on fire safety, gardening as a way of stress relief, coping skills for stress, and played an energetic game of Bingocize. Everyone in attendance had a wonderful time.

AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING

BY THE NUMBERS



58,050

Congregate Meals Served



124,037

Home Delivered Meals

1877

Contacts made for Information and Assistance





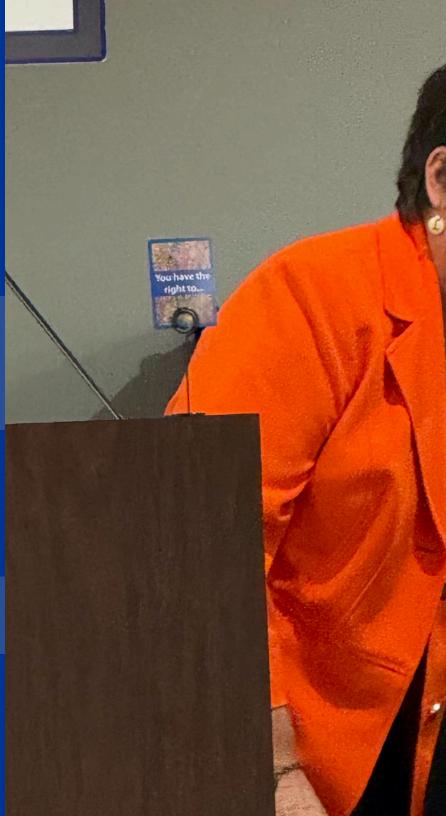
23,680.25

Hours of Services Performed by In-home Aide Staff



71449

Phone calls recorded by BRADD/AAAIL Aging & Disability Resource Center.

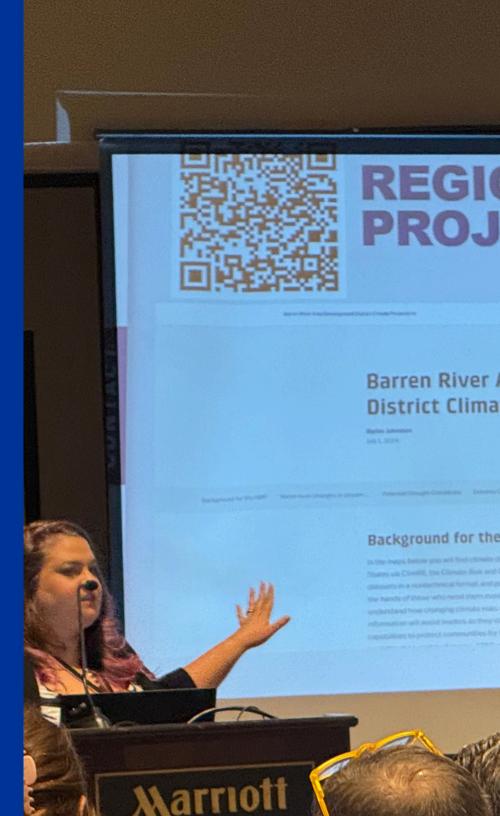




COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

BRADD's Planning and Development Department acts as a concierge for local elected leaders, community stakeholders, business owners, entrepreneurs, and economic developers who are looking to enhance the quality of life for citizens, attract new businesses, or retain/expand existing businesses within the 10-county region. This is accomplished through numerous community and economic development services provided by the department including community comprehensive planning, water and wastewater planning, transportation planning, emergency management planning, grant writing & administration, business services, GIS services, and technical assistance to local governments. Additionally, department staff regularly coordinate with various experts to provide our communities with quality training and information on a range of topics from planning & zoning to transit driver safety.

At the foundation of the department is the BRADD's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (or CEDS). This guiding document is a critical mechanism that helps identify regional vulnerability and prevent or respond to economic disruptions; and is a critical component of economic resilience. Annually, the Planning & Development department reviews the BRADD's CEDS and makes any needed updates. A full re-write of the plan is conducted every five years. Our current full CEDS can be found on our planning website: planning.bradd.org. This report serves as our annual CEDS update report.





BRADD/AT&T CLIMATE RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

BRADD.PH.4: Reduce the loss of life and property, protect communities, and reduce vulnerability of critical populations from all hazards.

In November of 2024, BRADD Staff presented the results of a case study at the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) annual training conference with AT&T and Argon Labs. The case study, a result of participation in AT&T's Climate Resilient Communities Initiative, allowed BRADD to integrate more climate prediction data into the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

AT&T has made these rich climate datasets publicly available through the Climate Risk and Resilience (ClimRR) portal in collaboration with Argonne, the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA), and the Department of Energy's Grid Deployment Office. ClimRR – which is based on underlying climate datasets containing over 60 climate variables – projects future hazards like extreme heat, heavy rainfall, and wildfire. The portal also integrates local demographic and infrastructure data to provide a comprehensive view of potential climate impacts.

To view highlights from the ClimRR Portal as it relates to BRADD communities, scan the QR Code below.





COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

BY THE NUMBERS



\$189,000 Revolving Loan Fund

Revolving Loan Fund Investment in Local Businesses



\$30.2m



Investment Requests submitted on behalf of local communities & awaiting award.



Water/Wastewater Projects Ranked and Submitted by BRADD's Water Planning Council in FY2025.



44

Regional Clearinghouse Projects Reviewed

5 CED Staff Certified in CDBG Processes



As of June 30, 2025, BRADD is administering

\$131,415,341

of investment in 89 federal and state grants awarded to our cities and counties.



REGIONAL CYBER SECURITY EFFORTS

BRADD.I.5.3: By December of 2027, work with each county to conduct a Cyber Vulnerability Assessment.

In June 2025, BRADD engaged Hire A Cyber Pro to execute a district-wide cybersecurity assessment in order to strengthen the defensive position of twenty-six city and county governments throughout the BRADD footprint.

Through this project, every participating jurisdiction received a customized plan and staff training on implementing that plan. Parallel vulnerability assessments revealed and prioritized technical, administrative, and physical weaknesses, giving local leaders the evidence and guidance needed to fund and track cybersecurity remediation efforts.

Across the district, recurring gaps included the absence of formal cybersecurity framework adoption, inconsistent patch management, weak identity controls and limited logging and detection capabilities. Hire A Cyber Pro recommended adoption of NIST CSF or CIS Controls, establishment of written security policies, deployment of multifactor authentication and password-manager solutions, rollout of mobile-device management, migration to modern EDR with SIEM integration, and institution of a formal vulnerability-management process with quarterly scan cycles. This combined effort closes critical gaps, elevates regional resilience, and lays a common foundation for future cybersecurity efforts.

To view an executive summary of findings from this effort, scan the QR Code below.





During Fiscal Year 2025, the Allen County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 39 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the right.



ALLEN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

BRADD PF.4: Provide long-term services and supports that enable older BRADD residents and persons with disabilities, their families, and caregivers, to fully engage and participate in their communities.

The Allen County Senior Center operates during the weekday from 8am-1pm and provides a variety of activities for seniors including a lunchtime meal, physical activities, arts and crafts (as pictured here), and socialization. All senior centers in the district will be under BRADD's direct administration beginning in FY 26. Through this transition, we hope to continue to improve and reinvigorate the centers to continue serving our senior community.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

21,029 Population

Rate of Population Change +2.14%⁽²⁰²⁰⁻²⁰²⁵⁾

Median Household Income \$57,159

Poverty Rate 15%



Barren.PH.1.4: By December of 2027, seek funding for the construction of a regional

funding for the construction of a regional opioid/recovery ready/ "life learning" center in Barren County.

Community Partners for Recovery (CPR) recently celebrated the grand opening of their new Recovery Community Center in Glasgow. CPR offers teens and adults in Barren and surrounding counties a welcoming space with peer support, vocational training, art therapy, life skills classes, and referrals for more intensive care. With BRADD's support, CPR secured a \$185,371 grant from the Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission to cover startup costs and launch these vital services.

Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing

\$3,504,021 of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

44,670 Population

Rate of Population Change +.42% (2020-2025)

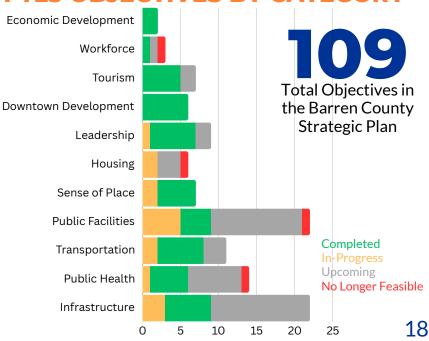
Median Household Income **\$48,141**

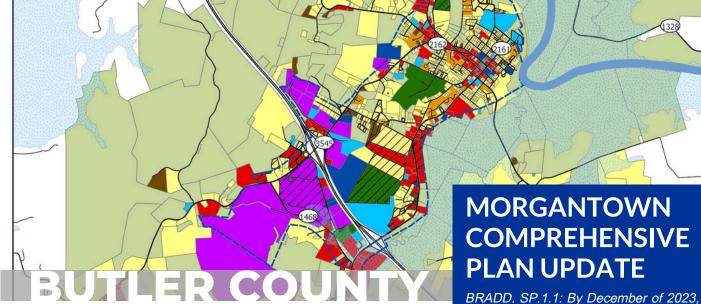
Poverty Rate 21%



During Fiscal Year 2025, the Barren County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 46 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the left.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY





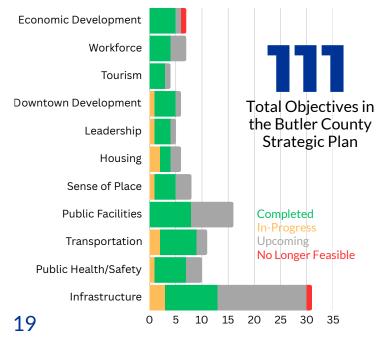
During Fiscal Year 2025, the Butler County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 56 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the right.



BRADD. SP.1.1: By December of 2023, and annually thereafter, assist local governments in the development of Comprehensive Plans and other tasks as required by KRS Chapter 100 for all city and county planning commissions.

The City of Morgantown engaged BRADD's CED Department in the fall of 2024 to undertake an update to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing \$1,699,907 of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

12,373 Population

Rate of Population Change +.02% (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$52,003

Poverty Rate 18.6%



EDMONSON CO. GENERATOR INSTALLED AT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

BRADD.PF.5.2: By December of 2027, work with local governments to support the purchase and installation of generators for critical facilities that serve multiple jurisdictions. (supports BRADD.5.1)

In FY 25, BRADD Staff assisted Edmonson County with the administration of FEMA Mitigation funds to purchase and install a backup generator for the Health Department and Emergency Management building.



COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

12,243 Population

Rate of Population Change +.96% (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$47,589

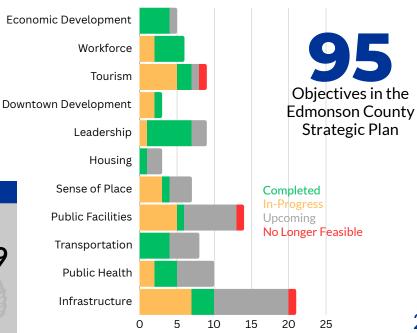
Poverty Rate 16.8%

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During Fiscal Year 2025, the Edmonson County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 30 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the left.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY





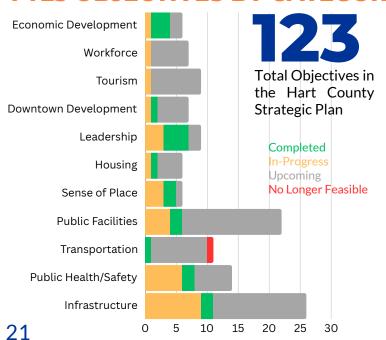
During Fiscal Year 2025, the Hart County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 18 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the right.



BRADD.I.2.3: By December of 2027, using the areas of need listing identified in I.1.2, seek out funding to mitigate gaps and support the upkeep of wastewater systems in the BRADD region.

Throughout FY25, BRADD worked closely with Hart County, the Hart County Industrial Authority, and the T. Marzetti Company to administer a State Line Item Grant for the upgrade and renovation of the Progress Park Industrial Park Pretreatment Facility.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

19,470 Population

Rate of Population Change + 94% (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$45,561

Poverty Rate 21.2%



On October 30, BRADD staff joined Independence Bank of Russellville, Logan County High School students, Russellville High School students, and their administrators at the local Priceless IGA for a friendly competition among the two schools to fill grocery carts full of nonperishable food items for the BRADD senior food drive. Logan County High School took the win this year, collecting \$2,515.74 in items against Russellville's \$1,681.57. Many thanks to Independence Bank of Russellville for sponsoring the event, IGA for allowing the competition during business hours, and both schools for participating in the competition.

Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

27,731 Population

Rate of Population Change +1 09 (2020-2025)

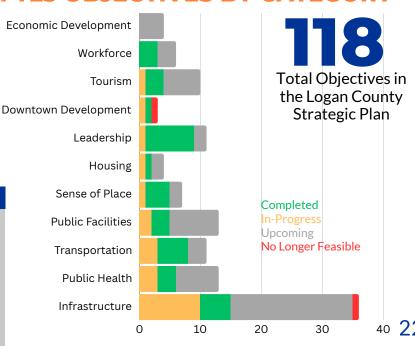
Median Household Income \$58,869

Poverty Rate 14%



During Fiscal Year 2025, the Logan County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 36 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the left.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY





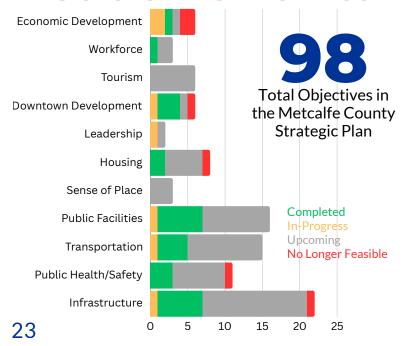
During Fiscal Year 2025, the Metcalfe County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 26 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the right.



Metcalfe.PF.3.2: By January of 2027, expand the food pantry to accommodate the increased need in Metcalfe County.

In FY25, Metcalfe County completed construction of an expanded food pantry at the Bowling Park Community Complex. Members of Bowling Park, Metcalfe County, and BRADD staff attended a ribbon cutting ceremony in May 2025. This project was funded using a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) investment.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

10,372 Population

Rate of Population Change +.84% (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$46,932

Poverty Rate 25.7%



BRADD L.9.3: By December of 2023, and annually thereafter, sponsor and convene economic development training for elected officials in order to increase local capacity and identify areas of need in economic development throughout the region. This training should include, but not be limited to, "how to list property on the state database," "What to say/do when a prospect is interested," and other key topics (Also Supports ED.2).

Monroe County experienced two new appointments to the BRADD Board of Directors in FY25. Fountain Run Mayor Michele Houchens and Carter Walden, citizen member, joined Mayor Ricky Simon (Brownsville), and Lanny White (Warren Co), for an orientation hosted by BRADD's leadership team on June 10, 2025.

Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

11,318 Population

Rate of Population Change - 18% (2020-2025)

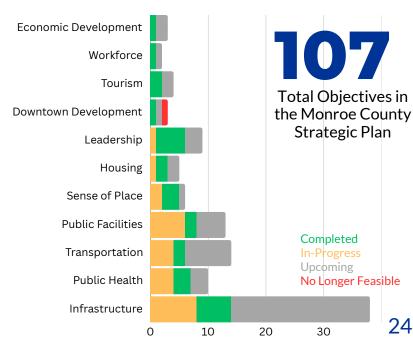
Median Household Income **\$47,252**

Poverty Rate 22.2%



During Fiscal Year 2022, the Monroe County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 28 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the left.

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY

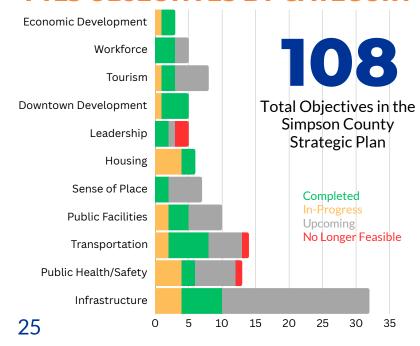




During Fiscal Year 2025, the Simpson County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 34 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the right.



FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



SOUTHERN KENTUCKY ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY RECEIVES RLF LOAN

BRADD.H.2.1: By December of 2023, research funding sources for supporting efforts to reduce the number of precariously housed and houseless individuals, including but not limited to shelters, transitional housing, recovery and resource centers, and assistance directories.

In FY 25, BRADD partnered with Franklin Bank and Trust to make two loans in support of the newly renovated Southern Kentucky Assisted Living Facility in Franklin, KY. Through two separate RLF awards, BRADD invested \$235,000 to be used toward the creation of 7 jobs in the region.

Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing \$1,821,023 of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

19,786 Population

Rate of Population Change +.98 (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$55,907

Poverty Rate **15.1%**

WARREN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER & REGIONAL KITCHEN PLANNING

BRADD.PF.4.1: By June of 2022, and annually thereafter, continue existing contractual relationships with the Department of Aging and Independent Living and seek new programs, grants, and opportunities to expand current services benefiting AAAIL clients.

Through additional ARPA funds, BRADD worked with Warren County Fiscal Court to create planning documents for the construction of a senior food distribution/kitchen center at Ephram White Park in Bowling Green, Kentucky to serve Warren County as well as the surrounding Barren River region.



During Fiscal Year 2025, the Warren County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other various agencies and partners to complete 34 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, scan the QR Code to the left.

Aging/Independent Living Clients assisted, representing of investment in services.

COUNTY BASELINE STATISTICS

142,229 Population

Rate of Population Change +5 7% (2020-2025)

Median Household Income \$63,074

Poverty Rate 13.7%

FY25 OBJECTIVES BY CATEGORY



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