



# STRONGER TOGETHER

BARREN RIVER



AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

# ANNUAL REPORT

# 2026

# A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



“Stronger Together” are two simple, familiar words, but together they capture what Fiscal Year 2026 was all about.

This past fiscal year brought new program operations, expanded staffing, additional funding, and unprecedented growth. Together, we convened new partnerships and strengthened existing ones, resulting in the continuation and expansion of quality initiatives that support the more than 320,000 individuals who call Southcentral Kentucky home. Throughout this report, you’ll find information that reflects our mission - a mission we can all get behind: improving the quality of life for the people and communities we serve.

As of June 30, 2026, BRADD administered more than \$196 million in local project investment through our Community & Economic Development Department. As we continue to track goals and objectives for our region and communities through the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), we also began a significant five-year rewrite, taking deeper dives with

key stakeholders and communities throughout the region. We continued making progress toward county and regional goals and objectives, with a focus on strengthening our communities, supporting economic opportunity, and building a resilient future.

Our Aging Services Division ensured the needs of more than 7,000 clients were met, expending approximately \$4 million in federal and state funding. Our Medicaid Waiver Division served 637 clients, while our veterans program continued to grow. We launched many new partnerships as we stepped into the direct service-provider role for area senior centers. And, as always, we remained committed to ensuring that every senior who needs a nutritious meal has access to one.

How have we accomplished these milestones? Together.

Together is the best place to be because together, we are stronger. With the support of our Board of Directors and regional visionaries, we have continued the important work of convening, collaborating, and bringing our very best to each of the communities we serve. We have continued to foster meaningful relationships and, in many areas, are creating models at the state—and potentially national—level for how communities and organizations can come together to achieve more.

We are incredibly proud of the work represented throughout this annual report. I am thankful for every person who challenges and inspires me, as well as our incredibly talented team at BRADD, to do better each day.

**Stronger Together** will remain an integral part of how we operate as we close Fiscal Year 2026 and begin the year ahead. We invite you to explore the highlights of this Annual Report and, as always, continue to stand with us - together.

ERIC SEXTON, BRADD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



# A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Fiscal Year 2026 has come to an end, and I’m nearing completion of my term as the BRADD Board Chairman. The BRADD region has experienced growth and change this year, coming out stronger than ever. The planning work we do for our communities through the BRADD team is important to our region. This was our first full year of leading the senior center programming in each of our communities and we served over 150,000 nutritious meals. We continued our work in federal and state grants to support our local governments and communities. We advocated for a regional response to the opioid crisis and solidified a plan to establish a recreation, mixed use trail from downtown Bowling Green to Mammoth Cave National Park. The hardworking finance team ensured every dollar was accounted for and reported on, passing through over \$30 million helping make life better in the BRADD region.

As with most stories of success, this can’t be done alone, it’s together that we’ve accomplished so much. It’s been an honor and privilege to serve as the BRADD Board Chairman, and a joy to also serve on the statewide affiliate board, the Kentucky Council of Area Development Districts (KCADD). The hard work contained in this fiscal year 2026 report, Stronger Together, is a direct result of cohesive regional leaders, dedicated BRADD staff and supportive board who want to make the region better.

JOE CHOATE, BRADD BOARD CHAIRMAN

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# GROWING STRONGER TOGETHER

In FY26, the BRADD team has been busy collaborating with our communities to bring about the most positive change possible for our region. Within each of the services offered under our roof, our teams strive to build stronger, more resilient communities through empowering our local leaders. This report serves as a reminder of the accomplishments of the past year, as well as a benchmark for where we can improve in the years to come.

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

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# BRADD SENIOR CENTERS: STRONGER TOGETHER

In FY26, BRADD staff took over the day-to-day operations of senior centers across our ten-county region.

Since then, our staff has remained committed to serving senior center participants through daily interactive and educational programming, providing nutritious, hot meals, and serving as a community gathering place for our community elders and their families.

Each of the centers across the region brings their own unique blend of participants to the table but they all have one thing in common: they're always searching for new volunteers.

Volunteer with a BRADD Senior Center near you, and help us grow stronger together.



## **ALLEN COUNTY**

25 J.L. Turner & Son Pl., Scottsville, KY 42164  
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0688

## **GLASGOW**

117 Mayfield Plaza, Glasgow, KY 42141  
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0697

## **CAVE CITY**

105 Duke St., Cave City, KY 42127  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 393-6862

## **PARK CITY**

2401 Louisville Rd., Park City, KY 42160  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 306-4267

## **BUTLER COUNTY**

104 N. Warren Ste B2, Morgantown, KY 42261  
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0760

## **EDMONSON COUNTY**

191 W Center St. Brownsville, KY 42210  
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0761

## **HART COUNTY**

509 AA Whitman Ln., Munfordville, KY 42765  
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0786

## **RUSSELLVILLE**

201 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Russellville, KY 42276  
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0791

## **EDMONTON**

404 N. Main St., Edmonton, KY 42129  
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
(270) 414-0718

## **TOMPKINSVILLE**

800 Capp Harlin Rd., Tompkinsville, KY 42167  
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0824

## **FOUNTAIN RUN**

202 Main St., Fountain Run, KY 42133  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0688

## **SIMPSON COUNTY**

106 Crestmore Dr., Franklin, KY 42134  
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(270) 414 - 0713

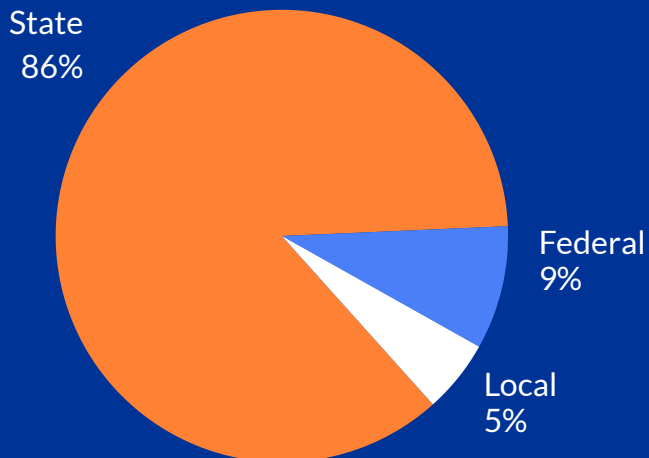
## **WARREN COUNTY**

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Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
(270) 393 - 6565

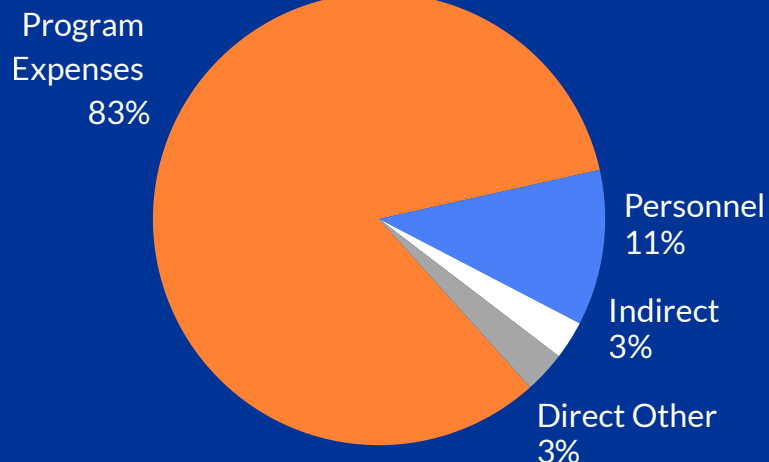




## Year End FY26 Revenues



## Year End FY26 Expenses



BRADD BY THE NUMBERS

FISCAL YEAR 2026 REVENUES & EXPENSES

| AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING |                                                                 | Federal   | State      | Local     | Transfers | Total      | Expenses   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
|                            | Older Americans Act Title III                                   | 1,854,699 | 135,045    | 573,272   | 110,788   | 2,673,803  | 2,673,803  |
|                            | Older Americans Act Title VII                                   | 17,096    |            | 21,364    |           | 38,460     | 38,460     |
|                            | Nutrition Service Incentive Program (NSIP)                      | 96,700    |            |           |           | 96,700     | 96,700     |
|                            | Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC)                       | 34,500    | 111,328    |           |           | 145,828    | 145,828    |
|                            | State Health Insurance Program (SHIP)                           | 32,621    |            | 264       | 87        | 32,972     | 32,972     |
|                            | Expanded Senior Meal Program (ESMP)                             |           | 887,187    | 23,930    | 154       | 911,271    | 911,271    |
|                            | Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act            | 21,032    |            |           |           | 21,032     | 21,032     |
|                            | Homecare                                                        |           | 1,031,018  | 60,928    | 4         | 1,091,950  | 1,091,950  |
|                            | KY Caregiver                                                    |           | 120,458    | 19        | 45        | 120,522    | 120,522    |
| COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT      | State Long Term Care Ombudsman                                  |           | 101,483    | 9,697     |           | 111,180    | 111,180    |
|                            | INNU                                                            | 4,657     |            |           | 154       | 4,812      | 4,812      |
|                            | Aging Contributions                                             |           |            | 46,753    | 20,869    | 67,622     | 136,846    |
|                            | Mental Health & Aging                                           |           |            | 20,277    |           | 20,277     | 20,370     |
|                            | Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP)                 |           | 22,750     |           |           | 22,750     | 14,990     |
|                            | Participant Directed Services (PDS)                             |           | 27,160,043 | 84,634    | -172,100  | 27,072,576 | 24,781,391 |
|                            | Veteran Directed Services (VDS)                                 |           |            | 203,933   |           | 203,933    | 169,719    |
|                            | Joint Funding Agreement (JFA)                                   | 80,518    | 228,733    |           | 484       | 309,735    | 309,735    |
|                            | ARC / ARC -FEMA                                                 | 65,386    | 52,332     |           | 5,578     | 123,296    | 123,296    |
|                            | Regional Transit                                                | 103,500   | 20,875     |           | 5,005     | 129,380    | 129,380    |
|                            | Regional Transportation                                         |           | 83,454     |           | 9,273     | 92,727     | 53,341     |
|                            | Water Planning                                                  |           | 76,000     |           | 47        | 76,047     | 76,047     |
|                            | Local Road Updates                                              |           |            | 27,200    | 46        | 27,246     | 27,246     |
|                            | Disaster Resiliency Coordinator (DRC)                           | 134,457   |            |           | 33,614    | 168,072    | 168,072    |
|                            | Safe Streets For All (SS4A)                                     | 65,668    | 16,417     |           |           | 82,085     | 82,085     |
|                            | Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity | 359,339   |            |           |           | 359,339    | 359,339    |
|                            | Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP)                             | 438,488   |            |           |           | 438,488    | 438,488    |
|                            | Implement CERT                                                  |           |            |           |           | 0.00       | 10,457     |
|                            | FEMA                                                            | 72,586    |            | 67,946    | 250       | 140,782    | 229,328    |
|                            | Other Local Contracts                                           |           |            | 179,183   | -33,614   | 145,569    | 88,993     |
|                            | Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)                                       |           |            | 25,490    |           | 25,490     | 233,896    |
|                            | Anchor Project                                                  |           | 2,853,971  | 441,615   |           | 3,295,586  | 2,853,971  |
|                            | City/county Dues                                                |           |            | 161,927   | -20,683   | 141,244    |            |
|                            | Other Local Revenue/Expenses                                    |           |            | 51,462    | 40,000    | 91,462     | 150,572    |
|                            | Grand Total                                                     | 3,381,248 | 32,901,094 | 1,999,893 | 0.00      | 38,282,235 | 35,706,092 |

\*All Final Financials Subject to Audit.

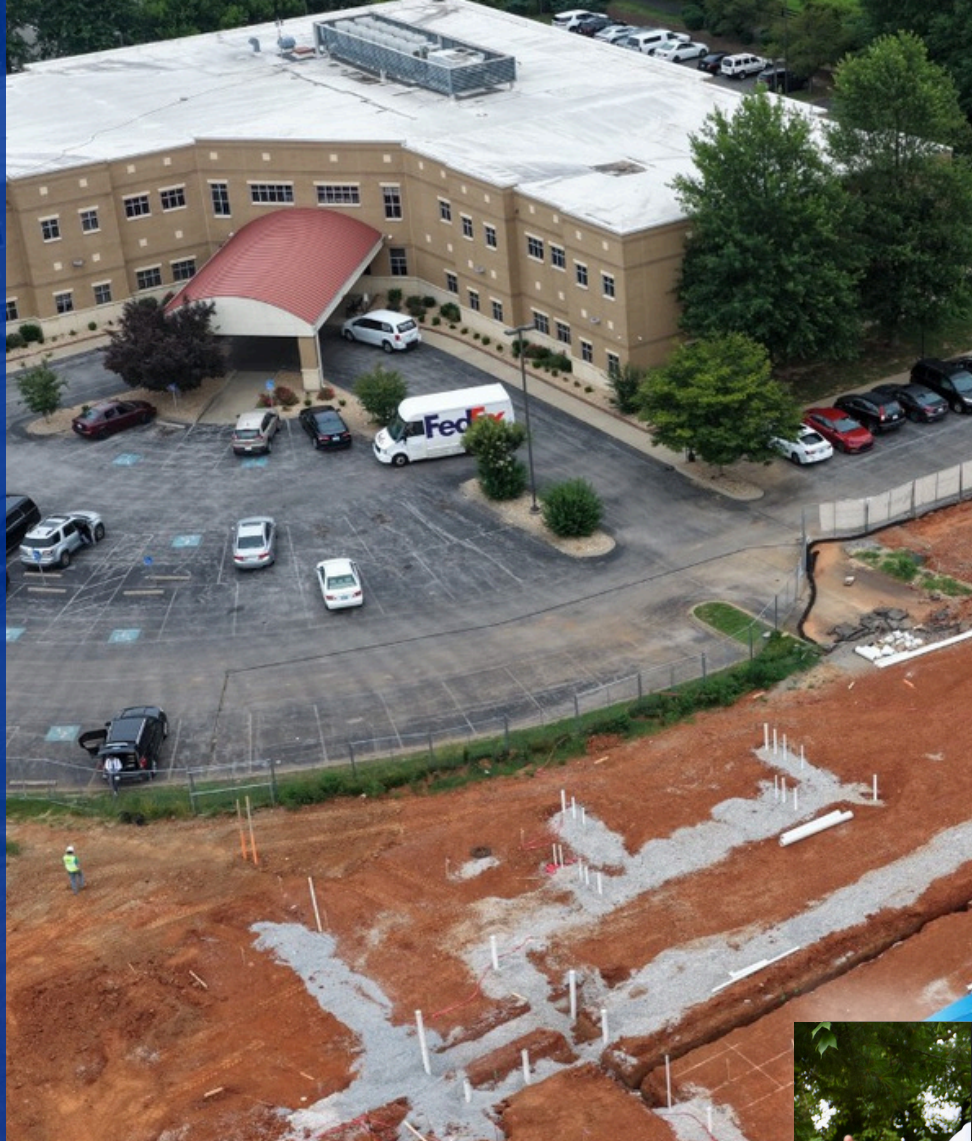


# OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY

The BRADD 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.

**SCAN  
ME!**



## THE ANCHOR PROJECT OUR OPIOID RESPONSE

*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.*







# ODCP

BY  
THE  
NUMBERS

## THE NEED



865

drug-related overdoses in  
the BRADD region.

3,768

arrests related to  
drug/narcotic offenses.



## OUR RESPONSE



532

Lives saved by  
Naloxone.

172

Recovery backpacks  
distributed.







## TOOLS FOR REENTRY **THE RECOVERY BACKPACK PROGRAM**

In FY26, the Barren River ODCP began partnering with the Southern Kentucky Reentry Council to provide 172 recovery backpacks to regional jails, providing those reentering society with the necessary tools to work towards recovery.

Each bag comes equipped with necessary supplies, including toiletries, a regional resource guide, an emergency Naloxone kit, socks, a water bottle, and pen and paper.





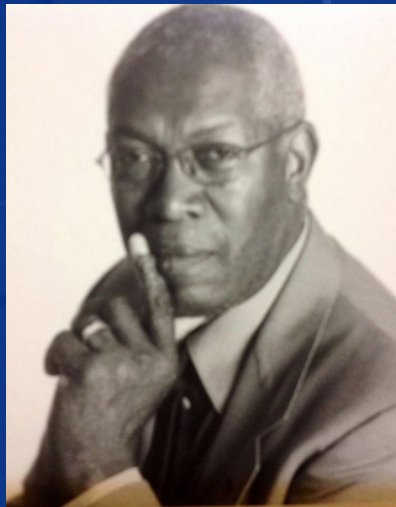
# REMEMBERING OUR FRIEND **JESSIE VARNER**

In June, our communities mourned the unexpected loss of Jessie Varner. Jessie was the epitome of a dedicated public servant and community leader. He was a true friend to everyone who had the privilege of knowing him, and to BRADD, he was an invaluable partner and advocate.

Jessie embodied BRADD's mission of enhancing quality of life throughout our region. Appointed by the City of Smiths Grove, he faithfully served on the BRADD Aging Council for many years, including multiple terms as Chairperson. He led with compassion, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to the older adults and communities we serve.

Through his service, Jessie became a cherished member of the BRADD family and a respected leader throughout our region. His kindness, wisdom, and dedication left a lasting impact on all who worked alongside him.

He is deeply missed.





# 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 Aging Services Division 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. Information on aging and independent living services can be found at [bradd.org](http://bradd.org)



In FY26, our senior centers began the *Drums Alive* exercise program to promote physical fitness and mobility through a fun, evidence-based activity.



# HONORING OUR ELDERS

In FY 2026, BRADD staff honored 8 community members that met the exceptional milestone of turning 100 years old. Honoring our community members who have reached a century of life instills an understanding of legacy, intergenerational connection, and the impact of a life lived with purpose.

Community members are encouraged to contact BRADD to receive a commemorative plaque recognizing the incredible accomplishment of reaching 100 years old. For more information on centenarian recognitions, contact BRADD's Aging and Disability Resource Coordinator at [Mikayla.Patterson@BRADD.org](mailto:Mikayla.Patterson@BRADD.org).



In June, Freda Finkbone reached the milestone of a century of life. In 2022, Freda's husband, Jack received the same recognition.



Family and friends gathered to celebrate Norene Fossick's 100th birthday, complete with a commemorative plaque to mark the occasion.



# AGING & INDEPENDENT LIVING

BY THE NUMBERS



7,051

Clients Served through AAAIL Services.



54,449

Congregate Meals Served.



104,936

Home Delivered Meals.



1,468

Contacts made for Information and Assistance.



22,701

Hours of Services Performed by In-home Aide Staff.

\$4.47 million

Invested in serving our aging and disabled populations.



# INAUGURAL SENIOR CENTER VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION EVENT

*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.*

In FY 2026, BRADD Senior Center volunteers organized more than 50,000 congregate meals, made more than 100,000 meal deliveries, and served more than 1,500 clients, building an essential community for our senior neighbors.

Former BRADD Board Chair Steve Thurmond delivered remarks on the immense impact felt by BRADD Senior Center volunteers.

The volunteer impact was felt across the ten county region, and this inaugural event stands as a recognition of the effort that our volunteers put forward every day.





*"When I say life changing, I absolutely mean it."*

# WAIVER SERVICES

637 Waiver participants across the BRADD region.

\$26.7 million In waiver goods and services and payroll.

\$203,584 In Veteran Directed Services across the BRADD region.



# WAIVER SPOTLIGHT: THE NELMS FAMILY

Across the BRADD region, 637 waiver participants received essential services through Home and Community Based (HCB) Waivers or the Michelle P. Waiver in FY26. Shea Nelms and her family are just one example of how these services are put to use.

Eight-year-old Hunter has been an HCB waiver participant for most of his life, having been diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) at a young age.

"So, he has a trach and a feeding tube, and also has rods in his spine that his doctors have to lengthen like twice a year. He's bed bound and wheelchair bound, and will probably be that way for the rest of his life. He's attending school three days a week, and mom stays at home to help take care of him - she's his primary caregiver through the HCB Waiver," explained Kimberly Proctor, the Nelms' case manager.

While she provides constant care to Hunter, Shea said her son constantly teaches her new lessons about life, perseverance, and hope.

"He has definitely taught me the definition of persistence. There have been many times where it would have been understandable and very easy for him to give up, but he never shies away from a challenge," Shea said.

Hunter's younger brother, Logan, also receives HCB Waiver services, and attends ABA therapy five days a week. While Hunter and Logan each require specialized care, Shea explained that they are otherwise typical school-age boys with bright futures ahead thanks to the waiver program.

"To say that we wouldn't be able to live the life that we live now without waiver services, I mean I can't even begin to state the difference. Hunter's got 12 specialists that he sees, and they're all at Vanderbilt. It would be impossible for us

to get all of his care done without the waiver services. When I say life changing, I absolutely mean it," Shea said.

BRADD's role goes beyond facilitating waiver services. Case managers provide a system of support, additional resources, care, and in-depth knowledge of the challenges that come with supporting aging and disabled family members and friends.



"There's been many times where I've been frustrated with just typical things that come along with parenting a medically complex kiddo, and Kimberly or somebody at the BRADD office has pointed me towards the right resource that you otherwise just wouldn't know what to look for," Shea said.

These services have allowed the Nelms to pursue once in a lifetime opportunities, like visiting Disney World and meeting Hunter's favorite sports team, the Dallas Cowboys.



# 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 looking to enhance the quality of life for citizens, attract new businesses, or retain/expand existing businesses within the 10-county region. This is done through community and economic development services provided by the department, including comprehensive planning, water and wastewater planning, transportation planning, emergency management planning, grant writing & administration, business services, GIS services, and technical assistance to local governments. Department staff regularly coordinate with experts to provide our communities with quality training and information on a range of topics.

At the foundation of the department is the BRADD's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). This guiding document helps identify regional vulnerability and prevent/respond to economic disruptions. It is a core component of economic resilience. The Planning & Development department reviews the BRADD's CEDS annually, 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](http://planning.bradd.org).





# BOWLING GREEN TO MAMMOTH CAVE TRAIL

*BRADD T.5.2: By December of 2022 and annually thereafter, provide assistance to local governments in implementing an integrated strategy of trail development including Blueways, Trail Towns, and local waterway designations by utilizing the funding resources and selection criteria of the Recreational Trails Program Fund, Land and Water Conservation Fund, Transportation Enhancement funds, and other sources.*

In FY2026, BRADD and partnering agencies completed the Bowling Green to Mammoth Cave Trail Feasibility Study, developing a comprehensive plan for a dedicated, off-road trail and supporting trail facilities between downtown Bowling Green and Mammoth Cave National Park.

Inspired by the unprecedented growth throughout Southcentral Kentucky, the community has expressed a need for improved access to walking, running, and bicycling activities. BRADD and partnering agencies have completed a master plan encompassing Barren, Edmonson, Hart, and Warren Counties.

In March 2026, the master plan was completed, and is now available to the public. The plan can be viewed by visiting [BRADD.ORG/BGMC/](https://BRADD.ORG/BGMC/).





# GAMALIEL WATER PROJECT

*Monroe I.1.15: By December of 2027, replace a number of water mains located within or near the City of Gamaliel as outlined in WX21171053.*

In FY 2026, BRADD and partnering agencies completed the replacement of several water lines throughout the City of Gamaliel, restoring clean water and reliable water pressure to a significant number of city residents.

Before the replacement, several of the water lines had not had significant maintenance since the 1980's, with some being initially installed in the 1940's.

With funding sources from a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), the project totaled \$1.25 million.

While this project began the road to recovery, there is still work to be done to replace all of the city's water lines.

"We went for probably three days with no water at all, they just couldn't get any water to us, there was no pressure," said Gamaliel Mayor Bob Greer. "This is a great start, but I've already got another engineer company looking at the job. We're going to keep trying, we've got to keep trying."





# COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BY THE NUMBERS



349

County objectives completed or on-going.

\$282.6m



Awarded for 188 JFA projects across the BRADD region.



47

Water/Wastewater Projects Ranked and Submitted in FY26.



24

Regional Clearinghouse Projects Reviewed.

As of June 30, 2026, BRADD is administering

\$196,716,431

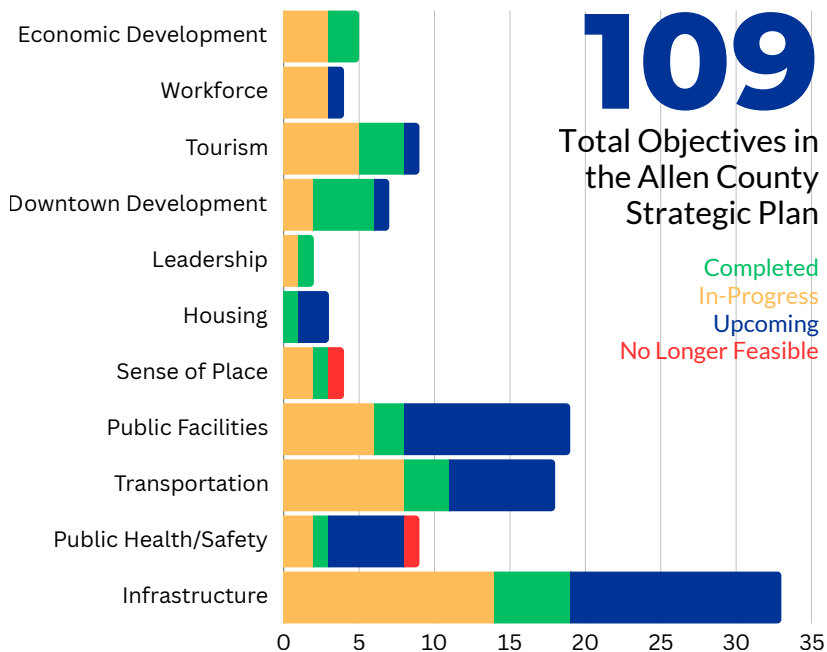
of investment across 112 regional projects.



# ALLEN COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Allen County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 33 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## ALLEN AT A GLANCE



Population  
**22,536**  
+9.5% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**14.3%**



Median Household Income  
**\$61,403**



60+ population  
**5,373**

## BRADD PROVIDES BUS TO SERVE CAL TURNER REHAB

*BRADD T.3.1: By December of 2022, and annually thereafter, utilize FTA funding to maintain and improve transportation for the elderly and handicapped including acquiring, rehabilitating, and operating (public and semipublic) transportation systems within the BRADD region.*

In FY26, BRADD acquired grant funding for a new bus to service Allen County's aging and disabled populations through transportation to appointments, gatherings, and more.



# BARRREN

In FY 2026, the Barren County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other 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, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## BARREN AT A GLANCE



Population  
**45,641**  
+2.6% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**15.7%**



Median Household Income  
**\$50,628**



60+ population  
**11,103**

## FY26 OBJECTIVES

Economic Development

Workforce

Tourism

Downtown Development

Leadership

Housing

Sense of Place

Public Facilities

Transportation

Public Health

Infrastructure

# 109

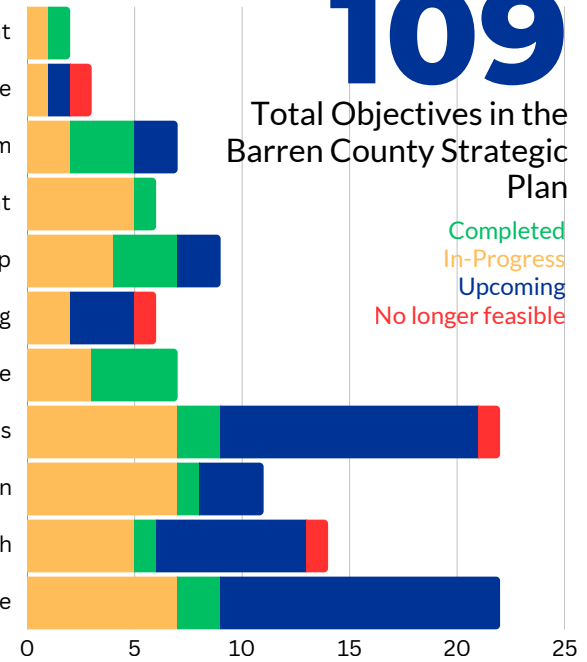
Total Objectives in the  
Barren County Strategic  
Plan

Completed

In-Progress

Upcoming

No longer feasible



## BARREN COUNTY YMCA ADDS SENIOR WING

*Barren PF.2.2: By June of 2023, create more recreational activities for all ages like intramural sports through partnerships, with YMCA, schools, parks, etc.*

In FY26, BRADD assisted in securing a Community Development Block Grant totaling \$750,000 to build a 3,000 sq. foot addition to the existing YMCA Building in Glasgow. The new addition will house a senior citizen's meal/exercise program. Meals will be provided through a partnership with BRADD.

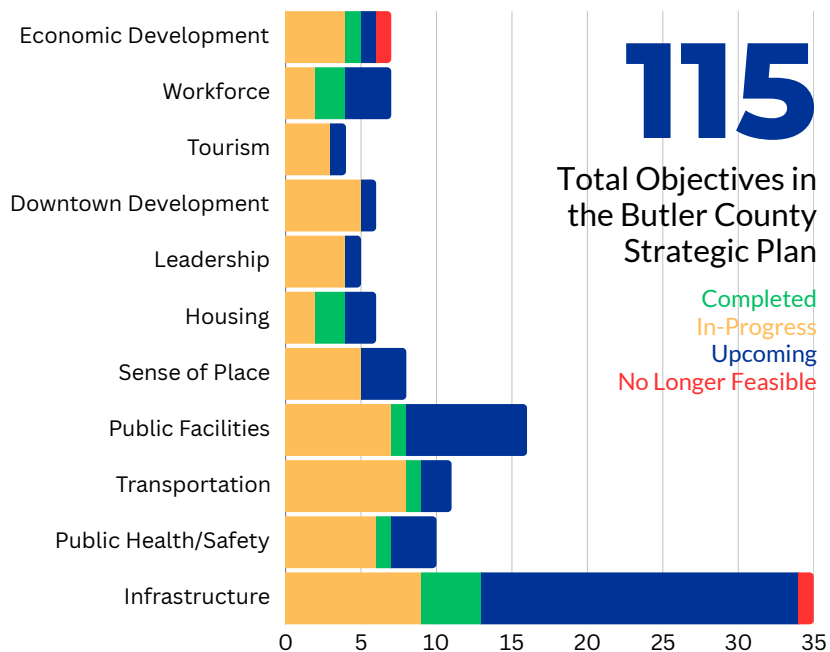




# BUTLER COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Butler County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 50 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## BUTLER AT A GLANCE



Population  
**12,237**  
-0.03% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**18.7%**



Median Household Income  
**\$47,489**



60+ population  
**3,175**

## PAVING THE WAY FOR A BETTER BUTLER

*BRADD T.3.1: By December of 2022, and annually thereafter, identify highway projects that would eliminate or minimize hazards on roadways within the district for the purpose of seeking funding to remove those hazards.*

In FY26, BRADD Community Development Specialists were instrumental in paving Brooklyn-Grancer Road, a gravel road that routinely washed away in heavy rain events, requiring multiple annual visits by the Butler County Road Dept. to continually lay down gravel, costing valuable time and resources.



# EDMONSON

# COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Edmonson County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 23 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## EDMONSON AT A GLANCE



Population  
**12,448**  
+2.66% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**16.8%**

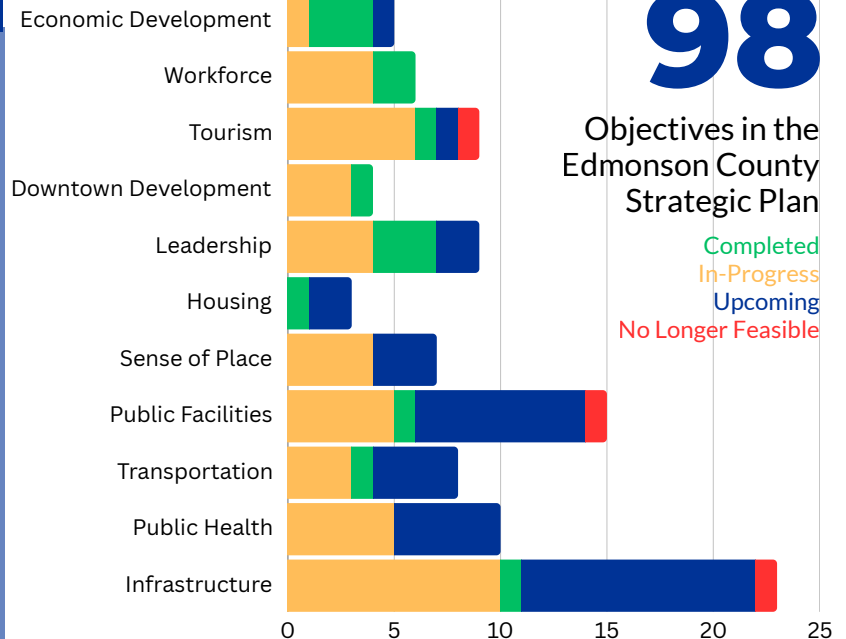


Median Household Income  
**\$53,029**



60+ population  
**3,681**

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## THE FUTURE OF EDMONSON COUNTY'S WATER

*Edmonson I.1.4: By December of 2027, ensure adequate generators are present at all critical facilities in Edmonson County.*

In FY26, BRADD assisted the Edmonson County Water District in purchasing and installing two 150 Kilowatt generators at its Brownsville intake facility and a 350 Kw generator at the Wax Water Treatment plant. These generators will allow these facilities to maintain functionality in the event of a power outage, ensuring customers still have access to drinkable water.

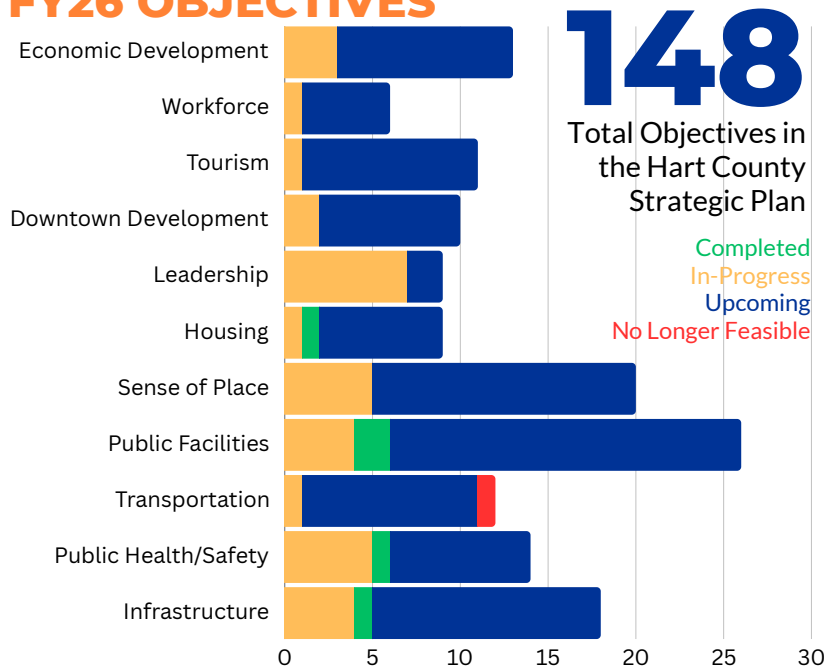




# HART COUNTY

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## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## HART AT A GLANCE



Population  
**20,117**  
+4.3% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**18.0%**



Median Household Income  
**\$52,285**



60+ population  
**4,912**

## T. MARZETTI WATER LINE IMPROVEMENT

*Hart I.1.11: By December of 2029, upgrade water and wastewater lines in Hart County and construct new lines around Horse Cave to meet demand for increased residential, commercial, and industrial growth.*

In FY26, BRADD and partnering agencies administered grant funding to upgrade water lines and treatment capacity for the T.Marzetti facility located in Horse Cave.



# LOGAN COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Logan County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 29 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## LOGAN AT A GLANCE



Population  
**28,669**  
+4.5% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**17.7%**

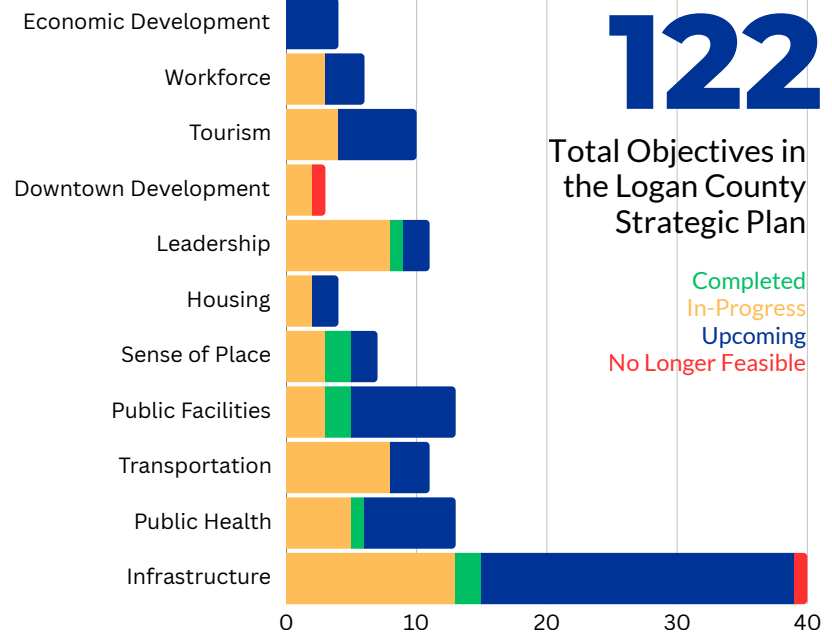


Median Household Income  
**\$60,382**



60+ population  
**7,232**

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## NEW POSSIBILITIES FOR LOGAN COUNTY INDUSTRIES

*Logan E.D.1.4: By December of 2024, develop additional areas for industrial parks including running necessary infrastructure to these areas and expanding transportation systems to serve these areas.*

In FY26, BRADD's Regional Transportation Planner assisted in developing and submitting the project application to make vital improvements to the Russellville West Industrial Park.

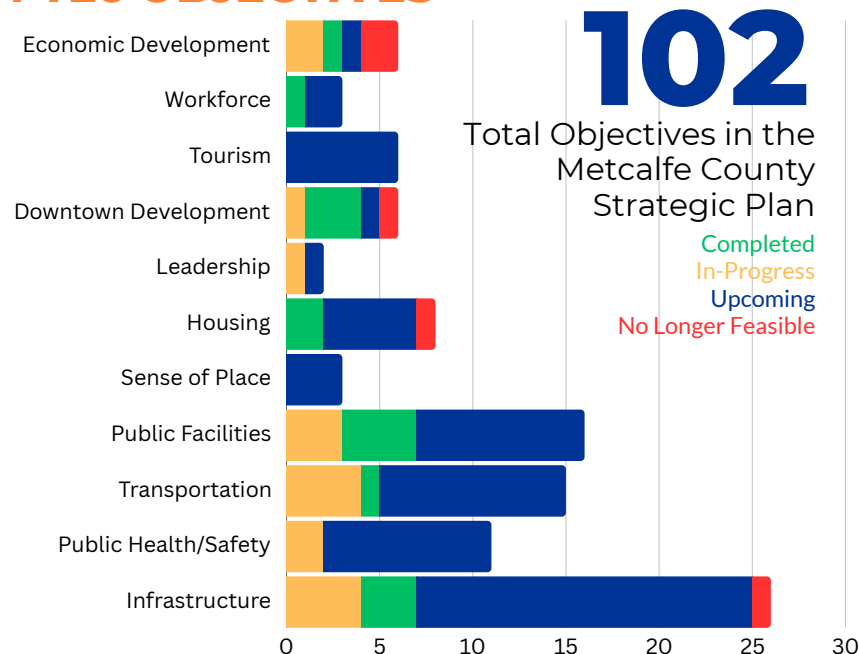




# METCALFE

In FY 2026, the Metcalfe County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 22 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## METCALFE AT A GLANCE



Population  
**10,583**  
+2.9% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**20.9%**



Median Household Income  
**\$46,932**

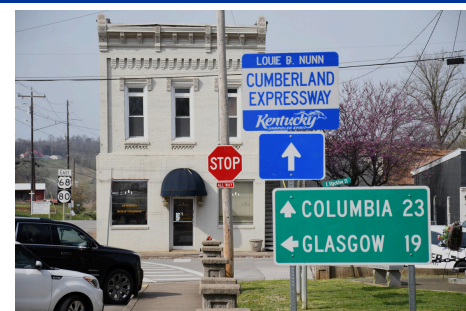


60+ population  
**2,641**

## GENERATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR METCALFE

*Metcalfe PF.2.2: By April of 2023, identify critical facilities that need backup generators and seek out funding for purchase and installation of generators at identified facilities.*

In FY26, BRADD and partnering agencies assisted in purchasing and installing a fixed generator at the wastewater treatment plant and two portable generators to be used at sewer lift and pump stations



# MONROE COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Monroe County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 21 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## MONROE AT A GLANCE



Population  
**11,191**  
-1.3% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**20.0%**



Median Household Income  
**\$51,280**



60+ population  
**2,998**

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## A NEW BEGINNING FOR GAMALIEL WATER

*Monroe I.1.15: By December of 2027, replace a number of water mains located within or near the City of Gamaliel as outlined in WX21171053.*

In FY26, BRADD assisted partnering agencies in replacing approximately 12,265 LF of 6-inch and 1,750 LF of 3-inch PVC water mains within the City of Gamaliel that are aged and dilapidated.

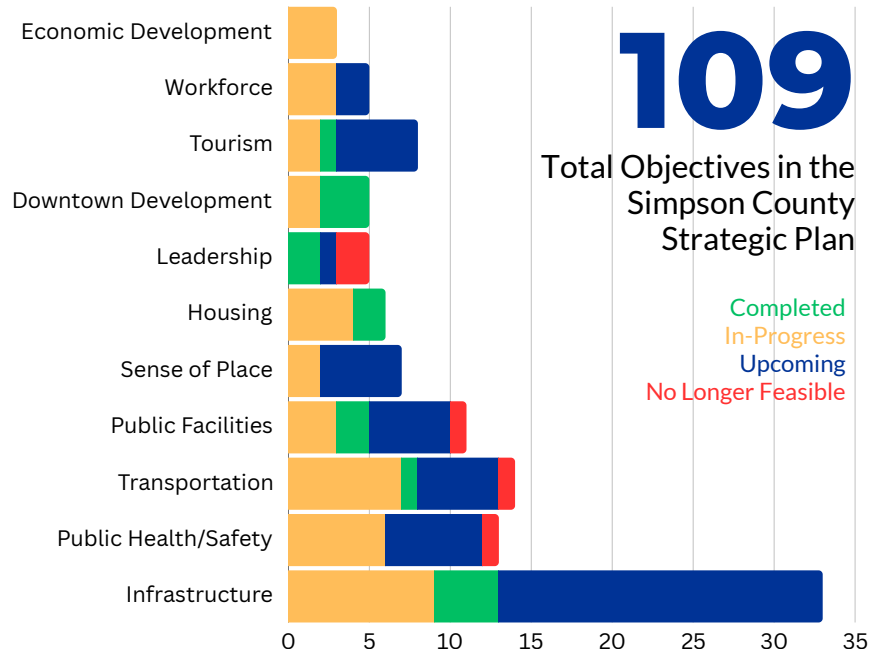




# SIMPSON COUNTY

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## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## SIMPSON AT A GLANCE



Population  
**20,788**  
+6.1% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**14.6%**



Median Household Income  
**\$59,858**



60+ population  
**4,609**

## AFFORDABLE HOMES FOR THE FUTURE

*BRADD H.1.1: By June of 2025 and annually thereafter, provide training and resources regarding best practices for affordable housing development, including but not limited to creating housing inventories.*

In FY26, BRADD staff assisted the city of Franklin in procuring a grant to build the Dixon Grove affordable housing community. The 63-home community on Orange Street is named for Franklin mayor Larry Dixon and contributes to meeting the need for affordable housing across the BRADD region.



# WARREN COUNTY

In FY 2026, the Monroe County Steering Committee worked with BRADD and other agencies and partners to complete 21 objectives in the County's Strategic Plan. To view an up-to-date listing of objectives and their status, visit our planning page at [planning.bradd.org](https://planning.bradd.org).

## WARREN AT A GLANCE



Population  
**149,375**  
+11% from 2020



Poverty Rate  
**15.3%**

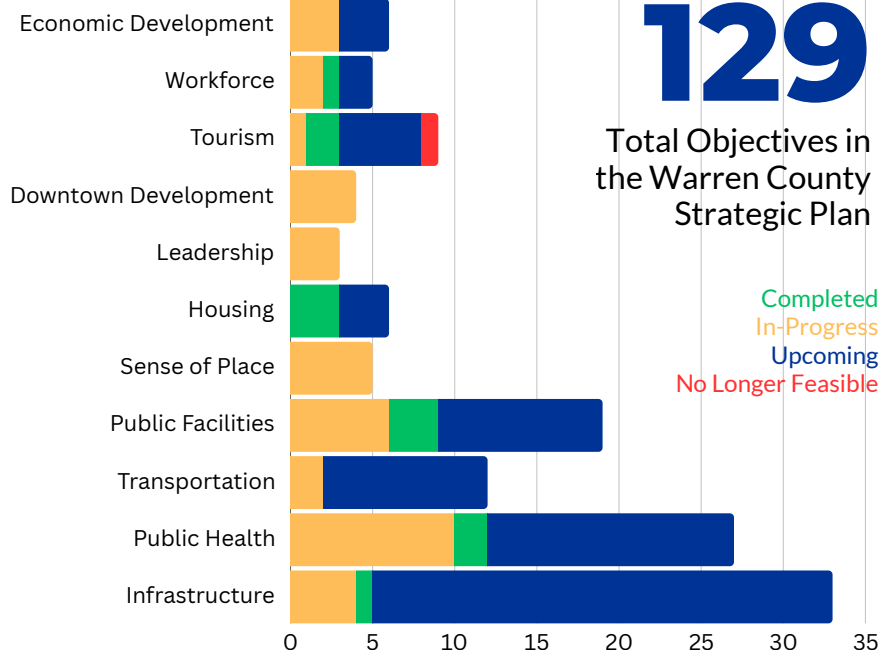


Median Household Income  
**\$65,794**



60+ population  
**26,439**

## FY26 OBJECTIVES



## A NEW AND IMPROVED BUDDY HOUSE

*BRADD PF.2.1: By December of 2022 and annually thereafter, provide assistance to local governments and public agencies as they construct, expand, and/or renovate public facilities and services by providing training/educational opportunities, technical assistance with funding application development and administrative assistance with funded projects.*

In FY26, BRADD assisted the Warren County Fiscal Court in securing an \$850,000 grant to construct the new home of the Buddy House, the home of Down Syndrome of Southern Kentucky. The Buddy House currently serves 219 families across a 14-county region.





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