

2023 FULL STRIDE Initiative for Economic Development

ADVANCING THE BLUEGRASS REGION

Lexington is what a great place to do business looks like. A city with smart, educated talent, thriving in a community with a high quality of life. Here's our proof.



About Us

Who We Are

Commerce Lexington was created to strengthen efforts to promote economic development, job creation, and overall business growth in Lexington and Central Kentucky. We harness the collective power of the business community to influence public policy, support businesses and entrepreneurs, cultivate current and future leaders, and leverage collaboration within our nine-county economic development area to build a more competitive Bluegrass region.

Commerce Lexington's Economic Development Division includes business recruitment and retention services, community and minority business development, and workforce and talent initiatives through The Business & Education Network (BEN). Our focus is to create new jobs that increase per capita income and the amount of income within our community, while creating greater capital investment throughout the region.

How We Do It

Commerce Lexington is supported through investment in membership dues, sponsorships, and a five-year economic development campaign called FULL STRIDE – all of which are vital to support the various activities, events, programs, operations, and efforts to help business and industry grow and prosper. Since 1997, investment in the various economic development capital campaigns has been necessary to raise the profile of Lexington/Central Kentucky, help us compete with other benchmark cities and regions, and create a critical alignment of partnerships, strategies, and resources to build the best region possible.



Here's Our Proof: Lexington was recently named **#10 Percentage of Population with an Advanced Degree** by US Census Bureau.



Our Leadership

The competition for business, jobs, and talent among communities across the country is fiercer than ever. The cities/regions that are the most successful growing their economy are also typically the most collaborative, innovative, and financially invested. Since 1997, Lexington's public and private sectors have come together to fund local economic development activities, such as business recruitment and retention, minority business development, and workforce development.

Our city and region have seen significant economic progress through partnerships, attention to detail, and great customer service for our clients. We have been able to accomplish this success with a dedicated group of investors, many of whom have invested in Lexington's efforts since our economic development capital campaigns began.

As economic development dynamics continue to evolve, no longer are cities competing against cities, but rather entire regions/MSA's are competing against other regions or even super-regions to maximize resources to attract and retain projects. The stage is now set for a different kind of economic race – one where Central Kentucky is competing with an ever more impressive tier of American regions.

Approaching economic development from a regional perspective will take a focused strategy coalesced around a number of impactful action items that benefit the entire region, as well as broad support from leaders and companies across Central Kentucky to implement them. The next Full Stride economic development capital campaign is critical to achieving our regional action items and strengthening our economy so that we can realize our region's full potential.

There has never been a better time for Central Kentucky, and we know that with continued collaboration and commitment, we'll ensure that it remains a great place to live and work for future generations.



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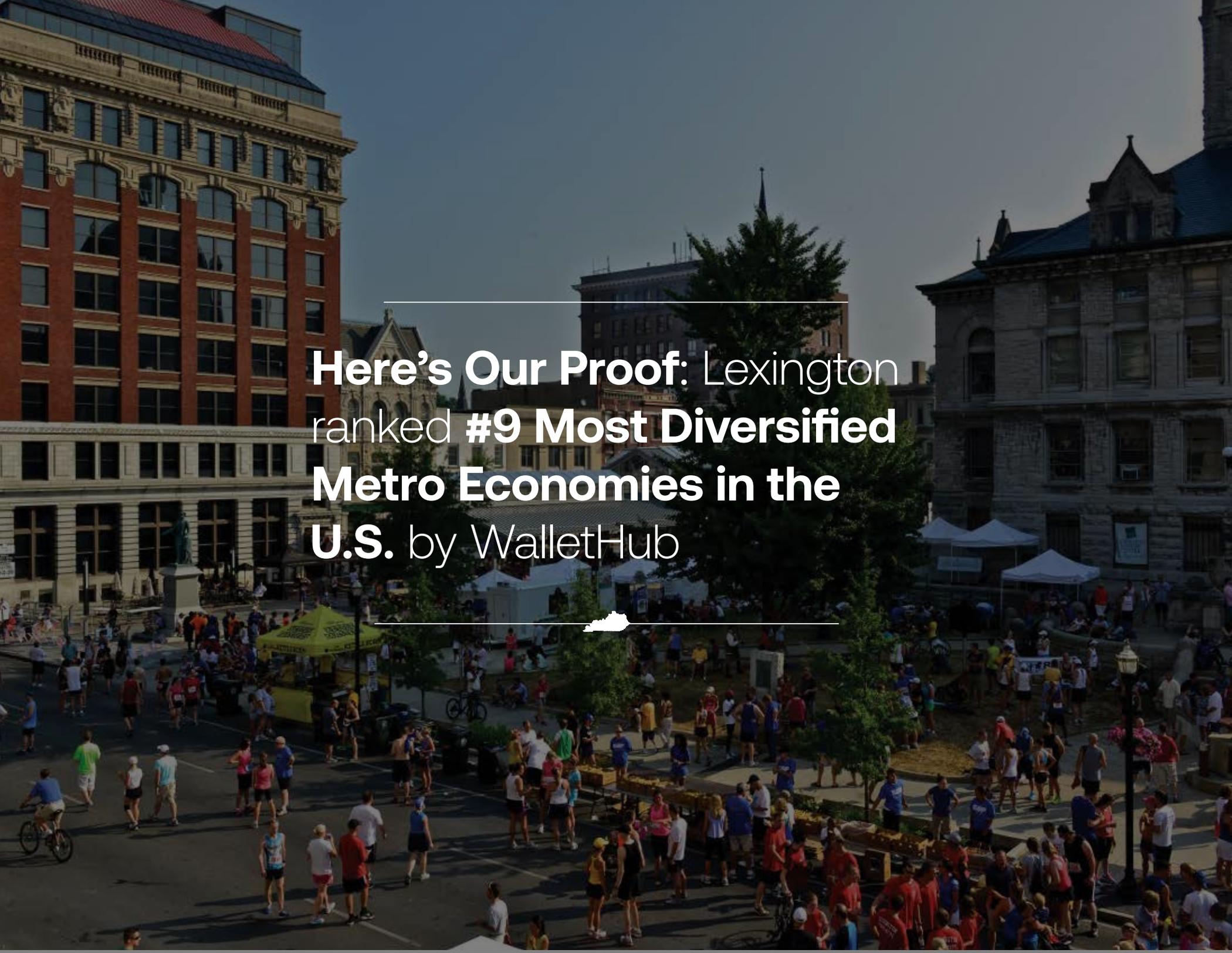
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Here's Our Proof: Lexington
ranked **#9 Most Diversified
Metro Economies in the
U.S.** by WalletHub

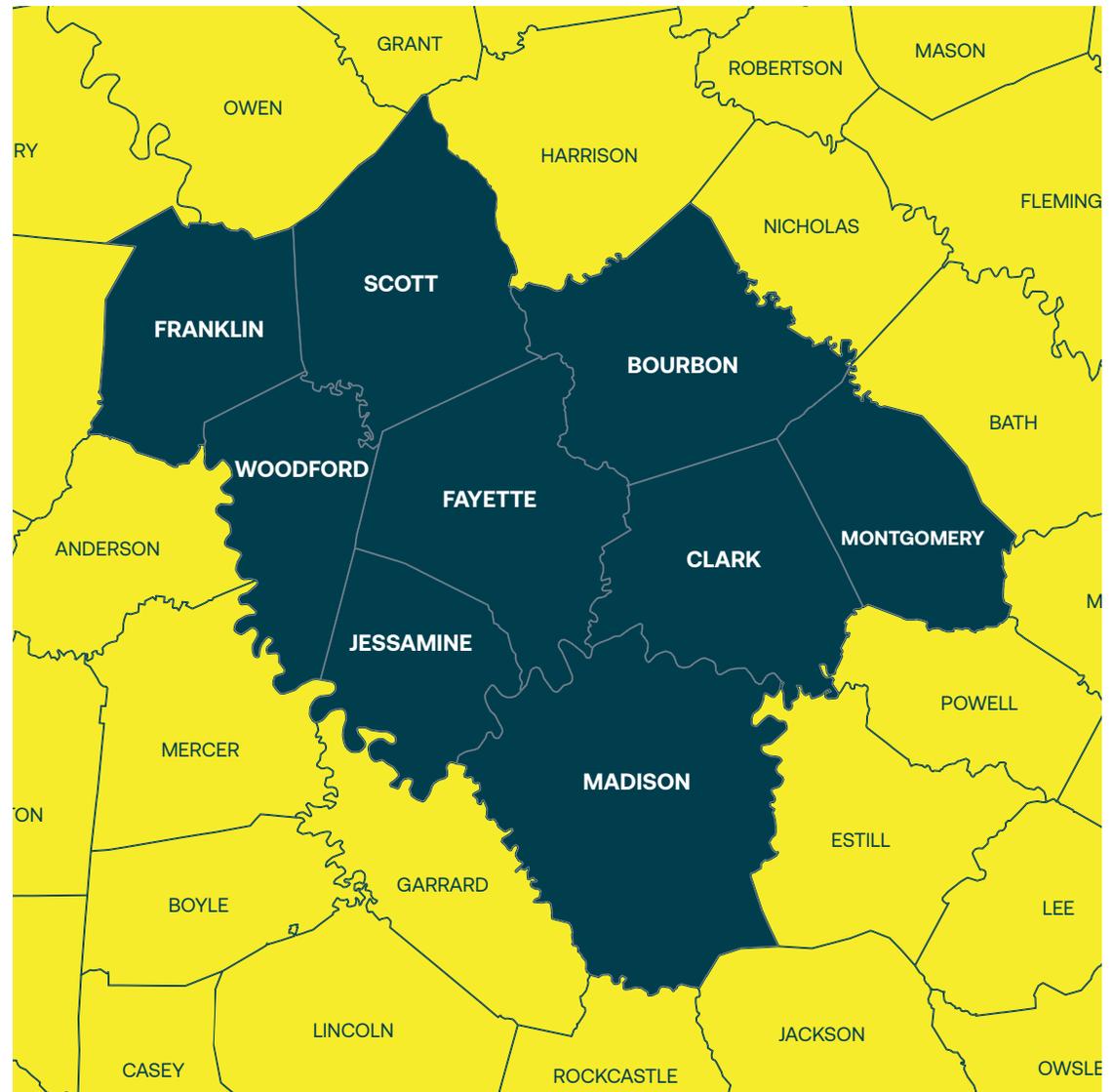
The Bluegrass Region Economic Development Partnership

It's often said that the grass isn't always greener on the other side, but in the Bluegrass Region, it most certainly is.

With an economy as diverse as its landscape and one of the most educated workforces in the nation, our region is built for business. Assisting businesses and entrepreneurs in Central Kentucky is the Bluegrass Alliance, an informal partnership of economic developers. With a focus on marketing, support, trust, and camaraderie between would-be competitors, the Bluegrass Alliance was created to promote regional cooperation and enhance economic development efforts in Central Kentucky. For over 30 years it has operated in a casual setting, building trusted relationships, and creating opportunity for a streamlined effort towards advancing the Bluegrass Region's economy.

Comprised of economic development agencies and utility companies representing the greater Lexington Area, the Bluegrass Alliance includes the communities of Berea, Frankfort, Georgetown, Lexington, Midway, Mt. Sterling, Nicholasville, Paris, Richmond, Versailles, and Winchester.

Partners from the utility industry are Blue Grass Energy, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Delta Natural Gas, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Kentucky Utilities, and RJ Corman Railroad Group.



A Timeline of Highlights in the Bluegrass Region



More Than A Bakery

new bakery manufacturing location in Versailles – 180 new jobs, \$57M investment

UPS expansion of ground hub

15 new jobs, \$106M investment

Big Ass Solutions

expansion of headquarters and manufacturing – 562 new jobs, \$10.7M investment

MakeTime

expansion of software development company – 28 new jobs, \$2M investment

Hera BioLabs

expansion of biotech testing company – 23 new jobs, \$1.8M investment



MosquitoMate – expansion of biotech & R&D facility

12 new jobs, \$535,000 investment

BEN partnered with the Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics

on a talent supply and demand report for the Lexington Area to address talent gap analysis

Minority Business Accelerator

boasts five minority companies who have secured over \$6.6M in procurement

2016

2017

Coldstream Laboratories (now Piramal Pharma Solutions)

expansion of pharmaceutical manufacturing facility – 40 new jobs, \$12.7M investment

Commerce Lexington Inc. named the #1 Chamber of the Year

by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives

Bluegrass Stockyards

new location and expansion – 20 new jobs, \$11.9M investment



James E. Pepper Distillery

new location of bourbon distillery – 3 new jobs, \$1.3M investment

Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky

investment in manufacturing facility - \$1.2 Billion



Fooji expansion of tech company's headquarters

adding 41 new jobs and investing \$754,000

Grand opening of Valvoline's global headquarters in Lexington

Access Loan program facilitated \$15.8M in loans for small businesses

A Timeline of Highlights in the Bluegrass Region

Coldstream Land Swap
announced between UK
& LFUCG, providing
130+ acres for future job
creation

Harbor Steel
breaks ground on a
50,000 sq. ft. expansion
in Lexington's Blue Grass
Business Park



J.M. Smucker, LLC
new location and
expansion – 20 new jobs,
\$11.9M investment

TIFFANY & CO.

Tiffany & Co.
invest \$500,000 and adds
130 new jobs



A&W Restaurants, Inc.
announces location
for its new global
headquarters in the city's
new industrial park

**Minority Business
Accelerator**
members secure over \$8.2
million in contracts

Amazon
announces plans
to construct a new
143,000-square-foot
delivery center in
Lexington

Access Loan Program
surpassed the \$7,000,000
mark in loan facilitation

2018

2019

2020

**Kentucky Chamber
Workforce Center**
launched Kentucky's
Talent Pipeline
Management (TPM)
Academy—BEN was
chosen as 1 of 40
Champions from across
the Commonwealth to
implement the system in
our community



LBX Company LLC
breaks ground on
Customer Experience
Center, a \$10 million-
plus facility to include
training and testing
functions



Webasto Roof Systems
grew Lexington operation
by 183 jobs for next
generation roof system
adding \$15.2 million
high-tech manufacturing
line

Tru-Tone Finishing
expands to Lexington
with 120 new jobs and
\$4.6 million investment



Bullard Center
a global leader in
manufacturing personal
protective equipment,
opens an R&D facility in
Lexington

US Equestrian
opens 35,000-square-foot
Headquarters



CLARK Material Handling
celebrates
groundbreaking on third
expansion at Lexington
campus in four years,
\$4.6 million investment
creating 40 new jobs



Launch Blue
an early stage accelerator
program for Kentucky
tech startups, launches

A Timeline of Highlights in the Bluegrass Region



Summit Biosciences, Inc.
a pharmaceutical manufacturer, expands creating 78 new jobs with a \$20.4 million investment

THE COLLECTIVE
inaugural Regional Summit launches, highlights regional priorities and advancement of the Bluegrass Region's economy

Access Loan program
facilitates over \$24M in loans for small businesses since 2001

Coldstream Research Campus
community leaders break ground at The CoRE, a home for early stage, high-tech companies



Coastal Cloud Partnership
celebrates UK Salesforce Consultancy Incubator Program grand opening



Who Got the Money?
entrepreneurial companies generate over \$70 million in revenue, employing over 600 people

Rubicon
expands in Lexington with new global headquarters

Georgie-Pacific
grew Lexington facility by 50 new jobs, expanding its Dixie to Go PerfectTouch® cup manufacturing capacity

2020

2021



Fresh Bourbon (dba Edwards Spirit Company)
announces plans to build first Black-owned bourbon distillery in Lexington creating 25 new jobs with a \$5.4 million investment



NX Development Corp.
expands life science company creating 20 new jobs with an investment of more than \$1.2 million



Longship
celebrates opening of new 29,000 SF building in Hamburg area

Neogen Corporation
announces \$9.8 million investment in Mt. Sterling facility



Thoroughbred Aviation Maintenance
opens new headquarters in Lexington creating 47 new jobs

LFUCG Small Business Economic Stimulus & Recovery Grant Programs
administers over \$6.9 million to over 500 businesses

Commerce Lexington Inc.
named to *Site Selection Magazine's* list of Top Economic Development Agencies for 2nd year in a row



ElectraMet
closes \$6M in venture capital, expands operations

A Timeline of Highlights in the Bluegrass Region



Total Quality Logistics
expands, creating 300
new jobs in Lexington



**BEN Launches The
Lex Factor**
a new marketing program
to attract talent, starting
with healthcare sector



Kinetic
breaks ground on new
Lexington headquarters



Valvoline
opens first Company-
owned heavy-duty
fleet service center in
Lexington



Galls, LLC
expands operations,
investing \$2.7M, adding
80 new jobs



Central Bank Center
finishes \$250M expansion
and renovation

2022

**Canadian-owned Vector
Corrosion Technologies**
locates first US
manufacturing facility in
Lexington



2022 Unity Award
presented to Commerce
Lexington by Alpha
Beta Lambda Chapter
Education Foundation



Lexmark International
breaks ground on a \$4
million solar panel array
project at Lexington
headquarters

**Catalent Pharma
Solutions**
announces \$175M
investment, Winchester
facility adds 80 new jobs

House Bill 476
signed, allocating
\$100M in state funds
for an enhanced Product
Development Initiative



Space Tango
creates 16 high-paying
jobs with \$2.5M
investment

Hera Biolabs
announces \$6.6M for
facility expansion and
upgrades



Here's Our Proof: Lexington has an active labor force of over 170,000 people, and there are over 345,000 in the Bluegrass Region workforce. Most of Lexington's labor force is employed in healthcare and social services (14.8%), manufacturing (11.8%), retail (11.3%) and education (10.9%)



Return on Investment / Manufacturing Case Study

MORE THAN A BAKERY.

More Than A Bakery is a great example of a regional economic development project. Commerce Lexington began working with the company in 2013, then known as Project Alpine, and Austin Consulting company, a nationally known site selection firm in Cleveland. The site selection process took years, but we quickly developed a great working relationship with the company's executive management team and Austin Consulting. More Than A Bakery is an affiliate of Richmond Baking, which is the oldest family-owned cookie and cracker bakery in the United States.

The new facility located in Versailles, KY in 2016, investing over \$35 million and creating 180 new jobs. As you can see from the infographic, the economic impact of the project is felt not only in Versailles, but the entire region. Although the project originated with Commerce Lexington, this was a true regional effort. In addition to adding jobs and investment, More Than A Bakery is utilizing the services and expertise of many companies in Central Kentucky.

Economic Impact

REGIONAL



Capital Investment



Jobs (direct, indirect, & induced)



Local Tax Revenue

DIRECT IMPACT - WOODFORD COUNTY

180

Jobs Created

\$622,500

Local Tax Revenue

\$48,611

Average Salary

\$8.75M

Payroll

INDIRECT & INDUCED IMPACT - BLUEGRASS REGION

72

Jobs Created

\$94,086

Local Tax Revenue

\$4.9M

Payroll

“Commerce Lexington Inc. was a key ingredient to successfully bringing our 120-year-old commercial bakery to the Lexington area, enabling us to expand our operations and eventually add 180 jobs to the local economy. The Commerce Lexington team was highly professional, appropriately confidential, and extremely responsive to the many requests for information and contacts. In fact, they were our go-to source when we needed to find service providers in the area, which led us to establish key banking, legal, construction, lodging, and goods supplier relationships. Those supplier relationships have been vital to our success thus far, and I don't know how we could have gotten up to speed on local providers so quickly had we not had such a strong and lasting relationship with Commerce Lexington.”

—Bill Quigg, President,
More Than A Bakery

Return on Investment / Headquarters Case Study



Founded in 1917, CLARK Material Handling Company is a global manufacturer of forklift trucks. The company is privately owned by the Young An Hat Company of South Korea, and is present in 80 global markets, including the support of over 550 dealer locations. The Lexington operation serves as their North American Headquarters with light manufacturing and assembly. The company has approximately 200 employees in Kentucky and 1,400 employees globally.

Between 2015 and 2019, CLARK announced three investments into their facility; a \$4.8 million expansion, reshoring a line from Mexico to Lexington and adding 30 new full-time jobs; the opening of a new research and development training center; and the addition of a third facility to the company's manufacturing operations, a \$4.5M investment, adding 40 more full-time jobs. Our team partnered with the city and state to connect them to the resources to assist with these expansions. The new production line increased its production by more than 200 percent and the campus produces nearly 80% of its products in Lexington. In 1974, CLARK opened its manufacturing facility in Lexington, and later in 1985, the corporate headquarters relocated to Lexington. Our team has worked with CLARK on every expansion project and continued to build on the partnership with the company. CLARK is a prime example of the impact of foreign direct investment (FDI).

Economic Impact

REGIONAL



DIRECT IMPACT - FAYETTE COUNTY



INDIRECT & INDUCED IMPACT - BLUEGRASS REGION



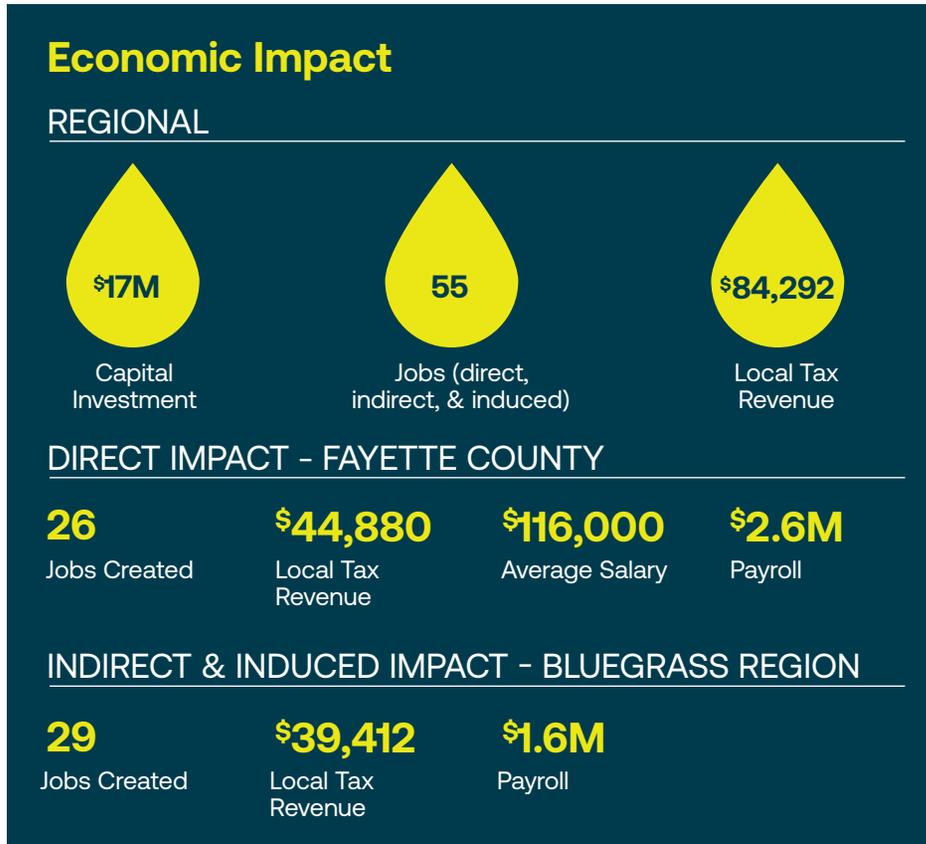
“We at CLARK Material Handling Company are grateful to Commerce Lexington Inc. for their efforts and support over the years. Commerce Lexington Inc. and their dedicated team of top-notch economic development professionals have played a significant role in CLARK’s multiple expansions in Lexington, and as a result Lexington is now CLARK’s North American Headquarters. Commerce Lexington proved to be invaluable as CLARK expanded its manufacturing footprint in Lexington, and as a result, many of our products are “Manufactured in Lexington, and Driven Around the World.” Commerce Lexington has guided CLARK through the complexities of tax and economic incentives and continues to be our go-to source. If regional or even national businesses are interested in growing their businesses in a business friendly, people centered community, my advice to them is to contact the dedicated professionals at Commerce Lexington.”

—Dennis Lawrence, President,
CLARK Material Handling
Company

Return on Investment / High-Tech (Start Up) Case Study



Since the early 2000s, Commerce Lexington has partnered with the University of Kentucky and the City of Lexington to be a catalyst by which entrepreneurs, service providers, and investors work together to develop a strong economy in central Kentucky. ElectraMet is a perfect example of how the local community can nurture entrepreneurs and help develop great ideas into successful start-ups. Founded in 2014 by Dr. Cameron Lippert and Dr. James Landon, ElectraMet got its start at the University of Kentucky's Center for Applied Energy Research (CAER) and developed a revolutionary water treatment system to offer an environmental solution for industrial processes and wastewater streams. In 2021, ElectraMet closed \$6 million in venture capital, enabling the company to expand operations from a 3,000 square-foot space to a 26,000 square-foot facility in Lexington. Through partnerships with the University of Kentucky, winning multiple pitch competitions in 2013, including Awesome Inc.'s "5 Across" Finals and the Bluegrass Angels' Launch Fund competition, funding from the Kentucky Enterprise Fund, investments from the Bluegrass Angels, and multiple grants through the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, the growth of ElectraMet showcases Lexington's capacity for innovation.



"Commerce Lexington has provided funding to incubators and programs like 5-Across which was critical in the founding of ElcetraMet. We would not be here today without that event and the support provided by Commerce Lexington. Through its network, we were able to connect with advisors and investors that saw the potential of our technology early on and provided us with valuable resources along our path to commercialization. Our team has experienced incredible growth and we have no plans to slow down."

—Cameron Lippert, Co-Founder and CIO at PowerTech Water

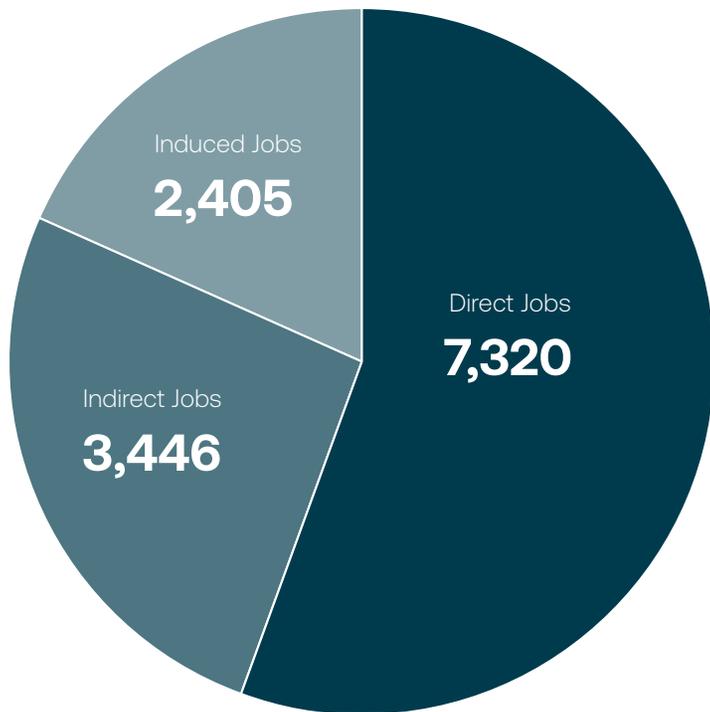
Year	Employment	Capital Raised
2016	3	\$430,000
2017	4	\$750,000
2018	6	\$2,750,000
2019	7	\$3,500,000
2020	7	\$2,900,000
2021	22	\$7,000,000

2016-2022 Accomplishments

Capital Investments:

\$255,071,790

Total Jobs: 13,171



“Lexington and the surrounding communities that make up Central Kentucky have experienced tremendous growth in the last year. Between new businesses, housing developments and community ventures, the region continues to flourish, even in an uncertain economic climate.

In addition to a thriving business landscape, developments like the completion of the Central Bank Center project have made Lexington a destination for visitors from across the country, making the city an even more desirable location for businesses looking to make Kentucky home. This influx of business to the region has already started to generate new jobs, as well as demand for the professional services that go along with new movers.

These same citizens are also shopping, dining, and frequenting other local businesses. This infusion of regional jobs will have far-reaching benefits that improve the quality of life for all our citizens.”

—Luther Deaton
Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer
Central Bank & Trust Company



EXPANDING COMPANIES

136

25

NEW COMPANIES

Economic Impact of **100** New Jobs

Identifying strategic targets is critical in guiding economic development efforts. The impact of recruiting 100 new jobs in these highlighted industries illustrates the economic benefits to our local economy, creating jobs in: Wholesale Trade, Retail Trade, Transportation and Warehousing, Finance and Insurance, Real Estate

Services, Professional Services, Management of Companies, Administrative Services, Health Services, Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation, Accommodation and Food Services.

Advanced Manufacturing

100 new advanced manufacturing jobs add and support

121

ADDITIONAL JOBS

creating over

\$13M

in new labor income and approximately

\$532,000

in new tax revenue across the 9 counties.

Software and Technology

100 new software and technology jobs add and support

61

ADDITIONAL JOBS

creating over

\$10.5M

in new labor income and approximately

\$455,000

in new tax revenue across the 9 counties.

Healthcare

100 new healthcare jobs add and support

64

ADDITIONAL JOBS

creating over

\$9.6M

in new labor income and approximately

\$312,000

in new tax revenue across the 9 counties.

Note: This data represents the creation of 100 jobs in the semiconductor manufacturing industry, software technology industry, and healthcare industry in the Bluegrass Alliance region. The IMPLAN 2019 data set and 2022-dollar adjustments were used.

Bluegrass Economic Plan

The region served by Commerce Lexington includes nine Kentucky counties: Bourbon, Clark, Fayette, Franklin, Jessamine, Madison, Montgomery, Scott, and Woodford. Faced with a rapidly changing competitive landscape, the organization brought together a group of key regional stakeholders, and the consulting team from Economic Leadership, to create actionable intelligence about the region's current economy and actions to improve future competitiveness.

The *Building a More Competitive Bluegrass* economic plan identified new efforts that would be impactful, provide benefit to the whole region, and be financially feasible. With broad support from regional public and private leaders, Commerce Lexington embraces these bold initiatives to build upon the existing foundation of success in enhancing our business climate and competitive position.

Economic Development Strategy

Increase the regional job, wage, and GDP growth rates to the national average

TARGET ANNUAL BUDGET

\$1,100,000

Leadership/Regionalism Strategy

Increase the state's and region's competitiveness by attracting state and federal funding and advocating for policy improvements

TARGET ANNUAL BUDGET

\$200,000

Minority Business Development Strategy

Promote and sustain initiatives designed to foster growth, development and sustainability of minority business owners and entrepreneurs

TARGET ANNUAL BUDGET

\$275,000

Workforce Strategy

Increase the regional labor force by 1,500 per year

TARGET ANNUAL BUDGET

\$475,000

Initiatives

Economic Development Strategy

Increase the regional job, wage, and GDP growth rates to the national average

Lead Responsibility:

Bluegrass Alliance

Strategic Actions:

- Increase investment in regional branding and site selector awareness with a focus on quality of life and affordability.
- Create a detailed multi-jurisdictional product development strategy to secure more shovel-ready land and buildings, including developing a strategy and advocacy plan for the creation of a regional business park.
- Seek grants or low-interest loans as seed funding for a speculative building program, or cover carrying costs to incent private sector development of speculative buildings.
- Examine the potential to create a competitive economic development megasite of at least 1,000 contiguous acres with multi-modal transportation and robust utility capacity.
- Develop a proactive program to educate key leaders in the region about economic development/site development needs and post-pandemic competitive realities.

Minority Business Development Strategy

Promote and sustain initiatives designed to foster growth, development and sustainability of minority business owners and entrepreneurs

Lead Responsibility:

Community & Minority Business Development

Strategic Actions:

- Implementation of regional Accelerator plan
- Elevate Access Loan Program to regional platform
- Facilitate minority purchasing opportunities with area manufacturers

Leadership/Regionalism Strategy

Increase the state's and region's competitiveness by attracting state and federal funding and advocating for policy improvements

Lead Responsibility:

Regional Public Policy Group

Strategic Actions:

- Coordinate advocacy for federal and state infrastructure and product development funding.
- Advocate for improved tax/regulatory policies that will improve the region's competitiveness.

Workforce Strategy

Increase the regional labor force by 1,500 per year

Lead Responsibility:

Business and Education Network

Strategic Actions:

- Connect workforce/education resources to businesses to accelerate talent availability and preparedness
- Work to ensure education pipeline is aligned with and supports outcomes that meet workforce needs
- Strengthen connectivity between area college students and area employers by initiating a work experience platform to increase the retention of young adults
- Develop a regional talent recruitment/attraction marketing campaign that will help the Lexington region retain current residents and win over prospective talent

Marketing



Scan to start collaborating

THE REGIONAL SUMMIT

COLLABORATING FOR A MORE COMPETITIVE REGION
 NOVEMBER 30, 2022 | 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
 CAMPBELL HOUSE | 5179

Breakout topics include:

- Leveraging key existing and potential industries
- Improving regional branding
- Advocating for policy changes
- Improving talent recruitment/attraction

The Regional Summit is an all-day conference for influential public and private sector leaders within our nine-county economic development aimed at improving collaboration to improve the region's competitiveness for jobs and talent. During the event, leaders will hear from national economic development experts about our region's strengths, challenges, and unique opportunities for growth! Together we can build a more competitive region.

PRESENTED BY:

Access Loan Program

1316

Minority, Women & Existing businesses served since 2013

Providing easier access to the financing and helpful business advice that you need to start or grow your business.

Bluegrass Veterinary Specialists
DMD Data Systems, Inc. (now Volta, Inc.)
LEXINGTON PASTA HURST
Commonwealth OFFICE
Audiology SUPPLIES
 Wild Thyme Cooking School
 Laura's Super Shine Carwash
 Beauty Salon Capital Cellars
 Elaine Allen, LLC

All funded through the Access Loan Program

398

Jobs Created/Retained

\$24 Million

TOTAL LOANS CLOSED

COMING TO LIFE IN LEXINGTON

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CNA) RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

BECOME A CNA TODAY

CAMPAIGN OVERVIEW:
 This compelling, goal-oriented CNA career path advertisement and brand placement is the result of a multi-step process. The resulting brand placement is designed to drive traffic to a high-quality landing page which includes a comprehensive guide to the CNA profession, a list of local employers, and a list of CNA training programs. The campaign is designed to be used on a variety of digital advertising channels.

CREATIVE ASSETS

- EVENT DETAILS:** Photo assets, key CNA highlights, and a list of local employers.
- WEBSITE:** An interactive, multi-page digital landing page with a focus on the CNA profession and local employers.
- DIGITAL ADS:** Digital ads with various sizes and formats, including a focus on the CNA profession and local employers.
- SOCIAL MEDIA:** The Lex Factor has the following social media assets: a list of local employers, a list of CNA training programs, and a list of CNA career opportunities.

QUESTIONS? Contact Beth Decker, info@thefactor.com

HERE'S OUR PROOF

2021 Mac Conway Award for Excellence in Economic Development

–Site Selection Magazine

#6 Best City for New College Grads

–SmartAsset

#8 Mid-sized Metro with Best Business Climate

–Business Facilities

#10 City with Best Work-Life Balance

–SmartAsset

#11 Percentage of Population with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher

–US Census Bureau

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