



# #1: LAND USE & CHARACTER

## OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

### GOAL 1:

***Bullitt County is growing strategically to strengthen local communities, expand employment opportunities, and ensure development is compatible with the county's rural and urban areas.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 1A.**

New development should not create significant negative impacts on the surrounding community and local infrastructure.

**Objective 1B.**

Require adequate transitions in land use, intensity, or scale, and/or buffers between incompatible land uses to enhance the character and functionality of each land use type.

**Objective 1C.**

Ensure future development located near Fort Knox is compatible with training activity, light abatement and noise at the military base.

**Objective 1D.**

Evaluate ways to preserve the county's rural character and agricultural land, such as through smaller agricultural lot sizes and conservation subdivisions in appropriate areas.

**Objective 1E.**

Encourage a mix of different land uses in the downtowns and other appropriate areas to revitalize these key area and also support business growth, multi-family housing, and active public spaces.

**Objective 1F.**

Encourage the reuse and maintenance of historic structures to preserve local history and protect small-scale retail spaces and housing in downtown areas.

**Objective 1G.**

Develop design standards and/or guidelines for specific uses, corridors, and/or areas to promote architectural, sign, and landscaping design that reinforces the character.

**Objective 1H.**

Encourage areas of small-scale commercial uses in appropriate locations throughout the county to allow easier access to daily needs and employment.



## #2: TRANSPORTATION OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

### GOAL 2:

***Bullitt County is improving the transportation system to support planned growth, accommodate alternative transportation options, and ensure existing roads are well-maintained.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 2A.**

Ensure new development and future growth areas do not overwhelm the transportation system, with additional focus placed on high-traffic uses and high-congestion corridors.

**Objective 2B.**

Identify improvements and access management policies to reduce congestion along major corridors.

**Objective 2C.**

Support the Implementation of the Highway 44 Plan and educate the Bullitt County community about the plan.

**Objective 2D.**

Prioritize and implement road safety projects and policies to minimize crashes and support the county's Safe Streets for All (SS4A) plan.

**Objective 2E.**

Coordinate with KYTC to mitigate heavy traffic and freight impacts on state roads.

**Objective 2F.**

Develop design standards for both urban and rural roads that include minimum design specifications and required streetscape amenities.

**Objective 2G.**

Ensure existing roads are well-maintained.

**Objective 2H.**

Identify and prioritize sidewalk routes that are needed in the downtown areas and between destinations.

**Objective 2I.**

Evaluate the feasibility and need for on-demand and other transit services both locally and regionally.

**Objective 2J.**

Work with partners to expand EV charging stations and truck parking locations along the I-65 corridor.



## #3: HOUSING OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

### GOAL 3:

***Bullitt County is diversifying quality housing options that support households of different incomes and ages.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 3A.**

Support the development of multiple housing types that are quality and affordable.

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**Objective 3B.**

Integrate amenities (such as small parks, natural areas, and sidewalks) into neighborhoods to offer residents convenient recreational options and to preserve the natural environment.

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**Objective 3C.**

Promote accessory dwelling units as an affordable housing option in areas where specific requirements can be met (such as sewage disposal and lot size).

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**Objective 3D.**

Develop programs that support housing maintenance or rehabilitation as well as home ownership.



## #4: ECONOMY & RESILIENCY

### OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

## GOAL 4:

***Bullitt County is creating a robust local economy and encouraging industry growth that is compatible with the surrounding community and infrastructure.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 4A.**

Support growth and programs that attract a more diverse workforce through compatible commercial and industrial uses.

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**Objective 4B.**

Ensure industrial and commercial uses minimally impact the surrounding community by identifying strategic locations for these uses and encouraging quality design.

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**Objective 4C.**

Identify strategic areas for warehouse development to optimize direct interstate access and limit warehousing impacts on the roads and surrounding community.

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**Objective 4D.**

Collaborate with key partners to retain and attract industries, businesses, and key entities (such as Fort Knox or tourism destinations) that grow the local economy while also reinforcing the county's image and rural character.

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**Objective 4E.**

Explore options for leveraging the county's existing agricultural land, hobby farms, and agriculturally based businesses for economic development and ag-tourism opportunities.



## #5: RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT & TOURISM

### OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

## GOAL 5:

***Bullitt County is leveraging the county's recreational and tourism assets to provide high quality entertainment experiences and a scenic setting for both residents and visitors.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 5A.**

Strengthen Bullitt County's identity as a tourism destination for outdoor recreation, distilleries, and wineries.

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**Objective 5B.**

Develop a parks master plan to strategically expand parks and recreational facilities throughout the county.

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**Objective 5C.**

Develop a recreational trails master plan to identify and prioritize routes that connect destinations within the county and region.

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**Objective 5D.**

Improve the water quality of the Salt River and increase public access to it through trails and recreational areas.

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**Objective 5E.**

Collaborate with local partners to explore strategies to attract new restaurants, entertainment, and retail.

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**Objective 5F.**

Provide more family-friendly events and activities to offer residents more recreational options close to home.

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**Objective 5G.**

Integrate art into the community to celebrate local history, showcase the county's image and character, and establish the county as an arts destination.



## #6: COMMUNITY FACILITIES & UTILITIES

### OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

## GOAL 6:

***Bullitt County is providing high quality community facilities, services, and utilities that meet current and future needs.***

## OBJECTIVES

### **Objective 6A.**

Ensure that new development and future growth areas are adequately served by public facilities and services, such as emergency response, schools, recreation, and solid waste disposal.

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### **Objective 6B.**

Identify existing development that is not adequately served by public facilities and utilities and create a plan to equitably distribute these services.

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### **Objective 6C.**

Consider all costs as new public facilities and services are expanded, including on-going operating and maintenance costs.

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### **Objective 6D.**

Ensure new development has adequate sewer capacity or adequate site conditions for on-site sewage disposal.

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### **Objective 6E.**

Strategically expand access to public water systems in areas that are not served.

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### **Objective 6F.**

Continue to implement county-wide broadband strategies to strategically expand local access to quality internet service.

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### **Objective 6G.**

Require new developments to strategically bury utilities and create a detailed and phased plan to bury existing utilities in high-visibility areas.

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### **Objective 6H.**

Continue to support the expansion of medical services and facilities within the county.



## #7: ENVIRONMENT, DRAINAGE & OPEN SPACE

### OBJECTIVES & ACTION STEPS

## GOAL 7:

***Bullitt County is protecting the area's natural beauty and open spaces to reduce environmental impacts and drainage from development.***

### OBJECTIVES

**Objective 7A.**

Require responsible development in flood-prone areas and along steep slopes through development regulations and compatible uses.

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**Objective 7B.**

Improve drainage, erosion control, and stormwater management throughout the county.

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**Objective 7C.**

Improve the health of local watersheds, streams, and waterbodies by protecting and restoring these features, integrating green infrastructure into public design, and partnering with other agencies for development plan review.

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**Objective 7D.**

Protect and improve the natural and scenic areas (including woodlands, wildlife habitats, tree canopy, and aquifers) to enhance the physical appearance, environmental resiliency, and human health throughout the county.

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**Objective 7E.**

Protect key natural areas through conservation easement programs or resource protection zones.