

HARRODSBURG-MERCER COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

2020 VISION STATEMENT



As the first settlement west of the Alleghenies, Mercer County's rich heritage has been preserved by protecting the county's natural and cultural assets. Our small rural bluegrass communities are integral to the county and are surrounded by diverse farming operations producing unique agricultural products supported by local industries. The vibrant downtown of Harrodsburg serves as a community center that creatively entices and accommodates visitors to Shakertown, Fort Harrod, and other local historic resources. Our hospitality and community pride are an attraction to tourists, an inspiration to our citizens, and appealing to those who want to enjoy our high quality of life. Lake Herrington and other natural resources continue to provide a scenic community setting and numerous recreational opportunities for our residents.

Our pioneering spirit fosters innovative development strategies that balance preservation with sustainable economic opportunities. These opportunities, coupled with our high quality educational system and training programs, assist our community to provide meaningful and long-term employment for our youth. Our consolidated government, utility, and school systems are efficient and reflect our continued investment in our children and future generations. Our standards for development require infrastructure of a high quality, integrate design standards that are complementary to our distinctive character, and encourage the development of beautiful neighborhoods surrounded by greenspaces.

This is our vision of Harrodsburg and Mercer County in the year 2020.

