

Business Packet 2022



NEW BUSINESS WELCOME PACKET

The City of Union is excited to welcome you as a business owner. Sitting at the crossroads between the past and future, Union is dedicated to ensuring our current business community grows with us. The Economic Development Committee (EDC), comprised of six community members, one Commissioner, and City staff, advises the City of Union the full range of economic issues and policies that result in resourced solutions consistent with the City's value statements. The EDC focuses on business recruitment, retention, and expansion while honoring its commitment to balance development and quality of life.

The City of Union continues to experience an extremely high growth rate for single family housing developments. In 1970, the population was **233** people, by year 2000 it reached **2,893**, then **5,379** in 2010, and now in 2021, there are **7,416** residents in the City of Union. Since the early 1980's, the thrust of the community and its leaders has been to facilitate and foster the prosperity of business in Union, attract upscale housing development, and provide its citizens with a city that supports them and makes them feel welcome. As a result, the City of Union has grown from the smallest into the second-largest city in Boone County in less than twenty years, remaining remarkably free of the "Urban Sprawl" so prevalent in the country today.

At the dawn of the new millennium, the City of Union undertook the task of reinventing itself for the future of its citizens. In a joint effort involving the State of Kentucky, Boone County, Boone County Planning Commission, and its residents, the City of Union developed a long-range Town Plan to support sustainable growth for future generations.

The Vision of the Economic Development Committee is to explore sustainable opportunities and resources to attract businesses to the City of Union and help them thrive within the community. In this packet you will find contact information, available services, upcoming events, and resources for business owners.

Welcome to the City of Union!



VALUES STATEMENTS

We value a city that is clean and safe, a unique place for families to come together with opportunities for all who desire a great quality of life.

We believe in being fiscally responsible of tax dollars by allocating our resources efficiently and effectively for the citizens of Union.

We are committed to managing growth that balances development and quality of life, making Union a desirable place to live, work, and raise a family.

We strive to put the interests of our citizens first, providing consistent quality service in a timely and efficient manner.

Welcome Home, Welcome All!

City Commission

Mayor: Larry Solomon;
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City Engineer: Barry Burke;
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Regular Commission meetings are held on the 1st Monday of every month at 6:30PM in the Union City Building unless otherwise posted.

Resources

Utility Information

Telephone service: Cincinnati Bell 513-565-2210 or TWC at 888-735-0300

Water Service: Boone County Water District at 859-586-6155

Sewer Service: Sanitation District #1 at 859-578-7450

Electrical Service: Duke Power at 513-421-9500 or 800-544-6155

Cable Television: Time Warner Cable at 888-735-0300

Garbage/Recycling: Rumpke 513-742-2900

Internet/Cable: Spectrum 844-991-1436

Local Assistance

Union Post Office:

859-384-3715

Union Fire Department/EMS:

859-384-3342

Boone County Sheriff's Department:

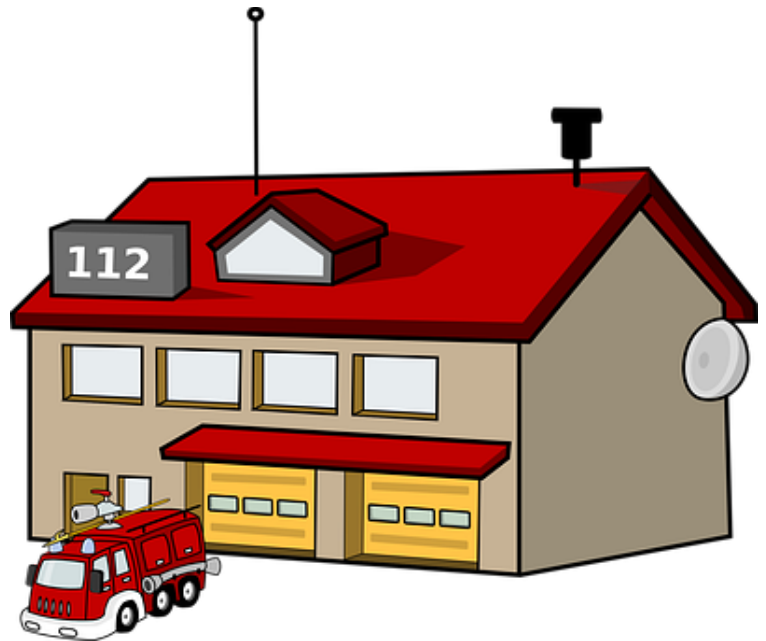
859-334-2175

Boone County Building Permits:

859-334-2218

Boone County Planning Commission:

859-334-2196 (Development & Zoning)



Business Resources

NKY Chamber of Commerce: www.NKYChamber.com

NKY Tri-County Economic Development Corporation (Tri-ED): <https://northernkentuckyusa.com/>

Kentucky Career Center: <https://kcc.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Kentucky Small Business Development Center: <https://kentuckysbdc.com/covington/>

The Kentucky Small Business Tax Credit: <https://ced.ky.gov/Entrepreneurship/KSBTC>

Kentucky Business Incentives: https://ced.ky.gov/Locating_Expanding/kybizince

Kentucky Workforce Innovation Board: <https://kwib.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>

Northern Kentucky Community Action Alliance: <https://www.nkcac.org/>

Social Media

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/CityofUnionKy>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofunionkentucky>

Newsletter

Boone County Newsletter:

<https://app.cerkl.com/org/profile.php?org=Your-Boone-County#.YRKY5spKiUk>

City of Union Demographics

A Family Community

The attractiveness of Union as a place to live and raise a family is evident in the dramatic increase in population over the past 4 decades. In 1970, the population of Union was a mere **233** people. By the year 2000, the population soared to **2893**, and then climbed to **5,379** in 2010.

Population

The 2020 US Census numbers reflect a population of **7,416** residing in **1,929** housing units.



Property

- Median Home Value: \$263,200
- Owner-occupied housing unit rate: 93.6%
- Persons per household: 3.06

Income and Education

- Median Household Income: \$125,051
- High School Graduate or higher: 97.3%
- Bachelor's degree or higher: 52.1%

The City of Union is rated **"#1 in best places to live in Boone County"** (www.niche.com). Union offers a low cost of living with a high quality of family-oriented lifestyle. A 2020 market analysis showed that Union appeals to upscale, professional families with kids, as well as wealthy, empty nesters, 55 and older, embarking on retirement.

City Events

Spring: Easter Egg Hunt

Summer: Union Celebrates America

Fall: Zachary Salmon Soldier Run

Winter: Breakfast with Santa

Sponsorship opportunities are available.

Ribbon Cuttings: Official ceremony is offered to new business owners in the City of Union.

Welcome



City Building

1843 Bristow Dr., Union, KY 41091

Phone: 859-384-1511

Hours: Monday-Friday from 10AM-4PM

**Closed on State and Federal holidays*

www.cityofunionky.org