



# Business Packet

# 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 four 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 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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**Commissioner:** John Mefford;  
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**Commissioner:** Jeremy Ramage;  
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**Commissioner:** Brian Garner;  
[bgarner@cityofunionky.org](mailto:bgarner@cityofunionky.org)

**Commissioner:** Doug Bine;  
[dbine@cityofunionky.org](mailto:dbine@cityofunionky.org)

### City Administration

**City Administrator:** Amy Safran;  
[amys@cityofunionky.org](mailto:amys@cityofunionky.org)

**Public Works Director:** Paul Kremer  
[pkremer@cityofunionky.org](mailto:pkremer@cityofunionky.org)

**Communications Coordinator:**  
Jaime Lyons; [jlyons@cityofunionky.org](mailto:jlyons@cityofunionky.org)

**City Clerk:** Tammy Wilhoite;  
[twilhoite@cityofunionky.org](mailto:twilhoite@cityofunionky.org)

**City Treasurer:** Christy Everman;  
[frontdesk@cityofunionky.org](mailto:frontdesk@cityofunionky.org)

**City Attorney:** Greg Voss;  
[gvoss@vosslaw.net](mailto:gvoss@vosslaw.net)

Regular Commission meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 6:00PM in the Union City Building unless otherwise posted.

# Resources

## Utility Information

**Telephone/Internet service:** Altafiber 513-599-8823 or Spectrum 833-272-6789

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

**Sewer Service:** Sanitation District #1 (SD1) at 859-578-7450

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

**Garbage/Recycling:** Rumpke 513-742-2900

## Local Assistance

**Union Post Office:**

859-384-3715

**Union Fire Department/EMS:**

859-384-3342

**Boone County Sheriff's Department:**

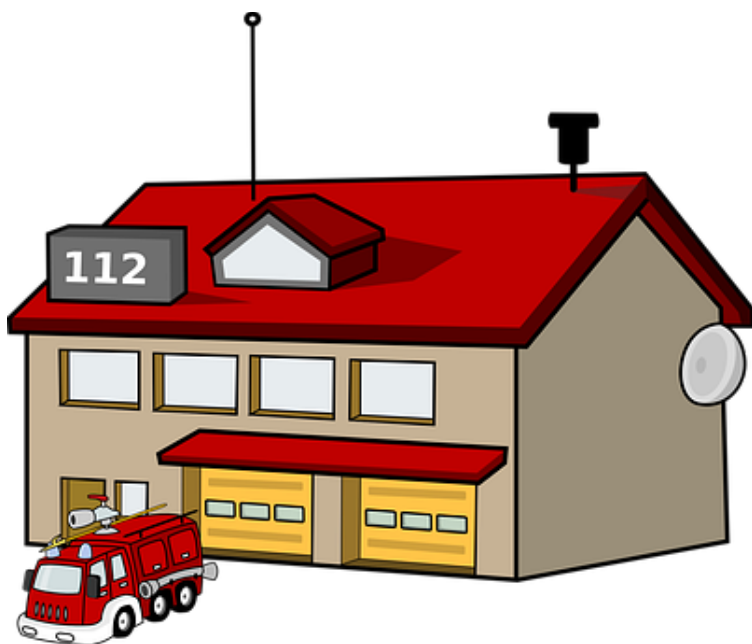
859-334-2175

**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](http://www.NKYChamber.com)

**Be-NKY Economic Development:** <https://be-nky.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](https://ced.ky.gov/Locating_Expanding/kybizince)

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

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

## Social Media

**Twitter:**

<https://twitter.com/CityofUnionKy>

**Facebook:**

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

**Instagram:**

<https://www.instagram.com/cityofunionky>

**Youtube:**

[@cityofunionky5003](https://www.youtube.com/c/cityofunionky5003)

## Eblast Updates

Sign up to receive City of Union Info

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/FsqZIvu/union>

# 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.



\*based on 2020 census

## 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](http://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.

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## City Events

**Spring:** Easter Egg Hunt

**Summer:** Union Celebrates America

**Fall:** Bourbon in the Bluegrass

**Winter:** Breakfast with Santa

**Sponsorship opportunities are available contact [jlyons@cityofunionky.org](mailto:jlyons@cityofunionky.org)**

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



## **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](http://www.cityofunionky.org)**