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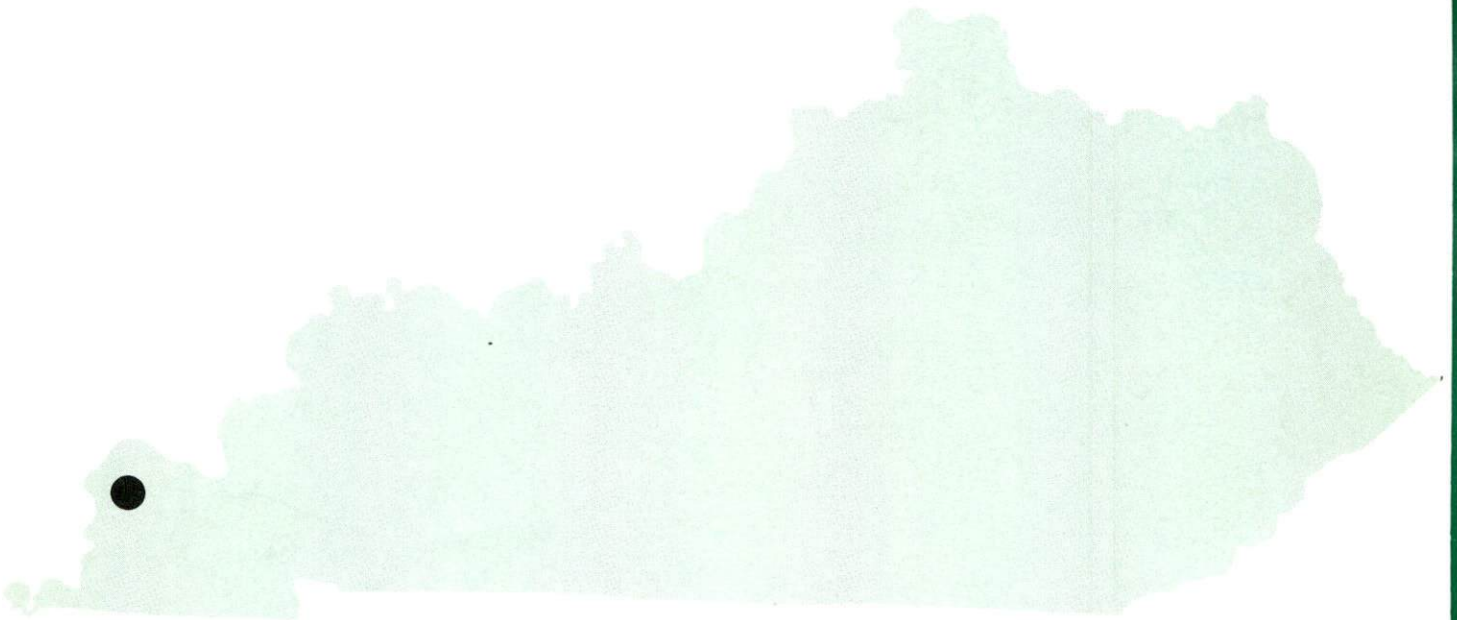
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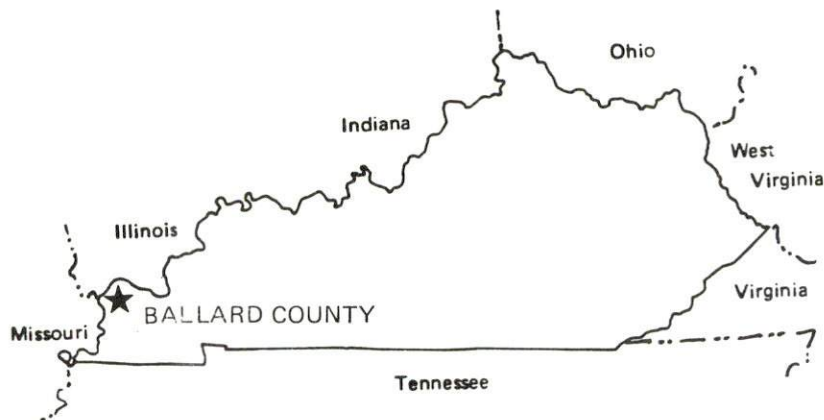
**A SUMMARY OF
RESOURCES
FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

BALLARD COUNTY



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**SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
BALLARD COUNTY, KENTUCKY**



POPULATION: 1982: Wickliffe - 946
 La Center - 983
 Barlow - 726
 Kevil - 350
 1982: Ballard County - 8,500; Labor Market Area - 108,200

BALLARD COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA: Includes Ballard, Carlisle, Graves and McCracken Counties.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1983:

| | <u>Ballard County</u> | <u>Labor Market Area</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 4,873 | 55,038 |
| Employment | 4,352 | 48,596 |
| Agricultural | 374 | 1,649 |
| Nonagricultural | 3,978 | 46,947 |
| Unemployment | 521 | 6,442 |
| Rate of Unemployment (%) | 10.7 | 11.7 |

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME, 1982:

Ballard County - \$8,324; Labor Market Area Range - \$8,000 - \$10,452

ESTIMATED AVAILABLE LABOR SUPPLY, 1983:

Ballard County - 856 Male, 617 Female; Labor Market Area - 7,075 Male, 6,665 Female

BALLARD COUNTY MANUFACTURING PLANTS:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Product</u> | <u>Employment</u> |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Wickliffe | | |
| Advance-Yoeman | Newspaper, job printing | 12 |
| Bradford Corporation | Prefabricated metal pipe | 35 |
| Deena Products Company | Ceramic lamp bases | 35 |
| Waldschmidt Lumber Company | Lumber | 30 |
| Westvaco Corporation | Business & printing papers, bleached chemical wood pulp | 546 |
| Wickliffe Skid Company | Wood skids & pallets | 8 |
| Barlow | | |
| B & W Signs & Screen Printing | Signs, decals, screen printing, textile screening | 3 |
| Harris Engineering, Inc. | Bipods | 8 |
| Kevil | | |
| Credence Speakers, Inc. | Loud speakers | 16 |
| David Gibbs Lumber | Rough lumber crossties, chips | 1 |
| Kevil Tool & Die | Machine shop | 2 |
| PMC, Inc. | PVC stabilizer | 2 |
| Tele Service Company | Telephone reconditioning service | 82 |

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS:

The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada, AFL-CIO, represents workers at Bradford Corporation in Wickliffe.
The United Paperworkers International Union, AFL-CIO, represents workers at Westvaco Corporation in Wickliffe.
The Graphic Communications International Union, AFL-CIO, represents workers at B & W Signs and Screen Printing in Barlow.

TRANSPORTATION:

Rail: Illinois Central Gulf Railroad provides rail service to Wickliffe, La Center, Barlow and Kevil with main or branch line service. The nearest piggyback facilities are available in Paducah, 33 miles east of Wickliffe.

Highways: The principle highway serving Ballard County is U.S. 60, a "AAA" rated trucking highway, which connects the cities of Wickliffe, La Center, Barlow and Kevil. Other "AAA" rated highways which serve the county are U.S. 51, U.S. 62, Kentucky 121 and Kentucky 286. Access to Interstate 57 is approximately 10 miles northwest of Wickliffe via U.S. 51. Access to Interstate 24 is 28 miles northeast of Wickliffe via U.S. 60 and access to the Purchase Parkway, a multi-lane toll road, is 29 miles southeast of Wickliffe via Kentucky 121.

Road Distance in Miles:

| | | | | | |
|---------|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Atlanta | 413 | Baltimore | 829 | Chicago | 374 |
| Detroit | 605 | New York | 991 | St. Louis | 179 |

Truck: Ballard County is served by interstate and intrastate service. There are 14 trucking companies that have the authority to serve Wickliffe, La Center, Barlow or Kevil.

Water: Ballard County is bordered on the west by the Mississippi River and on the north by the Ohio River. Two major riverports provide service to the area. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport is located in Hickman, 42 miles southwest of Wickliffe, and the Paducah-McCracken County Riverport is located in Paducah, 33 miles northeast of Wickliffe.

Air: Commuter air carrier service is provided by Allegheny Commuter and Britt Airlines at Barkley Regional Airport, which is located 8 miles west of Paducah, Kentucky; 25 miles northeast of Wickliffe.

UTILITIES:

Electricity: Wickliffe, La Center, Barlow, Kevil and parts of Ballard County are served by Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. The major portion of Ballard County is served by Jackson Purchase Electric Cooperative Corporation, whose source of supply is Big Rivers Electric Corporation.

Natural Gas: Commonwealth Service Corporation maintains the city-owned natural gas systems in Wickliffe, La Center, Barlow, and Kevil. The source of supply is Trunkline Gas Company.

Other Fuels: Propane and distillate fuel oil are available from several dealers located in Ballard County.

WATER AND SEWERAGE:

Water: Wickliffe is served by the Wickliffe Water Company and the source of raw water is the Mississippi River. The treatment plant capacity is 612,000 gallons per day. Average daily consumption is 280,000 gallons and peak daily consumption has been 485,000 gallons. Storage capacity is 200,000 gallons. La Center is served by the City of La Center Water Department and the source of raw water is wells. The treatment plant capacity is 300,000 gallons per day. Average daily consumption is 195,000 gallons and peak daily consumption has been 248,000 gallons. Storage capacity is 75,000 gallons. Barlow is served by the Barlow Water Department and the source of raw water is two wells. The treatment plant capacity is 432,000 gallons per day. Average daily consumption is 79,000 gallons and peak daily consumption has been 131,000 gallons. Storage capacity is 100,000 gallons. Kevil is served by the City of Kevil Water System. The treatment plant capacity is 360,000 gallons per day. Average daily consumption is 98,500 gallons and peak daily consumption is 136,000 gallons. Storage capacity is 50,000 gallons.

Sewerage: Wickliffe is served by the Wickliffe Sewerage Company. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 174,000 gallons per day. Average daily flow is 60,000 gallons and the treatment is by a lagoon system. La Center is served by the La Center Sewerage Department. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 130,000 gallons per day. Average daily flow is at capacity and the type of treatment is a trickling filter. A 201 Facilities Study is in the process at La Center. Completion of two new lagoons in La Center is to be in 1986. Barlow is served by the Barlow Sewerage Department. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 50,000 gallons per day. Average daily flow is at capacity and the type of treatment is a trickling filter. Kevil is served by the City of Kevil Water System. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 76,000 gallons per day. The estimated average daily flow is 40,000 gallons and the type of treatment is a lagoon system.

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE:

City: Wickliffe and La Center are each governed by a mayor elected to a four-year term and six council members elected to two-year terms. Barlow and Kevil are governed by a mayor elected to a four-year term and four commission members elected to two-year terms.

County: Ballard County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates who are elected to four-year terms.

TAXES: Combined state and local property tax rates per \$100 valuation, 1984 (100% assessment)

| | Inside City of Wickliffe | Inside City of La Center | Inside City of Barlow | Inside City of Kevil | Inside Unincorporated Ballard County |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 1. Land and buildings | \$1.0390 | \$1.1980 | \$1.051 | \$1.0060 | \$0.7090 |
| 2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment | 0.1500 | 0.1500 | 0.1500 | 0.1500 | 0.1500 |
| 3. Finished goods, office equipment, other tangibles | 1.3262 | 1.4852 | 1.3382 | 1.2932 | 0.9962 |
| 4. Intangibles (accounts receivable, notes, bonds, etc.) | 0.2500 | 0.2500 | 0.2500 | 0.2500 | 0.2500 |
| 5. Leaseholds in I.R. bond financed plants | 0.0150 | 0.0150 | 0.0150 | 0.0150 | 0.0150 |

EDUCATION: Ballard County is served by one school system. Total enrollment in the Ballard County School System is 1,673 with 877 elementary, 277 middle school, and 519 high school students. Vocational educational training is available at the Ballard County Area Vocational Education Center in Barlow and at the West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School in Paducah, 33 miles northwest of Wickliffe.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Telephone: Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc., serves Ballard County.

Telegraph: A Western Union toll-free number, 1-800-325-5100, is available for sending telegrams, mailgrams and international messages.

Newspaper: Advance-Yoeman is published weekly in Wickliffe with a circulation of 3,600.

Radio Station: WBCE-AM broadcasts from Wickliffe.

Television: Cable service is available to Ballard County. Major networks are received without cable from Paducah, Kentucky; Cape Girardeau, Missouri; and Harrisburg, Illinois.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES:

Hospitals: The Western Baptist Hospital with 367 acute care beds, and the Lourdes Hospital with 298 acute care beds, 25 psychiatric beds and six units of renal dialysis are located at Paducah, Kentucky, 33 miles northeast of Wickliffe.

Churches: Ballard County is represented by most major denominations. The denominations represented include Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Full Gospel, and Methodist.

Financial Institutions: Citizens State Bank is located in Wickliffe and has a branch in Barlow. The First National Bank, located in La Center, and the Kevil Bank, in Kevil, serve the area.

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