

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Lincoln Trail Area Development District (LTADD) is seeking a highly qualified firm to perform visioning and strategic planning services for the Hardin County area of the LTADD region. Due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) & Army Realignment, Fort Knox is expected to experience an increase of 5,000 or greater new jobs over the next 2 to 3 years. Hardin County is one of the largest and most populous counties in Kentucky. Historically, its governance and service delivery systems are characterized by multiple agencies and governmental entities. With a population of roughly 100,000 persons, the county (in addition to Fort Knox) contains six cities, county government, five water systems, four wastewater systems and five planning and zoning commissions.. Obviously, the delivery of governmental and quasi-public services in this manner is contradictory to economies of scale and efficiencies. The changes in both economic culture and numbers of new inhabitants related to Fort Knox growth will greatly impact on this structure. In fact, with growth occurring within a rather compressed time frame, it is imperative that our largest governmental unit ensure that delivery of essential public services is not overburdened.

Hardin County government proposes to conduct a detailed strategic visioning process, facilitated by an independent entity, to examine ways to improve efficiencies and effectiveness of service delivery inside the County. This strategic visioning plan has three components:

- Hardin County Strategic Assessment
- Leadership Off-site Meeting
- Strategic Vision, Plan and Goals Development

This process will involve all sectors of the County and will provide an inclusive, 'bottom-up' plan that will serve as a guidebook for community leaders to use as the County evolves and grows in the upcoming months.

Pre-qualification Requirements: Strategic Assessment / Planning; Visioning Processes and Development; Experience with Federal / Military Community Environment.

Expanded scope of services can be obtained from the Lincoln Trail Area Development District:

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Selection will be based on the experience of the firm in similar projects, qualifications of the firm's staff, quality of work, and ability of firm to perform work in a timely manner.

Qualified firms/entities should submit letters of interest and proposals to the Lincoln Trail Area Development District at 'wendell@ltadd.org' by 4:30 p.m. on June 10, 2009.