



Operation P.R.I.D.E.

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Operation PRIDE Partners with PRIDE

RE: Annual Report to our Partners

To Whom It May Concern:

Since its inception Operation P.R.I.D.E. has been dedicated to making Bowling Green-Warren County a better place to live, work and play. Here are some of the changes this past year:

Staff and equipment:

We now have two full-time contractors (in addition to the inmates and community service workers we normally use), to mow, weed-eat, de-weed, prune, pick up litter, fertilize and plant. We also purchased a riding lawn mower and other equipment to reduce cost and improve our services. We are using volunteers through a partnership with Experience Works and the Kelly Autism Program.

Cemetery Road:

We added Allied Energy; Kirby & Son Funeral Home; Jewelry Barn; Hunt Farm's: and Western Kentucky University Marketing and Sales Department to our Partners. We

mulched around the trees, shrubs and landscape this past year and used pre-emergent to reduce our weeds. We also sprayed the entire grass area with 2-4-D to control dandelions and clover.

Scottsville Road:

We installed a wrought iron fence and six (6) landscape beds and started maintaining Scottsville Road from Mel Browning Road to Ken Bale Blvd and added the B.G. Convention & Visitors Bureau; Drury Inn; Outback Steak House; and Jimmy D's Bar-B-Que as Scottsville Road Partners and we still have five (5) sign spaces available on Scottsville Road.

We are looking at taking over the entrance to Gary Farms Blvd., from the City to improve that intersection and will need two partners for signs at that location.

Louisville/SPUR Road:

We started maintaining Louisville/SPUR Road from I-65 to Louisville Road and added the National Corvette Museum; Corvette's Limited of Bowling Green KY, Inc.; TPM Environmental; and Hardy & Son Funeral Homes as Partners. Corvette banners have been added to each light post (like the WKU banners on Cemetery Road). We are clearing out the fence rows and cutting down diseased trees and replacing them two for one. We will be adding wood fencing at the four corners (like at Exit 6 on I-65) and will start planting trees and landscaping after the 1st frost.

Warren County Code Enforcement:

On January 1, 2010 Operation P.R.I.D.E. entered into an agreement with Warren County Judge Executive Mike Buchanon and Warren County Fiscal Court to take over the management of County Code Enforcement and also take care of Magisterial Districts 1, 2 and 3. Then, effective July 1, 2010 the Operation P.R.I.D.E. Board of Directors and Warren County Fiscal Court agreed to a year by year contract for Operation P.R.I.D.E. to continue doing Code Enforcement. Warren County purchased a 2010 Toyota Tacoma for officers to use for Code Enforcement and Operation P.R.I.D.E. They gave us funding to

hire a part-time Code Enforcement officer and pay for fuel for the vehicle. This opportunity improves our ability to make Warren County and Bowling Green a better place to live.

Fundraising:

Last year we received \$2,566.60 from Olde Stone for our Run for PRIDE (which we did again this year on August 21st) and we received a \$1,000.00 donation from the Starry Night Festival, which we again will receive proceeds from this year's event in October.

Enclosed with this letter, you will find Partners with PRIDE cling sign for your support and a copy of a list of our Board of Directors. I look forward to your continued support and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I have also provided my new e-mail address so that you can e-mail me as needed and if you provide me with your e-mail address I can e-mail your invoices and other information. If it is time for your renewal, you will also receive an invoice with this information. Please visit our web site at: <http://www.bgky.org/operationpride/>

In closing, I would like to thank you for your support of Operation P.R.I.D.E. because with you, the City of Bowling Green and Warren County we were able to spend \$127,326.57 directly on Cemetery Road, Scottsville Road and Louisville Road corridors!

Sincerely

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