

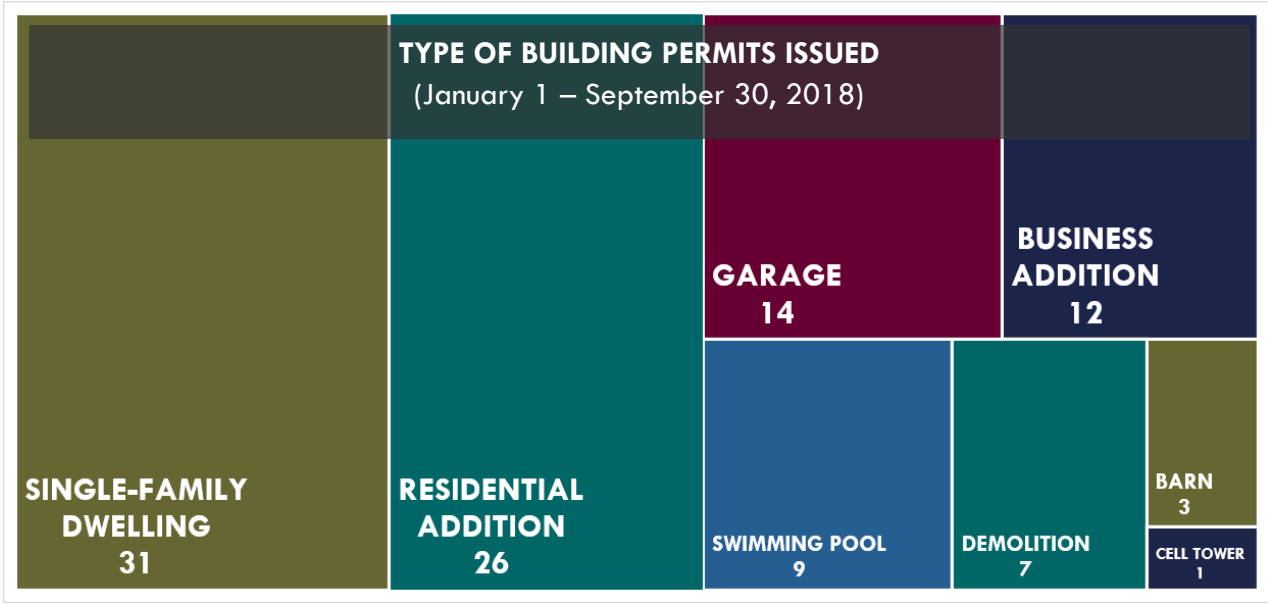
**BOURBON COUNTY JOINT PLANNING OFFICE**  
**2018 REPORT OF ACTIVITY**

January 1 – September 30, 2018  
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**FALL SCHEDULE** 

November 15 . Planning Commission Meeting  
 December 7 . Holiday Meet and Greet  
 December 20 . Planning Commission Meeting

Total reported investment in construction in 2018  
**\$9.1 million**



*Snapshot* **RESIDENTIAL BUILDING**

**HOUSING UNITS PERMITTED (2018)** **31**

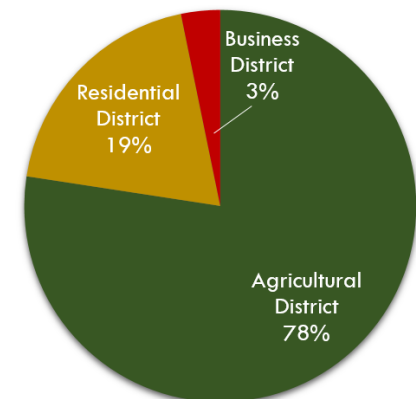
Bourbon County Single Family Permits	25
City of North Middletown Single Family Permit	1
City of Paris Single Family Permits	5
City of Millersburg Single Family Permits	0
Duplex/Multi-Family Permits	0

Average Single Family Square Footage 2,500 sf  
 Average Single Family Cost Per Unit \$227,000

**109** Building Permits Issued  
**148** Electrical Permits Issued  
**170** Building Inspections  
**228** Code Enforcement Visits

**NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS (2018)**

The pie chart to the right shows the percentage of new housing construction broken down by zoning district.



## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT



## RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT



## HISTORIC PRESERVATION



# UPDATES

- **“Envision 2040” Comprehensive Plan.** Over the past few months, the Planning Office requested appointments to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Board. The following appointments have been made to the Advisory Committee:
  - City of Paris: Mike Kendall (Commissioner) and Mike Withrow (Staff);
  - City of North Middletown: Larry Stevenson (City Council member);
  - City of Millersburg: Tom Moore (Board of Adjustment Member);
  - Bourbon County Fiscal Court: Don Menke (Magistrate) and Don McCarty (Magistrate);
  - Planning Commission: Guy Bowman, Jan Wagener, and Bobby Clark;
  - At-Large Members: To Be Determined at the November 15 Planning Commission Meeting
- The first Envision 2040 Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday October 25 at the Library.
- **Housing Demand Study.** This year, the University of Kentucky assisted the Bourbon County Joint Planning Office to complete a housing demand study. Community engagement included the dissemination of a housing survey and two community meetings. At the second meeting, attendees discussed housing goals for our community. **The Housing Demand Study Final Draft is anticipated to be released in November 2018. Stay tuned!**
- **Subdivision Regulations. Update.** *In-process. Staff will inform local officials on a date for Planning Commission Workshops.*

See final page of this report for feedback received during the Millersburg Chautauqua Festival



## FEEDBACK FROM HOUSING COMMUNITY MEETING

The below notes resulted from break-out group discussion during the most recent Housing Community Meeting in October. Groups were asked to come up with five goals and/or strategies for improving housing in our community.

- Landlord/tenant accountability (+1)
- Code enforcement (+4)
- Improvements to ordinances
- Improve transportation/access to Lexington
- Find balance among housing needs
- Incentivize revitalization through local programs and other state programs such as the historic tax credit.
- Increase the minimum lot size in the City limits.
- Enforcement for vacant/dilapidated properties.
- Sidewalk maintenance.
- Housing modernization (+2)
- Senior independent and assisted housing (+1)
- Consistent housing development.
- Loft living/adaptive reuse.
- Education and incentives for first-time homebuyers
- Invest in community facilities for lower-income neighborhoods.
- Explore an alternative to the five (5) acre minimum for development outside of the incorporated cities. Such an alternative might be cluster-type development. (+1)
- Preservation of prime farmland.

The above feedback will be used to inform the Housing workgroup of the Envision 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Anyone that is interested in participating in this workgroup may join. Please contact the Bourbon County Joint Planning Office if you would like to be added to the list. A draft of the Housing Demand Study will be available in November.

How do you envision  
**HOUSING** in Bourbon County?



ENVISION BOURBON COUNTY



 College of Agriculture,  
Food and Environment  
Community and Economic Development Institute of Kentucky



# “Chalk and Talk” at Chautauqua 2018

MILLERSBURG, KY -

On Saturday,  
September 8th  
attendees of the  
Millersburg



Chautauqua Festival

participated in a “Chalk and Talk” activity to share their aspirations for improving the Millersburg Community. This community engagement activity was developed by the University of Kentucky Community Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky (CEDIK) and sponsored by the Bourbon County Joint Planning Commission.

One of the most insightful parts of this activity was to hear the voices and opinions of the YOUTH! Despite the wet weather, there were many participants!

There were three fill-in-the-blank sentences posed:

1. *Next time I come downtown, I want to see...*

2. *My favorite thing about Millersburg is...*

3. *The next generation of Millersburg needs...*

Check out the responses to the right!

## *My Favorite Thing About Millersburg is...*

- ◊ Safe home/my home (+1)
- ◊ Lovely older homes (+2)
- ◊ The people (+2)
- ◊ Julie's porch (+1)
- ◊ The architecture (+1)
- ◊ Town square (+1)
- ◊ Community (+1)
- ◊ The munch mobile
- ◊ Friendliness (+4)
- ◊ Mustard Seed Hill (+1)
- ◊ Chautauqua Festival (+4)
- ◊ Smaller than Lexington
- ◊ My roots
- ◊ Lorrain Smoot (+1)
- ◊ Denise Waller (+1)
- ◊ It's history
- ◊ Everything

## *Next time I come Downtown...*

- ◊ Flea market (+2)
- ◊ We hope its sunny (+6)
- ◊ Ice cream shop (+5)
- ◊ More animals (+3)
- ◊ Bingo (+2)
- ◊ More entertainment
- ◊ Something for kids to do (+21)
- ◊ Walmart (+4)
- ◊ Restaurant (+8)
- ◊ Dog park (+6)
- ◊ Community cafeteria (+4)
- ◊ Peddlers mall (+5)
- ◊ Coffee shop (+5)

## *The Next Generation of Millersburg needs...*

- ◊ Lunch (+3)
- ◊ Good education (+2)
- ◊ Need a next generation
- ◊ Water park (+6)
- ◊ School (+2)
- ◊ Trampoline Park (+2)
- ◊ Guidance (+1)
- ◊ Involved (+2)
- ◊ Good housing (+2)
- ◊ Park (+5)
- ◊ Clean streams (+2)
- ◊ Skate park (+3)
- ◊ Arcade (+3)
- ◊ Pool (+4)
- ◊ Pool room (+1)
- ◊ Bigger basketball court

**How will this information be used?** There are many ways! The primary focus of the activity is to encourage the Community to tell us what they think. What are your priorities? What would make life better? By tabulating and then referring to these responses later, our decision-makers can construct more effective policies that better reflect the Community's wants and needs.

Would you like to be involved with future planning initiatives? Visit [www.bourboncountyplanning.com](http://www.bourboncountyplanning.com) or call the Planning Office! 859-987-2150.