

The Procedures For Incorporating The City Of West Louisville (KRS 81.050; 81.051)

(1) To seek incorporation of the City of West Louisville, a petition, signed by at least three hundred residents of the proposed city, must be filed in Jefferson Circuit Court. The Petition must include the following information:
(a) The signatures and addresses:


- (1) Two-Thirds (2/3) of registered voters in the proposed territory.
- Or
- (2) Property owners whose assessed and real property value total at least two-third (2/3) of the assessed property value of real property in the proposed territory.
- (b) A statement of the boundaries proposed and the number of residents.
- (c) An accurate map of the proposed territory.
- (d) A detailed statement of the reasons for incorporation including the services within the proposed territory.
- (e) A description of the form of government under which the city will operate if incorporated
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(2) The petition shall be docketed for hearing not less than twenty (20) days from the date of the filing of the petition. Notice of the filing of the petition and of its object shall be given by publication, pursuant to KRS Chapter 424.

Some of the Services You Can Expect From Your City Government

- (1) A City Administration That Is Responsive To The Needs And Aspirations Of Its Residents.
- (2) The City of West Louisville Will Be The Safest City In The Nation.
- (3) We Will Create Jobs
- (4) Other Services And Amenities


Interested in helping establish the City of West Louisville, or for more information on boundaries, call (502) 776-7688.



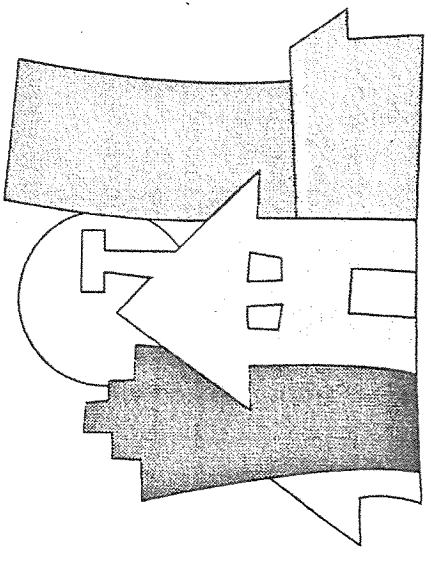
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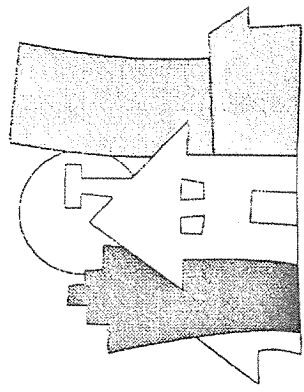


The City OR CITIES of West Louisville



It takes just 300 registered voters or property owners for incorporation

In 1994, the General Assembly enacted Constitution Section 156A. It states "The General Assembly may provide for the creation, alteration or boundaries, consolidation, merger, dissolution, government, functions and offices of cities" In effect the General Assembly can merge Louisville and Jefferson County without voter approval. See also Attorney General opinion.



Why The City of West Louisville

Establishing the City of West Louisville stems from West Louisville citizen's dissatisfaction with the distribution, level, quality and delivery of services provided by the City of Louisville.

West Louisville residents eagerly petition for incorporation not to promote racial divisiveness but, like the 92 incorporated cities that encircle West Louisville and the City of Louisville, we want to improve the quality of life in our community and avoid merger.

Fearing their loss of identity if swallowed up by the City of Louisville, residents of St. Matthews, Shively, Jeffersontown, Glenmore, Hurstbourne, Okolona, etc., incorporated to avoid annexation by the City of Louisville. Incorporating into their own city they could provide a less remote government, lower taxes, better services, more amenities and a higher quality of life. And they will fight like tigers against annexation, merger or any restructuring of government that denies their "democratic right" to discover better ways of living.

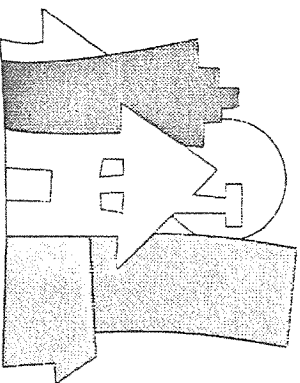
These cities also purchase, at low cost, some essential services from the City of Louisville. Thus, these cities are like permanent guests in one's home. They benefit from being within the family, but are not full dues-paying members of it.

Currently, we helplessly watch the growth of incorporated suburbs with all of the accompa-

nying amenities. Meanwhile, city services such as garbage collection, street lighting, sidewalk maintenance, and police protection become laughable. If merger passes not only will jobs, amenities, services and political influence accelerate to East Louisville, but downtown and West Louisville will serve as permanent hosts to enclaves of people who use the City, drive on its streets, fill the Belvedere and Waterfront Park, attend Actors Theatre and Center for the Arts, visit the science and but museum and in general profit from being within the City while not paying City taxes to support any of these benefits.

You can stop the inadequate provision of services currently rendered by the City of Louisville, improve the lack of social and economic amenities in West Louisville and change the quality of life in our Community by doing what 92 other cities in Jefferson County have done: Petition to incorporate the City of West Louisville. Rather than continue to be treated like dogs, let us fight like tigers to acquire the "democratic right" to discover better ways of living.

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How Will The City of West Louisville Pay for Services

According to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky (Section 181; See also KRS 92.281), cities of all classes have the authority to levy and collect taxes and use the revenue from it to provide services to its citizens. Thus, some revenue sources of the City of West Louisville would be:

- Federal and State Funds
- Licenses and Permits
- Occupational taxes
- Real and personal property taxes

Other sources of income include (but not limited to) interest income, fines, service charges, franchise fees, utility dividends, etc. **Please note that property taxes are less than 20% of the City of Louisville's Budget and we do not know what percentage of this 20% is real property. No city, at least in Jefferson County, relies on real property taxes for existence and neither will we.**

With the variety of revenue sources available to the City of West Louisville, we will be able to improve service and amenities and at the same time lower taxes for the first time in our history. West Louisville residents will get more services for their tax dollars.

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