

Muhlenberg County

1) Brief History

The thirty-second county in order of formation, Muhlenberg County was formed in 1798 from the neighboring counties of Logan and Christian. Muhlenberg County was named after General John Peter Gabriel Muhlenberg, a clergyman, a soldier, and a politician of the Colonial, Revolutionary, and Post-Revolutionary eras.

White settlers came into the Muhlenberg County area in the 1780s and 1790s, many of them soldiers in General Muhlenberg's regiment. It was soon discovered that the region was rich in coal and iron deposits. One of the first coal mines in the county was established in 1820 on a farm on the Green River. Initially this coal was sold to local blacksmiths to fire their forges. As more deposits were found near the Green River, which provided easy access to other markets such as Owensboro and Evansville, Indiana, Muhlenberg's coal industry grew.

During the antebellum period, Muhlenberg County was a center of the Kentucky iron industry. In 1855 Sir Robert Alexander built the Airdrie Iron Furnace with the assistance of imported Scottish labor. Tobacco farming, especially in the county's northwest section, predominated during the 1850s. Grains and hogs were also raised.

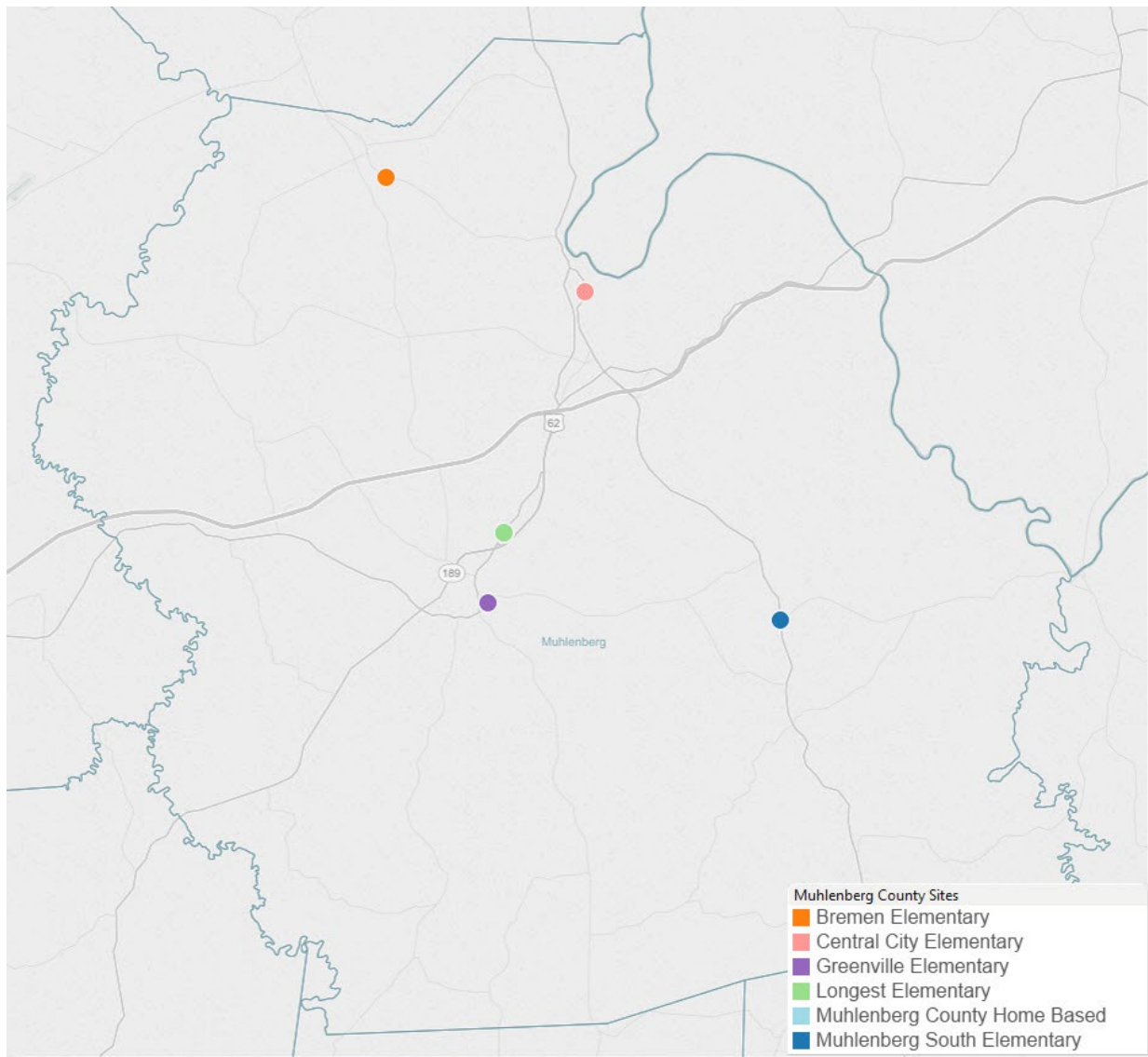
2) Geographical Description

Located in west-central Kentucky, Muhlenberg County is bordered by Butler, Christian, Hopkins, Logan, McLean, Ohio, and Todd counties and has an area of 478 square miles. The topography of Muhlenberg County is varied. The southern section of the county is somewhat rugged; the central portion of the county, extending toward its northern boundary, is more level. Over 40 percent of the county is still covered by hardwood forests, mostly of oak and hickory. The principal streams are the Green, Mud, and Pond rivers.

Lake Malone, spanning 788 acres in southern Muhlenberg County, provides water recreation such as swimming, boating, and fishing. The lake and the surrounding hardwood forest form Lake Malone State Park. The Paradise Park in Powderly is a replica of a 1920's coal-mining town and features the birthplace home of the late Merle Travis.

Sources: kyenc.org
muhlenbergcounty.ky.gov

3) Location of Centers



Bremen Elementary
 5000 State Route 81
 Bremen, KY 42325

Longest Elementary
 1020 North Main Street
 Greenville, KY 42345

Central City Elementary
 1501 N 2nd Street
 Central City, KY 42330

Muhlenberg County Home Based
 1020 North Main Street
 Greenville, KY 42345

Greenville Elementary
 201 E Main Cross St
 Greenville, KY 42345

Muhlenberg South Elementary
 2005 US Hwy 431
 South Beechmont, KY 42323

4) Demographic Data

a) Population Description

Annual Estimates of Resident Population											
April 1, 2010								April 1, 2020 Estimates Base	Population Estimate (as of July 1)		
Census	Estimates Base	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		2020	2021	2022
31,499	31,499	31,302	31,245	31,150	30,925	30,811	30,622	30,930	30,886	30,072	30,455

Age Group as a Percent of Population														
	Under 5		5-9		10-14		15-19		20-24		25-34		35-44	
Total population	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%
31,011	1,744	5.6%	1,614	5.2%	1,895	6.1%	1,941	6.3%	1,776	5.7%	3,646	11.8%	3,729	12.0%
	45-54		55-59		60-64		65-74		75-84		85 yrs+			
	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%		
	4,026	13.0%	2,087	6.7%	2,180	7.0%	3,555	11.5%	2,357	7.6%	461	1.5%		

b) Households and Families

Households and Families			
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		Estimate	%
Total households		11,456	
Households with one or more people under 18 years		3,314	28.9%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over		4,251	37.1%
Average household size		2.63	
Average family size		3.15	
GRANDPARENTS			
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years		607	
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren		314	51.7%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Total housing units		13,524	
1-unit structures		10,282	76.0%
2-or more-unit structures		799	5.9%
Mobile homes, Boat, RV, etc.		2,443	18.1%
HOUSING TENURE			
Owner-occupied		9,359	81.7%
Renter-occupied		2,097	18.3%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units		11,456	
No vehicles available		583	5.1%
1 vehicle available		2,983	26.0%

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	48	0.4%
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	144	1.3%
No telephone service available	221	1.9%

c) Racial and Ethnic Demographics

Racial & Ethnic Demographics								
Total Population:	Not Hispanic or Latino							Hispanic or Latino:
	White	Black or African American	American Indian & Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian & Other Pac. Islander	Other race	2 or more races:	
30,493	28,521	1,278	75	94	15	20	490	1,036

d) Characteristics and Projected Growth

Census 2010 and 2020			
Actual			
Census 2010	Census 2020	Net Change	% Change
31,499	30,928	-571	-1.81%

Population Projections 2025-2040											
Projections											
2025	Net Change	% Change	2030	Net Change	% Change	2035	Net Change	% Change	2040	Net Change	% Change
30,475	-453	-1.46%	29,930	-545	-1.79%	29,239	-691	-2.31%	28,475	-764	-2.61%

Summary Indicators												
Population			Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Median age (years)				Ratio Analysis				
Total	Male	Female		Median age (years)	Under 18 years	Male	Female	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	65 years and over	Male	Female	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)
31,011	15,336	15,675	97.8	43.2	6,450	12,115	12,446	97.3	6,373	2,695	3,678	73.3

e) Social and Economic Status of Population

Educational Attainment					
Less than a High School Diploma or Equivalent	High School Diploma or Equivalent	Some College but No Degree	Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree
16.7%	42.8%	18.7%	9.9%	6.9%	5.0%

Basic Facts						
Total Population	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income	Living In Poverty	Without Medical Insurance	Unemployment Rate	Access to Broadband Internet (2021)
31,011	\$46,124	\$28,609	20.9%	7.4%	5.1%	83.6%

5) Estimated Number of Head Start Eligible Children

Estimated Number of Early Head Start Eligible Children							
Total population (Estimate)	%	Under 5 Years	Children 0-2 Years Old	2021 Child Poverty Rate	Estimated Eligible Income	Funded Enrollment	Difference
31,011	5.4%	1,744	999	29.2%	292	21	-271
Estimated Number of Head Start Eligible Children							
Total population (Estimate)	%	Under 5 Years	Children 3-4 Years Old	2021 Child Poverty Rate	Estimated Eligible Income	Funded Enrollment	Difference
31,011	5.4%	1,744	705	29.2%	206	209	3

6) Nutrition

Health Outcomes and Factors															
Health Outcomes		Health Factors		Length of Life		Quality of Life		Health Behaviors		Clinical Care		Social & Economic Factors		Physical Environment	
Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank
-0.20	55	0.13	77	-0.14	56	-0.05	59	0.02	68	-0.01	51	0.06	81	0.07	111

Health Care Providers								
Primary Care Physicians			Dentists			Mental Health Providers		
# Primary Care Physicians	PCP Ratio	Z-Score	# Dentists	Dentist Ratio	Z-Score	# Mental Health Providers	MHP Ratio	Z-Score
12	2538:1	0.13	9	3410:1	0.35	23	1335:1	0.35

7) Children with Disabilities

Services Received by Children													
Children 0-2 Years Old		Children 3-4 Years Old		<u>Risk Factors</u> - Birth to Teenage Girls 15-19 - Rate per 1,000 Females Ages 15-19	<u>Risk Factors</u> - Preterm Babies (born before 37 weeks of pregnancy)	Children Living Below 100% Poverty		Children Living Below 150% Poverty		Children Living Below 200% Poverty			
999	3.3%	705	2.3%	30	39	12.6%	367	18.7%	895	45.7%	1,130	57.7%	

Children Receiving Medicaid Insurance	Children Receiving KCHIP Health Insurance	KCHIP Expansion	<u>Risk Factors</u> - Low Birth Weight Babies (born >5.5 pounds)		<u>Risk Factors</u> - Children 0-17 years old with Substantiated Abuse / Neglect
3,796	73	768	39	9.7%	130

8) Strengths and Need of Head Start Eligible Children and Families as Defined by the Families

Families in each county were given the opportunity to be involved in our Family Partnership Agreement process which included completing an individualized family goal, pre-assessment, and post assessment. The main areas for both assessments include: education, employment, housing, transportation, emergency assistance, child birth, relative child, family literacy, resources/training, volunteering, and community involvement. The purpose of the pre-assessment is to better understand the family's unique strengths and needs to determine if any follow-up of services or resources are needed.

Pre & Post Assessment with Families			
Assessment	1	2	+/-
Employment & Job Skills	3.2	3.3	▲ 0.1
Money Management	3.2	3.4	▲ 0.2
Safe and Stable Housing	3.8	3.9	▲ 0.1
Transportation Access	4	3.9	▼ 0
Medical, Dental & Vision Care	4	4	▼ 0
Mental Wellness	3.8	3.9	▲ 0.1
Nutrition	2.7	2.8	▲ 0.1
Parenting Practices	3.7	3.9	▲ 0.2
Actively Involved with Child	3.7	3.9	▲ 0.2
Language Development	3.7	3.9	▲ 0.2
Parent as Educator	3.6	3.8	▲ 0.2
Adult Education	2.3	2.3	▼ 0
Transitional Services	3.6	3.9	▲ 0.3
Support Network	3.6	3.7	▲ 0.1
Civic/Community Involvement	2	2.3	▲ 0.3
TOTAL	50.9	52.8	▲ 1.9

9) Strengths and Needs of Head Start Eligible Children and Families as Defined by the Community

Top 5 Most Important Problems:

1. Alcohol/Drug Abuse – 53.4%
2. Prescription Drug Abuse – 29.4%
3. Child Abuse/Neglect – 25.7%
4. Teen Pregnancy – 25.4%
5. Tobacco Use – 23.4%

Top 3 Most Negative Behaviors:

1. Substance Abuse – 60.9%
2. Being Overweight – 45.3%
3. Tobacco Use – 27.7%

Source: Muhlenberg County Community Health Survey

10) Other Child Development Programs

Early Care and Education Programs				
Kindergarten	Preschool	Head Start Enrollment	Total Child Care Capacity	Children Receiving Child Care Assistance (CCAP Program)
349	49	213	546	101

Child Care Providers				
Percent of Total Child Care Facilities by STAR Rating				
One Star	Two Stars	Three Stars	Four Stars	Unrated
57.1%	0.0%	42.9%	0.0%	0.0%

Licensed/Certified Child Care Centers and Capacity by STAR Rating				
STARS Licensed	STARS Certified	STARS Licensed Child Care Capacity	STARS Certified Child Care Capacity	Public Preschool
7		546		5

Access and Availability of Community Resources

Career Training, Employment, and Job Readiness

Muhlenberg Career and Advancement Center
50 Career Way
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-338-5939

Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
275 E. Main Street Mail Drop 2-EK
Frankfort, KY 40621

Toll Free:800-372-7172

Phone: 502-564-4440

Fax: 502-564-6745

Fax: 502-564-1268

Child Services

Protection and Permanency
210 South Boggess Avenue
P.O. Box 549
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-3072

Child Support
P.O. Box 269
140 Main Street
Calhoun, KY 42327-0269

Phone: 270-338-5909

Family Education Assessment Treatment (F.E.A.T.)

Phone: 859-824-5074

Health Access Nurturing Development Services (H.A.N.D.S.)

Phone: 502-564-3756

Parenting Help for Teens

<http://members.tripod.com/xila/teens.html>

Clothing

Central City Goodwill
220 S. 2nd Street
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-757-1112

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store
213 Midtown Plaza
Beaver Dam, KY 42320

Phone: 270-274-5118

Disability Services

Protection & Advocacy
100 Fair Oaks Lane, Suite 302
Frankfort, KY 40601
*Issues related to disability www.kypa.net

Phone: 800-372-2988
Fax: 502-564-0848

Center for Accessible Living
1051 N. 16th Street Suite C
Murray, KY 42071

Phone: 270-753-7676

Domestic Violence

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Toll Free: 800-779-SAFE

Battered Women Justice Project

Toll Free: 800-903-0111

Educational Opportunities

Muhlenberg County GED Information

Phone: 270-338-2257

KY Tech – Muhlenberg County Campus
201 Airport Road
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-1271

Madisonville Community College – Muhlenberg Campus
406 W. Everly Brothers Blvd
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-757-9881

Ex-Offender/Sex Offender Assistance & Advocacy**Bluegrass Reentry Council****Chrysalis House**

1589 Hill Rise

Lexington, KY 40504

www.KentuckyReentry.org/

Phone: 859-977-2502

Fax: 859-233-9231

Protection & Advocacy

100 Fair Oaks Lane, Suite 302

Frankfort, KY 40601

*Issues related to disability www.kypa.net

Phone: 800-372-2988

Fax: 502-564-0848

Financial Assistance**Central City Ministerial Association**

Third and Broad Street.

Central City, KY 42330

*Food and clothing; utility assistance; rent and lodging assistance (2 days to 1 month); service referrals

Phone: 270-754-3280

Heartland Cares

619 N. 30th Street

Paducah, KY 42001

www.hcares.org

Phone: 270-444-8183

Pennyrile Allied Community Services

518 Hopkinsville Street

Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-5080

Kentucky Department for Families and Children

518 Hopkinsville St.

Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-2330

Food Assistance**Central City Ministerial Association**

Phone: 270-754-3280

Third and Broad Street

Central City, KY 42330

*Food and clothing; utility assistance; rent and lodging assistance (2 days to 1 month); service referrals

Heartland Cares

Phone: 270-444-8183

619 N. 30th Street

Paducah, KY 42001

www.hcares.org**Hope 2 All Community Food Pantry of Muhlenberg**

Phone: 270-476-5152

307 Mose Roger Boulevard

Drakesboro, KY 42337

KY Dept for Families and Children

Phone: 270-338-2330

518 Hopkinsville Street

Greenville, KY 42345

Pennyrile Allied Community Services

Phone: 270-338-5080

518 Hopkinsville Street

Greenville, KY 42345

God's Pantry- Emergency Food Box Program

Phone: 859-288-5319

Gambler's Anonymous**1-888-GA-HELPS****Government Agencies (Includes State and Local Officials/Police Agencies)****Job Corp**

Phone: 270-338-3422

3875 St Rut 181 N.

Greenville, KY 42330

Phone: 270-338-3654

Department for Employment Services

50 Career Way
Central City, KY 42330

Government Agencies (Includes State and Local Officials/Police Agencies)**Kentucky Department for Families and Children**

518 Hopkinsville Street
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-2330

Central City Housing Authority

511 S. 9th Street
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-754-2521

Greenville Housing Authority

613 Reynolds Street
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-5900

Central City Police Department

Phone: 270-754-2464

Greenville Police Department

Phone: 270-338-3133

Halfway Houses, Homeless Shelters, and Housing**Heartland Cares**

619 N. 30th Street
Paducah, KY 42001
www.hcares.org

Phone: 270-444-8183

Sanctuary, Inc.

P.O. Box 1165
Hopkinsville, KY 42241-1165
www.sanctuaryinc.net

Phone: 270-885-4572

Central City Ministerial Association

Third and Broad Street
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-754-3280

Healthcare**Owensboro Health**

440 Hopkinsville Street
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-8000

Muhlenberg County Health Department

105 Legion Drive
P.O. Box 148
Central City, KY 42330

Phone: 270-754-3200

HIV/AIDS**Heartland Cares**

619 N. 30th Street
Paducah, KY 42001 www.hcares.org

Phone: 270-444-8183

KY HIV- AIDS Program

Toll Free:800-420-7431

Identification: Birth Certificates, Driver's License, Social Security**Birth Certificate Information****Office of Vital Statistics**

275 E. Main Street, 1E-A
Frankfort, KY 40621

Phone: 502-564-4212

Driver's License Information**Muhlenberg Circuit Clerk**

Muhlenberg County Judicial Center
136 S Main Street
P. O. Box 776
Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-338-4850

Social Security Information**Social Security Office – Main Office**

601 W. Broadway, Room 101
Louisville, KY 40202

Local #: 866-716-9671
National: 800-772-1213
TTY: 502-582-5517

Muhlenberg County Social Security Office

2100 Fort Campbell Blvd.
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Phone: 270-886-3855

Legal Help**Kentucky Legal Aid**

1700 Destiny Lane
Bowling Green, KY 42104 www.klaid.org

Toll Free: 866-452-9243

Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy

1079 Thornberry Drive
Madisonville, KY 42431

Phone: 270-824-7001

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services**Pennyroyal Center**

Phone: 502-338-5211
Crisis #: 877-473-7766

Western State Hospital

P.O Box 2200
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Phone: 270-889-6025

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Service Administration [SAMHSA]

<http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/databases/facility-search.aspx?state=KY>

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) Kentucky

C/O Somerset Community College
808 Monticello Street
Somerset, Kentucky 42501

Phone: 606-451-6935
Toll Free 800-257-5081

Alcoholics Anonymous

Toll Free:800-467-8091

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services(Continued)**Narcotics Anonymous**

Toll Free 800-662-HELP

Mental Health Association of Kentucky

120 Sears Avenue Suite 213

Louisville KY 40207

Phone: 502-638-3501

Toll Free:888-705-0463

Medication Assistance Programs**Partnership for Prescription Assistance:** www.pparx.org**RXAssist:** <http://www.rxassist.org/>**Transportation**

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember telephone number that connects people with important community services, including transportation options

Veteran's Services**Kentucky Department of Veteran's Affairs**

1111 B Louisville Road

Frankfort, KY 40601

www.veterans.ky.gov

Toll Free:800-572-6245

Phone: 502-564-9203

Fax: 502-564-9240

Readjustment Counseling Services [RCS]

US Department of Veteran's Affairs

810 Vermont Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20420

www.va.gov

Phone:877-WAR-VETS