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COUNTIES

JASON HOWELL

March 14, 2024

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

As state senator for District 1, it is with pleasure that I write in support of Trigg County's USDA grant application for \$4 million dollars. If approved, this grant will be used for the construction of a new emergency medical/ambulance building in Trigg County.

The current building is 30 years old and, having been used all day every day in that time, it has seen better days. The building plan includes six bedrooms, locker rooms for both men and women, a training room, kitchen and lounge area, three offices, and six bays for the ambulance garage. This new building will be conveniently located on the grounds of the Trigg County Hospital.

Your support of Trigg County's grant application is greatly appreciated. Feel free to contact me if I can be of service in any way.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Howell", written over a large, stylized oval scribble.

Jason Howell
State Senator

JH/ajd

Commonwealth of Kentucky

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

5th Legislative District
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STATE CAPITOL ANNEX
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MARY BETH IMES

March 6, 2024

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

I write to lend my support for Trigg County Hospital's USDA Community Facilities Grant application. The hospital is seeking \$4 million in funds for the Trigg County Ambulance Service Building project.

Currently, the Trigg County Hospital (TCH) Ambulance Service is in a building that has been in continuous use for 30 years. The building is outdated and inadequate for the services they provide. The proposed new facility meets the modern needs of co-ed crews and includes six bedrooms, men's and women's locker rooms, a training room, a kitchen/dining/lounge area, three offices, and a six-bay ambulance garage. The building will be constructed on the grounds of Trigg County Hospital.

The building project is important to Trigg County and the surrounding communities. TCH Ambulance Service covers the Land Between the Lakes and the I-24 portion of Trigg County and serves mutual aid to surrounding counties. The demand for their ambulance services continues to increase, and there will soon be a need for three crews, 24 hours a day.

I hope you will support Trigg County Hospital's funding request. Thank you for your service to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and our great nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Beth Imes".

Mary Beth Imes
State Representative
5th House District

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Commonwealth of Kentucky

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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March 11, 2024

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

I am writing to express strong support for the Trigg County Hospital Emergency Medical Services ambulance building project. The building has been used seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for 30 years and should be replaced.

Trigg County is a large training area for Fort Campbell's military exercises. TCH EMS covers Land Between the Lakes, Interstate 24 through Trigg County, and provides mutual aid responses to surrounding counties. It also covers a large portion of Lake Barkley. The ambulance service's staff has become more co-ed, which requires additional privacy.

The run volume has increased to the point there will be a need for three crews 24 hours a day. The architect's plan includes six bedrooms, men's and women's locker rooms, a training room, a kitchen, dining, and lounge area, three offices, and six bays for ambulances. The 7,500 square-foot building will be built on the grounds of Trigg County Hospital.

Thank you for your consideration. If you need anything else, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Walker Thomas
State Representative
District 8

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CITY OF CADIZ

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Todd King, Mayor • Connie Allen, City Clerk

Tuesday, March 5, 2024


Congressman James Comer,

I am writing this letter as the Mayor of Cadiz, KY. As we all know that navigating the world of medical services can be challenging. Critical services such as our ambulance department and employees require justification of the medical necessity for these services. Our medical professionals and the care they provide and transportation can be vital, especially in situations where time is of the essence or when the patient's condition requires special medical attention that can only be provided en route to the hospital.

Our Trigg County Emergency Medical/Ambulance Building is 30 years old and is utilized 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to house our medical professionals while they are on call for a medical emergency to arise. As Trigg County continues to grow so does the number of ambulance runs which will soon increase the need for three crews 24 hours a day. Our ambulance department covers a large area, including Land Between the Lakes, a large portion of Lake Barkley, the I-24 portion of Trigg County and serves for a large training area for Fort Campbell Military Training Exercises and serves as mutual aid to surrounding counties.

With all this being said, we are in need of a new Trigg County Medical/Ambulance Building. The current building is very old and we have outgrown it. We ask for your support to help us obtain a grant for a new Trigg County Medical/Ambulance Building. The architect plan for a new building consists of 6 bedrooms, men's and women's locker rooms, training room, kitchen/dining/lounge area, 3 offices and a 6 bay ambulance garage that totals 7,500 square feet. We now have more co-ed employees at the department and they need their privacy. We need to make sure that while these employees are on duty waiting for that emergency call to come in that they have a place that they can fill like that they can call their home away from home. We want them to be rested and ready both physically and mentally so that they can provide the most efficient care and transportation possible to who's ever loved one is going through a storm at this time in their life.

Sincerely,


Mayor Todd King





JAMES R. REDD, III
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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CALDWELL, LIVINGSTON, LYON
& TRIGG CIRCUIT COURTS

March 8, 2024

Hon. James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

**RE: Letter of Support for Trigg County Emergency
Medical/Ambulance building**

Dear Congressman Comer,

I write to ask you to support the building of a new Trigg County Emergency Medical/Ambulance building. Trigg County Hospital has been rapidly growing to accommodate the health needs of our community. We are very proud of the progress our hospital has made in recent years. As you know, local rural hospitals have been struggling, but thanks to extremely good management and foresight, Trigg County Hospital has done very well. In fact, I know many people from all over our area who want to come to Trigg County Hospital because of the excellent care they receive.

A part of the hospital's growth is the need for a new Emergency Medical/Ambulance building. As I understand it, we now have both men and women who work on the ambulance staff, and the two sexes currently have to share a locker room. Obviously, there are privacy issues involved, and we need a locker room for men and a locker room for women.

Our current building is 30 years old and has suffered much wear and tear having been used 7 days a week, 24 hours a day everyday of the year.

Our ambulance service covers not just the residential part of Trigg County, but also the entire Land Between the Lakes and much of I-24 which has been listed as the fifth most dangerous interstate in the country. As you also know, Trigg County covers Fort Campbell Military training exercises, and sadly, our first responders had to help with the tragic helicopter crashes last year. Our ambulance service also covers much of Lake Barkley where many boating and

swimming accidents occur. Additionally, we provide support for adjoining counties.

The architect plan is for us to have six bedrooms, locker rooms for both men and women, a training room, kitchen and lounge area, three offices, and six bays for our ambulance garage. The building will be built on the grounds of Trigg County Hospital for excellent service.

Our hospital is essential to our community and to the growth of our community. Please support us in any way you can. We thank you for all you do and for your excellent representation of the First Congressional District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James R. Redd, III". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

James R. Redd, III
Circuit Judge



TRIGG COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

March 12, 2024

Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Comer,

As the Director of the Trigg County Chamber of Commerce, I am very excited about and supportive of Trigg County Hospital's grant application to provide a new Trigg County Emergency Medical/Ambulance building. Upon hearing of the grant opportunity, I and the Trigg County Chamber Board of Directors, realized that our community would benefit greatly should Trigg County Hospital receive this grant.

The service area for Trigg County Hospital's Emergency Services (EMS) service is quite large. Not only does Trigg County Hospital's EMS provide services to the residents of the county, it also provides coverage for Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, Lake Barkley, the portion of Interstate 24 (I-24) that is located within the borders of Trigg County, and a portion of Fort Campbell's training area. Trigg County Hospital's EMS Services are readily available and responsive to whatever needs arise within the service area and provide mutual aid to surrounding counties.

Recognizing the vital service that our hospital provides through the Emergency Services seven (7) days per week, 24 hours a day for 365 days of the year, we need the best possible facility for these services. The current location is over 30 years old and was designed for a different time period. Employees of today should have access to well-designed and appropriate spaces. The design for the new facility would include 6 sleeping areas, men's and women's locker rooms, a training room, kitchen/dining/lounge area, offices and a six (6) bay ambulance garage. This is a vast improvement from the current facility and I believe it would be a positive recruitment tool for potential EMS employees.

We are fortunate to have Trigg County Hospital serving the needs of our residents and visitors and are supportive of these efforts to improve the EMS Medical/Ambulance building. Tourism is a vital aspect of our community and there are over one (1) million visitors to Land Between The Lakes and Lake Barkley annually. The ability to provide adequate medical care in emergencies is vital to our visitors and their perceptions of Trigg County. This new facility would enhance the services provided.

Our Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and membership are supportive of Trigg County Hospital. We appreciate the leadership of Trigg County Hospital in seeking this grant opportunity to bring about needed improvements to our Emergency Services. Should you need additional information, please contact me at beth@triggchamber.org or 270-522-0259.

Sincerely,

Beth Sumner
Director

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Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Congressman Comer,

I am writing this letter of support on behalf of Trigg County Hospital's need for a new and improved Trigg County Emergency/ Ambulance Building. With Trigg County's growing economy, more pressure is being placed on the local hospital's ability to meet the growing emergency care and ambulatory requirements and its current 30-year-old facility.

As the primary hospital serving Trigg County, Lake Barkley, and large portions of Land Between the Lakes, the hospital serves a region growing which welcomes over one million visitors every year to Land Between the Lakes and Lake Barkley.

The hospital also provides support for military training exercises and along Interstate 24 in Western Kentucky which continues to see increased traffic patterns due to regional growth.

Additionally, county leadership remains committed to the development of the Interstate 24 Business Park which is already home to two manufacturers with additional acreage available and ready for new growth. However, we recognize growth is unlikely to occur unless future residents and businesses are confident in the local and regional health care system.

We ask for your support of this important project as it will position Trigg County and South Western Kentucky for future economic growth while ensuring current residents have access to the highest quality emergency care and ambulance services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Hendricks', is written over the typed name.

Carter M. Hendricks
Executive Director



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Cadiz, Kentucky 42211
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March 11, 2024

Congressman James Comer
2410 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Congressman Comer:

I am writing this letter of support for the Trigg County Hospital Emergency/Ambulance Building grant application. The hospital is seeking funding in the amount of \$4 million dollars to construct a new and improved Emergency/Ambulance Building on the campus of Trigg County Hospital.

The current ambulance building is over 30 years old and is small and outdated. With the emergency/ambulance staff being made up of male and female employees there is a need for more privacy and segregation. The draft design for the new facility includes 6 bedrooms, locker rooms for men and women, a training room, a kitchen/dining/lounge area, 3 offices and a 6 bay ambulance garage. The design is 7,500 square feet. The new facility will provide the privacy needed, along with a training room to conduct in-house training, to stay up to date on the latest in the emergency medical field.

Trigg County Hospital serves all of Trigg County and the Land Between the Lakes recreation area—which includes Lake Barkley, Wranglers Campground, Turkey Bay ATV trails, and portions of Interstate 24 – ALL of which have high tourist populations. In addition, Trigg County borders Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and military training exercises are conducted in portions of our county. With an ever-growing population in Trigg County, this facility is greatly needed.

Any support you can provide for this project is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Micheal Oliver
General Manager
Wildcat Chevrolet