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April 23, 2025

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

Dear Congressman Comer:

As state senator for District 1 it is with pleasure to write in support of Trigg County's USDA grant application. If approved, this grant will be used for the construction of a new emergency medical services and ambulance building in Trigg County.

Our current building is 30 years old. Having been used seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, 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 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".

Jason Howell
State Senator

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

5th Legislative District
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MARY BETH IMES

April 22, 2025

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 The building is outdated and inadequate for the services they provide.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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April 22, 2025

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 Trigg County Hospital Emergency Medical Services (TCH EMS) and its Community Project Funding request that will go towards its project to construct a new Ambulance Services building. The building has been used around the clock for 30 years and should be replaced.

TCH EMS provides services to a substantial number of people in the surrounding area. Trigg County itself is a large training area for Fort Campbell's military exercises. The EMS department's coverage includes Land Between the Lakes and Interstate 24 through Trigg County and provides mutual aid responses to surrounding counties. It also covers a large portion of Lake Barkley.

TCH EMS's run volume has increased to the point there will be a need for three crews 24 hours a day, making it especially vital to update and expand the Ambulance Services building. In addition, the ambulance service's staff has become more co-ed, which requires additional privacy. 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

WT/js

Stan Humphries
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April 24, 2025

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 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.

The current Trigg County Hospital (TCH) Ambulance Service is in a building that has been in continuous service for over 30 years. The building is completely 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 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. As you know the 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,



Stan Humphries
Trigg County Judge/Executive



Cadiz-Trigg County

Tourist & Convention Commission

April 22, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Executive Director of the Cadiz-Trigg County Tourist & Convention Commission, I am pleased to offer my strong support for Trigg County Hospital's grant application to construct a new Emergency Medical Services (EMS) / Ambulance building. This project represents a significant and much-needed investment in the health and safety of both our residents and the many visitors who come to experience all that Trigg County has to offer.

When this grant opportunity was announced, both I and the Commission's Board of Directors immediately recognized the profound benefits that a new EMS facility would bring to our community. Trigg County Hospital's EMS covers a large service area that extends well beyond the city limits. In addition to serving the residents of Trigg County, the EMS team provides critical coverage for Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, Lake Barkley, the section of Interstate 24 within Trigg County, and portions of the Fort Campbell training area. Their readiness and willingness to provide mutual aid to surrounding counties further demonstrate their commitment and regional importance.

These services are not only essential for the safety of our citizens but also for the well-being of the more than one million visitors who travel to our area each year. Reliable, responsive emergency medical care is a key component of our tourism infrastructure and directly influences visitor confidence and satisfaction.

The current EMS building, now over 30 years old, was constructed for a different era and does not meet the demands of today's emergency response operations. The proposed new facility—featuring six sleeping quarters, dedicated men's and women's locker rooms, a training room, kitchen/dining/lounge area, office space, and a six-bay ambulance garage—will provide a modern, functional workspace that supports the physical and mental well-being of EMS personnel. This upgraded facility would also serve as an important recruitment and retention tool for qualified EMS professionals, ensuring that we continue to have skilled teams ready to serve at all times.

On behalf of the Cadiz-Trigg County Tourist & Convention Commission, I commend Trigg County Hospital for its leadership in seeking this grant opportunity and addressing the critical needs of our EMS infrastructure. The ability to deliver high-quality emergency care directly impacts the health, safety, and experience of our residents and visitors alike.

Please feel free to contact me at beth@gocadiz.com or 270-522-3892 if I can provide any additional information in support of this important project.

Sincerely,

Beth Sumner
Executive Director



CITY OF CADIZ

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Todd King, Mayor • Susan Hyde, City Clerk

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

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



April 25, 2025

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,

Carter M. Hendricks
Executive Director

TRIGG COUNTY WILDCATS

April 22, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Superintendent of Trigg County Public Schools, I write to support Trigg County Hospital's grant application for constructing a new Emergency Medical/Ambulance Building on its campus. Our community greatly depends on the devoted professionals of the Trigg County Hospital Ambulance Service. At present, these dedicated individuals work out of a facility that is over 30 years old. The rising demands on emergency medical services in our region highlight the pressing need for our ambulance teams to have a modern, functional, and well-equipped environment to continue serving effectively and safely.

Trigg County is home to Lake Barkley and a substantial portion of Land Between the Lakes, attracting numerous visitors and outdoor enthusiasts each year. The ambulance service plays a crucial role for our residents and the many individuals who visit our region. Furthermore, given that Trigg County is a significant training ground for Fort Campbell Military Training Exercises, prompt and organized emergency response demand is even more critical.

From a school district's perspective, the health and safety of our students, staff, and families are inextricably linked to the quality and readiness of our local emergency services. A modern facility will ensure that ambulance crews are better prepared, rested, and equipped to respond quickly—not just in Trigg County, but also in the surrounding counties they support through mutual aid agreements.

On behalf of Trigg County Public Schools, I wholeheartedly support this project and encourage the approval of funding for this much-needed facility.

Sincerely,



Rex Booth
Superintendent, Trigg County Public Schools



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Trigg County Public Schools

James R. Redd, III
Trigg Circuit Judge
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April 22, 2025

**RE: Letter of support for the construction of an Emergency
Medical/Ambulance Building at Trigg County Hospital**

To whom it may concern,

I write this letter in support of the construction of a new Emergency Medical/Ambulance Building at Trigg County Hospital. Trigg County has a growing population with a large portion of I-24 and having extensive lakeshore property on both Lake Barkley and Kentucky Lake. We also have a large area for Fort Campbell training exercises.

Our current building is 30 years old and has been used 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In addition to I-24 and Fort Campbell, Trigg County also covers the very popular recreational area, Land Between the Lakes.


Trigg County also has a large retiree population necessitating many ambulance runs.

It is necessary also to separate men's and women's locker rooms in the ambulance facility.

Trigg County Hospital is continually growing to serve the needs of not just Trigg County, but also the surrounding counties as many citizens from those counties like Trigg County Hospital so much they come to Trigg County Hospital for medical services.

Any help you can give us would be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



James R. Redd, III

April 25, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my full support for the proposed construction of a new Emergency Medical and Ambulance Building at Trigg County Hospital. As a Commissioner of the Cadiz-Trigg County Tourism Commission, I recognize the vital role this hospital and its ambulance service play in ensuring the safety and well-being of both residents and the many visitors who travel to our area each year.

Our community is situated in a uniquely high-traffic area that supports one of Kentucky's premier tourist destinations—Land Between the Lakes and Lake Barkley State Resort Park. The area also features a general aviation airport and draws visitors year-round for activities such as hiking, lodging, swimming, fitness, and a wide range of water sports. In addition, our public schools, sports programs, and local sports complex host numerous events throughout the year, bringing thousands of young athletes and their families to the region. In times of emergency, both residents and visitors depend on the prompt and professional response of Trigg County Hospital and its dedicated ambulance service.

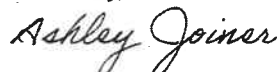
Moreover, Trigg County plays a critical role in supporting Fort Campbell's military training operations. Just two years ago, our county experienced the tragic crash of a Fort Campbell military helicopter that resulted in the loss of nine soldiers. This heartbreaking incident underscores the importance of having a well-equipped and responsive emergency medical service.

In addition to serving our county, Trigg County Hospital's Ambulance Service regularly provides mutual aid to neighboring counties, further demonstrating the regional demand for their services.

The construction of a new Emergency Medical and Ambulance Building would provide much-needed infrastructure to support 24/7, year-round operations. A larger facility with training rooms and sufficient space for equipment and personnel will significantly enhance our emergency response capabilities and improve outcomes for both residents and visitors. Without this service, the nearest hospital is between 31 to 46 minutes away—an unacceptable risk during emergencies where every second counts.

I urge you to support this critical project and grant Trigg County Hospital the funding it needs to continue serving our rural community with excellence. Your investment in this facility is an investment in the health and safety of thousands.

Sincerely,



Ashley Joiner

Commissioner, Cadiz-Trigg County Tourism Commission

Hancock's Neighborhood Market

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04/25/2025

To Whom it May Concern:

As a former member of the Trigg County Hospital Board of Directors, I fully understand the importance of our hospital and the many services it provides to our community. I have owned a business in Cadiz/Trigg County for over 33 years and know that without a community hospital we will have very little growth, not to mention, the well-being of our citizens will be compromised.

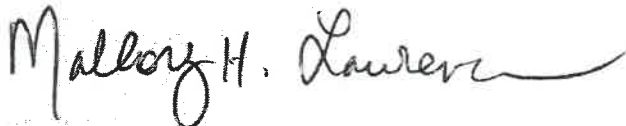
The management and directors of our hospital have applied for a grant to construct an emergency medical/ambulance building. This building will replace a structure that has been there for 30 years and is used 24 hours a day every day of the year. The new building will be built on the grounds of the Trigg County Hospital.

The Trigg County Ambulance Service covers a large area which includes Land Between the Lakes, the Trigg County portion of Interstate 24, and a large portion of Lake Barkley. Our county is close in proximity to Fort Campbell and is a large training area for them. The Trigg County Ambulance Service has become so busy that there is a need for three crews to be in operation 24 hours a day. The plan for our building includes 6 bedrooms,

men's and women's locker rooms, training room, kitchen/dining/lounge area, and a 7,500 square foot space that includes three offices and a six-bay ambulance garage.

I operate the only locally owned grocery store in Cadiz and feel fortunate to have access to such a strong hospital. I have used our ambulance service many times in the year's the store has been in operation for both customers and employees. It is a vital service for our community as well as surrounding counties, as they offer mutual aid when needed. Because of the long hours and stress associated with the job, the members of the Trigg County Ambulance Service not only need but deserve to have a facility to use where they can relax and feel at home while on call. I hope you will strongly consider the Trigg County hospital for this grant.

Sincerely,

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Mallory H. Lawrence
Hancock's Neighborhood Market