

# Downtown Kenton Building & Business Owners Association (DBA)

## Introduction

The Downtown Kenton Building & Business Owners' Association (DBA) is a group whose purpose is to further the mission of the Kenton Historic Courthouse District (HCD).

## Mission of the Kenton Historic Courthouse District

*The mission of the Corporation is to stimulate downtown economic development through organization (encouraging cooperation and building leadership in the business community); promotion (creating a positive image for downtown by promoting the downtown as an exciting place to live, shop, and invest); design (improving the appearance of downtown by erecting or maintaining public buildings, monuments, or works and combating community deterioration); and to receive, administer, and distribute funds in connection with any activities related to the above purposes.*

The DBA shall be made up of stakeholders from the 9-block area surrounding the Hardin County Courthouse, including building and business owners and employees, City of Kenton government officials, and HCD staff and board members.

## Funding

The DBA will receive funding from the Hardin County Chamber & Business Alliance (HCCBA) and the HCD. An annual budget will be provided to the DBA by HCD staff, based on available funds. Funding will be drawn from profit from Eats on the Street and from the HCCBA Community Development fund, as well as from other possible funding resources that may become available.

## Membership

Membership in the DBA will be open to individuals associated with businesses and buildings in the 9-block area surrounding the Hardin County Courthouse, known as the Kenton Historic Courthouse District. Any building owner, business owner or business employee in the HCD may become a member of the DBA by completing an [application form](#) and paying annual dues.

## Officers

The DBA will elect an Executive Committee consisting of the HCD Coordinator, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. At least one officer must be a director of the HCCBA.

## Dues

Annual dues for membership in the DBA will be set at **\$10 per person**. Dues may be offset by volunteering at HCD fundraising events. Volunteering 2 hours at Eats on the Street will earn dues back. Retained dues income will be used to fund the meetings and activities of the DBA.

## Structure

The HCD Coordinator will occasionally arrange for speakers to present at DBA meetings and will work with the Executive Committee to establish agendas for each meeting. Any member of the DBA may bring business before the group.

## Projects

Upon affirmative vote of dues-paid members, the DBA may use funds from its budget to complete projects that serve the mission of the HCD. Projects approved in this manner must benefit the HCD community at large, and are not to benefit any single person or entity.

## Grant Program

The DBA may also use funds from its budget to provide grants to worthy applicants. See grant guidelines for details.