

# Check out the new angled parking



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Looking across Main Street from the Clark County Courthouse, one can observe the new angled parking completed as part of the High Side project. The project will be recognized just before the scheduled 6:00 p.m.start of the yearly Winchester Christmas parade on Saturday, December 6th.



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The addition of angled parking, a key part of the Main Street High Side project, was completed as November neared an end. A Facebook post recognizing the accomplishment received over 50 shares and nearly 500 immediate responses.

# EKU and Lockheed Martin recognize investment, partnership

**RICHMOND, KY.** — Eastern Kentucky University (EKU), located in the heart of the state’s manufacturing hub, prepares skilled graduates to enter various areas of manufacturing operations. Committed to meeting workforce demands, the university partners with local businesses to identify ways to support local industries. In 2010, Lockheed Martin, a global defense technology company driving innovation and advancing scientific discovery, took notice.

Seeking to increase access to engineering and manufacturing education opportunities to help fill the need for technologists of the future, Lockheed Martin has steadily donated to the EKU Foundation, directing more than \$57,000 in charitable contributions to strengthen the university’s engineering and technology programs.

“EKU is proud to play a leading role in preparing the talent that drives innovation across the Commonwealth,” said EKU President David McFaddin. “Lockheed Martin’s investment in our programs reinforces the importance of higher education in building Kentucky’s workforce. As EKU continues to expand opportunities in engineering and technology, we’re strengthening our position as a top destination for students who want to make an impact in these growing fields.”

EKU’s engineering and advanced manufacturing technology programs equip graduates for roles in production supervision, product development, quality control, maintenance supervision, project management, production control and more. Its curriculum is tightly aligned

with Lockheed Martin’s workforce-readiness needs, ensuring new hires possess the technical skills required for production and quality-assurance operations.

Lockheed Martin leaders have been invited to support and participate in EKU’s Industrial Advisory Council to provide curriculum feedback and ensure alignment with industry needs.

“This partnership has helped us recruit, train and develop some of the brightest young professionals in our program,” said Lockheed Martin Vice President, Lexington Programs, Vic Torla. “Strong collaborations like this partnership with EKU enable us to tap into the region’s talented workforce and further enhance our ability to deliver 21st Century Security Solutions to our customers across the globe.”

From early smaller contributions in the 2010s to steady annual grants today, the EKU and Lockheed Martin partnership has grown significantly. With the expanded impact of recent grants enabling the development of emerging skill sets like advanced manufacturing, fluid power and safety engineering, EKU is positioned as a key talent hub for Lockheed Martin. Currently, 71 EKU graduates are working locally on the defense contractor’s program.

“We are proud that 71 EKU alumni are part of Lockheed Martin’s local program, and we look forward to a continued collaboration that benefits our students and the region,” said Dr. Tom Otieno, dean of EKU’s College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and

Mathematics. “Our partnership with Lockheed Martin is a clear example of EKU’s commitment to Kentucky’s workforce. Their long-term support has allowed us to enhance our engineering and manufacturing programs, ensuring our students are trained for current technology careers.”

Operations Director of Lockheed Martin Lexington Programs, Wayne Funk, said, “With each grant, this partnership fuels the next generation of engineers who will help drive innovation at Lockheed Martin and beyond.”

Dr. Nilesh Joshi, director of manufacturing engineering at EKU, explained how Lockheed Martin’s support directly benefits students, including a recent grant to equip a new fluid power laboratory and provide hands-on experience for students.

“This investment, combined with their valuable feedback on our Industrial Advisory Council, helps us align our curriculum with industry needs. Our students graduate with practical skills, ready for the workforce,” Joshi said.

Lockheed Martin’s sustained investment and EKU’s collaborative partnership underscore a long-term commitment to education, workforce development and the well-being of Kentucky’s communities. With plans to keep evolving, this commitment weaves together the aspirations of students, the expansion of accredited programs, the expertise of Lockheed Martin engineers and the shared goal of advancing opportunities for Kentuckians.

In FY2025, the Kentucky Lottery generated sales of \$2.156 billion. From this number, \$382.5 million was earned for the Commonwealth.

Since inception, the Kentucky Lottery has earned more than \$7.6 billion for the Commonwealth on more than \$31.1 billion in sales. Players during this period won more than \$19.9 billion.

| PRESIDENT/CEO<br>and BOARD of<br>DIRECTORS<br>(Current) | Kentucky Lottery Corporation<br>Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position<br>For the year ended June 30, 2025 (dollars in thousands)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                        |
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| Mary R. Harville<br>- President<br>and CEO              | Total operating revenues                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <u>\$2,156,264</u>     |
|                                                         | Prize expense                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <u>1,600,434</u>       |
|                                                         | Payments to retailers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <u>82,010</u>          |
| Dr. Tom Abell<br>- Chair                                | Draw game and iLottery vendor expense                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <u>37,134</u>          |
|                                                         | Instant ticket costs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <u>14,638</u>          |
| Cammie Grant<br>- Vice Chair                            | Total direct costs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>1,734,216</u>       |
|                                                         | Operating revenues net of direct costs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <u>422,048</u>         |
| Mark Metcalf<br>- Kentucky State<br>Treasurer           | Operating expenses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <u>41,686</u>          |
|                                                         | Operating income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u>380,362</u>         |
|                                                         | *Payments to the Commonwealth of Kentucky                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <u>(382,476)</u>       |
| John Stovall<br>- Director                              | **Other non-operating income                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <u>2,133</u>           |
|                                                         | Total non-operating expense                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <u>(380,343)</u>       |
| Mark Kleiner<br>- Director                              | Change in net position                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <u>19</u>              |
|                                                         | Net position at beginning of year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <u>16,547</u>          |
| Jack Porter<br>- Director                               | Net position at end of year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <u><u>\$16,566</u></u> |
| David Figg<br>- Director                                | * Payments to the Commonwealth of Kentucky include both payments made and payments accrued for transfer to the Commonwealth as of June 30, 2025.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                        |
| Bill Hurt<br>- Director                                 | **Investments are carried at fair value in accordance with GASB, resulting in an increase in income of approximately \$19, when compared to historical cost method.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |
|                                                         | The above financial information was derived from the annual audited financial statements. The financial audit for the year ended June 30, 2025 was performed by Cherry Bekaert LLP. A copy of the complete annual report can be obtained at kylottery.com or by writing: Kentucky Lottery Corporation, PR Dept., 1011 W. Main Street, Louisville, KY 40202 or by calling (502) 560-1582. The Kentucky Lottery has provided the above information in accordance with KRS 154A.130 (6). |                        |
|                                                         | kylottery.com                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                        |

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