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## **Trigg County is Rich in History!**

## #8 Rich History of area becomes a draw for the area.

- o Expand on our Heritage Tourism
  - Develop a historic Driving of Trigg County and Walking Tour of Cadiz
    - Create Cell-Phone based historical tours featured on the website

ACTION TAKEN: Information on a company that specializes in cell phone- based historical tours has been shared with members of the historical society for consideration.

More on this in APPENDIX L.

ACTION TAKEN: Preliminary inventory has been completed for expanding the existing walking tour in Cadiz.

See APPENDIX L-1

ACTION TAKEN: Preliminary work has also been completed for the historic communities of Cerulean and Wallonia. See APPENDIX L-2 & APPENDIX L-3

- Have an iron furnace actually in operation Note: May not be a feasible option due to the tremendous amount of fuel (wood) required to operate.
- Make the community of Canton a designated historical stop
  - 1. Reopen the Canton Hotel
  - 2. Develop a cell-phone based historic walking tour of Canton. **ACTION TAKEN: Preliminary work has been done on recreating the community on paper.** See APPENDIX L-4.
- School House/Boots Randolph Home/RR Engine on Old 68 reopened and popular stop.

ACTION TAKEN: Site work has been done on both the School House and Home.

ACTION TAKEN: Railway consulting firm provided suggestions and ideas for how to rehab the engine.

ACTION TAKEN: An agreement between Tourism and the Historical Society has been made to reopen the buildings to the public from Spring to Fall each year and use as a rest stop for both visitors and pets as well as a historical attraction.

See APPENDIX L-5 for photos of both buildings and the engine.

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- Historical museum and Art museum both become "must stops" for all visitors.
  - 1. Exhibits and demos
  - 2. Open Regular hours
  - 3. Historical Museum becomes major stop for genealogy
- Lake Barkley State Resort Park is appreciated as an historic architectural wonder.
- Shuttle Trolley in place and actively taking locals and visitors to offerings, attractions and events throughout the county
  - Volunteers and Retirees possibly serving as step-on guides and/or drivers
  - Downtown Cadiz, Historic Canton, Lake Barkley State Resort Park, Iron Furnace, and Land Between the Lakes which includes, but is not limited to, the Homeplace 1850's Working Farm, Woodland's Nature Station & Nature Watch Area, the Elk & Bison Range are just a few of the stops. See ACTION 1A "Expanding RSVP" for more on this.
- By 2020, History and Museums become a focus of why people want to visit.
  - Completion and reopening of the Historical/Transportation Museum.

ACTION TAKEN: The Transportation Cabinet and Heritage Council have been contacted to determine how much of the TEA 21 funds may go towards design & displays. See APPENDIX L-6 for more on the Historical/Transportation Museum.

ACTION TAKEN: A photo inventory of all artifacts of the Historical Society has been compiled. See Historical Society Inventory Addendum.

APPENDIX L also includes a short historical overview of a few structures mentioned in this section.