

BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE

Community Profile

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Charles E. Kelly Support Facility, Pennsylvania

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Closure at a Glance

Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA):

Kelly Center Local Redevelopment Authority (KCLRA)

Geographic area affected by closing:

Southwestern Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio

Total Acres to be Disposed: 145 acres

Estimated Job Loss Impact:

| Jobs Lost | |
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| Military Personnel | 174 |
| Civilian Personnel | 136 |
| Contractors | 0 |

Source: Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission Report

Economic Adjustment Challenges

- Adapt and reuse a 118-acre site with numerous industrial-style buildings surrounded by mostly moderate to low density homes and neighborhoods
- Relocation of an active Commissary and Exchange
- Secluded base offers limited adaptive reuse options

Key Reuse Planning & Property Disposal Milestones

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| 5/09/06 | Federal Surplus Determination |
| 12/13/06 | LRA Homeless Outreach Completed |
| 9/22/08 | Reuse Plan Received by Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)/Military Service |
| 6/16/09 | HUD Determination on Submission |
| Pending | National Environmental Policy (NEPA) Disposal Decision |
| Pending | Base Closure |

Organization

The C.E. Kelly Support Facilities total 145 acres on three separate sites located in two separate townships: Collier and Neville Townships.

After thorough market analysis and input from the local communities, the following reuse plan was pursued and adopted:

- The Main Post would be redeveloped into a Regional Recreational facility that would not only support Collier Township, but also adjacent communities and the local school district through active parkland, passive parkland, civic uses, and limited commercial use.
- Site 62 would be converted into a medium to low density residential neighborhood that would accent the existing neighborhoods in the area.
- The Neville Island portion would be redeveloped as an industrial park in hopes of capitalizing on the existing adjacent uses of the site.

Implementation and Partnering Strategies

The chief challenge posed by the redevelopment of the C.E. Kelly Support Facility is the need for the continued use of the Commissary and Exchange by local military families until a new facility is constructed on another installation in the Pittsburgh area. Presently, KCLRA members have met with Army officials and the Office of Economic Adjustment, as well as the region's Congressional Delegation to ensure a new facility is constructed and is able to serve military families in the area.

Presently, although the base is scheduled to close by the end of September 2009, the U.S. Army has promised that the existing Commissary and Exchange will remain open on the C.E. Kelly installation until a new one can be constructed. This development posed a challenge to the KCLRA to find an adaptive reuse that would not only work within the community, but would also not negatively impact the Commissary and Exchange until it relocated. However, thanks to the openness of the C.E. Kelly Deputy Commander and dedicated KCLRA members, this issue was successfully addressed. The LRAs look forward to working with appropriate federal agencies throughout the remainder of the implementation process.

Successes/Lessons Learned

- Key Success: Balancing the interests of local military families with those of the regional communities.
- Lesson Learned: Never be afraid to ask questions or for assistance when tackling challenging reuse options.