

Thanks to USDA and the MU Extension, Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission is a recipient of

Stronger Economies Together (SET) VI.

Over the next 6 months KBRPC will be working with all seven counties to determine the **needs** and how to move forward.

What is SET VI?



SET enables communities and counties in rural America to work together in developing and implementing an economic development blueprint for their multi-county region that strategically builds on the current and emerging economic strengths of that region.

Launched in 2010 by USDA Rural Development and the nation's four Regional Rural Development Centers and their land-grant university partners, this is now the sixth round of an initiative that is now in place in more than 81 regions in 34 states. KBRPC is just one of two regions chosen in Missouri for this round.

Benefits of SET:

- Step-by-step coaching to guide the design and implementation of a practical and viable regional economic development plan.
- In-depth data tailored to the region, describing its current and emerging clusters, comparative economic advantages, and detailed demographic and socio-economic information.
- Additional points on grant applications for having a regional plan in place.
- Tools to uncover local assets and resources that can advance the region's economic strategies technical assistance from Extension educators, USDA RD state staff, the Regional Rural Development Centers, and the Purdue Center for Regional Development to guide the initial stages of implementation of regional goals and strategies.

Key Dates

SET Public Forum

Thursday, December 8, 2016
10:30am - 2:00pm

- Examining the region's positive features
 - Exploring the region's challenges
 - Considering key data on your region
 - Identifying the region's opportunities

Committee Meetings

All committee meetings will start at 1:00pm and the locations are TBD.

January 12, 2017

February 16, 2017

March 16, 2017

April 13, 2017

May 11, 2017