

**Berea College**  
**Promise Neighborhoods Abstract**

PR Award Number: U215N170006

Name of Organization: Berea College

Name of Project: Perry Promise Neighborhood

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Eligible Applicant Type: Institution of Higher Education

Grant Type: Discretionary

Absolute Priority: Absolute Priority 2

Competitive Preference Priority:

Competitive Preference Priority 1: Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) program

Competitive Preference Priority 2: Drug Free Communities (Opioid Abuse Prevention) Program

Competitive Preference Priority 3: Evidence-Based Activities, Strategies or Interventions

Competitive Preference Priority 4: Promise Zones

Target Schools:

R W Combs Elementary School

Leatherwood Elementary School

Chavies Elementary School

Robinson Elementary School

Roy G. Eversole School

Willard Elementary School

Buckhorn Elementary School

AB Combs Elementary School

Project Partners:

Berea College

Perry County Public Schools

Hazard Independent Schools

Save the Children

Elgin Foundation

Perry Count UNITE Drug Coalition

Project Description:

Berea College's Perry Promise Neighborhood (PPN) plans to serve children and families in rural Eastern KY by providing services to 8,495 students in Perry County. Perry County is located in the Southeastern KY Promise Zone, the first rural Promise Zone. Within PPN there are 1,766 children ages 0-4; 4,346 ages 5-17 and 2,383 youth ages 18-24.

PPN plans to create a complete pipeline of solutions to prepare all children to attain an education and successfully transition to college and career and will significantly increase the students served by the complete pipeline to reach scale over time. The pipeline of solutions is aligned with an ambitious, rigorous and comprehensive strategy for improvement of schools in the PPN.