

2025 NASPE Annual Meeting Bid



- Louisville -



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NASPE Executive Committee Members:

Please find below the Commonwealth of Kentucky's bid to host the NASPE 2025 Annual Meeting in Louisville.

We are excited about the possibility of hosting the NASPE Annual Meeting for the first time ever in Louisville – home to the historic Churchill Downs and the world-famous Kentucky Derby. Louisville has a thriving downtown, featuring a great culture that blends history with modern entertainment trends.

In 2023, Louisville was named by Cvent as a top meeting destination and Travel & Leisure named the city as a top place to travel in 2024. Not to mention, Louisville is regularly recognized as “top food” city by regional and national publications.

The Kentucky Personnel Cabinet is committed to providing the planning and on-site resources necessary to make the 2025 Annual Meeting in Louisville a success.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Mary Elizabeth Bailey
Secretary, Kentucky Personnel Cabinet



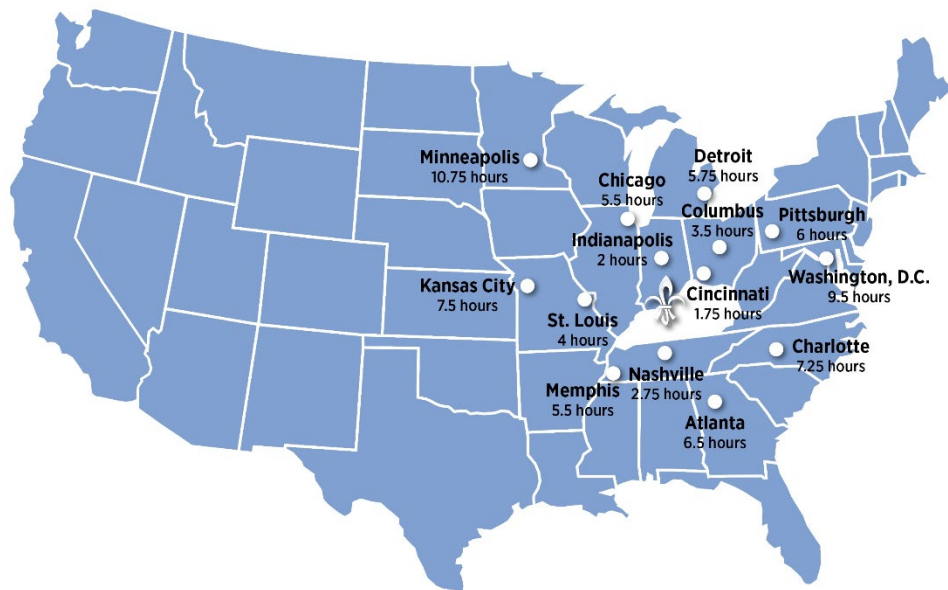
Getting to Louisville

Flying



Driving

Within driving a day's driving distance of 60 percent of US population



Restaurants



2,500 restaurants with 130 clustered in the downtown core. Featured above is the famous Kentucky Hot Brown.

Louisville has been named one of the “South’s Best Food Cities” by Southern Living, one of “America’s Favorite Cities for Food” by Travel + Leisure and one of the “Top Local Food Scenes” by USA Today.

Things to do in Louisville



Belle of Louisville – The last remaining authentic Mississippi River-style steamboat



Bourbon Hall - Sitting adjacent to the Omni Hotel and Downtown Marriott is Louisville, KY's premier medium concert venue.



Churchill Downs – Home of the Kentucky Derby, the fastest two minutes in sports.



Kentucky Derby Museum – Experience Derby Day, Every Day!



Fourth Street Live

Fourth Street Live! is Louisville's premier dining and entertainment destination! Located in the heart of downtown Louisville on Fourth Street between Liberty Street and Muhammad Ali Boulevard, we are just a short walk from the KFC Yum! Center, Waterfront Park, Main Street, Slugger Field, downtown hotels, and other major attractions. Fourth Street Live! is your one-stop destination for dining and entertainment! Our fine restaurant and entertainment venues include Guy Fieri's Smokehouse, Bourbon Raw, Brazeiros Churrascaria Brazilian Steakhouse, Pizza Bar, PBR Louisville, The Sports, and Social Club, Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant, Tavern on Fourth, TGI Friday's and The Fudgery.

Live music is featured nightly at Howl at the Moon. We welcome everyone to enjoy an afternoon with the family or a night on the town at Louisville's premier dining and entertainment destination! There is truly something here for everyone.



12 Distilleries: The Urban Bourbon Experience

Distilleries include: Angel's Envy, Michters Fort Nelson, Evan Williams, Brough Brothers, Old Forester, Copper & King's American Brandy, Prohibition Craft Spirits, Rabbit Hole, Kentucky Peerless, Stitzel-Weller. Traditional distilleries such as Buffalo Trace, Maker's Mark and Woodford Reserve are about an hour's drive from Louisville.



The Urban Bourbon Trail

This curated collection of local bars and restaurants were created to complement a day of touring distilleries. Staff at each of the stops have a wide knowledge of whiskies, some of the city's largest collections of Bourbon and in most cases even Bourbon-infused cuisine.