

Chapter Profile

- ❖ **Official Chapter Name:** [The Friendship Force of Louisville, Kentucky](#)
- ❖ **Closest Major Airport:** [Louisville International](#) (SDF)
- ❖ **Cost of Transportation to/from the Airport:** None. Louisville's airport is located within the city limits. Our club arranges transportation by private cars for our visiting Ambassadors.
- ❖ **Maximum Number of Ambassadors Our Chapter Can Host:** 20
- ❖ **About Our Chapter:** Our chapter was organized in 1991. We have 62 members as of July 2009. Our membership consists of residents from Louisville, surrounding municipalities, and southern Indiana.
- ❖ **About the Region:** Located on the Ohio River, [Louisville](#) is the largest city in the [Commonwealth of Kentucky](#), and the 16th largest city in the United States. We're the home of [Churchill Downs](#), well-known for its running of The Kentucky Derby – the first of three horse races in “The Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Racing.”

Long the international headquarters of [Kentucky Fried Chicken](#), Louisville is the home of KFC's parent company, [YUM! Brands](#) (which also owns Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, Long John Silver's and A&W). [Humana, Inc.](#), an insurance leader in the U.S., traces its roots to Louisville. The company's distinctive headquarters building on Louisville's Main Street was designed by acclaimed architect Michael Graves.

The Louisville area delights visitors with its many museums, parks, entertainment complexes, internationally known [zoo](#), and distinctive neighborhoods. You can see a Louisville Slugger bat being made at [Hillerich & Bradsby's](#) museum and factory or take excursions into the Bluegrass Region, famous for its beautiful thoroughbred horse farms.

Within easy driving distance are our state capitol in [Frankfort](#), bourbon distilleries, and charming historic towns. Just across the Ohio River in southern Indiana is [Clarksville](#), the oldest American town in the Northwest Territory.

- ❖ **About the Exchange:** We Louisvillians take pride in our [Southern Hospitality](#) and delight in making new friends from all over the world. Our group events are designed to introduce you to our rich heritage. We usually plan several group events and outings so that all members of our chapter can get to know the Ambassadors and participate in the exchange.