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**Greater Paducah Economic Development Council  
Featured on Quality of Life**

**PADUCAH, KY**—The Greater Paducah Economic Development Council (GPEDC) is the non-profit organization working to attract investment into Paducah-McCracken County. Funding from the City of Paducah, McCracken County, and private donations supports GPEDC. On this episode of *Quality of Life*, Mayor Bill Paxton interviews GPEDC President and CEO Chad Chancellor about his vision for local economic growth.

Chancellor, a Mississippi native, began June 1 with GPEDC. Previously he worked in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee as the CEO of the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce. Chancellor also worked in economic development in Mobile, Alabama and Waynesboro, Mississippi.

Chancellor says, “Paducah is where Mobile was ten to 15 years ago except Paducah is more advanced in the downtown region.” Chancellor further compares Paducah’s air, rail, river, and interstate access to Mobile’s. “We can be the inland Mobile. From a distribution perspective, we are better than Mobile. We are right in the middle of the country,” adds Chancellor. Mayor Paxton says, “Our future, when it comes to the river, is extremely bright.”

Also in this episode, Chancellor discusses the marketability of the Riverport West property and the effect the Panama Canal expansion could have on Paducah.

*Quality of Life: GPEDC* can be viewed on Government Channel 11 starting Wednesday, September 15 at 8:30 p.m. It also can be viewed Thursday at 8:30 a.m.; Friday at 10:30 a.m.; and Saturday at 9:30 p.m. A low-resolution version of the episode and programming schedules are available on the City’s website [www.paducahky.gov](http://www.paducahky.gov).

For more information about *Quality of Life* or other Government 11 programming, call West Kentucky Community and Technical College Television Coordinator Tom Butler at 534-3208 or Pam Spencer at 444-8669.

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