

On March 15, 2007 Governor Ernie Fletcher hosted over 380 agriculture leaders from across Kentucky at the first Governor's Summit on Agriculture with the purpose of beginning the process of developing a "Strategic Plan of Action for Agriculture." He challenged the agriculture community to create a strategic plan of action that will encompass all aspects of agriculture and lead Kentucky agriculture to the next level of success. These ag leaders accepted the Governor's challenge and established The Task Force on the Future of Agriculture to accomplish the plan. The Task Force was formed through the Kentucky Agricultural Council to lead the effort in the next step of the strategic planning process.

The Task Force's vision states, "Together we will develop the conditions that will enable our agricultural sectors and our rural communities to prosper."

The Task Force is chaired by Dr. Tony Brannon, dean of the school of agriculture at Murray State University and chair of KAC. It is made up of representatives from more than 40 agricultural organizations across the Commonwealth. The Task Force will meet a total of six times throughout the year across the state and produce a strategic plan by December 31.