Top 10 Reasons for Working at Murray State University

1. **National Recognition**
   MSU has been ranked by the *U.S. News & World Report's Best Colleges* as one of the top schools in the county for 22 consecutive years (ranked the 11th top public regional university in the nation for 2013). MSU was ranked by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* as one of its "2011 Great Colleges to Work For" with specific recognition for "Confidence in Senior Leadership" and "Professional/Career Development Programs."

2. **Excellent Benefits**
   MSU offers an array of benefits to all regular, full-time employees including health, dental, and vision coverage, a wellness program, tax-exempt flexible spending ac counts, tax-exempt health savings accounts, life insurance, income protection plans, retirement plans, tax-sheltered supple mental retirement plans and paid time off. Read more about MSU's Benefit Plans here.

3. **Growing Enrollment**
   Student enrollment has increased 7.5% from 2009/10 to 2012, marking MSU's highest level of enrollment ever. This increase validates that MSU continues to be recognized by students and families as a quality educational institution. Read more about MSU's growing enrollment here.

4. **Campus Safety**
   "Crime and College" has ranked MSU as the 11th safest campus in the nation. Also, in December, 2012, the National Safety Council designated MSU as a Safe Community through its Safe Communities America program. MSU is the third academic institution, first public university and the 22nd in the U.S. to be recognized as an international Safe Community. More information on this award can be viewed here.

5. **Low Cost of Living**
   The Cost of Living in Murray, Kentucky is 17.50% lower than the national average.

6. **Proximity to Land Between the Lakes**
   Easy commute to Land Between the Lakes, Kentucky's State Park that is full of all sorts of recreational activities including golf, boating, fishing, horseback riding, skeet shooting, camping, and hiking. Details of Land Between the Lakes activities can be viewed here.

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7. **Friendly Community**
   Murray, Kentucky was named the friendliest small town in America by USA Today and Rand McNally's travel team. Click here to view the USA Today's article about Murray.

8. **Fully-Certified Division I**
   MSU is a fully-certified Division I institution that participates in many NCAA Division I Athletics as a member of the Ohio Valley Conference. MSU's Division I Athletics include baseball, basketball, cross-country, football, golf and tennis for men and basketball, cross-country, golf, softball, soccer, tennis, track and field, and volleyball for women.

9. **Access to Personal Enrichment Activities**
   MSU Employees have access to numerous activities such as concerts, visiting lectures, and dining services.

10. **Workout Facilities**
    MSU Employees have access to our Wellness Center, a top of the line workout facility that includes an aquatic center, racquetball, basketball courts, treadmills, lifting machines, free weights, certified trainers, specialized classes, and more. Click here to view more information on MSU's Wellness Center.

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