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A Transformative Fifty Years

By MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge

Let’s step back in time 50 years. The year was 1969, and looking back now, it is easy to see that it was an extraordinary year. One of the world’s greatest achievements occurred on July 20, 1969, when American Astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first human to set foot on the moon. He uttered the immortal words “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.”

Early that year, on Jan. 20, 1969, Richard Nixon was sworn in president, just three days prior to MRPC’s official designation. On Jan. 30, 1969, the Beatles gave their final live performance, on the roof of the Apple building in London, and the Woodstock Festival, in August, attracted more than 350,000 people and 35 performers at a farm near White Lake, NY.

Inflation was a worldwide issue. Federal minimum wage was $1.15 in 1968 and was raised to $1.30 on Feb. 1, 1969. Average income was $8,550. The average new car cost $3,270. Average rent was $135 per month. Gas was 35 cents per gallon.

The first Concorde test flight was conducted in France. The first human eye transplant was done. The first computer-to-computer communications were sent between two college campuses, via ARPANET, the precursor to the Internet, which was funded by an agency of the Department of Defense. The microprocessor, a miniature set of integrated circuits, was invented in 1969, opening the way for the computer revolution that followed. The Pontiac Firebird Trans Am was introduced and became the epitome of the American muscle car. Some 250,000 people marched on Washington, D.C. in protest of the Vietnam War. Bell bottom jeans and tie-dye shirt became a part of the teenage fashion scene. The US instituted the draft lottery to determine the draft into the US forces for the Vietnam War. The Public Broadcasting Service was established, and Sesame Street debuted on PBS.

Locally, Missouri’s Meramec Region was being established and was officially designated on Jan. 23, 1969, although the work had begun several months prior in 1968, under a park pavilion in Cuba. Without any assigned staff, local leaders began pulling the pieces together to request the formal designation of the Meramec Regional Planning Commission. There were no computers, internet, email or smart phones with which to communicate. Instead, it was landline phones, typewriters and the U.S. Postal Service.

The leaders who formed MRPC were visionaries, but we don’t know if they really envisioned what MRPC could or would become. The counties and cities who made up MRPC, then and now, have put forth strong leaders who were willing to step forward to run for public office. While the faces change, the characteristics of these leaders are the same. These are our people and it’s in the DNA. They were and continue to be committed, dedicated and hard-working with a strong desire to make their communities better places to live and places where people want to live, work, play and visit.

Those same folks make up the leadership of MRPC as MRPC is a voluntary council of local governments. It is the only place where cities and counties come together to work together. MRPC, as an organization, has changed over the years as it has responded to the needs of its cities and counties and their constituents. Over the past five decades, MRPC has secured over $84 million in grants to benefit its cities and counties and their residents. I would suspect that number to be understated as early records are not complete.

MRPC’s leadership has created an environment where people want to work and want to make a difference. With 28 years of service, and eight of those as director, I am only the third executive director in our 50-year history. Similar organizations have seen three directors in two years. Our management team has over 100 years of service to MRPC, and two of our managers started their MRPC careers within the past three years, primarily due to retirements. Thirteen of MRPC’s 27 employees have been with MRPC at least 12 years, and three housing staff members—Teresa Murdie, Elaine Cloyde and Tammy Rigsby — have a combined 98 years of service to MRPC and the Phelps County Public Housing Agency.

It is this dedication and commitment to where we live, by board and staff alike, that has created stability and built capacity, and resulted in 50 years of success. While the designation of MRPC does not compare to walking on the moon, it was most certainly a giant, transformative leap for Missouri’s Meramec Region and the cities and counties that comprise it.

We thank the many leaders over the past 50 years who have been instrumental in MRPC’s success, and we challenge those who will serve in these roles in the future to continue the great work of MRPC and make our communities even better.
A Region of Cooperation and Strength
By MRPC Chairman Larry Miskel

2008 was the first time I heard the term MRPC, and like a lot of people I asked what is that? The answer was it is a regional planning commission and they write grants. Now someone asks me what MRPC does I usually say, “Sit down, this is going to take a few minutes.”

In 1965, Gov. Hearnes’ proclamation explained regional planning as “a means whereby municipalities and counties may work cooperatively to solve problems and to plan the future development of human, natural, and economic resources of the region.” The vision brought about a central resource in each region that has enhanced counties and cities residents overall quality of life.

In our region, we are fortunate to have organizations like Phelps Health, formerly Phelps County Regional Medical Center with over 200 beds, Missouri University of Science and Technology, a renowned university, and State Technical College of Missouri, which is rated in the top 10 of technical schools in the country. In addition, we have a significant presence in agriculture and tourism — the two largest industries in the state. Let us not forget, Fort Leonard Wood and the immediate surrounding area that includes the cities of Waynesville and St. Robert with a combined population of almost 27,000. Because of our diversity in career opportunities and the current economy, we have developed a significant emphasis on economic growth and work force development.

Meramec Regional Planning Commission took the original concept and has far exceeded what Missouri legislators could have ever envisioned in 1965. Our sustained success is primarily due to the fact that we are blessed to have such a dedicated executive director, staff and board, who have made us a model for other planning commissions to follow.

As you read the annual report, you will realize the positive interaction between MRPC, the counties and cities is evident and because of our combined efforts, we have contributed to making the Meramec Region a great place to work, live, play and serve. Thank you for the great year, and I am looking forward to serving with everyone next year.

MRPC staff is an integral part of the organization working tirelessly to implement projects for the betterment of the entire region. Pictured are a few of the 27 staff members posing for a partnership picture for the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

The Annual Dinner is a time for staff, the board and the communities to come together to celebrate the achievements made for the region during that year. Above, board members celebrate in Hermann at the 2018 MRPC annual dinner.
Communities recognize that they are fundamentally stronger when they work together for a better future and to ensure shared interests are met for their region. Because of this understanding, local government officials requested, then Missouri Gov. Warren E. Hearnes to approve a regional planning commission in the Meramec area.

On Jan. 23, 1969, Gov. Hearnes established the Meramec Regional Planning Commission with the geographic boundaries that included the counties of Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Phelps and Washington. Osage and Pulaski counties were added to the MRPC region, by executive order, in 1997 and 2005 respectively, under the 1965 State and Regional Planning and Community Development Act. The signing of the proclamation creating MRPC was witnessed by Dent County Presiding Commissioner Judge J.E. Bergman, Salem Mayor Jack Masters, Washington County Presiding Judge Jesse Essmeyer, Dent County Clerk Don Prewitt and Leon Camillo, who represented the mayor of Potosi on the board at the time.

This year, on Jan. 23, MRPC celebrated its 50th anniversary with a celebration and open house with over 80 people including past board members, executive directors and others throughout the region attended.

The eight-county region is home to 198,275 people in 36 communities. The cities and counties constantly struggle to maintain the quality of life that sets the region apart from urban neighbors yet provide services that people expect. For 50 years, MRPC has worked tirelessly to ensure that the communities are competitive with urban areas in the areas of government funding, environmental services, affordable housing and urban amenities that attract new comers to the area. Recently the planning commission has even begun working on areas of public health and tourism, while continuing their efforts in toward its primary mission. The task of improving the quality of life for the citizens of the Meramec Region remains on-going, and MRPC continues to push ahead.

A board of 63 members, each of whom serve on one of three standing committees — operations, planning and external relations — sets the region’s goals and objectives. MRPC provides a place for community leaders to plan for future successes; to help residents achieve cleaner, healthier and safer communities, greater socio-economic and cultural wealth through community development and have a strong, unified voice in the legislative process. The board meets the second Thursday of each month. A professional staff of 27 with a combined total of 321 years of experience work with the communities to ensure they have the services they most require. MRPC continues to work by knowing where we’ve been and seeing what could be for our region.

Many board members — past and present — were in attendance at the 50th anniversary celebration, including past chairmen Joe Clay Crum (left), who served from 1982-1984, and Floyd Ferrell who served from 1986-1988 and 1990-1992.

Leon Camillo, the only surviving original board member, spoke at MRPC’s 50th celebration in Jan. 2019. Camillo reflected on the economic climate at the time of the forming and why there was a need for a planning commission.

MRPC’s Mission
The mission of MRPC is to enhance the quality of life for residents of the Meramec Region. In pursuit of this mission, MRPC will bring about results in these areas:

- Cleaner, healthier and safer communities,
- Greater socio-economic and cultural wealth through community and economic development, and
- A stronger, unified voice in the legislative process.
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1971-1972
- MRPC receives its first grant from the Farmers Home Administration to develop a comprehensive rural water and sewer plan for the region.

June 1970
Office relocates to 1203 E. Tenth St. in Rolla.

February 1972
Commission motto becomes: “Regional planning is people working together to solve common problems.”

1975
Richard Cavender is hired as second executive director.

1976
- MRB Corporation formed to own the assets used by MRPC.
- MRPC approved to administer the U.S. Housing and Urban Development’s Section 8 Housing Program.
- MRPC's per capita dues increased to 15 cents per capita.

1979
- MRPC Board expands to include at-large members.
- Commission starts monthly newsletter.
- Staff begins working in area of historic preservation.
- Per capita dues increased to 20 cents.
- MRPC operating budget exceeds $460,000.

1980
- MRPC develops a region wide marketing brochure, implements a joint purchasing program for member governments and begins offering the Alcohol Related Traffic Offenders Program.
- Dues are increased to 25 cents per capita.

1982-1983
- MRPC becomes administrator of the newly formed Central Ozarks Development Inc., an 11-county certified development district charged with packaging Small Business Administration loans.

1985
- MRPC secures $400,000 EDA grant to establish a regional revolving loan fund for small businesses in the region.
MRPC’s budget passes the $500,000 mark.  

1986
- MRPC develops the first regional literacy program.
- Commission celebrates 20 years of operation and its first million-dollar budget.

1989
- Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee is formed to develop a hazardous materials emergency response plan.
- At the same retreat, the commission identified solid waste management as a priority, and MRPC board appoints a volunteer solid waste committee, whose purpose was to assist in solid waste education and develop a plan of action to address identified solid waste issues.

1988
- MRPC holds its first board retreat at the YMCA of the Ozarks near Potosi.
- Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee is formed to develop a hazardous materials emergency response plan.

1990
- 15 years after becoming an Economic Development District, the U.S. Economic Development Administration honored MRPC with its first overall economic development award for the 10-state Denver Region.

1991
- MRPC worked with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to assist with a buy-out in Jerome and through EDA, helped the city of Hermann and its IDA build a new plant for Steven Manufacturing, who had lost its downtown facility to flood waters. Staff also assisted Gasconade and Franklin counties secure funding to raise Zero Road to prevent future flooding and closure of GenCorp.

Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District is formed to address issue of excess waste going to regional landfills.

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- MRPC begins the Jugs to Toys program where milk jugs are collected to be recycled into toys.
- HOPE 3 program renovated and sold its first home in Bourbon. HOPE 3 receives national recognition from the National Association of Developmental Organizations.
- Through a special project with the Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging, MRPC coordinated efforts with the city of St. James to help the Golden Age Center find a new and expanded facility.

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1994-1995
- MRPC helps organize the Phelps County Community Partnership, one of only six planning communities in the state.

1995-1996
- MRPC enters into a partnership with Missouri Highway and Transportation Department, now known as Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT).
Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit is formed; MRPC moves into the world of child care with before and after school programs in Newburg and Edgar Springs.

1996
- MRPC begins providing floodplain management services to Phelps County.
- MRPC serves administrator for the Missouri Recycling Association and the first annual MORA conference.

1997
MRPC adopts policy that allocates a given number of hours to each community as part of its membership.

January 1998

1999
- MRPC hosts first children’s water festival on the UMR campus with some 1,600 middle school students in attendance.
- MRPC hosts first paint collection in the region.

November 1997
MRPC adds Osage County to the region.

April 1, 1999
MRPC moves to current building at 4 Industrial Drive in St. James. (Prior to the move, MRB Corp sold its building in Rolla and purchased the St. James Building.)

1999-2000
Staff begins rewriting Overall Economic Development Plan, now called the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

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- MRPC launches first website.
- Makes leap into Geographic Information Systems.
- MRPC works with Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines on the first senior housing renovation in Bland.

2000
- Coordinates first electronic waste collection.
- Prepares hazard mitigation plans for Crawford, Gasconade, Osage and Phelps counties.

2001
- MRPC focuses on the environment: offers first full-scale household hazardous waste collection for the region, looks into streams management partnership and creates a how-to resource manual for streams management.
- Four of MRPC’s counties - Crawford, Dent, Phelps and Washington - are made part of the Delta Regional Authority.
- MRPC begins promoting the concept of community foundations.

2001
MRPC works with MoDOT to develop a Transportation Planning Framework that allows local elected officials and the general public more input into transportation planning.

2002
- MRPC’s environmental programs staff completes a survey of illegal dumps and coordinates hundreds of volunteers in the clean up of some 14 dumps in the region and are recognized by the National Association of Development Organizations.

2002
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2004-2005
Pulaski County becomes part of the Meramec Region.

August 2005
MRPC expands its business loan program with $500,000 USDA Intermediary Relending Program to assist businesses in the region.

2005-2006
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• A tornado hits St. James and MRPC’s building is damaged and requires repairs.
• MRPC works on Regional Transportation Plan.
• Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District begins offering special waste collections, combining tires, appliances and electronics into one collection.

September 2006

2006-2007

MRPC works with Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines to renovate housing complexes in Cuba, Vienna, Dixon, and Owensville.

2007-2008

Phelps County PHA begins offering homeownership programs.

2009

Staff works with Dr. Karl Burgher at Missouri University of Science and Technology to match his engineering students with communities that can benefit from work plans.

Meramec Regional Coalition for Roadway Safety is formed to assist local high schools with docudramas and project graduations and Buckle Buddy comes to MRPC to help educate elementary students on seatbelt safety.

October 2009

MRPC begins Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program.

January 2010

Meramec Regional Community Foundation was formed.

May 2010

MRPC is contracted to administer the Joint Land Use Study at Fort Leonard Wood by the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment.

2012-2013

January 2012

Phelps County PHA presents largest Family Self-Sufficiency Escrow check in the amount of $17,757.78.

2013

Bonnie Prigge is promoted to MRPC’s third and current executive director.

2014

MRPC creates Naturally Meramec Consortium to bring agri-tourism entities together for mutual benefit.

2015

October 2015

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September 2015

MRPC begins Mobility Management Program.

2016

2017

Mr. R. Schoenwald comes to MRPC to help educate elementary students on seatbelt safety.

2018

• MRPC successfully prepares a CDBG grant for $3.5 million to relocate and build the St. Robert Waste Water Plant, which flooded several times. This is the largest CDBG project in the region’s history. Total project is about $22 million.
• Meramec Regional Community Foundation received its largest gift $1.4 million from Fred Schierloh family to establish scholarships at Maries County R-2 and State Technical College. This donation doubled the size of the MRCF portfolio.

July 2018

• Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee completes its first commodity flow study on Hwy 72 from Rolla to Salem.
• MRPC embarks on Rehabilitation through Innovation program with Dr. Sean Siebert, which prepares those incarcerated in Crawford County Jail to reenter the workforce.
• Naturally Meramec launches a new website.

Jan. 23, 2019

MRPC celebrates 50 successful years of work in the Meramec Region.

2019

MRPC assists the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District with day-to-day operations and project implementation. With funding from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste District awarded $176,049.13 in grant funds to further recycling, reuse and education efforts. Those projects, with a January 2019 start date, included:

- MRPC- Rolla, St. Robert for Household Hazardous Waste Collections, $9,000;
- MRPC-Special Waste Collections (appliance, ewaste, tires), $27,287.50;
- MRPC-Community Outreach & Assistance Fund, $20,000;
- MRPC-Illegal Dump Survey and Cleanup, $30,000;
- MRPC-Education, Public Awareness & Business Outreach, $24,266.36;
- Dixon High School Key Club Recycling Program, $6,603;
- Kaleidoscope Discovery Center Waste Reduction, $5,580;
- Dixon Area Caring Center Recycling Center, $18,915;
- Salem Memorial District Hospital Recycling Program, $10,995;
- City of Waynesville Recycling Education, $7,106.27; and
- Rolla Recycling Center Close the Loop, $7,095.

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Hazard mitigation planning was updated for Crawford, Gasconade, Osage and Washington counties and was completed for the first time for Dent County. The plan includes an assessment of natural hazards and establishes goals and action items to reduce the impact of these hazards in the future. Counties must have a hazard mitigation plan in order to access certain hazard mitigation grant funds.

Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District

Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD) contracts MRPC to implement programs and offer grants with the goal of reducing waste landfilled by 40 percent in the region. This is accomplished through community grants, reuse and recycling programs, educational programs for district schools and media awareness.

Six special collections were held during fiscal year 2018-19 (Dixon, Owensville, Popoti, Rolla, St. Robert and Vichy). A total of 47 tons of recyclable material was collected and diverted from landfills. An additional 36.3 tons of illegally dumped tires were collected to be recycled as well.

In partnership with Ozark Rivers, MRPC and the cities of Rolla and St. Robert provide the opportunity for residents to properly dispose of household hazardous wastes (HHW).

Through Ozark Rivers and MRPC, nearly 1,785 school-aged children learned about food waste this year. Through song and demonstrations, youth learned about reducing food waste and the value of feeding the Earth through the composting of food waste. In depth classroom instruction on soils and composting was provided at Rolla Technical Institute and Waynesville Middle School for the FFA students.

Additionally, Ozark Rivers saw the transformation of its website, www.ozarkrivers.org. The new website boasts a fresh, user-friendly interface and the addition of a new searchable function for items people may wish to recycle.
Phelps County Public Housing Agency

Maintaining safe and affordable housing is key to quality of life. This fiscal year, the Phelps County Public Housing Agency, which is administered by MRPC, provided $2.9 million in housing assistance to an average of 715 households each month, through the HUD Housing Choice program. Program participants choose their own home. MRPC staff, through inspection, ensures that it is safe and affordable and pays the landlord directly. Staff performed over 1,266 housing inspections and 24 housing briefings for eligible applicants.

The PHA also offers the Family Self-Sufficiency program (FSS) to help families improve their quality of life. The FSS program is a voluntary program offered to families who want to be self-supportive without the aid of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) from family services. Currently, PHA has 89 families enrolled on the program. Families set goals and enter into a five-year contract to become self-sufficient. As a family’s income increases, then housing assistance decreases and the difference in assistance payments is escrowed into an interest-bearing account. When a family completes its contract and graduates off the program, they receive the escrow in full. The main goal is to support and encourage those who wish to meet their full potential and become independent of government assistance.

In addition to the financial help, families on the FSS program are given the opportunity to attend free life skills classes.

This year, the Phelps County Public Housing Agency transitioned to a new manager. Linda Hollandsworth, the previous housing manager, retired in June of 2019, and Donald Keeney stepped into that role. Donald (back left) comes to MRPC with a wealth of business and marketing knowledge. Also pictured is housing staff members Tammy Rigsby (left), Savannah Vandegriffe, Elaine Cloyde, Teresa Murdie and Chuck Cantrell.

Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee

Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee (MREPC) is a local emergency planning committee that works on behalf of local governments in Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Osage, Phelps and Washington counties to maintain a federally required plan to deal with hazardous material emergencies in the region. The committee coordinates and offers training opportunities for emergency responders in the region. With approximately 13,000 miles of roadway, it is important to understand what is being transported through our region. This year, MREPC conducted commodity flow studies on Highways 8, 100, 32, 42, and 47. The study looked at hazardous material being transported along the corridors with the main focus being the trucks transporting hazardous materials. MREPC also conducted studies of the hazardous material being transported through pipelines and by railways in the region. There are 344.57 miles of pipeline carrying primarily hazardous Class 2 and Class 3 commodities and 267 miles of railway in the region.

Kraig Bone of Washington County is chairman of MREPC, while Jeff Breen of Phelps County serves as vice chair. The group meets quarterly.

Hazardous Materials Traveling in the Meramec Region:

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Source: MRPC Independent Research

50 Years Ago...

- The President of the United States was Richard Nixon,
- The internet and cash dispenser were invented,
- Top Song of the Year was “I Heard it Through the Grapevine” by Marvin Gaye,
- “Daddy Sang Bass” by Johnny Cash hit the top of the country music charts,
- Popular baby names that year were Lisa and Michael,
- Minimum Wage — $1.15 per hour
- Average Annual Income — $6,500
- Gallon of Gasoline — $0.32
- Loaf of Bread — $0.23
- Gallon of Milk — $1.10
- A Dozen Eggs — $0.62
- A Pound of Sugar — $0.12
- A Postage Stamp — $0.06
- A New Car — $2,000
- A New House — $40,000

COST OF LIVING:

COST OF ITEMS:

Source: MRPC Independent Research
Right: The Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee honored Larry Flescher for his many years of service on the board.

Greater Socio-economic and Cultural Wealth through Community and Economic Development

Meramec Regional Development Corporation

Business Loans: SBA, RLF, IRP

Meramec Regional Development Corporation (MRDC) is a certified small business development company, providing SBA 504 loans to area businesses and also serves as the loan review board for Revolving Loan Funds (RLF), owned by MRPC and loans made through the Intermediary Re-lending Program (IRP). The availability of capital is critical to a growing business, and MRPC and MRDC have seen increased interest in business development in FY18-19. Two new loans were added to the MRPC/MRDC portfolio, accounting for $189,000 in loans.

All loans provide gap financing, are made in partnership with local banks and offer long-term, fixed rates. Staff also serviced a portfolio of 14 RLF loans, 26 SBA 504 loans and six IRP loans.

The combined portfolio totaled more than $13.2 million, leveraged over $53.6 million in bank and private investments and created and/or retained approximately 2,391 jobs. Staff continues to package SBA 7 loans for banks and coordinate loan and business development training for businesses and bankers.

One of Meramec Regional Development Corporation’s primary goals is to promote resources available to small businesses. Right, the Small Business Administration hosted a workshop for small business owners at MRPC.

Meramec Regional Community Foundation

The Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF) saw tremendous growth this year to its charitable giving fund. In nine short years the fund has grown to $2.9 million in funds to be used throughout the region for scholarships and grants. MRCF is an outgrowth of MRPC and is an affiliate of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks (CFO). The foundation is committed to developing a legacy for the Meramec Region. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life for current and future generations in the Meramec Region by establishing

Maria Kloeppel (with the certificate) was awarded one of the 2019 Richard and Jeanne Cavender Scholarships for Public Service. The scholarship was in the amount of $750. Also pictured are her parents, Roger and Mary Kloeppel, and Jeanne Cavender (right).
The Meramec Region consists of 13,000, mostly rural, state road miles that consistently need maintenance and repair. Therefore, transportation requires a significant amount of planning, as well. Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Area Engineer Preston Kramer and Executive Director Bonnie Prigge met with all eight counties in fall 2018 to discuss transportation needs. The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed the updated regional needs and prioritized them in December 2018. With MRPC’s concurrence, those recommendations were shared with MoDOT for consideration for inclusion in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan. The board continues to discuss transportation funding options.

Along the lines of transportation planning, MRPC staff also continued to work to keep drivers and passengers safe on regional roadways through MRPC’s partnership with the Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety. Through safety days and back-to-school fairs, MRPC discouraged distracted driving, texting while driving and encouraged the use of seatbelts.

In addition to the fairs, MRPC provides hands-on docudrama training to schools and emergency responders interested in doing docudramas and safety days.

Planning, Project Development, Grant Writing and Administration

MRPC works within the eight-county region to plan for a better future. The planning department works in the areas of transportation planning, economic development planning and strategic planning. Current and completed projects include coordinating the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC); Naturally Meramec; updating the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS); and the regional transportation plan.

All projects start with planning. The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) advisory committee continued work on the 2018 update to address the needs of the Meramec Region. The CEDs is important because it is the economic roadmap for the region. The updated plan was finalized in December 2018. Once a need is identified then a solution is sought along with funding.

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Staff also used Buckle Buddy, a booster safety-seat promoter, to teach pre-kindergarten through second grade students how to ride safely in cars. Buddy was present during Fort Leonard Wood’s safety day, back-to-school fairs and one-on-one events.

Project development at MRPC means taking a need and finding a solution or taking an idea and turning it into a project. This is accomplished largely through planning and project development, grant-writing and grant administration.

MRPC staff offer local governments and non-profits a wealth of grant writing experience, expertise and success. Grants are typically used for community improvements, such as water and sewer systems, bridges, fire stations, senior centers and sidewalks as well as drainage improvements and housing demolition. A grant application can be complicated and time consuming. Grant writing is one of the many services MRPC offers member communities as part of their membership at a reduced rate.

This year, MRPC’s community development grant writing staff prepared 29 grant applications and one tax credit application that were funded. These grants will bring over $9.6 million to our region and state. Staff wrote and submitted an additional 47 grant proposals in FY 2018-19. Of those, another $30,500 were funded since July 1, 2019, the start of our new fiscal year. These projects ranged from senior apartment renovations, agri-tourism expansion, safety improvements for local law enforcement agencies, demolition of vacant structures and more. This also includes the largest grant in MRPC’s history — a $3.5 million CDBG to the city of St. Robert to match FEMA dollars to construct a new waste water treatment plant to replace the old one, which has flooded several times. This project is currently in design.

MRPC’s ‘bread and butter’ is grant administration, whereby staff ensures that the grantee meets grant requirements in order to receive future grant funds.

In fiscal year 2018-19, MRPC’s project development department closed five grants and continued to administer 19 projects. Some grant projects administered in fiscal year 2018-19 included: Chamois wastewater treatment facility upgrades (CDBG), Phelps County Regional Medical Center parking lot (EDA), Bland water improvements (MDNR/USDA), Potosi natural gas line (EDA/DRA), Belle demolition of vacant and abandoned buildings (CDBG), infrastructure improvements in St. James with Prock Operations (DRA) and Liberty Garden, Greenway Village, and Bonne Terre senior housing renovations (FHLB).

One of the larger projects in the region this year being administered was renovations to the Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop to make the facility less institutionalized and more inviting for the employees.

Pulaski County was awarded a CDBG grant on behalf of the Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop to renovate the facility located at 3 Industrial Drive in Richland.

The total cost of the project is expected to be $363,714. The CDBG will pay $350,000 in construction and administration on the project. The remainder will come from $8,000 in cash and in-kind work.

MRPC prepared the successful grant application and is providing grant administration services on the project.

In some situations, MRPC implements projects. Naturally Meramec, a consortium of agri-tourism businesses administered by MRPC, continued to work with agri-tourism businesses throughout the region providing trainings to its members during meetings and continuing to promote events and businesses in the Meramec Region through the website, www.naturallymeramec.org and its Facebook page. The goal is to make the Meramec Region a destination, bringing in more visitors to spend their dollars and to build partnerships between businesses so they promote each other and do business with each other.

Additionally, MRPC provides floodplain management services for Maries County, Phelps County and the city of Meta. Staff continues to work on recovery efforts after the flood of April 2017 that affected properties along the Gasconade River in Maries and Phelps counties and in Hermann. Buyouts are under way in Phelps County and Hermann.

Over the past 50 years, MRPC has successfully secured grants totaling $84,435,238.10.
MRPC secures over $9 million in grants for cities and counties in Meramec Region

In 2018-19, MRPC’s planning staff wrote 29 successful grants, totaling $9,650,596. Approved grants included:

- Cuba Tourism Commission to promote tourism in the county via print and TV - $14,229 (Missouri Division of Tourism)
- City of Newburg to replace an old non-functioning siren - $12,750 (FEMA)
- MRPC to continue development of Naturally Meramec and marketing events - $45,800 (USDA)
- City of St. James to hire consultant for the St. James Commercial Corridor Improvement Plan - $43,000 (USDA)
- City of St. Robert to allow the city to construct a new waste water treatment plant - $3,500,000 (DED-CDBG)
- MRPC to conduct a flood detour study in Hermann - $20,000 (MACOG)
- Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District to install a new storm siren at Jerome fire station - $18,000 (FEMA)
- City of Belle to demolish seven vacant and dilapidated residential structures - $60,975 (DED-CDBG)
- MRPC to support new, regionally-focused innovative, non-duplicated marketing efforts to assist producers to further expand their market base through Naturally Meramec - $425,000 (USDA)
- City of Hermann for the acquisition and demolition of Hermann Area District Hospital clinic in floodplain - $608,300 (FEMA)
- City of Potosi for a new natural gas main from Desloge to Potosi border station - $1,729,940 (DRA)
- City of Potosi for a new natural gas main from Desloge to Potosi border station - $209,000 (EDA)
- City of St. James for public infrastructure upgrades around Prock Operations - $174,124 (DRA)
- St. James Senior Center 70% tax credit for a new senior center and three years operating cost - $370,025 (DED-NAP)
- MRPC to complete a feasibility study for shared operational responsibility between two or more small wastewater systems - $50,473 (DNR)
- City of Potosi to install new ADA concrete sidewalk and crosswalks along N. Missouri St. - $237,371 (MoDOT)
- City of Caledonia to install new ADA concrete sidewalks and crosswalks along Hwy 21 - $103,970 (MoDOT)
- Duke Rural Fire Department to construct a new building - $2,000 (Walmart Community Giving Fund)
- Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation for opioid abuse prevention in Gasconade, Osage, Pulaski and Washington counties - $100,000 (Amerisource Bergen)
- Pulaski County to construct a new bridge on Bunker Road over Bell Creek - $274,029 (DED-CDBG)
- Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation on behalf of the Duke Rural Fire District to construct a new building - $250 (MRCF)
- Meramec Region Community Foundation for grant making to local projects addressing substance abuse issues - $10,000 (CFO)
- Prevention Consultants to deliver 2,500 safe disposal pouches to pharmacies, healthcare providers and law enforcement - $25,000 (Amerisource Bergen)
- St. James Caring Center for facility renovation and senior center parking upgrades - $344,110 (DED-CDBG)
- City of Linn for reconstruction of 5th St. and rehabilitation of 1st St. - $500,00 (DED-CDBG)
- Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation to procure and distribute lockable drug storage bags - $1,250 (CFO-ROHI)
- Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation to conduct a region job/resources fair focused on individuals with substance use disorders - $2,500 (CFO-ROHI)
- St. James School District to purchase pour-in-place surface material for an early education playground - $30,000 (DNR)
- MRPC to assemble a consortium of health and social service providers who will improve prevention, treatment, and recovery from opioid addiction - $738,500 (HRSA)

Left: Crews with Central Missouri Excavating Company began prep ping a house in Belle for demolition by removing siding. Belle received a Community Develop ment Block Grant to demolish seven vacant and dilapidated residential structures around the city.
A Unified Legislative Voice

Cities and counties in the Meramec Region have many commonalities, and what effects one, will most likely impact the majority. That is especially true of legislation. MRPC helps communities keep track of and be aware of proposed legislation so they can determine the impact on their jurisdictions.

It is critical that a town of 200 people have the same voice as a city of 200,000. In order to keep track of so much, MRPC’s External Relations committee monitors legislation throughout the year and keeps the membership apprised through various legislative updates from a variety of sources. MRPC also serves as an advocate for its local governments, 36 cities and more than 190,000 residents.

MRPC has an excellent rapport with its three state senators, 10 state representatives, two U.S. senators and three U.S. representatives that serve various parts of the region. In any given legislative session, MRPC provides ideas and makes input to ensure the rural perspective is considered.

Each year, the MRPC board develops state and federal priority reports. State legislators were invited to discuss issues with MRPC board and staff members at the December 2018 meeting, and the Meramec congressional delegation was invited to the January 2019 MRPC meeting to discuss federal issues.

In January 2019, the MRPC board visited with legislators at the state capital in Jefferson City to present them with MRPC’s state priorities report.

In March 2018, Chairman Larry Miskel, Executive Director Bonnie Prigge and Assistant Director Tammy Snodgrass attended the National Association of Developmental Organizations (NADO) Washington Policy conference in D.C., where they visited with the region’s congressional leadership and hand-delivered MRPC’s Federal Priorities report.

Left: MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge and Sen. Gary Romine discuss MRPC’s state priorities. The MRPC board prioritizes those issues most important to the region, in the areas of transportation, economic development, health care and social service, environmental, education, local government and general concerns.

Above: Those who participated in the MRPC Day at the Capitol were (left to right) Gasconade County Board Member Ron Kraettli, Dent County Presiding Commissioner Darrell Skiles, Labor Representative Shane Anselm, MRPC Assistant Director Tammy Snodgrass, St. James Mayor Jim White, MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge, Maries County Board Member Ray Schwartz, MRPC Chairman and Gasconade County Presiding Commissioner Larry Miskel, Hermann City Administrator Mark Wallace, MRPC Vice Chair and City of Belle representative Steve Vogt, City of Steelville representative Sharon Hubbard, MRPC Planning Manager Kelly Sink-Blair, Gary Heldt of Hermann and Maries County Presiding Commissioner Vic Stratman.

Left: MRPC board members speak with various state legislators about the regions priorities for state legislation, while enjoying some lunch.
## Preliminary Revenue & Expenditure Report
For the Year ending June 30, 2019

### REVENUE SUMMARY

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**TOTAL REVENUES OVER EXPENSES**

$42,044

Financials are a significant part of MRPC and all its affiliate boards and committees. The fiscal staff lead by Fiscal Officer Linda Loughridge (center right) keeps the financials for 12 different entities currently. Above, Linda Loughridge presents financials to the Meramec Regional Development Corporation.

**MRPC’s Annual Budget**

1969 - 1970: $60,000
2003 - 2004: $1.3 Million
2008 - 2009: $2.0 Million
2018 - 2019: $2.0 Million

REGION
• Provided $2,898,55 in housing assistance to an average of 715 low-income households per month in the Meramec Region through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Choice Voucher Program. This also includes the participants who have utilized their portability rights and have transferred out of our area and are still being assisted with our agency’s funds. The MRPC also performed 1,266 unit inspections for the rental assistance programs and conducted 12 group housing briefing sessions at MRPC.
• Submitted and was awarded Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) grant of $59,946.
• Provided information on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) competition and grant alerts for the: National Trust for Historic Preservation Fund, Emergency Solutions Grant, Missouri Department of Economic Development Disaster Recovery Program, Missouri Department of Natural Resources Outdoor Recreation Grant Programs, United States Department of Agriculture Community Connect grant, Energy Loan Program, Missouri Main Street Affiliate Grant Program, Ozark Rivers 2019 Waste Reduction Project grants, Delta Regional Authority 2019 Grant Round, Ozark Rivers 2018 Grant Round, Meramec Regional Community Foundation Grants, Volkswagen Trust Program, Fire Prevention and Safety Grant through FEMA, Energy Loan Program, Cardinals Care Program, MDNR Scrap Tire Program, Missouri State Parks Preservation Fund, Workforce Training Center Initiative, and Kaboom! Community Playground grant.
• Submitted a grant application to AmerisourceBergen Foundation’s Opioid Resource Grant Program for MCEC for $100,000 for opioid abuse prevention to cover four counties not covered by HRSA., which was funded
• Submitted a grant application to the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for $10,000 for disaster preparedness education and promotion for the vulnerable populations of the region. (Not funded)
• Submitted a grant application to the Department of Agriculture for Protection against Prescription Drug and illegal Dump Contamination of Water Resources program. (Not funded)
• Provided updated Hazardous Materials plan Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Phelps and Osage counties, then city and first responders.
• Applied for and worked with Missouri Emergency Response Commission to promote and coordinate hazardous materials classes.
• Held Annual Dinner at Hermann Hill Wedding and Convention Center in Hermann on Oct. 25, 2018. Outstanding volunteer citizens were recognized at the annual dinner and later in the region’s news media and MRPC publications.
• Applied for and received Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD) grants to assist with Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) satellite collections in Rolla and St. Robert, special waste collections, environmental education and awareness and community outreach and assistance fund.
• Updated and redesigned MRPC’s website.
• Conducted training needs survey for MREPC.
• Applied for and worked with Missouri Emergency Response Commission to promote and coordinate hazardous materials classes.
• Prepared Federal Priorities report and made annual trip to Washington, D.C. to carry regional concerns to our U.S. representatives and senators. Chair Larry Miskel accompanied staff members Tammy Snodgrass and Bonnie Prigge on March 17-20, 2019.
• Prepared State Priorities report and made annual trip to Jefferson City on Jan. 29, 2019 to carry regional

In conjunction with area partners and the work accomplished through the Crawford County Jail in the Rehabilitation through Innovation program, the National Association of Development Organizations awarded innovation awards to Dr. Sean Siebert, Crawford County Jail, the Missouri Job Center, Workforce Development and MRPC.

Meramec Regional Planning Commission has compiled a list of major services, provided for communities and local governments within the region for fiscal year 2018/2019. MRPC is truly committed to making a difference.
concerns to our state representatives and senators. Board members and staff participated.

- Executive Director served on the boards of the Missouri Association of Councils of Governments (MACOG), Missouri Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP), Missouri Federal Land Access Program Decision Committee (FLAP), Community Partnership Early Childhood Educare Advisory Committee, Sustainable Ozarks Partnership Board, SBTCDC Statewide Advisory Board, Fort Leonard Wood Community Partnership Leadership Committee and Meramec Regional Community Foundation. Served as chair of the Missouri Association of Council of Governments transportation committee.
- Served as administrator for the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone (GVEZ) that coordinates the Enhanced Enterprise Zones in Maries, Gasconade and Osage counties, and assisted with fundraising, work keys testing and four meetings.
- Coordinated the annual Enhanced Enterprise Zone meeting for Maries, Gasconade and Osage EEZs.
- Continued to work with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) to gather local input on transportation needs and issues and provide staff support to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), an advisory group serving as a liaison between local citizens and MRPC, including the coordination of six meetings.
- Maintained a multi-modal transportation stakeholder’s email list.
- Provided traffic counters, which may be used by member communities and organizations.
- Invited the Meramec Region’s state legislators to MRPC’s December board meeting for an idea exchange. Three legislators and staff from another legislator participated.
- Invited the Meramec Region’s federal congressional leadership to MRPC’s January board meeting for an idea exchange. Staff from one of the region’s congressional offices participated.
- Coordinated and provided meeting room for four MREPC meetings and seven ORSWMD meetings.
- Provided Christmas food and gifts for two needy families through staff and board donations. Additionally, MRPC staff and board made a $50 donation to Missouri Patriot Paws, $50 donation to the St. James Veterans Home, $100 donation to the St. James Caring Center and donated pet supplies to the St. James Animal Shelter.
- Invited the Meramec Region’s state legislators and staff to MRPC’s January board meeting for an idea exchange. Three legislators and staff from another region attended.
- Coordinated four meetings of Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee (HSOC).
- Continued to work with Dr. Joan Schuman from MS&T, Dept. of Engineering Management and Systems Engineering, to make board members aware of the University’s program to have engineering management student’s work with local governments to address their needs and identify solutions. Served as a liaison between the cities of Bourbon and Meta, the communities that hosted the class this fiscal year.
- Provided seven Meramec Morning presentations on grants this fiscal year with a total of 57 people attending.
- Entered into contracts with MoDOT and Coalition for Roadway Safety to assist with awareness of a “Buckle Up/Phone Down/Arrive Alive” message at schools and community events and provide docu-drama/safety day training.
- Staff continued to provide coordination services for the Naturally Meramec Consortium by working with agriculture, tourism and culinary businesses across the region. Staff facilitated bi-monthly meetings, hosted training events, visited businesses, gathered data, set up day-trip trails and marketed the businesses through the Show-Me Local: Naturally Meramec website and Facebook page, all in an effort to expand markets for producers and encourage agritourism opportunities.
- Submitted and was awarded a grant for $45,800 from USDA Rural Development to conduct a feasibility study of a food hub.
- A grant application to Federal Home Loan Bank’s Affordable Housing Program for funds to make repairs to 20 owner-occupied homes throughout the region. (Not funded)
- Shared Missouri Partnership leads with economic developers and community leaders, as requested.
- Administered the Health Resources & Services Administration’s Rural Health Opioid Program.
- Prepared a ROHI grant for Meramec Regional Community Foundation for $10,000, which was awarded. MRCF then awarded five community grants.
- Applied and received the Office of Administration State Aid to Regional Planning Commissions grant.
- Advertised Community Right-to-Know information regionwide on behalf of MREPC.
- Maintained portfolio of 15 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) projects, totaling $914,530, leveraging more than $21,168,296 million in private investment and creating/retaining more than 990 jobs in our region with the entire program.
- Maintained portfolio of 26 Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 loans, totaling $5,545,897, leveraging more than $6,189,203 million in private investment and creating/retaining more than 1,287 jobs in

Meramec Mornings are a way for communities to better understand the services that MRPC can provide and for MRPC to understand the needs of the region.
our region with the entire program.

- Maintained portfolio of seven Intermediary Relending Projects (IRP), totaling $319,146, leveraging more than $5,174,000 million in private investment and creating/retaining more than 179 jobs in our region.
- Coordinated and provided meeting facilities for eight Meramec Regional Development Corporation (MRDC) meetings. Provide staff and administrative assistance to MRDC.
- Continued to offer associate memberships to businesses and organizations in the region. As of June 30, 2018, 15 businesses and organizations held associate memberships.
- Hosted a Resident Advisory board Meeting (RAB) to review the five year/one year Public Housing Authority (PHA) plan.
- Coordinated Ozark Rivers Grant program that awarded eight grants, which benefited Ozark Rivers counties. The total award was $185,049.13, which is being administered by MRPC on behalf of ORSWMD.
- Participated and assisted in coordination of quarterly meetings in Jefferson City for RPC fiscal officers.
- Coordinated, set agenda and facilitated five meetings for solid waste planners meetings at the state level.
- Coordinated and administered Region I HSOC for the period 2019-2021.

MRPC received a $10,000 ROHI grant that was used as a grant-making fund for five projects in the region that addressed opioid issues.

grant program, which benefited Region I. Eight FY18 projects totaling $93,995.39, were awarded in October 2018. Completed and submitted Region I HSOC progress reports to Office of Homeland Security in December and July. Represented Region I HSOC at State HSOC Chair meetings and at State Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) meetings on a quarterly basis.

- Facilitated and provided technical assistance to the Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF). MRCF ended the fiscal year with 54 funds with a fund balance of $2,937,009. Two new funds were established, totaling $100,000. Hosted and attended over 14 meetings to promote the foundation concept. Assisted the foundation in awarding six community grants totaling $1,500, 20 scholarships in the region, totaling $36,600 and five ROHI grants totaling $10,250.
- Provided meeting space for South Central Correctional facility personnel, as needed.
- Coordinated and provided meeting facilities for eight Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF) meetings.
- The Meramec Region Coalition for Roadway Safety Subcommittee awarded 10 mini grants, totaling $3,000 to assist with eight Project Graduations and two docudrama projects. Project Graduation grants were awarded to: Potosi High School, Owensville High School, Belle High School, Kiwanis of Cuba for Cuba High School, St. James High School, Hermann Families in Action for Hermann High School, Salem High School and Bourbon High School. Docudrama grants were awarded to St. James High School and Vienna High School.
- Prepared a proposal and was awarded a grant in the amount of $210,000 from the Economic Development Administration for funds to provide economic development and technical assistance to the cities and counties of MRPC for the period 2019-2021.
- Facilitated five Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Advisory Committee meetings and submitted five-year update of CEDS in December 2018.
- Participated in EDA Peer Review and presented information to EDA on programs ad organization.
- Submitted DRA planning grant reports.
- Provided technical assistance for Metamere Community Enhancement Corporation (MCEC) and coordinated four meetings.
- Provided a forum for local review for federal funded programs and projects in the region through the State Clearinghouse Review process.
- Prepared, submitted and administered Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF) Tier II and Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HM) grants for the MREPC.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study of Hwys. 100, 47, 32, 42, and 8 for MREPC.
- Fielded numerous calls for assistance for SBA, RL, IRP and micro loans throughout the region for small businesses.
- Coordinated a staff retreat that focused on team-
work in June 2019.
• Responded to numerous requests for information via MRPC’s website.
• Prepared 106 press releases for media in the region, keeping them informed about the projects and activities of MRPC and its member governments.
• Coordinated a presentation Alan Galindo, Central Workforce Development Board for the August 2018 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Bonnie Prigge, MRPC’s Executive Director, that highlighted the wide selection of projects and programs being accomplished by staff and shared information on how projects are managed and tracked for the September 2018 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC, on the Region I Homeland Security Grants that were approved by the HSOC committee for the October 2018 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Samantha Madison, MRPC, on the HRSA and Naturally Meramec Grants for the November 2018 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Tammy Alsop, Hochschild Bloom & Company, who presented the finalized MRPC audit report for MRPC and its component units for year ending June 20, 2018 and a presentation by Linda Hollandsworth, MRPC, on the housing program for the February 2019 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Dr. Shawn Strong, State Technical College of Missouri on activities at the college and the school’s proposed Utility Village for the March 2019 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Darryl Rockfield, Jr., SEMA Floodplain Engineer on the RiskMAP process in Missouri and the work that is going on in the Meramec Region for the April 2019 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation with Matt Hesser, state demographer for the state of Missouri, on the upcoming 2020 Census for the May 2019 MRPC meeting.
• Coordinated a presentation by Tim Arbeiter, State Broadband Director, on the current state of broadband in Missouri, specifically in the Meramec Region for the June 2019 MRPC meeting.
• Attended annual meeting of Sustainable Ozarks Partnership in Waynesville.
• Completed a Mobility Management program with funding from MoDOT for Federal Transit Administration 5310 and Missouri Developmental Disabilities Council.
• Continued administration of an EDA grant to construct parking facilities on the medical campus that will facilitate the location of Delbert Day Cancer Institute in the amount of $1,407,980.
• Provided information monthly to local lenders and business professionals on MRPC’s loan programs, SBA 504 rates and announcements.
• Hosted an MML Elected Officials training on Aug. 23, 2018.
• Collected and organized Tier II reports for the region.
• Coordinated information gathering for the 2019 Solid Waste Advisory Board annual report to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.
• Held a grant writing workshop for ORSWMD in July 2018.
• Held a grant administration workshop for ORSWMD subgrantees, Dec. 2018.
• Procured for and solicited member communities participation in bulk paper purchase and coordinated delivery of purchases to the respective communities.
• Presented a program on Meramec Regional Planning Commission transportation planning activities at a Missouri S&T Chapter of the Institute of Transportation Engineers meeting on Feb. 12, 2019.
• Attended a workshop on Funding for the Future – Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Financing on July 12, 2018.
• Participated in a joint presentation to Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission on planning framework.
• Participated in a State of Missouri Economic Development Forecast Luncheon, presented by Rob Dixon, on Feb. 15, 2019 at First State Community Bank, Sullivan.
• Distributed 2019 Ozark Rivers SWMD grant application information to all city and county officials.
• Assisted a potential factory business owner with development and location information in Gasconade, Crawford, and Washington counties, on behalf of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone.
• Provided technical assistance to those inquiring about Ozark Rivers SWMD grant application guidelines.
• Presented 20 ORSWMD grant applications to the grant review committee, compiled scoring and presented results to the ORSWMD Executive Board.
• Coordinated process for finalizing 16 awarded ORSWMD grant application submissions to Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR).
• Provided technical assistance for reporting and reimbursement requests for 2019/2020 ORSWMD grant projects.
• Provided technical assistance to five ORSWMD grant projects transitioning to online quarterly reporting.
• Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Executive Board and coordinated three meetings.
• Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.

• Coordinated a presentation by Cameron Stover, Brewer Science, on the process in which Brewer Science has achieved nearly zero waste for the July 2018 ORSWMD Advisory Board Committee.

• Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest, Be Waste Wise.

• Facilitated ORSWMD Executive Board support of a statewide Product Stewardship Initiative.

• Attended 2018 Missouri Recycling Association Conference.

• Attended 2018 Annual Missouri Emergency Management Conference.

• Submitted a grant request in the amount of $10,000 to the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for disaster preparedness education and promotion for the vulnerable populations of the region. Was not funded.

• On behalf of MRFC, submitted and was awarded a grant in the amount of $25,000 from AmerisourceBergen to deliver 2,500 safe disposal pouches to pharmacies, healthcare providers, and law enforcement.

• Submitted a grant application in the amount of $2,000,000 to the Economic Development Administration for funds to construct the new Utility Technician Center and to expand utility programs and certifications at State Technical College of Missouri.

• Submitted an MRPC grant application in the amount of $901,855 to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to develop a multi-disciplinary task force to address the opioid crisis affecting children youth, and families. Was not funded.

• Submitted and was awarded a grant on behalf of Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation in the amount of $2,500 from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for funds to conduct a regional job / resources fair focused on individuals with substance use disorders, including formally incarcerated persons.

• Submitted and was awarded a grant on behalf of Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation in the amount of $1,250 from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for funds for the Meramec Region Safe Rx Storage project to purchase and distribute and procure 96 lockable storage bags to seniors.

• Attended the Delta Regional Authority training in 35 fire departments to discuss the opioid epidemic.

• Attended an MRPC grant application in the amount of $2,000,000 to the Economic Development Administration for funds to conduct a feasibility study for shared operational responsibility between two or more small waste water systems and began work on the wastewater system survey.

• On behalf of Prevention Consultants, submitted and was awarded a grant in the amount of $50,473 from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources 604b for funds to conduct a feasibility study for shared operational responsibility between two or more small waste water systems and began work on the wastewater system survey.

• Worked with Sustainable Ozarks Partnership (SOP) and regional economic developers on a quality of life survey for businesses and residents in the Fort Leonard Wood region and held meetings to discuss the future of economic development in the FLW area.

• Attended ADA Transition training provided by MoDOT.

• Amended Chapters and Appendices for the 2019 Regional Transportation Plan Update.

• Updated the Inventory List for SEMA Region I’s Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC).

• Attended SOP Regional Tourism meetings for sharing information on Naturally Meramec.

• Attended a Your Community Cares Rural Health Coalition meeting at MRPC for Community Needs Assessment on April 1, 2019.

• Attended Customer Service Training from the University of Missouri Extension Dent County on April 10, 2019.

• Attended a Your Community Cares Rural Health Coalition meeting in Rolla for Community Needs Assessment on April 11, and April 23, 2019.

• Gave a presentation on the Amerisource Bergen Foundation grant to the Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation.

• Gave a presentation to MRPC’s Planning Committee on HRSA and the Amerisource Bergen Foundation grant.

• Held four Meramec Region Rural Opioid Program Consortium meetings.

• Attended Farm to Fork summit to promote Naturally Meramec.

• Contacted four county sheriffs, 11 police chiefs, six school districts, four county health departments, and 35 fire departments to discuss the opioid epidemic.

• Attended a national conference in Washington, D.C. to discuss new ideas and ways to combat the opioid crisis.
• Participated in RREC’s Wage and Benefit Survey to be used as a recruitment/retention tool by local businesses and companies considering locating in the Rolla and surrounding area.
• Submitted a grant application in the amount of $132,219.75 to the USDA for a project to promote protection against prescription drug and illegal dump contamination of water resources. Was not funded.
• Submitted a grant application in the amount of $600,000 to the Environmental Protection Agency for funds to conduct inventory, prioritization, and assessment of brownfields to prepare sites for future redevelopment and economic use. Was not funded.
• Provided docudrama planning consultation and assistance to Linn, Vienna, Salem, Cuba, Dixon and St. James High Schools.
• Attended monthly Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety meetings at MoDOT in Jefferson City.
• Made a presentation to Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in partnership with Central District MoDOT on planning framework and Regional Planning Commission involvement in transportation planning.
• Made presentation to Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission at meeting in Rolla on MRPC’s work in transportation safety and education through partnership with the Coalition for Roadway Safety (Statewide and Central District).
• Awarded an ROHI grant of $1,250 to the Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation for its Meramec Region Safe Rx Storage project.

OUTSIDE THE MERAMEC REGION
• Provided contact information on SBA 7a loan program to a business in St. Louis/Illinois, Albers looking for funding to purchase more inventory.
• Scheduled and coordinated a conference call with client and broker to discuss loan assumptions and alternative funding options for purchasing an existing business in Linn Creek, MO.
• Shared industry pulse report sample from national business valuation and shared information on risk assessments with a client looking to fund a hotel project in Camdenton, MO.
• Provided loan information to lenders/businesses for possible projects in Mansfield, Branson, Cuba, Loose Creek, Springfield, Linn Creek, and St. Genevieve, MO.
• Provided a teacher education field trip to a model program in St. Louis focusing on incorporating recycled materials into youth art programing.
• Shared MRPC’s Road Safety Audits and TAC Priorities process with other regional transportation planners throughout Missouri.
• Shared Fair Labor Standards Act “Exempt versus Non-Exempt” Fact Sheet and examples of duties test with Mid-MORPC.
• Provided Mid-MORPC information on compensatory time payout verses accrual and when salaries should be charged to grant projects.
• Shared MRPC’s Fiscal Officer job description, new hire interview questions, testing, reference check questions and background check release of information form with Kaysinger Basin RPC.
• Provided Mid-MORPC with MRPC’s audit firm list, request for proposal specifications and pricing comparison worksheet.
• Provided MTRCOG with MRPC’s loan board bylaws and contracts between MRPC and MRDC and explained services provided through that contractual relationship.
• Provided NWMORCOG with CFDA and SEFA reporting requirements on the MACOG Disaster Resiliency Planning Project.
• Provided HSTRCOG with MRPC’s fiscal department new hire testing and contract checklist.
• Shared MRPC’s Fiscal Officer, Senior Community Development Specialist, Senior Grant Administrator and Business Loans Specialist III job descriptions with MOKAN Regional Council.
• Shared MRPC’s fiscal policies and internal control procedures with SMCOG.
• Provided guidance to SEMORPC on eligible uses of revolving loan funds, specifically, can the RPC or their affiliate use the funds to purchase a building?
• Shared EDA RLF Training opportunity with SEMORPC.
• Provided guidance to SEMORPC, including MRPC attorney’s legal counsel, regarding Equal Credit Opportunity Act and lawful policies/procedures for personal guarantees on loans if no personal assets are used as collateral.
• Provided GHRPC with US Department of Commerce and Department of Interior’s indirect negotiation process and proposal packet checklist and the pros/cons of negotiating a rate versus an indirect cost acceptance letter.
• Shared EDA Grants Online Training opportunity with all Missouri RPC fiscal officers.
• Provided Mid-MORPC with MRPC’s agent of record for health insurance contact information.
• Shared MRPC’s staff evaluation process, online assessment report, checkpoint quarterly meeting, merit matrix and performance and compensation review policy with all Missouri RPC fiscal officers.
• Shared OHS FY18 Workshop documents with PTRPC. Provided guidance on the changes to the OHS reimbursement request process.
• Provided guidance to Mid-MORPC regarding the allowance of Medicare stipends, level of funding for them and potential conflict with Medicare as Secondary Payer legislation.
• Shared MRPC’s Planning and Project Development Manager job descriptions with MTRCOG.
• Provided Kaysinger Basin RPC with information on the State of Missouri’s reimbursable mileage rate change and state agencies implementing as of effective date.
• Met with Lake Ozark development group to discuss MRPC’s work in housing.
• Provided information on contracts, advertising and bidding requirements to Region M Solid Waste Management District.

• Provided information on solid waste education programs to Bootheel Solid Waste Management District.
• Provided assistance to Lake Ozark Council of Governments on a Commodity Flow Study for Laclede County.
• Presented a Family Home Loan Bank presentation: Cyber Seniors in St. Clair, MO.
• Continued to administer a Federal Home Loan Bank grant through the Affordable Housing Program to Liberty Garden Apartments, Inc. to renovate 20 senior apartments.
• Continued administering a Federal Home Loan Bank grant through the Affordable Housing Program to Greenway Village, Inc. for funds to renovate 12 senior/disabled apartments.
• Completed a Federal Home Loan Bank grant project through the Affordable Housing Program to renovate the Haven Manor senior apartments in New Haven.
• Participated in a MODOT Central District planning meeting in Jefferson City and presented the Meramec Region’s prioritized list of needs and explained the planning and prioritization process.
• Presented to a University of Missouri-Columbia civil engineering class on the transportation planning process used in the state of Missouri by MODOT and its planning partners.
• Attended a SBTDC statewide advisory committee meeting in Columbia.
• Participated on a barge tour of the Missouri River, hosted by the Corp of Engineers, which included information on freight transportation.
• Attended the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety Conference Sept. 10-12, 2018 in Columbia.
• Attended the Missouri Association of Council of Governments Professional Development Conference in Branson Oct. 3-5, 2018.
• Provided information on e-waste collection contractors to Region P Solid Waste Management District.
• Provided copy of ORSWMD policies to all other solid waste management districts in the state.
• Updated and completed the State Solid Waste Advisory Committee’s 2018 Annual Report on behalf of the SWAB and all solid waste management districts in the state.
• Provided playground grant resources to Northeast Missouri Regional Planning Commission.
• Provided planning assistance for a Grim Reaper DocuDrama at Blair Oaks High School in Cole County on April 18, 2019.
• Developed and staffed a booth and attended statewide MORA Conference Sept. 10-12, 2018 in Kansas City, MO.
• Attended the Resource Recycling National Conference Oct. 22-24, 2018, in St. Louis, MO.
• Provided docudrama planning consultation and assistance Blair Oaks, Nevada, Mountain Grove, and Willow Springs High Schools.
• On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those successfully completing work keys testing for 275 juniors and seniors in Maries, Osage and Gasconade counties.

CRAWFORD COUNTY
• Provided $1,088,231 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 268 households. This includes the cities of Bourbon, Cuba, Leasburg, Steelville and Sullivan and communities of Cherryville and Cook Station.
• Met with Crawford County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Nov. 27, 2018, to discuss transportation needs in the county.
• Provided information on the Delta Regional Authority States’ Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP).
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided information from USDA and researched federal and state resources for funding resources to assist with installation of security cameras at the courthouse.
• Conducted a Commodity Flow Study in Steelville on April 16 and 17, 2019.
• Met with the Sheriff Layman, Chief Jones of St. James and Chief Sherman of Steelville for Community Needs Assessment on March 21, 2019.
• Submitted a grant application in the amount of $132,219.75 to the USDA for a project to promote protection against prescription drug and illegal dump contamination of water resources. Was not funded.
• Submitted a grant application in the amount of $600,000 to the Environmental Protection Agency for funds to conduct inventory, prioritization, and assessment of brownfields to prepare sites for future redevelopment and economic use. Was not funded.
• Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.
• Surveyed Crawford County emergency response agencies on hazardous materials training needs.
• Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.

A FHLB grant allowed Haven Manor to renovate 36 one-bedroom housing units at the complex, creating safer, healthier homes for residents. MRPC administered the grant funds.
• On behalf of the Cuba Tourism Commission, submitted a grant to the Missouri Division of Tourism to promote tourism in the county in print and on TV. Was funded at $14,229.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Crawford County and its cities.
• Provided information to Crawford County high schools on ‘It Only takes One’ safe driving competition.
• Conducted a Commodity Flow Study of Hwys. 19 and 8, as well as the pipelines and railroads in Crawford County.
• Awarded an ROHI grant of $2,500 to the Mid-Mo Addiction Group for its program “The Bedroom Revealing Drug Use Project”.

BOURBON

• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Reviewed, edited and assisted the city with the submission of a disaster preparedness grant from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks.
• Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Bourbon Boosters.
• Provided information on several arts/culture organizations as resources to assist the local luthiery shop with classes and tourism based around arts/culture.
• Presented a “Safety and Security: Spotting Scammer and How to Protect Yourself” educational seminar at Autumn Age Homes on June 10, 2019.
• Provided information on RLF program to a client looking to update their business and building.
• Presented a program on Naturally Meramec to the Bourbon Economic Development Group.
• Provided city alderman with MRPC’s audit firm RFP list.
• Continued administering a CDBG grant in the amount of $500,000 for the reconstruction of E. Pine Street through the downtown business district.
• Awarded a Project Graduation grant on behalf of Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety to Bourbon High School.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 16 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition to Bourbon High School.
• Continued to work with Dr. Joan Schuman from MS&T, Dept. of Engineering Management and Systems Engineering, to make board members aware of the University’s program to have engineering management student’s work with local governments to address their needs and identify solutions. Served as a liaison between the cities of Bourbon and Meta, the communities that hosted the class this fiscal year.
• Awarded an ROHI grant of $2,250 to the Bourbon Elementary School for its Check mate: Creating Healthy Empowered Choices in Kids, Managing Addiction through Education program.

CUBA

• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwy. 19 in Cuba.
• Prepared and submitted a HMEP application for a Hazmat Operations class for the Cuba EMD.
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Presented a bicycle safety program to approximately 55 students at MOCA Headstart in Cuba on April 15, 2019.
• Presented three littering programs to approximately 55 students at MOCA Headstart in Cuba on April 23, 2019.
• Provided “Buckle UP/Phone Down” seat belt safety information to approximately 400 students at the Cuba Middle School Fun and Fit Student Health and Wellness Fair on March 8, 2019.
• Shared information on loan programs for a business looking to expand by purchasing and renovating two small properties.
• Submitted a proposal to perform a salary comparison for current and future positions and establish a market competitive step and grade compensation plan for the city.
• Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
• Prepared and submitted a HMEP application for Hazmat victim Decon for North Crawford County Ambulance District.
• On behalf of the Cuba Tourism Commission, submitted a grant to the Missouri Division of Tourism to promote tourism in Cuba and Crawford County in print and on TV. Was funded at $14,229.
• Provided servicing for an RLF loan.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition to Cuba High School.
LEABURG
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Presented a “Safety and Security: Spotting Scammer and How to Protect Yourself” educational seminar at Village Apartments of Leasburg on June 10, 2019.

STEELVILLE
- Prepared and submitted a HMEP application for Hazmat Awareness for Steelville Ambulance District.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on foundations, USDA and MDNR Scrap Tire to the city as possible resources for grants to replace playground equipment at the Community Child Care Center.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to upgrade the playground at Hoppe Spring Park.
- Provided information on grants for art school program in Steelville.
- Provided city with history of allocated hours donation and usage.
- Continued to administer CDBG grant for Steelville ADA project (ADA improvements to city hall).
- Provided servicing for one SBA loan.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition to Steelville High School.
- Provided 68 Steelville elementary and Middle School students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest recognitions and displayed student art at Gallery Zeke.

SULLIVAN
- Provided information on the Small Business and Technology Development Center’s counseling resources and SBA 8a Women’s Business Center to an individual looking to open a new book store in Sullivan, MO.
- Provided Q&A and MRDC loan application to a client in Sullivan, MO to construct and purchase a new trampoline recreation facility.
- Provided loan program information to an individual looking to open a new business in Sullivan, MO.
- Provided information on loan programs and SBTDC for a new business client in Sullivan, MO.

DENT COUNTY
- Prepared and submitted a HMEP application for Chemical Suicide training for Dent County Sheriff Department.
- Met with Dent County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Oct. 18, 2018, to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Provided information on loans and tax credits as resources to consider for seeking funds to expand the health department.
- Met with representatives of the county and discussed Brownfields resources, loans and tax credits to help offset the demolition and clean-up of the Old Middle School property.
- Presented a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Feb. 27, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Sixteen people attended.
- Met with Dent County Sheriff Wells and Chief Steelman of Salem for Community Needs Assessment on March 18, 2019.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the City of Salem in the amount of $249,999 to Missouri Department of Natural Resources for funds to develop the Salem Soccer Complex including two regulation soccer fields, access road, parking and restrooms. City withdrew application.
- Submitted grant application to Delta Regional Authority for SEDAP 2019 for the county to upgrade CR 6670 of State Hwy. YY by paving the half mile section from YY to the Tan Vat Access. This road is the access to National Scenic Riverways and back entrance to ADA improvements to Steelville City Hall were completed during the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The improvements were paid for through a Community Development Block Grant.

Hazmat Awareness for Steelville Ambulance District.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on foundations, USDA and MDNR Scrap Tire to the city as possible resources for grants to replace playground equipment at the Community Child Care Center.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to upgrade the playground at Hoppe Spring Park.

Representatives from MRPC and MoDOT Area Engineer Preston Kramer met with each county during its commission meeting to discuss transportation needs for the county.
Salem County
- Provided information to Salem High Schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Provided contest announcements and recognized six middle school students for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Provided educational assemblies on food waste reduction for 60 Salem High and 127 North Wood Elementary students.
- Provided proposals for ordinances and mapping to the City of Salem.
- Met with Dent County Sheriffs Wells and Chief Steelman of Salem for Community Needs Assessment on March 18, 2019.
- Provided environmental education programs for 187 students in Salem schools.
- Provided servicing for one IRP loan and three SBA loans.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Awarded a Project Graduation grant on behalf of the city of Salem for Community Needs Assessment.
- Provided loan information to an individual for the purchase of an existing business.
- Completed and submitted a HMEP grant application on behalf of Dent County Fire Department.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Completed and submitted a HMEP grant application on behalf of Salem Memorial District Hospital for Hazmat Decon Training.
- Working with a client who is a veteran and wants to purchase a mobile home.
- Provided financing estimate to a loan officer at Progressive Ozark Bank as a proposal for the bank to partner with MRPC.
- Shared SBA loan information to a business looking to relocate to a new building.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the city of Salem in the amount of $249,999 to Missouri Department of Natural Resources for funds to develop the Salem Soccer Complex including two regulation soccer fields, access road, parking and restrooms.
- City withdrew application.
- Provided loan information to an individual for the purchase of an existing business.
- Completed and submitted a HMEP grant application on behalf of Dent County Fire Department.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Presented a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Feb. 27, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Sixteen people attended.

GASCONADE COUNTY
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwy. 19.
- Prepare and submitted a HMEP grant for Handling Propane Emergencies and Hazmat operations training.
- Met with Gasconade County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Nov. 8, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, submitted a Work Keys testing grant to DED-Division of Workforce Development to test students at Owensville and Hermann high schools. Was funded.
- Presented about MRPC’s services and programs at the University of Missouri Extension Regional Services.
- Provided environmental education programs for 187 students in Salem schools.
- Provided servicing for one IRP loan and three SBA loans.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Awarded a Project Graduation grant on behalf of Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety to Salem High School.
- Provided information to Salem High Schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

SALEM
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwy. 19 in Salem.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to develop a “tiny home” community for veterans in Salem.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Administered a CDBG grant request in the amount of $350,000 for the Dent County Fire Protection District to make significant upgrades to the fire station and parking lot.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Dent County and its cities.
- Worked with local jurisdictions to develop a hazard mitigation plan for Dent County and Salem and received FEMA approval on plan.
- Provided $386,985 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 107 households. This includes the communities Boss, Jadwin, Lenox and the city of Salem.
- Provided information to Dent County high schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

MRPC is administering a Community Development Block Grant to the Dent County Fire Department to renovate its fire station and parking lot.
the Care Team meeting on Sept. 13, 2018 with approximately 20 area service providers in attendance.
• Provided information on MO Arts Council, Humanities Council and foundations to Osage Arts and Prairie Star Restoration Farm as resources to offer performing arts in the community.
• Provide information on several foundations as possible resources to assist the health department in providing car seats to families in need.
• Presented a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on March 27, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Five people attended.
• Provided contact information for the Small Business Technology and Development Center, missouribusiness.net and offered information on loan programs to an individual looking to purchase an existing business.
• Provided information on the Small Business Technology and Development Center and contact information for business counselors to an existing business needing to relocate.
• Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Gasconade County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $13,411.50 to the Missouri Department of Public Safety for funds to replace two single-band mobile radios with new dual-band radios for patrol. Was not funded.
• Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.
• Held Road Safety Audit on June 18, 2019 in Gasconade County to review safety issues at the intersection of Hwy. P and Shockley Road.
• Held the annual Gasconade County IDA meeting in Owensville on June 18, 2019.
• Surveyed Gasconade County emergency response agencies on hazardous materials training needs.
• Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 19, 100, Missouri Pacific Railroad and pipelines in Gasconade County.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Gasconade County and its cities.
• Provided $140,927 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 38 households. This includes the cities of Bland, Hermann, Owensville and Rosebud.
• Provided technical support for the Gasconade County IDA.
• Provided information to Gasconade County high schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
• Coordinated Gasconade County EEZ meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
• Coordinated GVEZ annual meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
• Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Bland Fire Protection District to FEMA in the amount of $108,191 for funds to purchase new equipment including SCBA, hoses, a thermal camera and turnout gear.
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided technical support for the Gasconade County EEZ meeting.
• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 19, 100 Missouri Pacific Railroad and pipelines in Hermann.
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided servicing for one IRP loan.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information on historic preservation foundations as possible resources to help restore the bell tower at the German school.

**GASCONADE**

• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
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• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided servicing for one IRP loan.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

**HERMANN**

• Prepared and submitted a HMEP application for Propane Emergencies and Hazmat Operations training for Hermann Fire Department.
• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 19, 100 Missouri Pacific Railroad and pipelines in Hermann.
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.
• Held Road Safety Audit on June 18, 2019 in Gasconade County to review safety issues at the intersection of Hwy. P and Shockley Road.
• Held the annual Gasconade County IDA meeting in Owensville on June 18, 2019.
• Surveyed Gasconade County emergency response agencies on hazardous materials training needs.

The Ozark Rivers Solid Waste District presented 48 St. George elementary and middle school students with recognitions from the 2019 Earth Day Trash Art, Poster and Graphic Design contest.
• Submitted a CDBG Demolition grant application on behalf of the city of Hermann to the Missouri Department of Economic Development for funds to demolish three structures in town to eliminate the blight. Was not funded.
• Provided loan program information to an individual looking to open a new business.
• Provided loan program information to a local bank and a local business that was looking to expand.
• Provided 48 St. George elementary and middle school students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest recognitions.
• Provided administration services on a grant in the amount of $608,300 from FEMA to acquire and demolish a HADH clinic that is a Repetitive Loss Property.
• Provided servicing for one IRP loan and two SBA loans.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information to Hermann High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
• Provided Project Graduation grant to Hermann Families in Action for Hermann High School on behalf of the Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety.
• Prepared a proposal and was awarded funding of $20,000 from MACOG to develop a flood detour plan. In process.
• Conducted a Commodity Flow Study in Hermann on June 24, 2019.
• Met with city officials and employees to discuss MACOG Disaster Grant for the Hermann Flood Detour Study. On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those juniors and seniors successfully completing work keys testing in Hermann High School. Twenty-one students received certificates.

MORRISON
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

OWENSVILLE
• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study in Owensville on Hwy. 19.
• Provided contact information for micro loan assistance to a business owner looking for funds to expand their inventory.
• Researched resources available for temporary utility assistance and provided contact information for alternative financing for a business experiencing severe shortfalls.
• Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
• Presented information on Sept. 13, 2018 at a Community Awareness and Resource Exchange Meeting held at Heartland Independent Living Center on the services the Meramec Regional Planning Commission provides to the surrounding communities.
• Presented an update on July 12, 2018, Oct. 11, 2018 and Jan. 10, 2019 at a Community Awareness and Resource Exchange Meeting held at Heartland Independent Living Center on the progress occurring in the Family Self-Sufficiency program.
• Presented an update on Aug. 9, 2018 and April 11, 2019 at a Community Awareness and Resource Exchange Meeting held at Heartland Independent Living Center on the progress occurring in the Family Self-Sufficiency program.
• Provided information on loans and tax credits as resources for funding to build a new civic center and police station.
• Awarded a Project Graduation grant on behalf of Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety to Owensville High School.
• Presented a littering program at the Owensville MOCA Headstart.
• Presented a “Safety and Security: Spotting Scammer and How to Protect Yourself” educational seminar at Owensville Senior Housing on May 23, 2019.
• Set up an exhibit on seatbelt and car seatbelt safety the Gasconade Manor Home Run for Health Fair in Owensville.
• Submitted a grant application on behalf of the city of Owensville in the amount of $90,575 to the Department of Homeland Security for funds to train 20 firefighters to be NFPA compliant and for Firefighter I and Firefighter II certifications. Was not funded.
• Provided loan information to a local bank and new business.
• Provided loan servicing for one RLF loan, one IRP loan and one SBA loan.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided speed awareness monitor trailer and traffic analysis.
• Provided information to Owensville High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
• Coordinated GVEZ meeting in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
• Coordinated a residential special collection for tires on May 4, 2018, and recycled 4.51 tons.
• Provided 37 Owensville Middle School students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art contest recogni-
tions and displayed student entries at Art Works on Main Gallery.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those juniors and seniors successfully completing work keys testing in Owensville High School. Eighty-nine students received certificates.

ROSEBUD
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

MARIES COUNTY
- Distributed three press releases on floodplain management.
- Provided floodplain management services.
- Responded to four requests for floodplain maps.
- Responded to questions on base flood elevations from residents.
- Completed and submitted the NFIP Community Participation form on behalf of Maries County.
- Met with Maries County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Oct. 29, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, submitted a Work keys testing grant to DED-Division of Workforce Development to test students at Belle and Vienna high schools.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Belle Elementary.
- Assisted Maries County Sheriff’s Department with online SEMA training enrollment.
- Presented a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Jan. 30, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Six people attended.
- Provided information on foundations and grant databases as resources that could assist the Maries-Osage ambulance district in putting in a helipad.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $132,219.75 to the Department of Agriculture for a project to promote protection against prescription drug and illegal dump contamination of water resources. Was not funded.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Surveyed Maries County emergency response agencies on hazardous materials training needs.
- Provided a compliance letter to a Maries County resident for their Increased Cost of Compliance grant to elevate their home in the floodplain.
- Provided information on the disposal of household hazardous waste for county residents.
- Coordinated Maries County EEZ meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
- Coordinated GVEZ annual meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018. Maries County is a member of GVEZ.
- Distributed three press releases on floodplain management.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study on Hwy. 42 and pipelines in Maries County.
- Prepared and submitted a HMEP grant application for Hazmat Awareness and Chemical Suicide training on behalf of the Maries County Sheriff Department.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Maries County and its cities.
- Provided $114,891 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 32 households. This includes the communities of Brinktown and Vichy and the cities of Belle and Vienna.
- Provided information to Maries County high schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Provided a residential special collection for tires, electronics and appliances resulting in recycling 8.2 tons.

BELLE
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information to a Belle business person on HUB zones and reviewed documentation related to application. HUB Zone status was achieved.
- Sent information on JAG and LLEBG grants as possible resources to help buy MOSWIN compliant radios for the police department.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Jan. 30, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Six people attended.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Belle Elementary for an emergency coat and shoe program.
- Presented a littering program to approximately 18 students at MOCA Headstart in Belle on April 22, 2019.
- Presented a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Jan. 30, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Six people attended.
- Provided USDA program information to a local non-profit.

TAP improvements to some of Belle’s sidewalks were also completed during the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Pictured left are the new sidewalks installed on Johnson street.
- Provided to Belle Elementary students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest recognitions.
- Updated the Sidewalk Survey Map for Belle in the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Staffed a naturally Meramec booth at the Belle Swap Meet to promote Maries County agritourism.
- Selected to provide administration and inspection services on a CDBG Demolition grant in the amount of $60,975 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development for funds to demolish seven vacant and dilapidated residential structures.
- Awarded a Project Graduation grant in partnership with the Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety to Belle High School.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on Belle High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Assisted Maries County R-2 scholarship committee with scholarship selection and reporting.
- Worked with scholarship donor family on criteria and set up scholarship fund for Maries R-2 that resulted in an $800,000 endowed scholarship.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those juniors and seniors successfully completing work keys testing in Vienna High School. Twenty-five students received certificates.

**OSAGE COUNTY**

- Preparing and submitted a HMEP grant application for Hazmat Victim Decon and Hazmat IQ training for Osage County Health Department.
- Preparing and submitted a HMEP grant application for Ignitable Liquid and Class B Foam training for Osage County Emergency Management.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 100, 50, 63, Missouri Pacific Railroad and pipelines in Osage County.
- Met with Osage County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Oct. 23, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Provided information on Historic Preservation assistance and energy efficient grants as possible funding resources to preserve the Osage County Poorhouse historic structure.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, submitted a Work keys testing grant to DED-Division of Workforce Development to test students at Linn and Chamois high schools. Was awarded.
- Met with leadership at State Technical College to discuss potential grant opportunity for its proposed utility center.
- Met with John Gulick, University Extension Community Engagement Specialist, and discussed MRPC’s activities and projects in Osage County.
- Provided information on MO Arts Council, Humanities Council and foundations to Osage Arts and Prairie Star Restoration Farm as resources to offer performing arts in the community.
- Provided information on USDA Rural Development and MDNR Volkswagen Trust for possible grant opportunities for road and bridge trucks.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Osage County R-1 School District in Chamois.
- Coordinated Osage County EEZ meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
- Coordinated GVEZ annual meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018. Osage County is a member of GVEZ.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to develop an all-inclusive playground in Linn.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Osage County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $5,789.32 to MoDOT’s Traffic Enforcement Program for funds to purchase two new radar units. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Osage County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $9,032.96 to the Missouri Department of Public Safety for funds to replace two single-band mobile radios with new dual-band radios for patrol. Was not funded.

**VICHY**

- Prepared and submitted a HMEP grant application for Ignitable Liquids and Ethanol/Blended Fuels training for Vichy Volunteer Fire Department. Was funded and training was conducted.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided a residential special collection for tires, electronics and appliances resulting in recycling 8.2 tons.

**VIENNA**

- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided an educational assembly on food waste reduction for 90 Vienna Elementary students.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Vienna Back to School Fair held Aug. 2, 2018.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided docudrama planning and implementation assistance at Vienna High School.
- Presented a Safety and Security: Spotting Scammer and How to Protect Yourself educational seminar at Vienna Homes, Inc. on April 25, 2019.
- Met with the Chief Thompson of Vienna for Community Needs Assessment on March 27, 2019.
- Provided information to Vienna High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those juniors and seniors successfully completing work keys testing in Vienna High School.
- Fifty students received certificates.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to develop an all-inclusive playground in Linn.
- Met with leadership at State Technical College to discuss potential grant opportunity for its proposed utility center.
- Met with John Gulick, University Extension Community Engagement Specialist, and discussed MRPC’s activities and projects in Osage County.
- Provided information on MO Arts Council, Humanities Council and foundations to Osage Arts and Prairie Star Restoration Farm as resources to offer performing arts in the community.
- Provided information on USDA Rural Development and MDNR Volkswagen Trust for possible grant opportunities for road and bridge trucks.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Osage County R-1 School District in Chamois.
- Coordinated Osage County EEZ meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018.
- Coordinated GVEZ annual meeting at Sweet Caroline’s in Owensville on Nov. 29, 2018. Osage County is a member of GVEZ.
- Provided information on grant programs and foundations as resources to develop an all-inclusive playground in Linn.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Osage County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $5,789.32 to MoDOT’s Traffic Enforcement Program for funds to purchase two new radar units. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant application on behalf of the Osage County Sheriff’s Department in the amount of $9,032.96 to the Missouri Department of Public Safety for funds to replace two single-band mobile radios with new dual-band radios for patrol. Was not funded.
• Presented a program on Naturally Meramec to the Osage County Agritourism Council in Osage Surveyed Osage County emergency response agencies on hazardous materials trainings needs.
• Met with the commission and citizens of Loose Creek and discussed state and federal grants, loans, tax credits and special taxing district as options for funding upgrades to the county road in this community.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Osage County and its cities.
• Awarded an ROHI grant of $1,500 to Osage County Anti-Drug Community Action Team for its Baseline for the Future project.

ARGYLE
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

CHAMOIS
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Chamois Back to School Fair held Aug. 13, 2018.
• Provided mayor with a copy of the Chamois area Visit. Participated in the selection of first scholarship. Participated in the selection of first recipients.
• On behalf of Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, provided proctors, arranged testing dates and provided certificates for those juniors and seniors successfully completing work keys testing in Chamois High School. Sixteen students received certificates.

FREEBURG
• Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwy. 63 in Freeburg.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Worked with Freeburg officials to create a survey for citizens to provide input on mobile homes in the Village of Freeburg.
• Provided information on foundations and grant databases that could assist with funding for a helipad.
• Wrote a manufactured/mobile home survey for the Village of Freeburg and met with city officials to discuss the benefits of planning and zoning in small communities.

LINN
• Provided Arrive Alive display and school supplies at the Linn Back to School Fair held Aug. 7, 2018.
• Provided grant information and links to business counseling and technical assistance services to a new business.
• Provided servicing for one SBA loan.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information on energy programs and state historic grants to a Linn business.
• Prepared a grant application for city of Linn, which was awarded a CDBG General Infrastructure grant in the amount of $500,000 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development for the reconstruction of 5th Street and the rehabilitation of 1st Street to widen and add drainage. MRPC is providing grant administration.

META
• Distributed three press released on floodplain management.
• Provided floodplain management assistance to the City of Meta.
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Completed and submitted the NFIP Community Participation form for City of Meta.
• Participated in the SEMA floodplain Community Assistance meeting.
• Continued to work with Dr. Joan Schuman from MS&T, Dept. of Engineering Management and Systems Engineering, to make board members aware of the University’s program to have engineering management student’s work with local governments to address their needs and identify solutions. Served as a liaison between the cities of Bourbon and Meta, the communities that hosted the class this fiscal year.

WESTPHALIA
• Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
• Provided information to Fatima High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

PHELPS COUNTY
• Continued administration of an EDA grant to construct parking facilities on the medical campus that will facilitate the location of Delbert Day Cancer Institute in the amount of $1,407,980.
• Met with Phelps County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Nov. 15, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
This fiscal year, staff worked with Duke Rural Fire on multiple occasions attempting to fund the construction of their new building to house larger vehicles and equipment, even setting up a GoFundMe account.

- Provided information on available sources and organization types to help Lakeside HOA make upgrades to its sewer system and provided USDA contact information.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Phelps County Back to School Fair at Lions Den Park held Aug. 8, 2018.
- Discussed information on state and federal grants/loans/tax credits and foundations as possible resources for funds to build a new Mission homeless shelter and possible future housing for the homeless.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to MCEC for Duke Fire Department.
- On behalf of Duke Rural Fire Department, submitted a grant application on the behalf of the city of Edgar Springs in the amount of $2,000 to Walmart Community Foundation for the city to install playground equipment at the city park.
- Administered a flood mitigation assistance (FMA) grant for a floodplain buyout project.

This fiscal year, staff worked with Duke Rural Fire on multiple occasions attempting to fund the construction of their new building to house larger vehicles and equipment, even setting up a GoFundMe account.

- Provided a Walmart Foundation grant in the amount of $2,000 to go towards the construction of a new fire station able to house its larger vehicles and equipment. Was not funded.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Nov. 28, 2018 with community leaders, nonprofits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants.
- Inspected a reported illegal dump location on Mark Twain National Forest on April 25, 2019.
- Met with the Phelps County’s Sheriff Lisenbe for Community Needs Assessment on March 22, 2019.
- Prepared a grant application for Duke Fire Department in the amount of $20,000 to the Coover Charitable Foundation to construct a new building to house its larger vehicles and equipment. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $600,000 to the Environmental Protection Agency for funds to conduct inventory, prioritization, and assessment of brownfields to prepare sites for future redevelopment and economic use. Was not funded.
- Submitted grant application to Delta Regional Authority for SEDAP 2019 for Duke Rural Fire Department to construct a new building to house its larger vehicles and equipment. Was not funded.
- Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.
- Surveyed emergency response agencies in Phelps County on hazardous materials training needs.
- Provided information on the Delta Regional Authority States’ Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP).
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Provided youth presentation for the Rolla Public Library’s Summer Reading program.
- Distributed 2019 Ozark Rivers grant application information to all city and county officials.
- Provided signage for illegal dumping in the county.
- Provided information on disposal of household hazardous waste for county residents.
- Administered two CDBG grant applications for matching funds for a floodplain buyout project.
- Administered a flood mitigation assistance (FMA) grant for a floodplain buyout project.
- Administered a hazard mitigation program grant (HMPG) for a floodplain buyout project.
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 63, I-44,8, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and pipelines in Phelps County.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Phelps County and its cities.
- Through Ozark Solid Waste Management District, provided Rolla Jr. High with a hydration station to reduce their daily usage of 300 plastic bottles.
- Provided displays at Missouri S&T Earth Day celebration.
- Provided $458,797 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 112 households. This includes the cities of Doolittle, Edgar Springs, Newburg and St. James and the community of Jerome.
- Served as floodplain coordinator for Phelps County.
- Distributed three press releases on floodplain management.
- Provided information to Phelps County area high schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Submitted a grant on the behalf of the city of Edgar Springs in the amount of $2,000 to Walmart Community Foundation for the city to install playground equipment at the city park.
- Submitted a grant on the behalf of the city of Edgar Springs in the amount of $5,000 to MFA Oil Foundation for the city to install playground equipment at the city park.
- On behalf of the Doolittle Rural Fire Department, prepared and submitted a FEMA grant in the amount of $18,000 for a new storm siren at the Jerome fire station to serve the unincorporated community.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant award in the amount of $250 to the Duke Fire Department for its new fire station project.
- Presented the PHA Annual Plan to the Resident Advisory Board and opened conversation about the
quality of the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program.
- Coordinated public and business surveys covering quality of life, regional entrepreneurship, workforce development, travel, and the current business climate in the region through contract with Sustainable Ozarks Partnership.

**DOOLITTLE**

- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on board voting requirements to the city.
- On behalf of the Doolittle Rural Fire Department, prepared and submitted a FEMA grant in the amount of $18,000 for a new storm siren at the Jerome fire station to serve the unincorporated community.

**EDGAR SPRINGS**

- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided a link to statutes governing fourth-class cities to a citizen.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on Nov. 28, 2018 with community leaders, nonprofit, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Six people attended.
- Provided the city with Missouri State Statute information regarding sewer fees, separate banking account requirement and provided MML’s interpretation of statute.
- Provided a response to a concerned citizen in collaboration with Senator Dan Brown’s office and MML regarding proposed state statute violation and copied the city.
- Assisted the city clerk with providing police fines and general fund reported revenue information to a concerned citizen to ensure compliance with state statute.

**NEWBURG**

- Provided the city with state statute for 4th class cities regarding hiring/firing decisions and encouraged them to research their policies/ordinances and seek legal counsel regarding the potential issue.
- Provided guidance to city alderman regarding best practices to procure for audit services and shared MRPC’s audit firm list.
- Provided 34 Edgar Spring students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest recognitions.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided servicing for one IRP loan.
- Submitted a grant on the behalf of the city of Edgar Springs in the amount of $2,000 to Walmart Community Foundation for the city to install playground equipment at the city park.
- Submitted a grant on the behalf of the city of Edgar Springs in the amount of $5,000 to MFA Oil Foundation for the city to install playground equipment at the city park.

**ROLLA**

- Presented three Buckle Buddy programs to approximately 60 students at Rolla Headstart.
- Continued administration of an EDA grant to construct parking facilities on the medical campus that will facilitate the location of Delbert Day Cancer Institute in the amount of $1,407,980.
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 63, I-44, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and pipelines in Rolla.
- Prepared and submitted a HMEP grant application for Chemical Suicide, Anhydrous Ammonia, and Railroad Hazmat Awareness training for MS&T University Police.
- Provided information on available grants/foundations as possible resources to help develop a fountain park at 6th and Pine and to continue development of the library plaza.
- Prepared and sent a draft deed of release from a grant program the city of Rolla used in 2005.
- Presented two Buckle Buddy programs to approximately 60 students at Rolla Headstart on Jan. 28, 2019.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Youth Fair at the Center held Sept. 8, 2018.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the 16th Annual Health Fair at the National Guard Armory held Oct. 19, 2018.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Ozark Actors Theatre.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies...
at a safety day in Rolla on May 18, 2019.
- Attended a Rolla Safety Day planning meeting on Feb. 13 and April 30, 2019.
- Provided information to the Rolla Area Women’s Club on area CERT trainers to present at an upcoming meeting.
- Presented a littering program at the Rolla MOCA Headstart on April 25 and 30, 2019.
- Presented a littering program at the Missouri S&T Earth Day on April 22, 2019.
- Presented a recycling education program at the Rolla Public Library.
- Provided refinance information to an existing client for third phase of their existing business.
- Provided loan information to an existing business looking to relocate to its own building.

Brewer Science and Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District teamed up to host a special collection netting 25.76 tons of recyclable material.

- Provided information on MRCF’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Organized electronics recycling collection event at Brewer Science in Rolla for residents of the district that resulted in the collection of 25.76 tons of electronics.
- Through Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District, provided household hazardous waste services for district residents through a satellite location in Rolla.
- Provided 125 elementary and RTI students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art contest recognitions and displayed student art at the Centre through Arts Rolla.
- Provided classroom education on soil health and composting for 35 AG students at Rolla Technical Institute.
- Provided an educational assembly on food waste reduction for 250 students at Rolla Middle School.
- Provided technical assistance to MO S&T Eco-Miners for implementing a recycling and waste reduction project for their athletic field.
- Attended and participated in the Rolla Area Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheons.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Continued administration on an EDA grant for funds to construct parking facilities on the medical campus that will provide parking for the Delbert Day Cancer Institute, which was funded at $1.4 million.
- Provided information to Rolla High School on the ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Coordinated and administered an Ozark Rivers grant award to Rolla for a HHW Satellite Collection Center.
- Provided information on the SBA 504 loan program to a local realtor working with a business owner to purchase commercial property to expand their business.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Organized electronics recycling collection event at Brewer Science in Rolla for residents of the district that resulted in the collection of 25.76 tons of electronics.
- Through Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District, provided household hazardous waste services for district residents through a satellite location in Rolla.
- Provided 125 elementary and RTI students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art contest recognitions and displayed student art at the Centre through Arts Rolla.
- Provided classroom education on soil health and composting for 35 AG students at Rolla Technical Institute.

ST. JAMES

- Provided information to a business looking for funding to purchase new equipment and to expand their services.
- Provided contact information for business counseling to an individual wanting to purchase an existing business.
- Provided forms and information on the SBA 7a program to a business for funding to purchase new inventory and to establish a new store.
- Submitted a grant request in the amount of $10,000 to BSNF Railway Foundation for funds for food to support low income families. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources on behalf of the St. James School District for funds to purchase pour-in-place surface material for an early education playground at the elementary school. Was not funded.
- Responded to five requests for business loan information.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to approximately 20 students at St. James MOCA Headstart on Jan. 9, 2019.
- Discussed information on state and federal grants/
loans/tax credits and foundations as possible resources for funds to help the fire department with equipment, vehicles and building completion.

- Provided information on foundations for youth health as resources to allow home school kids to access crossfit gym for exercise and nutrition education.
- Provided administration services on a grant from Delta Regional Authority SEDAP 2018 in the amount of $174,124 for public infrastructure upgrades around Prock Operations to facilitate the company’s expansion.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $10,000 to BSNF for the Senior Daily Meals Program at the St. James Senior Center. Was not funded.
- Provided information on grants programs and foundations as resources to develop an all-inclusive playground in St. James.
- Presented a bicycle safety program to approximately 17 students MOCA Headstart in St. James on May 13, 2019.
- Provided information on FHLB and AHP programs as resources to upgrade/renovate senior apartments in St. James.
- Hosted a Family Self-Sufficiency workshop on “Your Money, Your Goals” on April 4, 2019.
- Missouri Job Center in Rolla, MO presented a program to housing participants on the different grant-based programs offered through the center and the events they are hosting in the near future.
- Provided docudrama planning assistance at St. James High School.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided surveillance camera services to the city to monitor for illegal dumping.
- Provided an educational assembly on food waste reduction for 130 St. James Middle School students.
- Provided 16 elementary students with Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest recognition.
- Provided servicing for five RLF loans, one IRP loan and one SBA loan.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information to St. James High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Provided Project Graduation grant to St. James High School on behalf of the Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety.

Members of Phelps County, MRPC and the Missouri Department of Economic Development toured the St. James Senior Center where proposed renovations through a Community Development Block Grant.

- Provided information on EIERA, Brownfields and PSTIF to the city as possible resources to acquire/clean-up a couple of properties in the city.
- Presented a littering program to 17 students at the St. James MOCA Headstart on April 16, 2019.
- Hosted Missouri Ozark Community Action program on “Eating Smart” on March 7, 2019 at MRPC’s office in St. James.
- Submitted, was awarded and are providing administration of a $344,110 CDBG Community Facility grant from the Missouri Department of Economic Development for the St. James Caring Center to upgrade its parking lot to pavement and for facility renovations to expand Thrift Shop/services.
- Prepared and submitted a DED NAP tax credit for St. James Senior Center, in the amount of $370,025 from MoDED in the form of 70% tax credits to implement the new senior center with three years of operation budget. Project was funded.

PULASKI COUNTY

- Met with Pulaski County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Oct. 22, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on May 29, 2019 with community leaders, nonprofits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Five people attended.
- Submitted grant application to Delta Regional Authority for SEDAP 2019 for Duke Rural Fire Department to construct a new building to house its larger vehicles and equipment. Was not funded.
- Partnered Waynesville-St. Robert Area Chamber of Commerce to host Taste of Pulaski County event in Waynesville. Staffed a Naturally Meramec exhibit.
- Provided information on disposal of household hazardous waste for county residents.
- Recycled 9.2 tons through two special collection events, Dixon and St. Robert, for district residents.
- Continued administration of a CDBG grant in the amount of $350,000 for the Pulaski County Sheltered Workshop at Richland to upgrade the workshop for
efficiency, safety and ADA function.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Pulaski County and its cities.
- Participated in two Sustainable Ozarks Partnership's tourism meetings, to share information on Naturally Meramec.
- Met with Sustainable Ozarks Partnership Tourism committee on opportunities to use Naturally Meramec website information to build Fort Leonard Wood region tourism website.
- Participated in Sustainable Ozark Partnership meetings and attended Sustainable Ozarks Annual meeting.
- Provided information to Pulaski County area high schools on 'It Only Takes One' safe driving competition.
- Coordinated public and business surveys covering quality of life, regional entrepreneurship, workforce development, travel, and the current business climate in the region through contract with Sustainable Ozarks Partnership.

CROCKER
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Crocker Back to School Fair held Aug. 9, 2018.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $160,600 to the Missouri Department of Economic Development for funds to demolish 23 residential and commercial structures around town. Was not funded. (Project was resubmitted)
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information to Crocker High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

DIXON
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Coordinated a special collection for electronics, appliances and tires on April 13, 2019.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on May 29, 2019 with community leaders, nonprofits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on CDBG and NAP to the city to assist with a new resource center/food bank.
- Presented a “Safety and Security: Spotting Scammer and How to Protect Yourself” educational seminar at Dixon Manor on April 25, 2019.
- Provided information to Dixon High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

FORT LEONARD WOOD
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Coordinated public and business surveys covering quality of life, regional entrepreneurship, workforce development, travel, and the current business climate in the region through contract with Sustainable Ozarks Partnership.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on CDBG and NAP to the city to assist with a new resource center/food bank.
- Presented a littering program at the Ft. Leonard Wood Resiliency Fair held April 4, 2019.
- Presented a littering program at the Ft. Leonard Wood Earth Day event on April 26, 2019.
- Provided an Earth Day art display, litter prevention activities and a food waste reduction display for the FLW Earth Day event.
- Participated in meeting of the FLW Community Partnership Leadership Committee.

RICHLAND
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Health and Wellness Fair held Aug. 2, 2018.
- Provided city clerk with history of allocated hours donation and usage.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information on Missouri Main Street, MFFH, USDA and RDBG foundations as possible resources to upgrade/ad lighting in the downtown area.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $5,000 to USDA Rural Development for Richland Community Development to implement a new marketing website for the community. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $50,000 to USDA Rural Development for funds to install lighting in the downtown business district. Was not funded.

ST. ROBERT
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
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- Hosted a special electronics and appliance collection at the St. Robert Community Center on Sept. 8, 2018 and recycled 3.3 tons.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant award for residential household hazardous waste collection through a satellite location in St. Robert.
- Administering a MoDED CDBG Emergency program for St. Robert in the amount of $500,000 to connect the city and army installation water systems insuring continuity in service.
- Continued to provide administration on CDBG grant in the amount of $3,500,000 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development to relocate the city’s waste water treatment plant out of the floodplain.
- Assisted The Maries County Bank at St. Robert with a SBA7 application on E-Tran.
- Submitted a TAP grant application in the amount of $334,215.20 to MoDOT for funds to install new ADA concrete sidewalks and crosswalks along Missouri Avenue. Was not funded.
- Provided servicing for two SBA loans and one RLF loan.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Prepared and submitted a grant application in the amount of $230,360 to the Department of Homeland Security for funds to add three full-time firefighters to the St. Robert Fire Department. Was not funded.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $30,000 to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for funds to purchase pour-in-place surface material for play areas in St. Robert Municipal Park and Paddock Estates Park. Was not funded.
- Coordinated two meetings involving Waynesville and St. Robert and Mo DOT leadership to identify potential infrastructure projects that could benefit from federal DCIP funds.

**WAYNESVILLE**

- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided Arrive Alive exhibit and school supplies at the Waynesville Back to School Fair at the Ark held Aug. 11, 2018.
- Submitted a TAP grant application in the amount of $323,726.40 to MoDOT for funds to install new ADA concrete sidewalks on Historic 66 from Oak to the Roubideaux Bridge. Was not funded.
- Provided classroom instruction on soil health and composting for 30 Waynesville Middle School students.
- Administered an FY18 HSOC grant in the amount of $25,335 for radios for the Waynesville Police Department.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided information to Waynesville High School students.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant award for ADA modifications at the county center/aquatic center in Waynesville.
- Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full County event in Waynesville. Provided a Naturally Meramec exhibit.
- Coordinated two meetings involving Waynesville and St. Robert and Mo DOT leadership to identify potential infrastructure projects that could benefit from federal DCIP funds.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY**

- Prepared and submitted a HMEP grant application for Hazmat Decon and Chemical suicide training for Washington County Health Department.
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 8, 47, and 21 in Washington County.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant in the amount of $250 to Richwoods R-VII School District.
- Met with Washington County Commission, city leadership and Transportation Advisory Committee members on Nov. 19, 2018 to discuss transportation needs in the county.
- Collected 1.4 tons of electronics, appliances and tires through a residential special collection on May 11, 2019 in Mineral Point.
- Recycled 31.75 tons of illegally dumped tires collected from Washington county road crews.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on April 24, 2019 with community leaders, non-profits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Five people attended.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study in Richwoods on June 3, 2019.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study in Cadet on June 3 and 5, 2019.
- Submitted a grant application in the amount of $301,200 to the Missouri Department of Economic Development for ADA modifications at the county courthouse annex to move a courtroom and several offices. Was not funded.
- Submitted grant application to Delta Regional Authority for SEDAP 2019 on behalf of the Washington County Assessor’s Office for funds to upgrade the county’s GIS data. Was not funded.
- Provided technical assistance for ORSWMD Full Council and coordinated an annual awards program, Outstanding Achievements in Solid Waste Management recognizing five recipients from Crawford, Gasconade, Washington and Phelps counties.
- Surveyed emergency response agencies in Washington County on hazardous materials training needs.
- Provided information on the Delta Regional Authority States’ Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP).
Closed and deobligated a CDBG grant in the amount of $500,000 to replace the Tiff Road low water crossing with a larger bridge to avoid flooding.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Washington County and its cities.
- Coordinated recycling of 31.6 tons of illegally dumped tires collected by county road crews.
- Administered grants from EDA and DRA on behalf of the city of Potosi for natural gas pipeline expansion.
- Provided $499,264 in rental assistance through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 136 households. This includes the cities of Caledonia, Irondale, Mineral Point and Potosi and the communities of Belgrade and Cadet.
- Provided information to Washington County schools on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

**CALEDONIA**
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 21 and 8 in Potosi on June 5, 2019.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Prepared and submitted a TAP grant for the city of Caledonia in the amount of $103,970 from MoDOT for funds to install new ADA concrete sidewalks and crosswalks along Hwys. 21 and 8 in Potosi on June 14, 2019. Was funded.
- Conducted a Commodity Flow Study in Caledonia on June 14, 2019.
- Presented MRCF Community Grant award in the amount of $250 to the Richwoods R-VII school for its after school snack program.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

**IRONDALE**
- Provided information to Valley High School on ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided a Meramec Morning presentation on grants on April 24, 2019 with community leaders, nonprofits, businesses and interested citizens to discuss developing successful grants. Five people attended.
- Provided announcements for the 2019 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

**MINERAL POINT**
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 18 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided servicing for one SBA loan.
- Hosted a special recycling collection in Mineral Point.

**POTOSI**
- Conducted a Hazmat Commodity Flow Study on Hwys. 21 and 8 in Potosi on June 5, 2019.
- Provided information on MRPC’s special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Provided information on USDA B&I program and its cities.
- Awarded a Project Graduation grant on behalf of Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety to Potosi High School.
- Provided information Potosi High School on the ‘It Only Takes One’ safe driving competition.

Construction was completed on the Mill Street bridge. The bridge was replaced through a Community Development Block Grant.
**Meramec Regional Planning Commission Board of Directors**  
**As of Sept. 19, 2019**

**CRAWFORD COUNTY**  
Ray Mortimeyer, mayor of Cuba  
Kyle Hofstetter, representing for-profit  
Vacant, Leasburg  
Mary Heywood, representing the unemployed  
David LaFerry, Bourbon  
Sharon Hubbard, representing the mayor of Steelville  
Leo Sanders, presiding commissioner

**DENT COUNTY**  
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Darrell Skiles, presiding commissioner  
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Gary Brown, representing for-profit

**GASCONADE COUNTY**  
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Shane Anselm, representing labor  
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Jim Fleming, representing the mayor of St. James

**PULASKI COUNTY**  
Brenda Doyle, representing seniors  
Michael Dunbar, representing for-profit  
Vacant, Dixon  
Luge Hardman, mayor of Waynesville  
Glen Smith, mayor of Crocker  
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Dana Tanner, mayor of Richland

**WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
Kraig Bone, representing emergency management  
Debby Bust, representing for-profit  
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John W. Taylor, chairman of Mineral Point  
Doris Keim, mayor of Irondale  
John Robinson III, chairman of Caledonia  
Dave Sansegraw, presiding commissioner  
Vacant, representing small business

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1969 - 1974: Jack Masters, Salem  
1974 - 1975: Melvin Matlock, St. James  
1975 - 1979 (Feb.): Herald G. Barnes Jr., Rolla  
1979 (Feb.) - 1979 (May): R. Walter Hornsey, Potosi  
1979 (May) - 1980: Lou McFarland, Rolla  
1982 - 1984: Joe Clay Crum, Maries County  
1984 - 1986: Russell Dessieux, Potosi  
1986 - 1988: Floyd Ferrell, Rolla  
1988 - 1989: John C. Morris, Dent County  
1989 - 1990: Perry Lovett, Hermann  
1990 - 1992: Floyd Ferrell, Rolla  
1994 - 1996: Randy Verkamp, Phelps County  
1998 - 2000: Charlie Schlottach, Gasconade County  
2000 - 2002: Mary Heywood, Bourbon  
2002 - 2004: Randy Verkamp, Phelps County  
2004 - 2006: Gary Brown, Salem  
2006 - 2008: Robert Reed, Washington County  
2008 - 2009: Laura Antolak, Small Business Representative  
2009 - 2011: Russell Scheulen, Osage County  
2011 - 2013: Gary Brown, Salem  
2013 - 2015: TR Dudley, Potosi  
2015 - 2017: Ray Schwartz, Maries County  
2017 - 2018: Marvin Wright, Washington County  
2019 - Present: Larry Miskel, Gasconade County
MRPC Committees

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
George Lauritson; Marcus Maggard; Larry Miskel; Ray Schwartze; Steve Vogt; Mary Heywood and Janet Walker.

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MRB officers are:
President Leo Sanders • Vice President Darrell Skiles • Secretary/Treasurer Larry Miskel

**Associate Members**
MRPC's Associate Membership program is an opportunity for business and industry to partner with MRPC to enhance and compliment economic development efforts in the region.

**Platinum Members**
Legends Bank  
Pulaski County Sewer District #1

**Gold Members**
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Gascosage Electric Cooperative  
Investment Reality

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Rolla Area Chamber of Commerce  
Owensville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Salem Area Chamber of Commerce  
Steelville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce

Some of MRPC’s Logos Over the Years

**Communities & Committees**

**COMMUNITY CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (3CDC)**
3CDC’s mission is to develop and operate child care centers, consistent with progressive industry guidelines, to care for and educate children, and all other legal powers permitted a nonprofit.

Steve Bowles  
Richard Cavender  
Ted Day, President  
Kathy Edwards, Treasurer  
John Petersen  
Elizabeth Shockley, Secretary  
Loretta Wallis, Vice President

**GASCONADE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (GCIDA)**
This non-profit group’s goal is to assist Gasconade County businesses by promoting economic development.

Roberta Berger, Chairman  
John Kamler  
Jerry Lairmore - Ex-Officio  
Dale Ridder - Vice Chairman  
David Hartman  
Bruce Sassmann - Secretary/Treasurer

**GASCONADE VALLEY ENTERPRISE ZONE (GVEZ)**
GVEZ is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation that oversees the four enhanced enterprise zones located in Gasconade, Maries and Osage counties. The board is made up of three volunteers from each county.

**GASCONADE COUNTY**
Randy Blaske  
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Mark Wallace, Treasurer  
**MARIES COUNTY**
Vic Stratman  
Lloyd Honse  
Ray Schwartz, Secretary  
**OSAGE COUNTY**
John Deeken, Vice President  
Darryl Griffin  
Larry Kliethermes

**MRPC Staff**

**Administration & Communication**
Bonnie Prigge - Executive Director  
Larry Blevins - Maintenance Technician  
Linda Carroll - Senior Secretary  
Caitlin Jones - Communications/Marketing Coordinator

**Community Child Care & Development Corporation (3CDC)**
Anita Ahl - Accountant I  
Maria Bancroft - Business Loan Specialist III  
Jodie Branson - Accountant II  
Bethany Ferrell - Accountant I

**Housing**
Donald Keeney - Housing Program Manager  
Chuck Cantrell - Housing Inspector/Grant Administrator  
Elaine Cloyd - Senior Housing Coordinator  
Teresa Murdle - Housing Inspector/Coordinator  
Tammy Rigsby - Senior Housing Coordinator  
Savannah Vandegriffe - FSS/Home Ownership Coordinator

**Planning**
Anne Freand - Planning Manager

**Executive Directors**
1971-1979: Harold Bray  
1979 - 2011: Richard Cavender  
2011 - Present: Bonnie Prigge

Did you know that the current staff has over 321 years of combined experience?
MERAMEC REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (MRCF)

Meramec Regional Community Foundation is an affiliate of Community Foundation of the Ozarks with the mission to enhance the quality of life for the Meramec Region through asset development, grant-making opportunities and public leadership and collaboration and philanthropy awareness.

**Crawford County**
- Vacancy

**Dent County**
- Gary Brown

**Gasconade County**
- Vacancy

**Maries County**
- Barbara Schaller

**Osage County**
- Vicki Lange, Chairman

** Phelps County**
- Wendy Young

**Pulaski County**
- Randy Becht

**Washington County**
- Cindy Merx

**MRCF At-Large**
- Joanne Zap, Vice Chairman

**MRPC Representatives**
- Ray Walden
- Bonnie Prigge
- Steve Vogt

MERAMEC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MRDC)

In April 1994, MRDC became a Certified Development Company, which allows it to package SBA loans in Missouri. This nonprofit group offers gap financing loan programs to new and expanding businesses and industries in a six-county area. Financing products include the Meramec Region's Revolving Loan Fund loans, the USDA Intermediary Relending Program, CDBG's microloan program and the Small Business Administration's 504 program.

**Crawford County**
- Tim Lorraine
- Kyle Hoffstetter
- Vacancy

**Dent County**
- Mike Homeyer, Secretary
- Sally Burbridge
- Vacancy

**Gasconade County**
- James Holland
- Kathy Schlottach
- Vacancy

**Maries County**
- Tim Seams, Vice President
- Wanda Williams
- Tonya Price

**Osage County**
- Mark Baker
- Thomas Klebba
- Larry Kleithermes

** Phelps County**
- Tim Comerford
- Gary Hicks
- James Marcellus

**Pulaski County**
- Carol Carson
- Vacancy

**Washington County**
- Don Thompson
- Darlene Weber, President
- Doug Short

**MRDC At-Large Member**
- Marla Stevenson

OZARK RIVERS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (ORSWMD)

This organization is charged with reducing the amount of waste generated in the district. Two officers from each county and one officer from each city with a population of 500 plus make up the board. The district includes Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Washington counties and their cities.

**Crawford County**
- Bill Bennett
- Arthur Cook
- Ray Mortimeyer
- Maria Potter
- Danny Skaggs
- Dennis Watz

** Dent County**
- Gary Larson
- Brad Nash
- Darrell Skiles, vice chairman

**Gasconade County**
- James Holland
- John Kamler
- Lee Medlock

**Maries County**
- Larry Miskel
- Mark Wallace

**Phelps County**
- Shane Anselm
- Gary Hicks

**Pulaski County**
- Craig French, Secretary

** Washington County**
- Cody Brinley
- Gary Gilliam

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MERAMEC COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT CORPORATION (MCEC)

This 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation serves as a related organization to the MRPC to assist in its mission by providing services that increase the social, economic, educational, health-related and recreational opportunities to the residents of the region.

- Gary Hicks, Chairman
- Marcus Maggard
- Gene Newkirk
- Leo Sanders
- Jerry Lairmore, Secretary
- Darrell Skiles
- Wayne Langston, Vice Chairman
- Randy Verkamp
- Larry Miskel
- Vic Stratman
- Danny Brown
- Darryl Griffin
- John Meusch
- Dr. Greg Edwards, Treasurer
- Dave Sansegraw
### MRPC TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

The MRPC TAC is a volunteer advisory committee that encompasses all modes of transportation. This group identifies and prioritizes transportation issues as they impact the Meramec Region and advises the MRPC board, who in turn provides information to the Missouri Department of Transportation. Each county has three representatives. MoDOT Meramec Area Engineer is Preston Kramer.

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### FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FSS)

This council serves in an advisory capacity, providing updates of community resources available to participants in the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. FSS is a self-help program through the Phelps County PHA, designed to help welfare families become self-sufficient.

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### MERAMEC REGIONAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (MREPC)

The MREPC is an MRPC advisory committee charged with developing and updating the regional Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan and maintaining Community Right-to-Know records of hazardous materials in the region.

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### Ex-Officio Members

- Jack Heusted, OATS
- Preston Kramer, MoDOT
- Kim Tipton, MoDOT
- Steve Engelbrecht, MoDOT
- Oscar Powers, FLW Safety
- Denny Ward, SMTS
- Dion Knipp, OATS
- Machelle Watkins, MoDOT

### MRPC Staff

- Donald Keene
- Bonnie Prigge
- Tammy Rigby
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REGION I HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (HSOC)

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The CEDS committee is a volunteer group of public-private business leaders, representing government, private enterprise, workforce development, chambers and higher education. The committee is charged with providing input and oversight on MRPC’s Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, a planning document that qualifies Meramec counties and cities for EDA funding.

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**Remembering Don Brackhahn**

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hawley.senate.gov

U.S. Representatives
Jason Smith 8th District
U.S. House of Representatives
(Represents Dent, Phelps, Washington & other counties)
2418 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-4404 (Capitol) • (202) 226-0326 (fax)
jasonsmit1.house.gov

Blaine Luetkemeyer 3rd District
U.S. House of Representatives
(Represents Crawford, Gasconade, Maries, Osage & other counties)
2330 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515
(202) 225-2956 (Capitol) • (202) 225-5712 (fax)
wwwluetkemeyer.house.gov

Vicky Hartzler 4th District
U.S. House of Representatives
(Represents Pulaski & other counties)
2235 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-2876 (Capitol) (202) 225-0148 (fax)
www.hartzler.house.gov
The Meramec Region is currently served by 10 representatives in the Missouri House of Representatives and three senators in the Missouri State Senate. The maps below show the boundaries of the representatives and their districts. Please see page 48 of this directory for more information about the individuals serving these districts.

**House Districts**

**Senate Districts**

*Source: Missouri Office of Administration*
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<td><strong>Steelville, MO 65565</strong></td>
<td><a href="http://www.crawfordcountymo.net">www.crawfordcountymo.net</a></td>
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<td><strong>Commission meets on a 9 a.m. Tues.</strong></td>
<td>Phone: (573) 775-2250</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>202 N. Smith • P.O. Box K</strong></td>
<td>Cuba, MO 65453</td>
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<td><strong>City of Cuba mo.com</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Commission meets 1st &amp; 3rd Tues., 6 p.m.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>2305 Highway H • P.O. Box 39</strong></td>
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<td><strong>400 N. Main Salem, MO 65560</strong></td>
<td><a href="http://www.salemmo.com">www.salemmo.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Commission meets 9 a.m. Mon. &amp; Thurs.</strong></td>
<td>Phone: (573) 729-4144 or 729-3044</td>
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<td><strong>Fax: (573) 729-5371</strong></td>
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**Bourbon**

| **Population (est.2018)** | 1,599 |
| **Founded** | September 6, 1853 |
| **423 North Old Hwy. 66 • P.O. Box 164** | Bourbon, MO 65441 |
| **www.bourbonmo.com** |  |
| **Commission meets 4th Class** |  |
| **Population (est.2018)** | 1,599 |
| **Founded** | September 6, 1853 |
| **423 North Old Hwy. 66 • P.O. Box 164** | Bourbon, MO 65441 |
| **www.bourbonmo.com** |  |
| **Commission meets 4th Class** |  |
| **Population (est.2018)** | 1,599 |
| **Founded** | September 6, 1853 |
| **423 North Old Hwy. 66 • P.O. Box 164** | Bourbon, MO 65441 |
| **www.bourbonmo.com** |  |
Gasconade County
Population (est. 2018)...........................4,765
Founded........................................1926
Courthouse
493 Oak St. Gasconade, MO 65036
Phone: (573) 294-8066
Fax: (573) 294-8066
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Mayor: Melissa Strope
Clerk: Doris Rost
Aldermen:
  - Rick Pinrod
  - Lisa Breedan
  - Debbie Green
  - Tom Hernandez
  - Steve Nolte
Fire Chief: Rick Cramer
Attorney: Mary Weston
City & Water: Delmar Mitchell

Belle County
Population (est. 2018)...........................1,485
Founded........................................1901
Courthouse
200 E. Third St. • P.O. Drawer 813
Belle, MO 65013
Phone: (573) 859-3513
Fax: (573) 859-3821
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m., M-F
Mayor: Josh Seaver
Council Clerk: Barb Schaller
City Treasurer: Michelle Jones
City Clerk/Collector: Frankie Hicks
cityclerk@centurytel.net
Aldermen:
  - Jeanette Struemph
  - Ken Stanfield
  - Tony Gieck
  - Courtney Abel
Fire Chief: Joseph Turnbough
Municipal Court Judge: Kenny Seaver

Maries County
Population (est. 2018)...........................8,769
Founded........................................1899
Courthouse
211 4th St. • P.O. Box 205
Vienna, MO 65582
www.maries.org
maries@sos.mo.gov
Aldermen:
  - Cathie Lahmeyer
  - Rob Borgmann
  - Denise Bohl
  - Kevin McFadden
  - Attorney: Edward Sluys, St. Louis, MO
  - Susan Lenger
City Administrator: Mark Wallace
Director/Economic Development and Tourism: Tammy Bruckerhoff
Attorney: David D. Politte
Collector: Carol Schluss
Treasurer: Lois Puchta
Chief of Police: Marlon Walker
Fire Chief: Kevin Speckhals
Municipal Judge: David Baylard
Court Clerk: Anita Ruga
Morrison Population (est. 2018)....................404
Founded........................................1911
632 Hwy 100 Morrison, MO 65061
Phone: (573) 764-7673 (City Hall)
Office Hours: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. M-W
Mayor: Shannon Grus
shannon.grus@gmail.com
Clerk: Ann Parker
clerk@fidnet.com
Aldermen:
  - Jennifer Griffith
  - Kevin Krafts
  - Doug Bauer
Attorney: Richard Skouby
Chief of Police: Mason Griffith
Street/Water/Sewer Supt.: Dennis Eilers

Vienna County
Population (est. 2018)...........................2,336
Founded........................................1872
Courthouse
511 4th St. • P.O. Box 199
Rosebud, MO 65091
Phone: (573) 486-3252
Fax: (573) 486-3252
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Mayor: David Martin
Commissioner:
  - William Hickle
  - John Beger
  - Arabella Bouchard
  - David Martin
  - Dan Stearns
  - City Treasurer: Michelle Jones
  - City Clerk/Collector: Frank Hicks
cityclerk@centurytel.net
Aldermen:
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Maries County
Population (est. 2018)...........................8,769
Founded........................................1899
Courthouse
211 4th St. • P.O. Box 205
Vienna, MO 65582
www.maries.org
maries@sos.mo.gov
Commission meets 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Mon. & Thurs.
City Attorney/Prosecutor: Mary Weston
Public Works: Daryl Jenkins & Nathan Abel
Building Inspector: Gary Gehlert

Vienna ........................................ 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 385
Founded ..................................... April 9, 1884
424 8th Street • P.O. Box 106
Vienna, MO 65582
sjames@viennamissouri.org
Council meets 1st Mon. following a Fri., 6 p.m.
Phone: (573) 422-3549
Fax: (573) 422-6110
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m., M-F
Mayor: Jeremy Smith
Clerk: Sherry James

Osage County

Population (est. 2018) ...................... 13,714
Founded ..................................... January 29, 1841
Courthouse
106 E. Main St.
Administration Building (Annex)
205 East Main St. Linn, MO 65051
www.osagecountygov.com
osage@sos.mo.gov
Commission meets Tues. & Thurs., 8:30-10:30 a.m.
Phone: (573) 897-2497
Fax: (573) 897-4741 (commission)
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Commissioners:
Presiding—Darryl Griffin
Associates—John Glavin & Larry Kleithermes

County Clerk: Nicci Kammerich
Assessor: Jerry Baker Jr.
Circuit Clerk: Beth Billington
Recorder of Deeds: Cindy Hoffman
Collector: Denise Nolte
Treasurer: Tim Neuner
Prosecuting Attorney: Amanda Grellner
Sheriff: Michael Bonham
Associate Circuit Judge: Robert D. Schollmeyer
Coroner: Lois Jaegers
Public Administrator: Paul Stratman
Surveyor: Tim Hamborg
EMD/911 Director: Andrea Rice
Health Administrator: Susan Long
Road & Bridge Foreman: Ron Kempker

Argyle ........................................ Village
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 156
Founded ..................................... February 3, 1908
472 2nd St. • P.O. Box 22
Argyle, MO 65001
argyle.missouri@gmail.com
Council meets 3rd Tues., 7 p.m.
Phone: (573) 728-9980
Fax: (573) 728-9980
Chairperson: Chris Brunndick
Clerk/Treasurer: Kym Brunnett

Chamois ...................................... 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 382
Founded ..................................... 1818
200 S. Main St., Chamois, MO 65024
Phone: (573) 763-5541
Office Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., M-F
chamoisgov.com
Mayor: Elise Brochu
Clerk: Michelle Stanley

Debbie Huff
Marty Gerloff
Kenny Rost
Public Works: Danny Kirsch
Freeburg ...................................... Village
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 426
Founded ..................................... 1886
P.O. Box 121 • 304 Highway 63 South
Freeburg, MO 65035
www.villageoffreeburg.com
Council meets 1st Mon. 6:30 p.m.
City Clerk: Darryl Haller
Clerk: Allen Gradel

Linn ............................................. 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 1,607
Founded ..................................... February 15, 1883
1200 E. Main St. • P.O. Box 498
Linn, MO 65051
lincity@mizzou.net
Phone: (573) 455-2879 (Clerk)
Fax: (573) 455-2879
Water/Sewer/Street Supt.: Todd Feeler
Fire Chief: George Ivan

Meta ........................................ 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 223
Founded ..................................... November 14, 1904
101 S. Locust St. • P.O. Box 65
Meta, MO 65058
Council meets 2nd Wed., 6:30 p.m.
Phone: (573) 229-4439
Office Hours: Tues. & Thurs.
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
City Metamoro@outlook.com
Mayor: Harold Libbert
City Clerk: Deidra Buechter

Meta ........................................ 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 382
Founded ..................................... 1836
P.O. Box 36 • 116 East Main St.
Westphalia, MO 65085
Council meets last Tues. 6:30 p.m.
Phone: (573) 455-2879 (Clerk)
Fax: (573) 455-2879
westphalia@mizbarnet.net
Mayor: Tammy Massman
City Clerk: Kerry Bax
kerrybax@mizbarnet.net

Phelps County

Population (est. 2018) ...................... 44,732
Founded ..................................... November 13, 1857
Courthouse
200 N. Main St. Rolla, MO 65401
www.phelpscounty.org
phelpscounty@sos.mo.gov
Commission meets Tues. & Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Phone: (573) 458-6000
Fax: (573) 458-6119
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F
Commissioners:
Presiding—Randi Verkamp
Associates—Larry Stratman & Gary Hicks
County Clerk: Pamela Grow
Assessor: William T. Stolz
Circuit Clerk: Sue Brown
Recorder: Robin Kordes
Collector: Faith Barnes
Treasurer: Carol Green
Prosecuting Attorney: Brendon Fox
Sheriff: Rick Lisenbe
25th Circuit Judge Div. 1:
William E. Hickel
25th Circuit Judge Div. 2:
John D. Beger
Surveyor: Terris Cates
Public Administrator: Kathy Oliver
Coroner: D. Andrew “Andy” Davis
EMD: Corporal Mike Kirk, PCSD
Phelps-Maries Health Department:
Director: Ashley Wann

Doolittle ...................................... 4th Class
Population (est. 2018) ...................... 604
Founded ..................................... 1944
380 Eisenhower Doolittle, MO 65401
Council meets 3rd Thurs., 6 p.m.
Phone: (573) 762-2601
Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri.
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Mayor/EMD: Billy Martin
Clerk/Treasurer/Collector:
Della Bishop
Newburg ............... 4th Class

Population (est. 2018) ............. 440

Founded ..................... 1974

555 Broadway St. • P.O. Box 13
Edgar Springs, MO 65462
Council meets 2nd Mon., 6 p.m.
Email: edgarspringsmo@yahoo.com
Phone: (573) 435-6334
Fax: (573) 435-0224
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-12 p.m., Mon.-Fri
Fax: (573) 465-2523
City of Doolittle

Aldermen:
Rick Brewer
Vee Butch Lucas
Terry Austin
Sam Newman
Rick Brewer
Attorney/Prosecutor: Brandi Baird
Police Chief: Joe Hohner
Fire Chief: Ernie Coverdale
Water Supt.: Everett Perkins
Street/Sewer Supt.: Jeff Jordan

Newburg ....................... 4th Class

Population (est. 2018) .......... 1,436

Founded ..................... 1853

203 S. Walnut St. • P.O. Box 177
Dixon, MO 65459
Council meets 1st Mon., 6 p.m.
Phone: (573) 917-4501
Fax: (573) 917-4610
Email: dixclerk@gmail.com
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Mayor: Allan Kuehl
Clerk: Jessie Fleming

Aldermen:
Diane Shultz
Mike Null
Anthony Campbell
Mary Wiles
Trevor Warnol
Barbara Thomas
City Attorney: Les Hannsman
Municipal Judge: John Ward
Marshal: Gary Brinkel
Fire Chief/EMD: Dennis Lachowicz
Water/Sewer Supervisor: Josh Lachowicz

Pulaski County

Population (est. 2018) ............... 52,014
Founded ..................... 1833

Courthouse
301 Historic 66 East
Waynesville, MO 65583
www.pulaskicounty.mo.org
pulaski@osos.mo.gov

Commission meets Mon. & Thurs.,
9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Phone: (573) 774-4701
Fax: (573) 774-5601
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Commissioners:
Presiding—Gene Newkirk
Associates—Lynn Sharp & Rick Zweerin
County Clerk: David Ernst
Assessor: Daniel Whittle
Circuit Clerk-Recorder: Rachelle Beasley
Collector: Terri Mitchell
Treasurer: Sue Rapeone
Prosecuting Attorney: Kevin Hillman
25th Circuit Judge Div. 1: Bill Hickle
25th Circuit Judge Div. 2: John Beger
Assoc. Circuit Judge: Mike Headrick
Probate & Col in Long (Magistrate Sheriffs): Jimmy Bench
Public Administrator: Loretta Rouse
Coroner: Nick Pappas
EMD: Lawson “Smitty” Smith
911 Director: Michelle Graves
Health Admin: Debra Baker
Road/Bridge: Kevin Davis (Eastern) & Steve Street (Western)

Crocker ......................... 4th Class

Population (est. 2018) ............... 1,027

Founded ..................... 1859

203 S. Walnut St. • P.O. Box 177
Dixon, MO 65459
Council meets 1st Mon., 6 p.m.
Phone: (573) 917-4501
Fax: (573) 917-4610
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Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F
Mayor: Allan Kuehl
Clerk: Jessie Fleming

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Anthony Campbell
Mary Wiles
Trevor Warnol
Barbara Thomas
City Attorney: Les Hannsman
Municipal Judge: John Ward
Marshal: Gary Brinkel
Fire Chief/EMD: Dennis Lachowicz
Water/Sewer Supervisor: Josh Lachowicz

Richland ................. 4th Class

Population (est. 2018) ............. 1,770

Founded ..................... 1884

204 E. Washington Ave. • P.O. Box 798
Richland, MO 65556
www.richlandmo.info
Employee of the Year Award

In 1995, MRPC staff began honoring a fellow staff member for his or her overall performance, productivity, service and dedication to the organization with an Employee of the Year Award. Staff selects the recipient of the award, which is presented at the Annual Dinner in October.

- 1995 Bonnie J. Prigge
- 1996 Angela (Breeding) Kraft
- 1997 Linda (Michel) Loughridge
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- 1999 Ruth Whitaker
- 2000 Janet Metzger
- 2001 Donna Hanger
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- 2004 Larry Blevins
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- 2006 Richard Cavender
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- 2008 Cheryl Dupes
- 2009 Lesley Bennish
- 2010 Jodie Branson
- 2011 Elaine Cloyde
- 2012 Tammy Rigsby
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- 2014 Maria Bancroft
- 2015 Lyle Thomas
- 2016 Chuck Cantrell
- 2017 Ryan Dunwoody
- 2018 Caitlin Jones

Lender of the Year Award

Each year, Meramec Regional Development Corp. selects a Lender of the Year, based on participation with MRDC loan programs, job creation and investments.

2018 Lender of the Year

The Maries County Bank received the Community Lender of the Year Award at the 2018 MRPC Annual Dinner held in Hermann. Senior Vice President Mark Hayes (left) accepted the award on behalf of the bank from Darlene Weber, president of the Meramec Regional Development Corporation.

2007 - Town & Country Bank
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2009 - Phelps County Bank
2010 - First Community National Bank
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2012 - Phelps County Bank
2013 - Maries County Bank
2014 - Maries County Bank
2015 - First State Community Bank
2016 - Maries County Bank
2017 - First State Community Bank
2018 - Maries County Bank

Staff Service Awards

The MRPC board has been presenting employees with service awards at the annual dinner since 1992.

Five years:
- 1992 Barbara Bohley
- 1992 Betty Henry
- 1992 Behshid Marcellus
- 1992 Allan Satterfield
- 1992 Elaine Cloyd
- 1992 Jean Hentzel
- 1992 Tammy Rigsby
- 1992 Bonnie Prigge
- 1992 Angie (Breeding) Kraft
- 1992 Tammy Snodgrass
- 1997 Tammy Snodgrass
- 1999 Rick Bailey
- 1999 Connie Willman
- 2000 Sherry Wheeler
- 2000 Linda Loughridge
- 2003 Chuck Cantrell
- 2003 Donna Hanger
- 2003 Peggy John
- 2004 Janet Metzger
- 2004 Kelly Sink-Blair
- 2005 Linda Hollandsworth
- 2006 Nongluk Tunyasvanich
- 2007 Candace Connell
- 2008 Lesley Bennish
- 2008 Larry Blevins
- 2008 Cheryl Dupes
- 2011 Maria Kardon
- 2011 Jodie Branson
- 2012 Amy McMillen
- 2012 Teri Smith
- 2012 Lisa Warnke
- 2012 Kris Copenhaver
- 2013 Tonya Price
- 2015 Jane Dolan

Ten years:
- 1992 Richard Cavender
- 1993 Betty Riggs
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Twenty years:
- 1997 Behshid Marcellus
- 1997 Linda (Michel) Loughridge
- 1998 Elaine Cloyd
- 1998 Richard Cavender
- 1998 Teresa Tyler
- 1998 Richard Whitaker
- 1998 Allan Satterfield
- 1999 Betty (Riggs) Ransom
- 1999 Connie Willman
- 2000 Andrea Connell
- 2000 Tammy Rigsby
- 2001 Bonnie Prigge
- 2002 Angie (Breeding) Kraft
- 2002 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2004 Connie Willman
- 2005 Linda Loughridge
- 2008 Chuck Cantrell
- 2010 Linda Hollandsworth
- 2010 Tammy Rigsby
- 2011 Bonnie Prigge
- 2012 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2014 Connie Willman
- 2015 Linda Loughridge
- 2018 Chuck Cantrell

Fifteen years:
- 1992 Richard Cavender
- 1993 Betty Riggs
- 1993 Teresa Tyler
- 1994 Ruth Whitaker
- 1994 Allan Satterfield
- 1997 Behshid Marcellus
- 1998 Elaine Cloyd
- 1999 Richard Cavender
- 1999 Ruth Whitaker
- 2000 Betty (Riggs) Ransom
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- 2013 Cheryl Dupes
- 2013 Lesley Bennish
- 2013 Larry Blevins
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- 2016 Maria Bancroft

Twenty-five years:
- 2004 Richard Cavender
- 2004 Ruth Whitaker
- 2006 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2013 Elaine Cloyd
- 2013 Tammy Rigsby
- 2016 Bonnie Prigge
- 2017 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2019 Connie Willman

Thirty years:
- 2009 Richard Cavender
- 2009 Ruth Whitaker
- 2011 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2018 Elaine Cloyd

Thirty-five years:
- 2015 Elaine Cloyde

Thirty years:
- 2018 Larry Blevins
Michael Dunbar of Waynesville was awarded Meramec Regional Planning Commission's (MRPC) Eugene E. Northern award, the highest award honor, for his dedication to his community during the 2018 Annual Dinner and Awards Program held at Hermann Hill Wedding and Conference Center. Each year, MRPC honors residents of the eight-county Meramec Region like Dunbar who volunteer their time, talents and support to their communities and charitable causes.

In 1998, Dunbar was named the Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber's Citizen of the Year. From 2012 - 14, he served as president of the Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce and led the group to be selected the Missouri Chamber of the Year in 2013.

He has served on the boards of the Leonard Wood Institute, the Senior Citizen's Center, the Waynesville School Board and as president of the Committee of Fifty. He is a member of the Pulaski County Growth Alliance and CASA.

As chair of the Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission, his influence is felt from Jefferson City to Washington D.C. As a founding member and past president of the Sustainable Ozarks Partnership, Mike has worked tirelessly to enhance the position of Fort Leonard Wood as a premier training facility for the military.

Others honored in 2018 were:
- Youth volunteers honored were: Payden Woodruff of Belle and Max Thierry of Belle.

Community Service/Volunteer Award Recipients

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Eugene E. Northern was a judge in the 25th Circuit Court of Missouri. He practiced law in Rolla and served as Rolla city attorney for 20 years. Prior to becoming a judge, Northern served as mayor of Rolla in the 1960s and was a candidate for Congress in 1968. Judge Northern dedicated a lot of time to public service and went above and beyond the normal duties of the job.

As circuit judge, Northern established a juvenile division in the court system. His community contributions were directed toward young children, the law and law enforcement. He was dedicated to helping others. In 1983, by recognizing the late Judge Northern’s efforts, the MRPC began a tradition of honoring an individual who possessed the commitment and dedication of Eugene E. Northern.

Eugene E. Northern Award Recipients

| Circuit Judge Eugene E. Northern | 1983 |
| Jess Zink of Rolla | 1984 |
| Mary Brewer of Salem | 1985 |
| Jack Masters of Salem | 1986 |
| Phil Askey of Salem | 1987 |
| Richard L. Terrill Bland | 1988 |
| Duane Rogers of Rolla | 1989 |
| Ike Skelton, U.S. Representative | 1989 |
| Howard C. Higgenbotham of Potosi | 1990 |
| Christopher Bond, U.S. Senator | 1991 |
| Micka Sue Jarvis of Potosi | 1992 |
| Milford Winter of Owensville | 1993 |
| Emma Lou Brent of Rolla | 1994 |
| John Z. Williams of Rolla | 1995 |
| William "Bill" Stolz of Rolla | 1996 |
| Lawrence Shipp of Washington County | 1997 |
| Gerald "Jerry" Craig of Salem | 1998 |
| H. Dain Ward of Rolla | 1999 |
| Dr. Robert L. Chapman of Rolla | 2009 |
| Larry Edwards of Salem | 2001 |
| Robert J. Stolz of Rolla | 2001 |
| Lawrence C. George of Rolla | 2002 |
| John H. Klebba of Linn | 2003 |
| Dr. Terry and Paula Brewer of Rolla | 2004 |
| Don Lenuar of Owensville | 2004 |
| John Britton of Steelville | 2005 |
| James Symmonds of Linn | 2006 |
| Libby Sanders of Salem | 2007 |
| Honorable Judge Ralph Haslag of Rolla | 2008 |
| George Barnitz of Lake Spring | 2009 |
| John A. Klebba of Linn | 2010 |
| James Coffman of Salem | 2011 |
| Paul Corbett of Waynesville | 2012 |
| Richard Huse | 2013 |
| Lesa Mizell of Cuba | 2014 |
| Ted Day of Rolla | 2015 |
| Betty Hartbauer of Hermann | 2016 |
| Dr. Ted Ziske of Salem | 2017 |
| Michael Dunbar of Waynesville | 2018 |

| Edward L. Dudley of Salem | 2000 |
| Bob Douglas of St. James | 1988 |
| Joe Clay Crum, Maries County Clerk | 1985 |
| Cherri Crump of Rolla | 1992 |
| Wayne Crump, State Representative | 1986 |
| John Danforth, U.S. Senator | 1983 |
| Bob Darr of Salem | 1990 |
| R. Timothy Daughtery of Potosi | 2000 |
| James L. Decker of Bland | 2008 & 2011 |
| Sue Delmont of Salem | 1994 |
| Russell Desseus, Potosi Mayor | 1986 |
| Leo Dickey of Belgrade | 2016 |
| Louis J. Donati of St. James | 1987 |
| Bob Douglas of St. James | 1985 |
| Edward L. Dudley of Salem | 2000 |
| James Duncan of Vienna | 1992 |
| Gerald Ether of Gasconade County | 1998 |
| Marie Lucille Edgar of Potosi | 2001 |
| Callie Ellis of Belle | 2013 |
| Larry Ellis of Belle | 2010 |
MRPC’s mission is to enhance the quality of life for residents in the Meramec Region. In pursuit of this mission, MRPC will bring about results in these areas:

- Cleaner, healthier and safer communities;
- Greater socio-economic wealth through community and economic development; and
- A stronger, unified voice in the legislative process.

Volunteers from across the Meramec Region were honored Oct. 25, 2018 during MRPC’s annual dinner at the Hermann Hill Wedding and Conference Center. Those recognized (left) included: Payden Woodruff, Max Thierry, Chuck Hartbauer, Tim and Anna Long, Kathy Speichinger, Ruth Rebmann, Shelby Uffmann, Lucy Brenner, Denise Seevers, Sean Hackmann, and Gerald “Jerry” W. West (posthumously). Michael Dunbar was awarded the Eugene Northern award at the 2018 award Ceremony. Below, Michael Dunbar (center) poses with MRPC Chairman Larry Miskel (who at the time was vice chairman), Marvin Wright (then MRPC chairman), and Waynesville Mayor Luge Hardman and St. Robert Mayor George Lauritson, who nominated Dunbar.

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Front Row: Lindsey Jarvis (daughter of Jerry West), Brenda West (wife of Jerry West), Tim and Anna Long, Shelby Uffmann, Ruth Rebmann, Kathy Speichinger, Lucy Brenner, and Denise Seevers. Back Row: Chris West (son of Jerry West), Mark Hayes with Maries County Bank, Chuck Hartbauer, Sean Hackmann, Craig and Merry Thierry accepting on behalf of son Max Thierry and Michael Dunbar. Not Pictured: Michael Woodruff and Kisha Woodruff, accepting on behalf of daughter, Payden Woodruff.