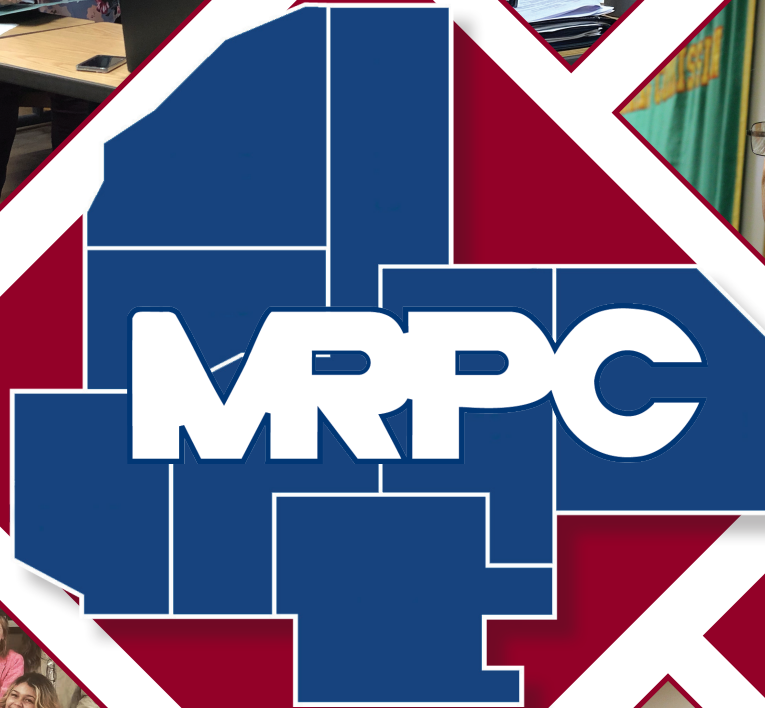


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### Meramec Regional Planning Commission



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# ***Continuing the Tradition***

*By Bonnie Prigge, Executive Director*

In January and over the course of this year, we have had the opportunity to add new names and faces to our MRPC board. Four new presiding commissioners joined the board in 2023: Steve Black from Crawford County, Tim Schulte from Gasconade County, Joey Auxier from Phelps County, and Gary Larson in Dent County. We have also had some new mayors, including Sean Wilson at Waynesville, Merrilee Spurgeon at Bland, Tim Schell at Vienna, Mike Edwards at Chamois, and Paula Forrester at Irondale.

We also had some new at-large members and for-profit members.

Many of the board member who left us retired from office, and some had decades of service to their local governments and MRPC.

One of our most faithful board members, Gary Brown of Salem, unexpectedly passed away on May 1, 2023. Gary had served in a variety of positions and on different boards for over two decades. He had served in every MRPC officer position at least once. He was chairman from 2003 to 2005 and again 2011 to 2013. Even after retiring from public office, Gary continued to volunteer his time and add value to the MRPC board. At the time of his passing, he represented the for-profit sector for Dent County.

Our board is ever-changing. This brings with it the opportunity to engage and share what MRPC is, what our purpose is and what role board

members play in the organization. It is also exciting to talk about the future of our cities and counties with these new leaders. As leadership changes, so can priorities and visions. We learn about the challenges of local government from new perspectives, and as well as the vision and goals they have for their cities and counties. New ideas are good thing.

Despite change, many of the issues remain constant across our eight-county region. No matter what county or city we are in, we usually hear about a lack of available housing, the difficulties they face in hiring staff, including law enforcement personnel, the lack of local dollars to fill potholes, repave streets and extend water and sewer lines. We hear about their struggles with broadband and difficulties in having a presence and promoting their communities via the internet.

With our CARES planning grant, we were able to conduct strategic planning sessions with five of our cities, and we are hopeful that the resulting strategic plans will provide Bourbon, Potosi, Steelville, Belle and Crocker with a roadmap to progress on some of their most pressing issues.

In 2024, we will be embarking on the five-year update of our Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), and this will be the Meramec Region's roadmap for economic progress. In 2022-23, we added resiliency action items to our CEDS. With the 2024 update, we will be expanding that discussion to include climate resilience, and officially for the first time, we will also address equity in our plan. We will look for strategies and approaches to serve populations that may have been under-served by traditional economic development methods. To accomplish this update, we will be involving a large cross-section of stakeholders from across our

region to ensure we know what the needs are and look to them for some new ideas for addressing those issues. We want to bring together leaders with different backgrounds, different experiences and different perspectives to work together for the good of Meramec Region. Through our interactions, we learn about our commonalities as well as our differences.

We cannot deny or overlook the deep divisions within our nation, including our state and federal governments, because of differences—whether they be cultural, ideological or political.

The MRPC board has a long tradition of thinking regionally and working together for the betterment of all. Even as leadership changes, I am impressed and thankful that the MRPC board and our various committees continue to work together, even when not everyone agrees or when there are not enough dollars to go around. They listen to each other. They look for what they have in common. They model civility and compassion. They treat each other with respect and understanding. They strive for fairness and compromise. They want to help others. The Meramec Region is a better place because of their actions, and new leaders are entrusted to continue the tradition of working together for the betterment of all.

"It is not often that you find a group of individuals who are willing to do what is needed for the greater good, and that is what makes MRPC work," the late Gary Brown wrote in his chairman's message in the 2012 MRPC annual report.

Gary's words still ring true. Our greatest successes are achieved when we focus on what we have in common and work together toward that end. The results are always far better than what we could achieve alone.



# ***Regional Efforts — Regional Success***

***By MRPC Chair Mary Heywood***



It's a cold and lonely world out there for small rural communities. In a society where the majority rules, a small community is seldom the majority and can often be left behind. This is why the Meramec Regional Planning Commission is a real lifesaver for small, rural communities.

For these communities that do not have grant writers, large staffs or the resources to do the work themselves, MRPC comes in and levels the playing field. MRPC has used the theory that there is "strength in numbers" to champion the cause of our rural district for over 54 years. The vision of the local governments that started this partnership held that whatever benefits the region, benefits each community within the region. Those of us who continue their efforts take pride in upholding that tradition.

Our group is A-political in nature. Each one of us tries to leave our politics at the door, allowing us to be tolerant of each other and focus on the region without dividing between party lines. While this isn't always possible and sometimes our politics come out in conversation, we have always treated each other with respect, even when we disagree, allowing us to have honest and open conversations with each other.

The eight counties and their cities that make up the Meramec Region speak with one voice on matters important to the citizens living here. We work to keep our priorities and needs in front of state and federal legislators and show them that what is beneficial to large cities is not necessarily what is of value to rural areas. Our region has its own unique needs.

Because of the effort put forth by board and staff, MRPC can leverage state and federal dollars that directly affect our region. Whether this is improving infrastructure, addressing public health concerns, emergency planning or promote regional tourism and agricultural efforts, the planning commission strives to improve the daily lives of all citizens. These projects help our cities and counties continue to flourish.

Without MRPC's efforts, that would surely not be the case. This positive impact MRPC has across the region is a direct result of shared goals by the staff and board. MRPC's staff of 31 is a remarkable group of people all working to make a direct impact on those they serve. The board and staff share a similar wish — to see our region flourish, grow, prosper, and continue to do so for many years to come.



***MRPC Comprehensive Economic Development Committee met in April 2023 to update the plan with resiliency elements learned during the pandemic.***



***MRPC board discussed state legislative priorities with legislators at its Jan. 12, 2023, meeting. Representatives Tara Peters, Bill Hardwick and Don Mayhew were in attendance.***



***MRPC held a board workshop for new and current board members. The workshop aimed to help board members know their role with the agency and provide information on all the services MRPC can provide.***



# ***MRPC — Working Toward a Shared Mission***

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 Essmyer, Dent County Clerk Don Prewitt and Leon Camillo, who represented the mayor of Potosi on the board at the time.

The eight-county region is home to 196,419 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 54 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 newcomers to the area.

The planning commission continues its efforts by working in areas to improve public health and promote agri-tourism, while continuing their efforts 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 60 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, except July.

A professional staff of 31 with a combined total of over 385 years of experience works with the communities to ensure they have the services they most require. MRPC continues to work to provide as many opportunities for the region as possible.



*In the 1960s, communities recognized they needed to work together for a better future. Local elected officials requested Missouri Gov. Warren E. Hearnes (seated) approve a regional planning commission, as allowed by the 1965 State and Regional Planning and Community Development Act. Hearnes signed the proclamation creating MRPC in 1969. Those present at the signing were Dent County Presiding Judge J.E. Bergman (left), Salem Mayor Jack Masters, Washington County Presiding Judge Jesse Essmyer, Leon Camillo representing the mayor of Potosi, and Dent County Clerk Don Prewitt.*



# ***Growth Through Regional Partnerships***

Creating partnerships across an eight-county region allows MRPC to unify the cities and counties to work together toward a common goal and provide resources that would otherwise be difficult to obtain. Because of this, MRPC is able to help maintain 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.

MRPC works within communities to help improve the quality of life by convening people and developing partnerships throughout the region. By convening stakeholders, MRPC creates and updates a variety of plans to guide the future. These plans work as the blueprint to help guide

MRPC's other pursuits including grant writing and administration, floodplain management and transportation planning. Through partnerships, MRPC helps to coordinate efforts to encourage recycling and promote safe driving, as well as, provide other services such as small business loans and housing rental assistance to meet needs.

## ***Working For Cleaner, Healthier and Safer Communities***

MRPC strives to help promote cleaner, healthier and safer communities by providing administrative and project implementation services for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District (MLEPD), Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD); Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee (HSOC); and also provides hazard mitigation planning for meramec counties.

Hazard mitigation plans for Crawford, Dent, Osage and Washington counties were approved by SEMA and FEMA in FY 22-23. The hazard mitigation plan for Maries County is still in process. The plans include an assessment of natural hazards and establishes goals and action items to reduce the impact of these hazards in the future. The plans are completed by a collaborative effort of county and city leadership, first responders, school officials, other agencies and citizens. Counties must have a hazard mitigation plan in order to access certain hazard mitigation grant funds.

### ***Phelps County Public Housing Agency***

Maintaining safe and affordable housing is the key to quality of life. This fiscal year, the Phelps County Public Housing Agency, administered by MRPC, provided over \$2.9 million in housing assistance to an average of 696 households each month, through the HUD Housing Choice Voucher program. Program participants choose their own homes.

MRPC staff, through inspection, ensure that it is safe and affordable and pays the landlord directly. Staff performed 1,163 housing inspections and 24 housing briefings for eligible applicants. Briefing sessions are a requirement for each participant to receive their voucher.

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 70 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 work towards becoming independent of government assistance.

In fiscal year 22-23, seven participants graduated from the FSS program with a total of \$42,570.51 in their escrow accounts. These individuals completed all goals set forth for them in the program in the five-year time frame.



*The Phelps County Public Housing Agency staff members Kayla Wilson and Tammy Rigby (left) conduct a housing briefing session in Potosi for those residents seeking assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program. A total of 24 briefing sessions were completed in FY 22-23. Over \$2.9 million in assistance was provided to an average of 696 households across the six-county PHA region.*

## Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District



*At the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District's Annual Banquet in December 2022, the district was able to honor several wonderful volunteers, organizations and cities for their environmental stewardship efforts.*

Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD) contracts with MRPC to implement programs and administer 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.

Four special collections were held during fiscal year 2022-23 (Rolla, Dixon, Belle and St. Robert). A total of 38.69 tons of recyclable e-waste, appliances and tires were collected and diverted from landfills.

Additionally, the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District held four illegal dump clean-ups in the region, removing a total of 2.31 tons of tires, 346 pounds of recyclable material and 7.16 tons of trash from national forest land and county roads. The district also continued to monitor for illegal dumping through its surveillance cameras that are available to cities and counties within the district.

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). Some 1,014 households were served.

This year, Ozark Rivers celebrated its 32nd annual Earth Day Poster/Trash Art contest with 573 entries from 14 schools and seven homeschool students. The theme was "Rescue Earth's Resources."

New this year, Ozark Rivers imple-

mented the Trashasaurus Illegal Dump campaign, which utilizes an inflatable dinosaur mascot to highlight the problem of illegal dumps in the Meramec Region through a social media campaign. Staff filmed skits that highlighted the dangers and dangers of illegal dumping. Additionally, Trashasaurus was invited by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to attend the Missouri State Fair in August and showcase the work Ozark Rivers and MRPC staff have been doing with the marketing campaign.

Ozark Rivers also continued its membership with the Missouri Product Stewardship Council, which is focused on recycling paint and mattresses — two items that are difficult to recycle.



*Trashasaurus poses with the volunteers who worked the Brewer Science Special Waste Collection in June 2023. The Brewer Science collection diverted 36.93 tons of waste from the landfills.*

### *ORSWMD awards \$224,061.57 in local grants*

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 Management District awarded \$224,061.57 in grant funds to further recycling, reuse and education efforts.

The 2023 projects include:

- MRPC—Rolla and St. Robert for Household Hazardous Waste Collections, \$31,997.95;
- MRPC—Special Waste Collections (appliance, ewaste, tires), \$33,663.88;
- MRPC—Community Outreach & Assistance Fund, \$10,821.04;
- MRPC—Illegal Dump Survey and Cleanup, \$45,064.99;
- MRPC—Education, Public Awareness & Business Outreach, \$41,449.98;
- Dixon Area Caring Center Recycling Center, \$24,080.84;
- City of Rolla Recycling Center - \$16,063.20;
- Reducing Food Waste through Food Prep Course, Extension Service - \$8,419.69; and
- Frontier Environmental Technology, LLC - \$12,500.00



## ***Meramec Local Emergency Planning District***

To meet requirements by the Missouri Emergency Response Commission (MERC), the Meramec Regional Emergency Planning Committee reorganized to become a stand-alone organization, independent of MRPC. The new organization is now called the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District and will continue to meet the Community Right-to-Know requirements for hazardous materials emergency planning. Membership and leadership remain the same.

MLEPD serves local governments in Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Osage, Phelps and Washington counties and contracts with MRPC to maintain a federally required plan to deal with hazardous material emergencies in the region. The district coordinates and offers training opportunities for emergency

responders in the region.

With approximately 13,000 miles of roadway, as well as pipelines and rail, it is important to understand what is being transported through our region. The MLEPD held a hazardous materials tabletop exercise in St. James in June 2023. These trainings help first responders work through and plan their responses in the event of a hazardous materials accident in their jurisdiction. There are 344.7 miles of pipeline carrying primarily hazard Class 2 and Class 3 commodities and 267 miles of railway in the region.

Kraig Bone of Washington County is chairman of MLEPD, while Jeff Breen of Phelps County serves as vice chair and Wendy Squires of Phelps County serves as secretary/treasurer. The group meets quarterly.



***Trailers full of oil absorbent pads and booms were distributed to fire departments across seven counties as a part of a \$74,083 grant received by the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District. Rolla Fire and Rescue were instrumental in helping purchase and distribute to 36 fire departments in the seven-county region.***



***With assistance from the MLEPD, Vichy Volunteer Fire Department completed a live propane burn training. Kraig Bone and LETS Train helped to facilitate the training. The MLEPD, with financial assistance from the Missouri Emergency Response Commission, provides hazardous material trainings throughout the region.***

## ***Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee***

MRPC serves as the fiscal agent and grantee for homeland security dollars for the six-county Region I area that includes Crawford, Dent, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Laclede counties. Planning efforts to keep the region prepared are ongoing with the Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee (HSOC). Leadership for the HSOC this year was Ron Smith of Rolla City Fire and Rescue, as chairman, and Tabitha Stanfast of Salem Memorial District Hospital, as vice chairman.

The committee continues to make tough funding decisions to ensure first responders in Region I have the necessary tools to deal with natural and man-made emergencies. Grants totaling \$101,105.25

The committee voted to fund:

- MRPC for Region I Work Plan, \$25,000;
- Region I M & A, \$3,805.26;
- Rolla Command Post Communications, \$18,430.00;
- Rolla "All Hazard" Response Team,

\$43,249.00;

- Waynesville Rural Fire Protection District, \$5,377.82; and
- Pulaski County Emergency Management Agency, \$5,243.17.

Additionally, Region I Homeland Security Oversight Committee completed the THIRA, a planning process that identifies threats and hazards of various scenarios that could happen in the region.

The group meets quarterly at Meramec Regional Planning Commission.

# ***Greater Socio-Economic and Cultural Wealth through Community and Economic Development***

## ***Planning Creates a Regional Blueprint for Forward Momentum***

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, strategic planning and community health planning. Current and completed projects include coordinating the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC); prioritizing transportation needs; updating the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); working with the cities of Salem, Potosi, Belle, Rosebud and Bland with Active Transportation Plans; coordinating Naturally Meramec activities; developing housing assessments for residential structures located in the floodplain within Hermann, Chamois, Waynesville, Steelville and Newburg; using an EDA CARES Act grant to discuss broadband planning in each of the eight counties and update the CEDS to include more resiliency planning; and coordinating the MRPC Rural Opioid Initiatives.

All projects start with planning. Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Area Engineer Preston Kramer, MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge and MRPC Planning Manager Anne Freand met with all eight counties in the fall of 2022 to discuss transportation needs on the state system for this planning effort of the region's nearly 13,000 mostly rural, state roadways. The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) reviewed the updated regional needs and prioritized them in December 2022. The TAC also



***MoDOT Meramec Area Engineer Preston Kramer (second left) gives a construction report to the TAC at its Feb. 9, 2023, meeting.***

worked on prioritizing the Tier 1, 2 and 3 high-priority unfunded needs on the state system. Additionally the committee prioritized Off-System Bridges (BRO) and the applications for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The committee also completed a road safety audit for Hwy. Y and Holtsman Road in Pulaski County. With MRPC's concurrence, those recommendations were shared with MoDOT for consideration for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). A new STIP for 2024-28 was adopted in July 2023, which brings new road and bridge projects to the region.

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 seat belts.

Additionally, MRPC provides hands-on docudrama training to schools and emergency responders interested in doing docudramas. Staff also uses Buckle Buddy, a booster safety-seat promoter, to teach pre-kindergarten through second grade students how to ride safely in cars, and utilizes Buddy to promote bicycle safety in addition to our bicycle/pedestrian safety program for Kindergarten through college age students.

In total, MRPC participated in 16 safety and back-to-school fairs, distributing information to individuals, presented seven Buckle Buddy programs, 20 bicycle/pedestrian programs and nine docudramas in FY22-23.

MRPC received \$130,000 grant from the Missouri Humanities Council to complete a feasibility study for the possibility of a National Museum of Indian Removal in St. James.

In order to complete this, MRPC contracted with PGAV Destinations, a consulting firm out of St. Louis, and brought together a group of community stakeholders and Native American Representatives to outline what a museum of this type would look like. The study showed that a museum highlighting native stories is feasible in the St. James area.



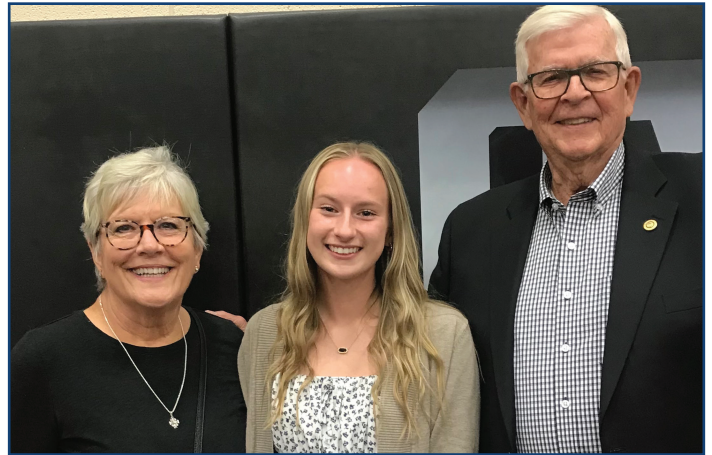
***Linn High School seniors accept a Project Graduation grant from MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge and Megan Pardoe with MoDOT Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety. Linn was one of nine project graduation and docudrama grants that were distributed in 2023.***



## Meramec Regional Community Foundation



*Vicki Nelson, Ashley Harris and Barb Schaller with the Belle Community Betterment Association accepted the \$500 MRCF Community Grant for its landscaping project at its Welcome to Belle Sign.*



*Jeanne Cavender (left) and Richard Cavender (right) presented Molly Wnuk of Rosebud with the Richard and Jeanne Cavender Scholarship for Public Service. The \$750 scholarship is awarded to two graduating seniors annually.*

The Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF) saw tremendous growth in its charitable giving funds this year. Over the last decade, the fund has grown to more than \$4.5 million in funds with interest earned 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 community foundations and perpetual, sustainable funds.

As of July 2023, MRCF has 51 funds valued at over \$4.3 million. Of the 51 funds, 21 funds provided 33 scholarships to graduating seniors in the Meramec Region - totaling \$66,850.

MRCF had two new funds established this year by The Phelps County Community Foundation and the Phelps County Extension. This year, MRCF awarded three community grants in the amounts of

\$500 each, totaling \$1,500, with a goal of enhancing and building stronger communities in the region to the Pulaski County Salvation for its Helping Hands for Those in Need, Hope Alliance of Missouri for its Backpack Program Direct Cost Support and Belle Community Betterment Association for its Welcome to Belle Sign and Landscape Project.

MRCF's grant cycle opens in October each year and awards grants in March. Jared Niederer of Owensville serves as MRCF's president.

## 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 FY 22-23. Two new loans were added to the MRPC portfolio totaling \$208,375 through the RLF Program. One loan for \$78,000 was for an existing business located in Cuba/Crawford County and will retain six jobs. Another loan for \$130,375 was for an

existing business located in Dixon/Pulaski County and will create and retain 20 jobs. MRDC closed two SBA 504 loans for \$1.017 million through the program. One loan for \$625,000 for an existing business expansion located in Webb City, Jasper County. The project will create/retain 50 jobs. Another loan for \$345,000 was for a new business located in Rolla/Phelps County. The project will create six jobs. All loans providing gap financing, are usually made in partnership with local banks and offer long-term, fixed rates. Staff also serviced a portfolio of 20 RLF loans, 18 SBA 504 loans and one IRP loan.

The combined portfolio totaled more than \$22 million, leveraged over \$58.8 million in bank and private investments

and created and/or retained approximately 2,576 jobs. Staff continues to package SBA 7 loans for banks and provide loan and business development education for businesses and bankers.

Gary Hicks of Phelps County serves as board president.



*MRDC committee members meet March 8, 2023.*



## *Project Development, Grant Writing and Project Implementation*

Project development at MRPC means helping a local government or nonprofit take a need and find a solution or take an idea and turn 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 15 grant applications that were funded. These grants will bring over \$1.9 million to the region and state. An additional 13 were funded from the previous fiscal year bringing in an additional \$5.2 million. Staff wrote and submitted an additional 44 grant proposals in FY 2022-23. Of those, another \$916,711 were funded since July 1, 2023, the start of MRPC's new fiscal year. These projects include law enforcement hiring, economic development, park system improvements and more.

MRPC's 'bread and butter' is grant



*Delta Regional Authority staff, Meramec Regional Planning Commission staff, Engineer Jeff Meadows, Matthew Wilshire with Mineral Point and TR Dudley discuss the Mineral Point project to replace the bridge over Mill Creek, which was funded by DRA. The total cost of the bridge replacement will be \$175,560.*

administration, whereby staff ensures that the grantee meets grant requirements in order to receive future grant funds.

In fiscal year 2022-23, MRPC's project development department closed seven grants and continued to administer 16 projects. Some grant projects administered in fiscal year 2022-23 included: Bland water improvements (CDBG/USDA), Steelville community center (CDBG), Gasconade Co. PWSD#1 Sewer (CDBG), Potosi/Washington County IDA for industrial park improvements (CDBG), Salem/Salem R-80 Workforce Training Facility (CDBG), Newburg streets (CDBG) Chamois Water (CDBG), Washington County Bridge

(DRA), Mineral Point Bridge (DRA) and Bonne Terre senior housing renovations (FHLB-DM).

Additionally, MRPC staff helped administer American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds for all eight counties and 13 cities in an amount just over \$42 million.

Continuation of the implementation of the Meramec Region Rural Opioid Initiatives — two consortiums funded by the Department of Justice's Opioid Affected Youth Initiative (OAYI) and the Health Resources and Service Administration — saw a variety of work to combat the growing problem of opioid use disorder through education, awareness and prevention strategies within MRPC's eight-county region. The OAYI project was closed out in September 2023.

In fiscal year 2022-23, MRPC staff offered Seeking Safety classes inside Meramec Region jails, local high schools and the Phelps County Drug Court. Seeking Safety is an evidence-based curriculum, that helps clients be safe from trauma, including, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Substance Use Disorder, by emphasizing coping skills, grounding techniques and education. As of August 2023, 628 individuals have graduated through the Seeking Safety program.

The scope of the work across the opioid initiatives includes consortium meetings, a presence in the jails and 25th judicial



*MRPC Community Development Specialist Eva Voss (right) works with staff from the Missouri Department of Economic Development Community Development Block Grant program to review funded projects for compliance.*





*The Opioid Affected Youth Initiative convened a youth consortium that completed a SWOT analysis of the region. The SWOT brought to light the issues students found the most pressing and led to ideas being presented to legislators at Recovery Day at the state capitol.*

system, a presence in schools, assistance to employers through an employer focused workshop, awareness activities and remembrance events, the purchase of Narcan for health departments and providing drug-take back boxes in the region.

This year, the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative brought together a consortium of at-risk youth to complete a SWOT analysis. The students were able to talk about their perception of the problems facing kids in the schools throughout our region and also potential solutions they deemed beneficial.

After the SWOT analysis, MRPC created a one-page informational flier and the youth consortium took that information along with their concerns and ideas to meetings with state legislators during Recovery Day in March 2023 at the Capitol in Jefferson City. Recovery Day provided the

youth participating with the opportunity to allow their voice to be heard by those setting state policy.

MRPC has subcontracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to deliver a “Too Good For Drugs” program in the schools to 3,268 students and with Dr. Sean Siebert, Invent Yourself, LLC., to deliver Rehabilitation Through Innovation program in the jails to 189 residents.

The Opioid Affected Youth Initiative also put together backpacks for low-income students through the area head starts. The backpacks included essential items such as blankets, gloves, hats, hairbrushes, toiletries, underwear, socks and more. Some 633 backpacks were distributed in FY 22-23.

Additionally, MRPC continued administering Naturally Meramec, a consortium of agri-tourism businesses, by working



*Above: The Meramec Rural Opioid Initiatives hosted an awareness walk in Belle on Aug. 27, 2022. The effort works to reduce the stigma for those who suffer from Opioid or Substance-Use-Disorder.*

*Below: In partnership with Dr. Sean Siebert of Invent Yourself, LLC, MRPC continued the Rehabilitation through Innovation program in county jails across the region. The program works to help “residents” of the county jails identify possible triggers in their lives that could lead them back to jail upon release.*



*Through the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative, MRPC Staff worked to fill some 633 backpacks for low-income children enrolled in the region’s Head Starts. The backpacks were filled with winter essentials such as blankets, winter hats and gloves, underwear, socks and toiletries.*



## ***MRPC secures over \$6.2 million in grants***

In 2022-23, MRPC's grant writers secured 15 successful grants, totaling \$6,241,670.94. Approved grants included:

- City of Owensville for Construction of Rock Island Trail - \$479,787.20 (Transportation Alternatives Program, TAP)
- Phelps County for replacement of bridge over Dry Fork Creek - \$365,847 (Bridge Replacement Offsystem, BRO)
- City of Owensville for relocation of the intersection of Industrial Drive and Springfield Road - \$313,027 (Governor's Cost Share Program)
- City of Potosi for replacement of siren system - \$139,733 (Hazard Mitigation Grant Program)
- St. Robert Fire and Rescue for new turnout gear - \$19,948.62 (ARPA Fire Protection Grant)
- MRPC for Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) Outreach Program - \$150,000 (Federal Communications Commission)
- City of Rolla for 8 SCBAs and 17 full turnout gear - \$495,212.00 (ARPA Community Revitalization)
- MCEC for ACP Outreach Program - \$25,000 (ARPA Digital Demonstrations Projects)
- Dierberg Educational Foundation for new distillery campus to draw tourism to the area - \$2,148,557 (ARPA Local Tourism Asset Development Program)
- City of Meta for improvements to storm drainage - \$381,377 (CDBG)
- City of Irondale for renovations to existing community building - \$611,580 (CDBG)
- City of Potosi to replace Breton Creek Bridge on South Mine Street - \$525,000 (CDBG)
- Phelps County to renovate site for Phelps Connections for Seniors - \$525,000 (CDBG)
- MRPC for docudrama planning assistance - \$24,400 (Highway Safety Program)
- MRPC for bicycle/pedestrian safety program - \$37,202.12 (Highway Safety Program)
- Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone for Work Keys testing in Maries, Gasconade and Osage county schools - \$14,276 (Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development)

with businesses throughout the region to foster partnerships and promote events and the businesses in the Meramec Region through its website, [www.naturallymeramec.org](http://www.naturallymeramec.org) and its Facebook page.

In FY 22-23, Naturally Meramec held Taste of County events in Phelps and Washington counties. Naturally Meramec also completed the Pumpkin Patch and Fall trails for the website and received a new grant to support agri-tourism in the four-county Delta Regional Authority area.

The group is also working on creating a food hub in the region where local producers can sell large quantities by working with distributors in the region to transport their products to local restaurants, markets and other retailers in the region.

The consortium meets the last Tuesday of the month at the St. James office, but has started moving the meetings around the region this year to highlight different Naturally Meramec members.

Beginning at the end of FY 22-23 and continuing through FY 23-24, MRPC began administering an outreach program for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). ACP works to provide an internet discount for eligible low-income individuals of up to \$30 a month off with

participating providers. Additionally, the program can provide a one-time \$100 subsidy on a new device for the household.

In order to make residents in the Meramec Region aware of this opportunity, MRPC received a \$25,000 six-month grant from the Missouri Department of Economic Development that ended Aug. 31, 2023 and a \$150,000 two-year grant from the Federal Communications Commission. Efforts are already under the way with information distribution at health fairs, commodity days, back to school

events, brochure racks placed at public access points throughout the region and presentations with regional partners as well as a targeted social media campaign.

MRPC, also, provides floodplain management services for Crawford County, Maries County, Phelps County and the cities of Meta and Salem. Staff provides floodplain information through brochures and press releases; technical assistance to the local governments on floodplain requirements and review of floodplain development permits.



*Naturally Meramec held a Taste of Phelps County event that brought Agri-tourism vendors together from all over the eight-county Meramec Region. Cool Cow Cheese of Gasconade County attended the event and is a member of the Naturally Meramec consortium.*



## ***A Unified Voice in the Legislative Process***

Cities and counties in the Meramec Region have many commonalities, and what affects 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 has 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 the MRPC board and staff members at the January 2023 meeting, and the Meramec congressional delegation was invited to the February 2023 MRPC meeting to discuss federal issues.



*Staff and board members met with Senators Justin Brown (center left back), Ben Brown (center right back) and Elaine Gannon (center front) to discuss state legislative priorities. The Meramec Region's three state senators were receptive and offered insight into the listed that was prioritized by the MRPC board.*

In January 2023, the MRPC board members and staff traveled to Jefferson City to visit with legislators and present them with MRPC's state priorities report.

In March, MRPC Chairman Steve Vogt and MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge, Planning Manager Anne Freand and Marketing Communications Manager Caitlin Jones attended the National Association of Developmental Organizations (NADO) Washington Policy conference in D.C., where they visited in-person with the region's congressional leadership and presented them with the Federal Priorities Report with priorities set forth by the board.



*Board Chairman Steve Vogt and Executive Director Bonnie Prigge met with staff from Senator Eric Schmitt's office during the 2023 NADO Policy Conference in Washington D.C.*



*Utilizing a conference space at the state capitol this year, MRPC was able to bring together Representatives Ron Copeland, Bruce Sassmann and Mike McGirl to discuss the legislative priorities. The group offered words of encouragement to the MRPC board and staff on the construction of the Rock Island Trail and talked about the appropriations process.*



*MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge (left) and Executive Directors Corinne Watts from Green Hills Regional Planning Commission and Jim Grebing of Bootheel Regional Planning Commission (right) speak with Madelyn Derks with Representative Mark Alford's office about the Federal Priorities as prioritized by the MRPC board.*

# ***Preliminary Revenue & Expenditure Report***

## ***For the year ending June 30, 2023***

### **REVENUE SUMMARY**

<b>Agency Revenues</b>	<b>FY 22-23 Adopted Budget</b>	<b>Actual FY 22-23</b>
Planning/Project Development Department	\$2,347,627	\$1,639,311
Loans Department	\$1,117,173	\$94,754
Environmental Department	\$456,780	\$692,882
Housing Department	\$605,103	\$602,442
Services to MRB	\$115,860	\$118,199
Other Income	\$30,385	\$65,476
<b>Total Agency Revenues</b>	<b>\$3,672,928</b>	<b>\$3,213,064</b>

### **EXPENSE SUMMARY**

<b>Agency Expenses</b>	<b>FY 22-23 Adopted Budget</b>	<b>Actual FY 22-23</b>
Advertising	\$11,167	\$5,558
Annual Audit	\$5,100	\$19,100
Annual Dinner	\$6,500	\$5,712
Automobile Lease	\$38,789	\$43,126
Building Lease	\$116,522	\$122,316
Computer Lease	\$76,069	\$69,827
Contract Services	\$727,121	\$527,326
Copy Lease	\$35,591	\$42,204
Furniture & Equipment Lease	\$89,334	\$69,555
Graphics & Outside Print	\$6,413	\$8,361
Grant Expense	\$56,272	\$14,351
In-kind Match	\$12,224	\$20,290
Indirect Costs	\$390,368	\$360,370
Insurance and Legal fees	\$4,355	\$1,952
License and Miscellaneous Fees	\$14,394	\$24,301
Meeting Registrations and Memberships	\$14,492	\$9,539
Personnel - Salaries	\$1,389,998	\$1,305,379
Personnel - Fringe	\$541,948	\$450,388
Phone, Postage & Supplies	\$58,346	\$76,756
Staff & Board Development	\$40,629	\$18,611
Subscriptions & Publications	\$1,100	\$1,322
Travel	\$22,778	\$24,817
<b>Total Agency Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,659,510</b>	<b>\$3,221,161</b>

**TOTAL AGENCY REVENUES OVER EXPENSES                    (\$8,097)**



# **List of Services**

## **— July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 —**

**Meramec Regional Planning Commission has compiled a list of major services, provided for communities and local governments within the region for fiscal year 2022/2023. MRPC is truly committed to making a difference.**

### **REGION**

- The Phelps County Public Housing Agency provided \$2.9 million in housing assistance to an average of 696 low-income households per month in the Meramec Region through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Choice Voucher Program. The PHA performed 1,163-unit inspections for the rental assistance programs and conducted 24 group housing briefing sessions at MRPC.
- Housing briefings held monthly in St. James and Potosi for qualified, eligible housing applicants for voucher issuance.
- The Housing Advisory Board met on Sept. 8 and Nov. 10, 2022, and Feb. 9, April 13, and June 8, 2023.
- Staff participated in the Missouri Association of Regional PHAs (MARPHA) meetings held on Oct. 6, 2022, at Bennett Springs State Park and on April 13, 2023, in Osage Beach, MO.
- Submitted and was awarded a Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) grant in the amount of \$65,941.
- Provided regular housing and family self-sufficiency updates at the Community Awareness and Resource Exchange (CARE) meetings, the Washington County Community Partnership meetings, the Phelps County Community Conversation Coalition meetings, and Crawford County Community Resource Coalition meetings.
- Provided Housing Choice Voucher participants with Affordable Connectivity Program resources to apply for assistance with broadband service and device discount. Assisted households with the application process as needed.
- Provided county specific resource guides to participants addressing substance/opioid prevention and abuse.
- Attended the National Regional Transportation Conference in Kansas City. Planning Manager Anne Freand facilitated a session on road safety audits.
- Attended the Sustainable Ozarks Partnership meetings and continued to serve on the board.
- Participated in a meeting with Shad Burner, DED, and other RPCs in the DRA region to review DRA grant submissions.
- MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge was elected secretary/treasurer of the Missouri Association of Councils of Government.
- Attended the September Rolla Regional Economic Commission and made a presentation on MRPC.
- Served on the MACOG Broadband proposal committee for MACOG's EDA/DED grant, reviewed proposals, interviewed final two candidates and participated in the final selection.
- Attended monthly MACOG meetings.
- Held subdistrict coalition for roadway safety meetings at MRPC on Dec. 9, 2022, and April 26, 2023.
- Served on and participated in the Statewide Coalition for Roadway Safety Committee.
- Served on and participated in monthly Central District Coalition for Roadway Safety Committee meetings.
- 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. Coordinated four meetings.
- Prepared Work Keys testing grants for Gasconade, Maries and Osage counties, which were funded. Coordinated with schools in Belle, Vienna, Owensville, Hermann, Linn and Chamois to conduct testing and provided proctors from East Central College.
- Applied for and received the Office of Administration State Aid to Regional Planning Commissions grant.
- Continued to offer associate memberships to businesses and organizations in the region. As of June 30, 2023, 13 businesses and organizations held associate memberships.
- Provided a forum for local review for federal funded programs and projects in the region through the State Clearinghouse Review process.
- Maintained memberships and/or provided representation in the Missouri Association of Councils of Government, Missouri Economic Development Council, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Missouri Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, National Association of Development Organizations, Missouri Municipal League, Delta Regional Authority, Missouri Press Association, Missouri Recycling Association, Salem Area Chamber of Commerce, Hermann Area Chamber of Commerce, Washington County Chamber of Commerce, Owensville Area Chamber of Commerce, Vienna Chamber of Commerce, Steelville area Chamber of Commerce, Dixon Area Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Development Companies, Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety Statewide Committee, Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety Central District Committee, State Solid Waste Advisory Board, Sustainable Ozarks Partnership, National Recycling Association and Missouri Conservation Federation.
- Responded to numerous requests for information via MRPC's website and social media.
- Prepared 54 press releases for media in the region, keeping them informed about the projects and activities of MRPC and its member governments.
- Planned and coordinated 10 MRPC board meetings.
- Coordinated a MRPC board member orientation on March 24,



*Youth from across the region joined together to speak at the Project Heal Youth Forum in Rolla on June 23, 2023. The panel presented thoughts, concerns, strategies and live experiences to raise awareness on Substance and Opioid-Use-Disorder.*

2023, with 12 board members participating.

- Coordinated a presentation by Bonnie Prigge, MRPC, on MRPC's opioid initiatives to bring those with substance use disorder back into the workforce for the August 2022 MRPC meeting.
- Coordinated a presentation by Tammy Alsop, Sikich LLC, on MRPC's audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, for the November MRPC meeting.
- Coordinated a presentation by Brian Pelcak, PGAV Destinations, who presented the recommendations from a feasibility study conducted on the creation of a national museum on Indian Removal for the December 2022 MRPC meeting.
- Invited the Meramec Region's state legislators to MRPC's January 2023 board meeting for an idea exchange. Three legislators participated.
- Invited the Meramec Region's federal congressional leadership to MRPC's February 2023 board meeting for an idea exchange. Staff from four of the region's congressional offices participated.
- Coordinated a presentation by Nadja Karpilow, Mid-America Regional Council in Kansas City, MO, on the mission and goals of the Missouri Product Stewardship Council for the March 2023 MRPC meeting.
- Coordinated a presentation by Steve Tripi, Sikich LLC, on MRPC's audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.
- Coordinated a presentation by Bonnie Prigge, MRPC, on the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) for the April 2023 MRPC meeting.
- Coordinated a presentation by Maria Bancroft, MRPC, on the Meramec Regional Development Corporation's (MRDC) loan programs, Small Business Administration's 504 program and Economic Development Administrations' Revolving Loan Fund.
- Distributed 'Buckle Up, Phone Down' signs to local governments and schools.
- Reviewed MRPC and MRB bylaws.
- Conducted a survey of all board members and associate members on state legislative issues and followed up with a survey to prioritize those issues. Presented results to External Relations committee and full board. Used results to develop State Legislative Priorities of the Meramec Region report that was presented to state legislators in January 2023 in Jefferson City.
- Conducted a survey of all board members and associate members on federal legislative issues and followed up with a survey to prioritize those issues. Presented results to External Relations committee and full board. Used results to develop Federal Legislative Priorities of the Meramec Region report that was presented to federal congressional leaders in Washington, D.C. in February 2023.
- Provided Christmas food and gifts for two families in need, adopted a veteran at the St. James Veteran Home, made a basket raffle donation to Washington County, made a family game night basket for Osage Caring Projects, and donated cash and pet supplies to Phelps County Animal Rescue and Cuba Animal Shelter.
- Posted available buildings and sites in the region on the Missouri LocationOne website.
- Continued providing technical assistance to eight counties and 21 cities in handling their ARPA funds.
- Coordinated four docudramas in the region.
- Provided an Ozark Rivers SWMD grant writing workshop on July 27, 2022, for 2023 grant applicants.
- Maintained and promoted a disposal and recycling database with a search function by zip code for the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (Ozark Rivers SWMD) website.
- Provided information on MRPC's special collections, household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/illegal dump prevention strategies.
- Provided consultations during the 2023 Ozark Rivers SWMD grant call to inquiring applicants and provided extensive technical assistance to new applicants.
- Provided announcements to cities, school districts and art teachers for the 2023 Earth Day Poster and Trash Art Contest, "Rescue Earth's Resources: Become a First Responder for the Planet!"
- Provided notices and resources for MDNR's scrap tire surface and playground grant to all cities and counties in the district.
- Coordinated Ozark Rivers SWMD 2023 grant round with the Ozark Rivers grant review committee and executive board.
- Facilitated the Ozark Rivers SWMD annual awards program including soliciting nominations, procuring recycled content



awards and engaging members in the annual awards banquet held on Dec. 6, 2022. Eight award recipients were recognized from Dent, Phelps and Pulaski counties.

- Presented 10 2023 grant applications to the Ozark Rivers grant review committee, compiled scoring and presented results to the Ozark Rivers Executive Board for a final grant determination. Processed nine awarded grant applications totaling \$223,388. Projects are administered by MRPC on behalf of Ozark Rivers SWMD.
- Received five 2023 district-wide grants from Ozark Rivers SWMD totaling \$162,997.84 for implementing the following environmental programs: household hazardous waste collection sites in St. Robert and Rolla, special waste collection events, illegal dump clean-up, environmental education and a community fund addressing needs outside of the annual grant round.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant awarded for illegal dump clean-ups and recycling of illegally dumped tires collected by cities/counties throughout the district.
- Encouraged community composting and awareness through seasonal pumpkin recycling at the Rolla Recycling Center via a social media campaign.
- Promoted collection of holiday lights for recycling through MRPC's Household Hazardous Waste program and local drop-off sites – Lowes and St. James Caring Center.
- Promoted and facilitated the collection of vape products through MRPC's Household Hazardous Waste sites in St. Robert and Rolla.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Osage, Phelps and Washington counties.
- Completed and submitted the annual report and Tier II CEPF grant application on behalf of the MLEPD.
- Completed and submitted the annual HMEP training grant application on behalf of the MLEPD.
- Completed the annual update of the regional Hazardous Emergency Response Plan and distributed it to all city and county governments and emergency response agencies in Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Osage, Phelps and Washington counties.
- Completed the THIRA update for the Region I HSOC and submitted it to the Office of Homeland Security.
- Participated in the LEPD-101 training provided by the Missouri Emergency Response Commission.
- Facilitated a \$7,746 Ozark Rivers grant request from Curators of the University of Missouri for implementing a community education course, "Reducing Food Waste Through Meal Preparation."
- Promoted proper disposal of pharmaceuticals through social media.
- Compiled educational activities for the 2023 Earth Day theme, "Rescue Earth's Resources – Become A First Responder for the Planet" to increase student awareness of battery dangers and needs for proper battery disposal.
- Coordinated the annual MRPC Day at the Capitol by setting up appointments with 11 state legislators and providing the MRPC

State Legislative Priorities Report.

- Obtained 12 sponsorships for the ORSWMD's 32nd Annual Earth Day Poster, Trash Art and Graphic Arts Contest.
- Coordinated the collection of Earth Day Art Contest Submissions March 1-17, 2023.
- Promoted battery safety and recycling awareness through social media.
- Developed and provided a list of district waste haulers to all city and county offices.
- Worked with Ozark Rivers SWMD to pass and submit a Paint Stewardship Resolution to legislators.
- Hosted a tour of the Rolla Recycling Center for Ozarks SWMD on March 14, 2023.
- Facilitated two newspaper articles with recommendations on alternatives for waste disposal as a solution for those impacted by discontinued waste hauler services.
- Provided formal and non-formal educators with curriculum/activities, Afterlife of a Battery; Keep Waste in its Place; and Choosing to Reduce Waste, aligned with video segments from the annual Earth Day Stewardship Showcase.
- Surveyed regional waste haulers to record their areas of service and to create a resource list for municipalities and residents experiencing an unexpected loss of trash services due to the withdrawal of a waste hauler.
- Facilitated CEDS Advisory Committee meetings for Resiliency update.
- Delivered Earth Day Art Contest prizes and certificates to participating families and schools.
- Assisted Opioid Program with scheduling a room and appointments with state legislators.
- Coordinated four meetings of the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District (MLEPD).
- Coordinated scheduling of meetings with federal legislators in Washington DC during the NADO Washington Policy Conference.
- Developed a COVID Economic Impact Report for the region.
- Met with the executive director of the Missouri Emergency Response Commissioner to discuss missing CEPF funds for 2021 and 2022.
- Participated in three Missouri Emergency Response Commission meetings on behalf of the MLEPD.
- Collected 52.18 tons of tires, electronics and appliances during FY23 from 439 households throughout the ORSWMD district at collections held in Rolla, St. Robert, Belle and Dixon.
- Completed a required assessment inventory for the Ozark River Solid Waste Management District.
- Completed and submitted two grant applications to MDNR for administration and project implementation of Ozark River Solid Waste Management District.
- Coordinated three meetings of the ORSWMD Executive Board - October 2022, and March and May 2023.
- Coordinated two meetings of the Ozark Rivers SWMD Full Council - December 2022, and June 2023.
- Submitted and secured a MERC/SEMA grant with the assistance of Rolla Fire and Rescue that provided \$50,000 worth of

booms and pads to fire departments in the MLEPD service area and \$24,000 in equipment for the Regional Homeland Security Response Team.

- Distributed 2023 Ozark Rivers SWMD grant application information to all city and county governments and provided technical assistance to those inquiring about the Ozark Rivers SWMD grant application process.
- Provided technical assistance for 29 open grant projects during 2022/2023.
- Educated the general public on the importance of attending special collections for recycling electronics, appliances and tires through events scheduled in Dixon, St. Robert, Salem and Rolla.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant awarded for special waste collections held throughout the district.
- Completed and submitted grant applications for ORSWMD Operations and Plan Implementation projects to MDNR.
- Advertised Community Right-to-Know information region-wide on behalf of MLEPD.
- Collected and organized Tier II reports for the region.
- Coordinated the annual state legislative priorities survey process.
- Coordinated the annual federal legislative priorities survey process.
- Developed the annual state legislative priorities report.
- Developed the annual federal legislative priorities report.
- Implemented MRPC's residential household hazardous waste (HHW) collection grant and provided technical assistance to staff at the St. Robert and Rolla HHW sites. This free service benefited 981 households in the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District.
- Submitted annual progress report to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for a three-year grant in January 2023.
- Submitted annual GRPA report to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for the CARES Act Planning grant in March 2023.
- Submitted bi-annual progress reports to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for the CARES Act Planning grant in October 2022 and April 2023.
- Attended Active Living Community of Practice (ACLP) grant training in Jefferson City on Oct. 24, 2022, related to the communities of Belle, Rosebud, and Bland along the Rock Island Trail.
- 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 liaison between local citizens and MRPC, including the coordination of five meetings.
- Maintained a multi-modal transportation stakeholder's email list.
- Maintained a traffic counter trailer, which may be used by member communities and organizations.
- Worked with Meramec Region Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) on Tier 1, 2, and 3 High Priority Unfunded Needs

(HPUN) for road and bridge and multimodal improvements on the state system.

- Worked with Meramec Region Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) to rank BRO Off-System Bridges and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant applications in the Meramec region.
- Submitted MoDOT workplan for 2023-2024 and Self-Evaluation for 2023.
- Completed six MoDOT bi-monthly reports for activities and invoicing.
- Completed update of the Public Transit Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan by February 2023.
- Completed a Floodplain Housing Study, funded by CDBG, for the communities of Chamois, Hermann, Waynesville, Steelville and Newburg.
- Completed a resilience update to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in June 2023.
- Participated in a MACOG statewide meeting of RPC staff involved in HSOC activities.
- Coordinated the Naturally Meramec Consortium by working with agriculture, tourism, and culinary businesses across the region. Facilitated monthly meetings, hosted training events, visited businesses, gathered data, set up day-trip trials and marketed the businesses through the Naturally Meramec website and Facebook page, all in an effort to expand markets for producers and encourage agritourism opportunities.
- Maintained Naturally Meramec website, including update of Places page, email addresses, Events and any necessary additions/deletions of businesses.
- Posted events on the Naturally Meramec website and Facebook page.
- Held Naturally Meramec Consortium meetings on Feb. 28 and March 28, 2023.
- Completed the following trail updates for placement on the Naturally Meramec website: Pumpkin Patch Trail and Fall Trails.
- Submitted the final annual report for the Farmers Market Local Food Promotion Program (FMLFPP) to USDA in December 2022.
- Met with eight counties within the Meramec region to discuss unfunded transportation needs.
- Held Region I HSOC quarterly meeting with regional partners in July and October 2022 and January and April 2023.
- Coordinated and administered Region I HSOC grant program, which benefited Region I. Four FY 22-23 grants totaling \$75,985.11 were awarded in July 2022. 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.
- Coordinated a Region I RHSOC grant in the amount of \$25,000 for the Meramec Regional Planning Commission's Region I Work Plan.
- Accepted Applications for RHSOC grants, coordinated review and managed awards for the following: Pulaski County E911,



Pulaski County Emergency Management Agency, City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, St. James Ambulance District and Waynesville Rural Fire Protection District.

- Coordinated a Region I RHSOC grant in the amount of \$12,000 for the Meramec Regional Planning Commission's planning and training activities.
- Coordinated a Region I RHSOC grant in the amount of \$3,999.21 for the Meramec Regional Planning Commission's Region I M & A.
- Updated the inventory list for SEMA Region I's Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC).
- Completed three THIRA planning meetings on behalf of Region I HSOC.
- Submitted and updated HSOC Region I THIRA in October 2022.
- Submitted Region I HSOC bi-annual reports to the Office of Homeland Security/Department of Public Safety in July and January.
- Updated the inventory list for SEMA Region I's Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC).
- Participated in monthly Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) meetings with grant administrators between July 2022 and June 2023.
- Held Meramec Region's Opioid Affected Youth Initiative consortium meetings on Aug. 17, Sept. 15, and Nov. 10, 2022, and Jan. 26, March 23, and May 18, 2023.
- Held Meramec Region Recovery Alliance Consortium meetings on July 29 and Nov. 2, 2022, and Jan. 18 and April 26, 2023.
- Submitted April 2022 through September 2022 Bi-annual Progress Report in November 2022 and October 2022 through March 2023 Bi-annual Progress Report in April 2023 to the Health Resources and Services Administration, Rural Communities Opioid Response Program.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC (Meramec Region's HRSA sub-grantee) to provide a regionwide Community Conversation in July 2022 providing an open forum for discussing the opioid epidemic with providers, law enforcement and jail administration in the region.
- Hosted a Black Balloon Day event in March 2023, a remembrance of all those lost to an opioid overdose.
- Assisted with and participated in planning conversations with IIR for the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative (OAYI) Shindig on July 26, 2022.
- Received \$124,645 two-year grant from the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) to provide commercial composting training, GAP certifications, Naturally Meramec Consortium support and day trips in October 2023.
- Co-chaired quarterly MACOG Transportation Planners' meetings in September and December 2022.
- Participated in virtual Missouri Complete Streets Advisory Committee meetings.
- Contacted Law Enforcement Agencies in the Meramec Region to discuss data collection on July 29, 2022.
- Worked with Invent Yourself, LLC on a youth awareness event in August 2022.
- Participated in Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation (RCORP) data collaborative Zoom calls in July and August 2022.
- Hosted a Youth SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) subcommittee meeting on Feb. 17, 2023, with members of the community and youth to determine action plans for future opioid education, diversion methods and prevention. A follow-up meeting was held with Rep. Tara Peters on April 7, 2023.
- Provided the OAYI technical team with information to discuss Seeking Safety tips with other grantees in April 2023.
- Participated in virtual broadband information sessions with the Missouri Department of Economic Development's Office of Broadband in October and December 2022 and February, April and June 2023.
- Completed an After-Action Report for the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) pandemic update.
- Hosted bi-weekly broadband digital inclusion and FCC map challenge virtual meetings with regional stakeholders on Dec. 5 and Dec. 19, 2022, and Jan. 11, 2023.
- Sent grant alerts on: Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District (ORSWMD) grant program, ARPA Broadband Infrastructure grant program, and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Bus Grant Program, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) 2022 Governor's Transportation Cost Share Program, Missouri Department of Public Safety's Enhancing Community Preparedness and Resilience (ECPR) and Enhancing Cybersecurity Local Preparedness (ECSLP) grants, Coover Foundation's Celebration of Public Spaces grant, Missouri Department of Economic Development (MO-DED) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Small Business Grants and Community Revitalization Grants, Missouri S&T's Educational Class: Legal Planning for Small Businesses, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Missouri Crunch-Off/Promoting Specialty Crops in Missouri Schools Grant Program, Missouri Department of Economic Development's ARPA Local Tourism Asset Development Grant program, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and AAA Missouri Buckle Up Phone Down High School Showdown Grant program, Missouri Farmer Association (MFA) Volunteer Fire Grant, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Traffic Engineering Assistance Program (TEAP), Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA), Missouri Department of Natural Resources' 2022 Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grant program, Missouri Department of Natural Resources Division of State Parks 2023 Recreation Trails Program (RTP), Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Humanities Council Major Grant Program, Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) Youth Opportunities Program (YOP) Tax Credits, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund for Historic

Interiors, Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation, Office of Broadband Development's Digital Demonstration Projects Grant program, Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) Entertainment Industry Grant Program (public input), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program, Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) Non-Profit Grant Program (public input), Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) State Services to Victims Fund (SSVF), Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) (tax credits), Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program (MEHTAP) and the State Transit Assistance (STA) program, Missouri Department of Natural Resources Energy Loan Program, the Federal Home Loan Bank Competitive Affordable Housing Program, 2024 State Services to Victims Fund (SSVF) Funding Opportunity (FO), the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Non-Playground & Playground Scrap Tire Material Grants, Department of Economic Development (DED) Cell Towers Grant Program, FY2024 Military Community Reinvestment Grant, The Clifford Willard Gaylord Foundation Grant program, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Regional Bridge Program, U.S. Department of Transportation Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program, U.S. Department of Justice COPS Hiring Program (CHP), United Way of Central Missouri Community Support Grants, Union Pacific Foundation Community Ties Giving Program, U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) and Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program, Fidelity Communications Charitable Giving Fund, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Socially Disadvantaged Groups Grant Program and Community Connect Grant Program, Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program, Missouri Humanities Mini Grants Program, Delta Regional Authority (DRA) Strategic Planning Program, Missouri Housing Development Commission's Shelter Operation Support Pilot Program, State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Counter Terrorism Officer (CTO) Equipment Grant and the Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places (PSTCP).

- Presented on grants for the Rock Island Trail at DHSS Active Transportation training in Jefferson City.
- Alerted counties to the availability of additional funds through ARPA that could be requested: Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Funds is a general revenue enhancement program that provides additional assistance to eligible revenue sharing counties.
- Presented to the Missouri Public Utility Alliance on Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA) and preparing for grants.
- Sent information on Delta Regional Authority (DRA) funded projects in the region to an educator.
- Attended the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) Local Development District training in Memphis.

## OUTSIDE THE MERAMEC REGION

- Attended the Multi-State Hazardous Materials Response Conference in Independence, MO on behalf of the MLEPD.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Grim Reaper docudrama presentation to Summersville High School on Oct. 26, 2022.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Mock Crash docudrama at Mountain View High School on March 30, 2023.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Grim Reaper docudrama at Buffalo High School on March 30, 2023.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Mock Crash at Palmyra High School on April 4, 2023.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Mock Crash at New Madrid High School on April 13, 2023.
- Served as chairperson of the MACOG transportation subcommittee; coordinated meetings; updated work plan criteria; coordinated self-evaluation process for RPCs/COGs and gathered 2023/2024 workplans on behalf of MACOG.
- Provided MACOG transportation planners information on road safety audits.
- Co-chaired quarterly MACOG Transportation Planners' meetings in September and December 2022 and June 2023.
- Participated in the MACOG Professional Development Retreat in Warsaw, MO.
- Facilitated a nomination for the Missouri Recycling Association's "Leadership in Waste Reduction, Reuse, and Recycle" award nomination for Veolia North America's recycling of wind turbine blades.
- Provided the Missouri Recycling Association with technical support on review of waste reduction displays for public outreach and education.
- Provided consultations upon request through the Environmental Education Association (MEEA) as a board member and Missouri Green Schools committee member.
- Contacted all of the solid waste districts in the state to compile a list of Green Holiday Tips to share statewide with planners.
- Provided a presentation on legislative outreach and advocacy for solid waste planners statewide.
- Completed the THIRA update for the Region I HSOC and submitted it to the Office of Homeland Security. (Laclede County)
- Provided information on the low water bridge study and prioritization that was completed in 2015 to the Meramec Low Water Crossing Partner group.



*Youth from the Meramec Region traveled to the state capitol on March 8, 2023, and met with state legislators to discuss substance-use-disorder and opioid-use-disorder. The group brought with them the results of a SWOT analysis they had completed.*





*MRPC, with funding through the MoDOT Public Information Committee, was able to coordinate a crash simulation docudrama at the Palmyra High School on April 4, 2023. The grant allows MRPC to coordinate these events all across the state.*

- Attended a meeting of the Laclede County Emergency Planning Committee and answered questions regarding joining the MLEPD.
- Attended Missouri Recycling Associate board meetings, chaired the education committee and assisted with social media.
- Coordinated a Zoom meeting on Jan. 10, 2023, for planners to discuss the judgment on a lawsuit won by District L against MDNR that will impact all solid waste districts.
- Developed agendas, coordinated speakers and facilitated five statewide solid waste planners meetings.
- Provided networking distributions for Region P's upcoming workshops.
- Provided five reports on solid waste planners meetings to the statewide Solid Waste Advisory Board (SWAB) in Jefferson City, MO.
- Surveyed solid waste planners statewide on research and development grants.
- Coordinated the third annual, statewide, virtual Earth Day Stewardship Showcase to raise awareness of the ways Missourians are responding to a call for waste reduction. This year's theme was Rescue Earth's Resources – Be a First Responder for the Planet!
- Shared the state of Missouri record retention minimum standards with Boonslick RPC including corresponding MO revised state statute.
- Shared best practices with Boonslick RPC regarding GMS accounts receivable module and how to record write-off of overstated revenues.
- Shared MRPC's fiscal policies, internal controls over processes, collections process, credit card policy, procurement policy and associated forms with MOKAN RPC.
- Shared MRPC's auditor Information with Southwest MO Council of Governments.
- Coordinated agenda & facilitated the September 2022 MACOG fiscal officer meeting.
- Provided assistance to Mid-MO RPC to retrieve its e-Verify memorandum of agreement from the USCIS system for their grant application.
- Provided assistance to Northeast MO RPC on new MoDOT invoice.
- Provided assistance to South Central Council of Governments with the OMB standard form for financial reporting to EDA.
- Provided assistance to Kaysinger Basin RPC's executive director regarding cash flow improvement, program expansion, financial information, billable services, membership dues, etc.
- Shared MRPC's most recent salary comparison results from 2018 with Ozark Foothills RPC.
- Shared fiscal track agendas with MACOG president for future training topics.
- Shared MoDOT training power point, time sheet example and expense reimbursement request forms for the state-wide Transit Plan update.
- Contact Barker Phillips Jackson Insurance Group to solicit an HR training presenter for the MACOG fiscal professional development conference track.
- Provided assistance to Mid-MO RPC regarding ERISA requirements for defined retirement and fully or partially funded health plans.
- Shared MRPC's health, ancillary, property and casualty insurance information with the Regional Transportation Organization and shared BPJ Insurance contact information.
- Provided SBA 504 and 7a loan program information to an individual in Gerald, MO, looking to sell business to an employee.
- Provided SBA 504 underwriting information to a real estate company outside of the Meramec region for a self-storage business.
- Provided EIDL information to a local banker in Ava, MO.
- Provided SBA 7a loan program information to a bank in Jefferson City, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan program information and financing structure for an individual looking to purchase a Farm Supply business in Jefferson City, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program eligibility information to an individual looking to purchase an existing salon/boutique in Mountain Grove, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information to an individual in Branson, MO, looking to purchase an existing hotel business.
- Provided SBA 7a loan eligibility information to an individual to purchase an existing business in Perryville.
- Provided information on injection and seller/standby carryback.
- Provided SBA deed of trust release instructions, possible SBA 504 financing option and MidMO RPC's contact information for potential EDA RLF loan to an existing borrower for a business expansion in Fulton, MO.
- Participated in MoDOT's statewide planning partners annual meeting in February 2023 in Jefferson City.
- Participated in Recovery Day at the Capital with youth in March 2023.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information to an individual looking to purchase an existing gas station/car wash business in Leadwood, MO.

- Provided SBA microloan program information and Justene Petersen's contact information to a small business in Caruthersville, MO.
- Provided contact information for Lake Ozark Council of Governments to an individual in that area.
- Provided contact information for Lake Ozark Council of Governments for Community Foundation of the Lake.
- Provided list of Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) 2022 awardees to an engineering firm.
- Contracted for asbestos inspection for city of Houston on a structure to be demolished.
- Continued administering a grant in the amount of \$558,000 from MoDED for the city of Pacific to acquire and demolish 27 properties in the floodway/floodplain.
- Continued administering a grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank for the city of Bonne Terre to renovate homes in the city.
- Continued administering a grant from the Federal Home Loan Bank on behalf of the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for the city of Wells Villa to renovate homes in the city.
- Continued administering a Federal Home Loan Bank grant in the amount of \$546,070 on behalf of Liberty Senior Citizens Home, Inc., for funds to renovate 24 senior apartments in Taos, MO in partnership with USDA.

### **CRAWFORD COUNTY**

- Provided \$1.1 million in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 262 households. This includes the cities of Bourbon, Cuba, Leasburg, Steelville and Sullivan and the communities of Cherryville and Cook Station.
- Participated in the Crawford County Community Resource Coalition meetings throughout the year.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Crawford County's ARPA funds.
- Coordinated pre-bid Lead Remediation Project walk throughs on Aug. 19, Sept. 16 and Oct. 20, 2022.
- Provided overview and outreach on the Lead Safe program to the Crawford County Resource Provider Coalition on Nov. 16, 2022.
- Facilitated an informational session on potential Ozark Rivers grant project for Onondaga State Park interpretive staff members.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey of emergency response agencies in Crawford County for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District.
- Completed the annual update of the Meramec Regional Hazardous Materials Emergency Response plan and distributed the application region-wide.
- Coordinate the final planning meeting for the update of the Crawford County Hazard Mitigation plan.
- Provided alkaline battery collection boxes to the Lone Star 4-H Club's project to increase rural recycling through drop-off library locations in Cuba, Steelville and Bourbon.
- Displayed Earth Day Trash Art at Gallery Zeke in Steelville.
- Conducted Meramec River floodplain monitoring for damage after flood event.
- Conducted Huzzah Creek floodplain monitoring for damage after flood event.

- Finalized approved Crawford County Hazard Mitigation Plan and distributed it to jurisdictions.
- Completed and submitted monthly progress reports for the hazard mitigation plan update to SEMA.
- Met with SEMA representatives on behalf of Crawford County for a Floodplain Community Engagement visit.
- Completed NFIP Participating Community Reports on behalf of the county and submitted to SEMA.
- Placed a surveillance camera on Forest Road 2478A on May 18, 2023.
- Received and processed floodplain development permit from BNSF.
- Provided information and Crawford County Floodplain ordinance to Titan Solar Power.
- Received and processed two floodplain development permits for Resource Environmental Solutions.
- Served as floodplain coordinator for the county.
- Distributed floodplain flip books to city employees to assist them in understanding their responsibilities in floodplain management.
- Distributed floodplain brochures to city hall and area banks.
- Attended a Damage Assessment class.
- Attended a class on the correct completion of floodplain development permits.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bourbon Fire Protection District, Cuba Fire Protection District, Leasburg Community Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Protection District and Steelville Fire Protection District.
- Met with new presiding commissioner on what MRPC is and his role on the board.
- Met with Crawford County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Nov. 22, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Met with Crawford County CIT to discuss county service needs July 6, August 3, Sept. 10, 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at Crawford County Jail August 2022 - September 2022 and another 10-sessions October 2022 - December 2022.
- Provided re-entry binders to Crawford County Jail on Sept. 21, 2022.
- Provided additional resources to a previous Seeking Safety participant in September 2022.
- Completed first draft of Crawford/Washington Day Trip for Naturally Meramec Consortium.
- Provided information to a local individual about grant programs as potential resources to fund the establishment of a nature reserve with sculptures.
- Attended Crawford County CIT monthly meetings from July 2022 to June 2023.
- Provided the lived experience portion of the CIT training in Crawford County on April 18, 2023.
- Provided grant resources for fire department wanting to purchase a boat.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to fund the purchase/construction



- of a new food pantry building with freezers.
- Sent potential resources for renovating a building into a corner's office.
- Met with county officials to visit the Bird's Nest Access and discuss funding to create a barrier wall, connected officials with Missouri Department of Conservation for potential partnership funding.
- Provided potential resources for preserving/upgrading the county courthouse.
- Provided information on MRPC grant writing services to a county organization.
- Accepted applications, arranged local board meetings and provided assistance to local organizations regarding the allocation of recently awarded Emergency Food and Shelter Program (ESP) funding.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Crawford County and its cities.

## BOURBON

- Awarded a Project Graduation mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Bourbon High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for its project graduation event.
- Completed administering a CDBG grant in the amount of \$500,000 for the reconstruction of E. Pine Street, Bourbon, through the downtown business district.
- Completed a Delta Regional Authority grant for the construction of a new wastewater treatment facility in Bourbon.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bourbon Fire Protection District, Cuba Fire Protection District, Leasburg Community Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Protection District and Steelville Fire Protection District.
- Provided alkaline battery collection boxes to the library in Bourbon.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to purchase additional equipment and expand their business in Bourbon, MO.
- Provided 15 backpacks and 15 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Bourbon Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Bourbon High School.
- Met with city and engineer on funding for new municipal center.
- Sent information on potential source of funds for police department computers.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## CUBA

- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Cuba Head Start on Sept. 15, 2022.

- Awarded a Project Graduation mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Cuba High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Cuba's ARPA funds.
- Shared MRPC's list of audit firms for direct solicitation to the Cuba city clerk.
- Shared marketing materials and sample loan structures with a local lender bank in Cuba.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program information and application to an individual looking to purchase a leased building in Cuba, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 loan information to an individual looking to expand a greenhouse business in Cuba, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information to an individual looking to purchase a building for a resale business expansion in Cuba, MO.
- Provided alkaline battery collection boxes to the library in Cuba.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to start a new business for independent living services in Cuba, MO.
- Assisted a small business in Cuba, MO, with EDA RLF financing for the purchase of land and building for their bakery & deli business.
- Provided 43 backpacks and 43 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Cuba Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Cuba Middle School during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Cuba Middle School.
- Provided information to the city about grant programs as potential resources to rehabilitate a municipal pool and local fairgrounds.
- Provided information to a local youth-related organization about grant programs as potential resources to expand services and purchase a building.
- Sent information to local food bank as possible sources for new facility.
- Provided and discussed grant and loan potentials with new childcare business.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## LEASBURG

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bourbon Fire Protection District, Cuba Fire Protection District, Leasburg Community Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Protection District and Steelville Fire Protection District.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan program information to a

local bank for a small business in Leasburg, MO.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Met with Leasburg leadership on community needs and grant opportunities.

## STEELVILLE

- Displayed Earth Day Trash Art at Gallery Zeke in Steelville.
- Provided alkaline battery collection boxes to the library in Steelville.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bourbon Fire Protection District, Cuba Fire Protection District, Leasburg Community Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Protection District and Steelville Fire Protection District.
- Provided SBDC contact information to an individual looking for assistance in developing a business plan.
- Facilitated meeting with local stakeholders to discuss the CDBG Disaster Housing Study.
- Hosted the Opioid and Substance Use Disorders Awareness Walk in Steelville on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety Classes at Steelville High School in January 2023.
- Completed a Strategic Plan for the city of Steelville using MRPC's CARES Act funds April to June 2023.
- Continued administering a grant request in the amount of \$495,788 on behalf of the city of Steelville to the Missouri Department of Economic Development for significant upgrades to the community center to make it more efficient and functional.
- Discussed potential to use ARPA funds to cover the remaining balance of community building project.
- Sent info on ARPA Entertainment grant to city to share with local theaters.
- Provided information to a local individual about grant programs as potential resources to install a tourism art piece.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## SULLIVAN

- Secured an Air Monitoring for Fire Operations class training through MERC/SEMA for Sullivan Fire Department and surrounding agencies.
- Provided Justene Peterson contact information and EDA RLF loan program information to a small business located in Sullivan, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 and 7a and EDA RLF loan program information to an individual in Sullivan, MO looking to finance a construction project.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at the Substance Use Disorder Awareness event on Sept. 17, 2022.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bourbon Fire Protection District, Cuba Fire Protection District, Leasburg Community Volunteer Fire Department, Sullivan Fire Protection District and Steelville Fire Protection District.
- Provided information on Community Development Block

grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## DENT COUNTY

- Provided \$398,773 in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 112 households. This includes the communities of Boss, Jadwin, Lenox and the city of Salem.
- Deployed illegal dump surveillance camera on Mark Twain National Forest off Highway MM on Nov. 10, 2022.
- Deployed illegal dump surveillance camera on Mark Twain National Forest on County Road 5650 and Forest Road 2307 on Nov. 29, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the MLEPD in Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Osage, Phelps and Washington counties.
- Placed a surveillance camera at the north end of Forest Road 2487A on Feb. 15, 2023.
- Displayed Earth Day Trash Art at Town and Country Bank in Salem.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Rapid Sizeup class training through MERC/SEMA for Dent County Sheriff's Office and Salem Memorial District Hospital and surrounding agencies.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Dent County Fire Protection District, Jadwin Volunteer Fire Department, Lenox Rural Fire Department, Quad County Fire Protection District and Montauk Rural Fire Department.
- Provided SBA 504 and 7a loan program information to an existing business in Dent County.
- Met with Dent County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Oct. 3, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Provided information to Dent County Sheriff's office regarding Seeking Safety on July 26, 2022.
- Attended Dent County CIT monthly meetings from July 2022 to June 2023.
- Submitted a grant request in the amount of \$1,081,638.90 on behalf of the Northwood R-IV School District to FEMA for construction of a multi-purpose building that will serve as the school district's tornado safe room.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at Dent County Jail from November 2022 – January 2023.
- Provided re-entry binders to Dent County Jail in January 2023.
- Provided a resident with contact for South Central Community Action weatherization program.
- Met with Salem Memorial Hospital personnel on multiple occasions to discuss needs and to share information on possible funding resources.
- Provided information on state ARPA funds for fire departments to local department.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to purchase a vehicle and equipment for a meal delivery service.
- Discussed funding option for Salem Memorial District Hospital to locate a clinic in Bunker and sent grant information.
- Provided USDA contact information to the Salem R-80 district



to discuss funding of a SEMA storm shelter.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Dent County and its cities.

### SALEM

- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Salem's ARPA funds.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Salem Public Library on July 12, 2022.
- Provided Buckle Buddy and Bike/Pedestrian Safety programs at the Salem Back to School Fair on Aug. 13, 2022.
- Promoted the Lead Safe program at the Salem Back to School Fair on Aug. 13, 2022.
- Provided lead paint inspection/risk assessments in Salem on Oct. 24 and Nov. 21, 2022.
- Met with Salem city officials to go over the requirements for adopting new floodplain maps and ordinances.
- Participated in the SEMA floodplain management audit on behalf of the city.
- Submitted necessary documentation to SEMA for floodplain management audit on behalf of the city.
- Completed the annual NFIP Participating Form to SEMA on behalf of Salem.
- Served as floodplain coordinator for the city of Salem.
- Distributed floodplain flip books to city employees to assist them in understanding their responsibilities in floodplain management.
- Distributed floodplain brochures to city hall and area banks.
- Attended a Damage Assessment class.
- Attended a class on the correct completion of floodplain development permits.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Rapid Sizeup class training through MERC/SEMA for Salem Memorial District Hospital and Dent County Sheriff's Office and surrounding agencies.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Dent County Fire Protection District, Jadwin Volunteer Fire Department, Lenox Rural Fire Department, Quad County Fire Protection District and Montauk Rural Fire Department.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to start a new plant nursery in Salem, MO.
- Provided EIDL loan payment and other loan instructions to local non-profit in Salem, MO.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program eligibility requirements, application and checklist to an existing EDA CARES RLF borrower for an expansion project.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program, SBDC contact information, EDA RLF financing options and loan application to an individual looking to purchase an existing lumber yard business in Salem, MO.
- Completed an Active Transportation Plan for the city of Salem and presented the final document to the city council on Dec. 13, 2022.
- Created a digitized version of the existing zoning map.
- Hosted the Opioid and Substance Use Disorders Awareness

Walk in Salem on Sept. 24, 2022.

- Provided 34 backpacks with substance use disorder information to Salem Head Start in August 2022. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at Salem's Back to School Fair on Aug. 13, 2022.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Salem High School.
- Provided a drug take-back box to the Vandivort Pharmacy in February 2023.
- Provided an Existing Land Use map for the city to review in April 2023.
- Participated in Tiny House zoning ordinance discussions in 2022.
- Provided potential resources to help with a Veterans housing program.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Sent information on potential source of funds to local nursing home impacted by COVID.
- Provided asbestos inspection services on four properties to be demolished.

### GASCONADE COUNTY

- Provided \$110,064 in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 28 households. This includes the cities of Bland, Hermann, Owensville, and Rosebud.
- Provided a monthly update on public housing and the family self-sufficiency program at the Community Awareness and Resource Exchange (CARE) meetings.
- Presented at September 2022 meeting of the Community Awareness and Resource Exchange (CARE).
- Planned, coordinated and attended a quarterly meeting of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone meeting in Linn on Aug. 25, 2022.
- Prepared and submitted Work Keys testing grants on behalf of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone for Owensville and Hermann high schools in Gasconade County.
- Provided roadway safety information at the Gasconade County Health Fair held in Owensville on Oct. 14, 2022.
- Provided roadway safety information at the Gasconade County Safety Fair held in Owensville on June 21, 2023.
- Coordinated a Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone meeting in Owensville on Jan. 26, 2023.
- Coordinated the annual meeting of the Gasconade County Enhanced Enterprise Zone board on Nov. 29, 2022, at White Mule Winery at Drake.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Gasconade County's ARPA funds.
- Assisted commissioners with securing the courthouse as a recycled paint demonstration site.
- Provided Lead Safe program at Gasconade County Health Fair on Oct. 14, 2022.

- Coordinate an illegal dump clean up on Kuhne Road on Nov. 9, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Gasconade County.
- Posted NO Dumping signs on request of private property owners at Kuhne Road clean-up site on Jan. 20, 2023.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morri-son Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Attended Gasconade County CIT monthly meetings from July 2022 to June 2023.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Rapid Sizeup class training through MERC/SEMA for Gasconade County Health De-partment and Hermann Ambulance Distict and surrounding agencies.
- Met with Gasconade County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Nov. 10, 2022, to discuss unfunded transporta-tion needs on the state system.
- Hosted a booth at the Gasconade County Health Fair in Octo-ber 2022.
- Provided information on incorporating a community in the county.
- Provided traffic counts on Bem Church Road, Blue House Road and Woolam Road in Gasconade county.
- Provided administration of a \$750,000 grant to the county from the Missouri Department of Economic Development for PWSO #1 to upgrade its wastewater treatment facility by installing an oxidation ditch and UV disinfection.
- Met with the Fair Board to discuss projects and potential fund-ing resources.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Gasconade County and its cities.
- Met with local stakeholders on April 7, 2023, and completed an Active Living Community of Practice plan for the city of Bland in June 2023.
- Provided funding resources to Whispering Oaks apartments for renovations.
- Provided potential resources for a private building owner to renovate an old commercial building.
- Contacted USDA Rural Development to advise Whispering Oaks apartments for renovations.
- Completed traffic count in Bland.
- Provided USDA contact information to an individual working on the city budget.
- Continued administering a grant in the amount of \$750,000 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development to complete major upgrades to the water system including a new water tower.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## GASCONADE

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morri-son Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Provided the mayor with resources to help improve water and sewer systems.
- Provided a summary of grants that could help with water sys-tem infrastructure.
- Provided information on securing a Unique Entity Identifier.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## HERMANN

- Provided EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to start a river excursion business in Hermann.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan program information and application forms to a local bank for an individual looking to start up a new business in Hermann.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information to an individual who wants to purchase land and building in Hermann to move their current operations.
- Submitted a grant request to the State of Missouri to do Work Keys testing and cover proctoring costs for Hermann High School, which was funded. Ten students were tested.
- Consulted on a Girl Scout project for increasing awareness of recycling in Hermann.
- Provided a letter of support to St. George Catholic School of Hermann for their MDNR scrap tire grant application.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Rapid Sizeup class training through MERC/SEMA for Hermann Ambulance District and Gasconade County Health Department and surrounding agen-cies.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads

## BLAND

- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Small Wonders Montessori School in Bland on Sept. 14, 2022.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to Pre-K students at the Small Wonders Montessori School in Bland on Nov. 2, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to students at the Maries County R-2 Middle School in Bland on Sept. 23, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Bland's ARPA funds.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morri-son Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Bland Middle School during spring 2023 semester.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Bland Middle School.



to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morrison Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.

- Facilitated meeting with local stakeholders to discuss the CDBG Disaster Housing Study, which provided housing assessment for structures in the floodplain.
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs as potential resources to rehabilitate a municipal pool and local fairgrounds.
- Sent information on ARPA Tourism grant to local tourism development group.
- Sent ARPA entertainment grant to city to share with local theater.
- Met with city personnel and engineer to discuss the flood detour route and potential funding to upgrade.
- Provided information to the city on developing a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) application.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### MORRISON

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morrison Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Met with city officials to discuss ARPA and other community projects.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### OWENSVILLE

- Awarded an Ozark Rivers grant in the amount of \$7,746.12 to the University of Missouri Extension for its Reducing Food Waste Through Meal Preparation Course in Owensville.
- Provided a monthly program update on public housing and the family self-sufficiency program at the Community Awareness and Resource Exchange (CARE) meetings.
- Presented at the September 2022 meeting of the Community Awareness and Resource Exchange (CARE).
- Submitted a grant request to the State of Missouri to do Work Keys testing and cover proctoring costs for Owensville High School, which was funded. Fifty-six students were tested.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Gasconade County Head Start in Owensville on Sept. 7, 2022.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to Pre-K students at the Gasconade County Head Start in Owensville on Oct. 26, 2022.
- Provided roadway safety information at the Gasconade County Safety Fair held in Owensville on June 21, 2023.
- Awarded a Project Graduation mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Owensville High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event.

- Coordinated a Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone meeting in Owensville on Jan. 26, 2023.
- Posted available buildings and sites in the region on the Missouri LocationOne website.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Owensville's ARPA funds.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program at the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Scenic Regional Library, Owensville Branch, on July 13, 2022.
- Displayed Earth Day Trash Art at Art Works on Main Gallery in Owensville.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morrison Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Provided 18 backpacks and 18 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Owensville Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Sent information to fire chief on state's ARPA funds for fire departments.
- Completed a traffic count.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.



*Twelve students from the Owensville Middle School, under the direction of Art Teacher Dawn Chaney, placed in the 32nd Annual Earth Day Poster, Trash and Graphic Art contest. This year's contest theme was "Rescue Earth's Resources: Become a First Responder for the Planet."*

### ROSEBUD

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Bland Fire Protection District, Hermann Volunteer Fire Department, Gerald-Rosebud Fire Protection District, Morrison Volunteer Fire Department and Owensville Volunteer Fire Department.
- Provided traffic count on Hwy. 50 in Rosebud for an event.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to create a new park in Rosebud.
- Attended Rock Island Trail community meeting to discuss grant opportunities.

- Met with local stakeholders on Feb. 28, 2023, and completed an Active Living Community of Practice plan for the city of Rosebud in June 2023.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## MARIES COUNTY

- Presented information to the county commission regarding exempt & non-exempt determination, disciplinary actions, personnel policy development, job description development, compensatory time and FLSA and US DOLIR requirements, accounting and time tracking systems and potential proposal for a general fringe benefit audit.
- Met with Brewer Science to share information on Maries County EEZ.
- Provided \$150,651 in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 38 households. This includes the communities of Brinktown and Vichy and the cities of Belle and Vienna.
- Coordinated and participated in a meeting between Dr. Joan Schuman and leadership from Vienna, Freeburg and Maries County to host the MST engineering management class and helped identify possible projects for study.
- Prepared and submitted Work Keys testing grants on behalf of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone for Belle and Vienna high schools in Maries County, which was funded.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to students at the Maries County R-2 Middle School in Bland on Sept. 23, 2022.
- Coordinated a Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone meeting in Vienna on May 3, 2023.
- Coordinated the annual meeting of the Maries County Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board on Nov. 29, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Maries County's ARPA funds.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Heartland Regional Library System, Vienna Branch, on July 26, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Maries County.
- Conducted Gasconade River floodplain monitoring for damage after flood event.
- Provided the local newspaper with recycling, disposal, and transfer station resources to publish for assisting residents during their loss of trash collection services.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Belle Fire Protection District, Vichy Volunteer Fire Protection Association, Dixon Rural Fire Protection District – Brinktown Station and Vienna Fire Protection District.
- Answered floodplain administration questions from Maries County realtor.
- Completed NFIP Participating Community Reports on behalf of the county and submitted to SEMA.
- Completed and submitted the NFIP Participating Community form to SEMA on behalf of Maries County.
- Served as floodplain coordinator for the county.

- Distributed floodplain brochures and flip books to courthouse for county employees and area banks.
- Attended a Damage Assessment class.
- Attended a class on the correct completion of floodplain development permits.
- Met with Maries County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Oct. 17, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation



*Dr. Joan Schuman's MST Engineering Management class shared their research and ideas on various community needs for Maries County, Vienna and Freeburg. MRPC works with our cities and counties to host Dr. Schuman's class each semester. MRPC staff then looks for funding opportunities for those projects that the local governments want to pursue.*

needs on the state system.

- Facilitated two 10-week Seeking Safety classes in Maries County Jail Sept 2022 - October 2022 and March -May 2023.
- Provided re-entry binders to Maries County Jail in May 2023
- Attended Maries County CIT monthly meetings from September 2022 to June 2023.
- Spoke with Maries County Circuit Clerk in Judge Rowden's office to discuss possible Seeking Safety services in July 2022.
- Provided information on potential funds for EV charging stations.
- Provided resource that might help with getting UEI.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Maries County and its cities.

## BELLE

- Provided Lead Safe Educational Presentation at Belle Head Start on Sept. 13, 2022.
- Coordinated the Work Keys testing and proctoring for Belle High School where 37 students were tested.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Belle Head Start on Sept. 1, 2022.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to Pre-K students at the Belle Head Start on Nov. 2, 2022.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Grim Reaper docudrama at Belle High School on April 20, 2023.
- Coordinated and participated in student renewal interviews for





*Planning staff met with leadership in Belle to work on its Active Community of Living Plan. Topics discussed bike and pedestrian needs and how to make the community more walkable and safer, especially with the development of the Rock Island State Park through the city.*

the Schierloh Family Scholarship for Maries R-2.

- Attended the Maries County R-2 Schools Scholarship Committee meetings and assisted with scholarship awards in May.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Belle's ARPA funds.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Heartland Regional Library System, Belle Branch, on July 28, 2022.
- Coordinated Special Waste Collection for tires, appliances and electronics in Belle on Nov. 12, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Maries County.
- Provided the local newspaper with recycling, disposal, and transfer station resources to publish for assisting residents during their loss of trash collection services.
- Presented a Recyclers Unite library program at Heartland Regional Library – Belle Branch on May 25, 2023.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Belle Fire Protection District, Vichy Volunteer Fire Protection

Association, Dixon Rural Fire Protection District – Brinktown Station and Vienna Fire Protection District.

- Provided financing options on SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan programs to an individual looking to purchase an existing restaurant in Belle, MO.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program information to an existing business in Belle, MO.
- Hosted the Opioid and Substance Use Disorders Awareness Walk in Belle on Aug. 27, 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at Belle High School in September and October 2022 and a second 10-week session in February 2023.
- Provided 17 backpacks and 17 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Belle Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Belle Elementary School during fall 2022 semester.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Belle High School.
- Completed a Strategic Plan for the city of Belle using MRPC's CARES Act funds in March and June 2023.
- Met with local stakeholders on March 23, 2023, and completed an Active Living Community of Practice plan for the city of Belle in June 2023.
- Attended Rock Island Trail community meeting to discuss grant opportunities.
- Assisted city in preparing and advertising Request for Qualifications for Rock Island Trail project.
- Prepared a set of file folders for Rock Island Trail RTP grant.
- Completed a traffic count in a school zone on Third Street in Belle.
- Provided EV funding resources to a community organizer.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.



*The Maries County R-2 Scholarship Committee, in conjunction with the Meramec Regional Community Foundation, was able to award nearly \$65,000 in scholarships to 2023 graduating Belle seniors.*

## VICHY

- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Maries County.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant for live propane burn training. Class was held Sept. 21, 2022.
- Secured an Anhydrous Ammonia Awareness class training through MERC/SEMA for Vichy Volunteer Fire Department and surrounding agencies.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Belle Fire Protection District, Vichy Volunteer Fire Protection Association, Dixon Rural Fire Protection District – Brinktown Station and Vienna Fire Protection District.
- Provided assistance to individual looking to purchase a small business in Vichy, lot size research, EPA property clearance, and referred them to SBDC for business plan.
- Met with an individual and provided grant application support for Vichy Farmers Market in April 2023.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## VIENNA

- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Heartland Regional Library System, Vienna Branch, on July 26, 2022.
- Presented a Recyclers Unite library program at Heartland Regional Library – Vienna Branch on June 15, 2023.
- Coordinated and participated in a meeting between Dr. Joan Schuman and leadership from Vienna, Freeburg and Maries County to host the MST engineering management class and helped identify possible projects for study.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the MLEPD in Maries County.
- Provided the local newspaper with recycling, disposal, and transfer station resources to publish for assisting residents during their loss of trash collection services.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Belle Fire Protection District, Vichy Volunteer Fire Protection Association, Dixon Rural Fire Protection District – Brinktown Station and Vienna Fire Protection District.
- Coordinated the Work Keys testing and proctoring for Vienna High School where 28 students were tested.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K-5 grade students at Vienna Elementary School Oct. 20, 2022.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Grim Reaper docudrama at Vienna High School on April 12, 2023.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Vienna's ARPA funds.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Vienna Middle School during spring 2023 semester.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## OSAGE COUNTY

- Completed an EDA grant on behalf of State Tech for construction of its Utility Technology Center.
- Prepared and submitted Work Keys testing grants on behalf of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone for Linn and Chamois high schools in Osage County.
- Provided roadway safety information at the Osage County Health Department Open House event on May 19, 2023.
- Awarded a Docudrama mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Linn High School. School received \$400 to cover expenses for its docudrama.
- Coordinated public hearing and processed Osage EEZ abatement claim for Osage Industries. Provided abatement information to county assessor.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Osage County's ARPA funds.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.
- Presented a Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety program at Osage County R-2 Elementary.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Incident Response: Operations class training through MERC/SEMA for Osage County Health Department.
- Met with Osage County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Oct. 18, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at Osage County Jail from July 2022 – September 2022.
- Provided re-entry binders to Osage County Jail in September 2022.
- Met with Osage County Seeking Safety Champion July 11, 2022, to provide training information.
- Completed a traffic count on County Road 303, County Road 508 and County Road 625 in Osage County.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to renovate a building for use as an emergency shelter.
- Researched and clarified an ARPA Premium Pay question for the county.
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs as potential resources to construct a new fire station.
- Provided Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for county to give auditor.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Osage County and its cities.

## ARGYLE

- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Argyle's ARPA funds.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the



Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.

- Prepared traffic survey report for the village of Argyle.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.
- Continued administering a CDBG grant in the amount of \$750,000 to make significant upgrades to the city's water system, including two new wells, upgrading storage tanks and main replacement.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## CHAMOIS

- Met with a group of Chamois leaders to discuss school scholarships and the Meramec Regional Community Foundation.
- Coordinated the Work Keys testing and proctoring for Chamois High School where 18 students were tested.
- Coordinated and assisted with a Nighttime Crash filmed April 21, 2023, and an in-person ER scene docudrama on April 28, 2023, for Linn and Chamois high schools.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.
- Facilitated meeting with local stakeholders to discuss the CDBG Disaster Housing Study, that included a housing assessment of structures in the floodplain.
- Provided Chamois High School information regarding Seeking Safety classes in October 2022 and January 2023.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Chamois High School.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.

## FREEBURG

- Coordinated and participated in a meeting between Dr. Joan Schuman and leadership from Vienna, Freeburg and Maries County to host the MST engineering management class and helped identify possible projects for study.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Freeburg's ARPA funds.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.
- Discussed Overdose Awareness Day hosting options with Quaker Windows in January and March 2023.
- Provided Quaker Windows with information regarding Seeking Safety classes.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program eligibility information to a local banker and potential borrower.
- Met with a local company on expansion project that could qualify for EEZ benefits.

## LINN

- Coordinated and assisted with a night crash filmed April 21, 2023, and an in-person ER scene docudrama on April 28, 2023, for Linn and Chamois high schools.
- Coordinated the Work Keys testing and proctoring for Linn High School where 75 students were tested.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to Pre-K students at the Linn Head Start in on Oct. 26, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to K-5 grade students at Linn Elementary on May 12, 2023.
- Awarded a Project Graduation and Docudrama mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Linn High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event and \$400 to cover expenses for its docudrama.
- Provided Buckle Buddy and Bike/Pedestrian Safety programs at the Linn Back to School Fair on Aug. 11, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.



**MRPC Community Development Specialist Assistant Ann Feeler (right) facilitates a seeking safety class at the Osage County Jail on July 25, 2022. Seeking safety works to teach individuals coping skills and identify triggers that could lead to recitivism.**

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.
- MRPC's Opioid Program co-hosted a drug prevention program with Prevention Consultants, LLC and Osage County Anti-Drug Community Action Team (OC-ADCAT) at State Tech in October 2022.
- Provided 15 backpacks and 15 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Linn Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected

Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.

- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at the Osage County Health Department Grand Opening in Linn on May 19, 2023.
- Completed a traffic count on Hwy. 50 near State Technical College in Linn.
- Researched and shared sample Request for Proposal for bound counsel.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Attended Linn Opioid Awareness walk hosted by Mid-America Addiction Group in July 2023.

## META

- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the MLEPD in Osage County.
- Completed NFIP Participating Community Reports on behalf of the city and submitted to SEMA.
- Distributed floodplain flip books to city employees to assist them in understanding their responsibilities in floodplain management.
- Distributed floodplain brochures to city hall and area banks.
- Attended a Damage Assessment class.
- Attended a class on the correct completion of floodplain development permits.
- Served as floodplain manager for the city of Meta.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.
- Completed a traffic count on East 6th Street and North Rose Street for proposed CDBG storm water project.
- Submitted a grant request in the amount of \$76,052 to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund on behalf of the city of Meta for funds to create the Meta Elementary Memorial Park, which will include a loop walking trail, benches, parking lot and a basketball/pickle ball court.
- Submitted a grant request in the amount of \$95,620 to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Program on behalf of the city of Meta for funds to create the Meta Elementary Memorial Trail, which will include an ADA loop walking trail and parking lot.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## WESTPHALIA

- Awarded a Project Graduation mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Fatima High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Osage County.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to

Linn Fire Protection District, Meta Fire and Rescue, Argyle Volunteer Fire Department, Freeburg Fire Department, Chamois Fire Protection District and Westphalia Fire Protection District.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## PHELPS COUNTY

- Provided "Don't run, call 911" postcards to Four Rivers Community Health Center and Phelps/Maries Health Department.
- Provided \$415,893 in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 96 households. This includes the cities of Doolittle, Edgar Springs, Newburg, and St. James and the community of Jerome.
- Met with Intercounty Electric to kick off a USDA grant work toward Certified Sites status for a tract of land in Phelps County.
- Met with Intercounty Electric to discuss marketing strategy as part of certified site work.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Phelps County's ARPA funds.
- Conducted pre-bid Lead Remediation Project walk throughs on Aug. 19, Sept. 16 and Oct. 20, 2022.
- Provided a consultation to a new start-up recycling business desiring an Ozark Rivers grant to purchase a recycling trailer through our grant program.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the MLEPD in Phelps County.
- Conducted Gasconade River floodplain monitoring for damage after flood event.
- Conducted Meramec River floodplain monitoring for damage after flood event.
- Made a presentation to the county commission on the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Conducted a floodplain permit review for a bridge replacement.
- Completed NFIP Participating Community Reports on behalf of the county and submitted to SEMA.
- Coordinated the special collection at Brewer Science for tires, appliances, textiles and electronics, collected 13.49 (1,226 tires) tons of tires and 23.44 tons of appliances and electronics from 268 cars.
- Investigated floodplain violation/complaint in Jerome and contacted the U.S. Corps of Engineers, EPA and MDNR.
- Assisted a local realtor in the St. James area with floodplain questions.
- Worked with a Phelps County resident on completing, submitting and getting approval on a floodplain permit.
- Answered questions, provided floodplain maps and/or technical bulletins to six Phelps County residents.
- Reviewed and assisted with the approval of a floodplain development permit application for the expansion of the Phelps County Jail.
- Provided support letters from ORSWMD to the following scrap tire grant applicants: St. James School District, City of Potosi, Swedeborg School District, Westside Christian Academy (Waynesville) and Dixon Elementary School.
- Served as floodplain manager for Phelps County.



- Distributed floodplain flip books to city employees to assist them in understanding their responsibilities in floodplain management.
- Distributed floodplain brochures to city hall and area banks.
- Attended a Damage Assessment class.
- Attended a class on the correct completion of floodplain development permits.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District.
- Secured a Chemical Suicide class training through MERC/SEMA for Rolla Police Department and surrounding agencies.
- Met with Phelps County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Nov. 1, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Provided judges in Rolla's 25th Judicial Circuit Court with information regarding Seeking Safety and diversion programs in May 2023.
- Attended Phelps County CIT monthly meetings from October 2022 to June 2023.
- Met with Phelps County Sheriff and Jail Administration to discuss Seeking Safety classes in January 2023.
- Hosted Taste of Phelps County in conjunction with the St. James Grape and Fall Festival Street Fair on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Provided the lived experience portion of the Highway Patrol CIT training in Phelps County on June 12 and 16, 2023.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC (Meramec Region's HRSA subgrantee) to provide an open a Community Conversation between county jail administrators and Medication Assisted Treatment providers in September 2022.
- Reviewed and provided edits on a grant for the local homeless shelter.
- Discussed ARPA opportunity for East Central College for new campus.
- Met with and provided a list of potential grants to a local organization to help establish a Route 66 museum in Phelps County.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC (Meramec Region's HRSA

subgrantee) to provide a Rehabilitation Through Innovation program to the residents of the Phelps County Jail in February 2023.

- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to host an event fundraiser.
- Provided grant information to local real estate developer for innovative housing solutions.
- Assisted Intercounty Electric with a grant application for industrial site.
- Provided information to a local business about grant programs as potential resources to expand daycare and preschool services.
- Provided information on the Delta Regional Authority States' Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP).
- Coordinated, communicated and assisted in ensuring the receipt of initial payments and completed final reports from the recently allocated Emergency Food and Shelter Program.
- Accepted applications and arranged local board meetings regarding the allocation of recently awarded Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) funding.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Phelps County and its cities.

## DOOLITTLE

- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Phelps County.
- Completed and submitted Doolittle Traffic survey reporting.
- Sent the mayor information on grant for parks.
- Provided the city instructions and resources to complete a Request for Qualifications for a sewer study.
- Provided a list of grants to an individual interested in helping the Doolittle Fire Department.
- Provided information about grant programs as potential resources to fund a Back-to-School Fair.
- Completed traffic counts at Truman Road and MacArthur Road.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## EDGAR SPRINGS

- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Phelps County.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District.
- Provided SBA microloan program and Justene Petersen contact information and EDA RLF loan program information to a grill/



*MRPC Executive Director Bonnie Prigge welcomes community stakeholders to a broadband informational meeting held in conjunction with the Missouri Department of Economic Development at The Centre in Rolla on Nov. 17, 2022.*

- event center business in Edgar Springs, MO, looking to expand.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide “Too Good for Drugs” curriculum to Edgar Springs School during spring 2023 semester.
- Sent information on USDA Community Facility grant and MDNR VW Trust funds to the city for potential vehicle upgrades.
- Provided information and contact for USDA grant programs.
- Met with the city and engineer to discuss Delta Regional Authority funding for street/drainage project.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## NEWBURG

- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Newburg’s ARPA funds.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Phelps County.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District.
- Facilitated meeting with local stakeholders to discuss the CDBG Disaster Housing Study.
- Sent information on ARPA Entertainment Grant to city to share with local theater.
- Provided information to a local senior house facility about grant programs as potential resources to complete building foundation work and interior renovations.
- Visited Newburg city park to look at potential projects and discuss funding opportunities.
- Conducted traffic count.
- Continued administering a CDBG grant from the Missouri Department of Economic Development in the amount of \$497,837 for the city of Newburg to reconstruct Wolf Pride Drive and Walnut Street that serve the Newburg School District. Phelps County is contributing a match to upgrade CR7310.
- Continued administering a grant request in the amount of \$750,000 on behalf of the city of Newburg to the Missouri Department of economic Development to make significant improvements to the water system including new storage tank, well hose and distribution lines.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## ROLLA

- Participated in the Rolla St. Pat’s float parade for Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District.
- Participated in MO S&T Earth Day celebration on behalf of ORSWMD.
- Participated as a guest judge in the Missouri S&T Trashion Show on April 6, 2023.
- Displayed Earth Day Trash Art at The Centre in Rolla.

- Attended the April 7, 2023, Arts Rolla Environmental Show First Friday Reception where Earth Day winners were displayed.
- Completed Rolla code update on April 27, 2023.
- Participated in the Community Conversation Coalition meetings to discuss all MRPC services.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Rolla Head Start on Sept. 26, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to K-5 grade students at Greentree Journey Kids in Rolla on Oct. 21, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to 5-7 grade students at Rolla Middle School on April 24 through April 28, 2023.
- Participated in the Rolla Kids Safety Day on July 16, 2022.
- Participated in the Rolla Back to School Fair on July 30, 2022.
- Provided a consultation to a new start-up recycling business desiring an Ozark Rivers grant to purchase a recycling trailer through our grant program.
- Provided a letter of support for University of Missouri S&T’s EPA grant application.
- Provided 10 recycling bins for paper recycling to the Eco Club at Rolla High School.
- Provided Buckle Buddy and Bike/Pedestrian Safety programs at the Rolla Back to School Fair on Aug. 10, 2022.
- Promoted the Lead Safe program at Rolla Safety Day on July 16, 2022.
- Promoted the Lead Safe program at the Rolla Back to School Fair on Aug. 10, 2022.
- Conducted pre-bid Lead Remediation Project walk throughs on Aug. 19 and Sept. 16, 2022.
- Provided Incredible Journey and ORSMD Information Booth at Native Plant and Pollinator Festival in Rolla on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Worked with Rolla Public Library on a community fund mini-grant for a book cover reuse and recycling project in the amount of \$2,843. Project awarded by ORSWMD and MRPC.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Phelps County.
- Facilitated a \$12,500 Ozark Rivers grant request from Frontier Environmental Technology LLC for the development of an anaerobic digestion of slaughterhouse waste.
- Facilitated a \$16,063 Ozark Rivers grant request from the city of Rolla for Recycling Center improvements to reduce congestion due to increased traffic at the recycling center.
- Facilitated a \$1,188 MRPC Community Fund request from the Rolla Mission to provide community classes in composting and for the construction of a compost demonstration site.
- Provided educational materials on tire recycling for The Russell House, AMDNR scrap tire recipient.
- Provided educational materials to the Rolla Chamber of Commerce for distribution.
- Represented MRPC at the Rolla Mission’s ribbon-cutting event for their demonstration compost site funded through Ozark Rivers SWMD.
- Provided a grant overview for HA Homestead of Rolla, a new distributor of Bluebird Composting products.
- Presented the Incredible Journey program at the Rolla Outdoor Community School on June 14, 2023.



- Presented the Recyclers Unite library program at the Rolla Public Library on June 14, 2023.
- Coordinated the special collection at Brewer Science for tires, appliances, textiles and electronics, collected 13.49 (1,226 tires) tons of tires and 23.44 tons of appliances and electronics from 268 cars.
- Provided a letter of support to Missouri University of Science & Technology for a National Science Foundation grant.
- Coordinated and administered an Ozark Rivers grant award to Rolla for a HHW Satellite Collection Center.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant award for residential household hazardous waste collection with satellite locations in Rolla and St. Robert.
- Awarded an Ozark Rivers grant to Frontier Environmental Technology, LLC in the amount of \$12,500.
- Awarded an Ozark Rivers grant in the amount of \$16,063.20 to the city of Rolla for recycling center improvements.
- Placed a surveillance camera at the city of Rolla compost facility on Feb. 15, 2023.
- Assisted Rolla Outdoor Collaborative School Trash Art Education Program on March 8, 2023.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District and provided Rolla Hazmat with \$54,000 in equipment.
- Provided assistance to a local business with Missouri Secretary of State filings, transfers, etc., and referred client to SBDC for additional guidance.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information to an individual looking to finance vehicles for a rental car business in Rolla, MO.
- Provided instructions and contact information for the SBA Disaster Assistance Center to a borrower looking for the process to request a deed of trust release.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF financing structure and application checklist to an existing business in Rolla, MO.
- Provided a MRCF online application and foundation user guidelines to an individual in Rolla, MO.
- Provided SBA 7a and ARPA small business revitalization grant information to an individual in Rolla, MO.
- Referred a business to SBDC and provided EDA RLF loan program information to an individual in Rolla, MO.
- Provided EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to start up a new restaurant in Rolla, MO and referred them to SBDC for a business plan.
- Provided ARPA small business grant program information with an existing restaurant in Rolla, MO.
- Provided SBA microloan information and Justine Petersen's contact information to a local business located in Rolla, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 loan program information and information on veteran's benefits to an individual looking to start up a night club in Rolla, MO.
- Provided SBA microloan program and Justine Petersen contact information to an existing floral business in Rolla, MO.
- Provided a small business in Rolla, MO, contact information for EIDC call center for their loan payoff balance.
- Provided an individual in Rolla, MO, with EIDL loan payment instructions information and the Disaster Call Center contact information.
- Provided guidelines to finance inventory and equipment, terms, guaranty percentage, amount limits and collateral requirements to a local bank on behalf of their client.
- Assisted a small business in Rolla, MO, with SBA 504 and EDA RLF financing for the purchase of land and building for its farm & feed business.
- Provided "Don't run, call 911" postcards to Four Rivers Community Health Center and Phelps/Maries Health Department.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at the Rolla Mission from July 2022 to August 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at the Rolla High School Learning Center from October 2022 to January 2023.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at Rolla Safety Day in July 2022.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at Rolla Back to School Fair in August 2022.
- Attended Drug-Free Communities (DFC) meetings from August 2022 to June 2023.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at the Rolla Mission Run Event in April 2023.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at S&T Wellness Fair in February 2023.
- Provided 51 backpacks and 51 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Rolla Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Participated in the MS&T Prevention Coalition for drug safety and education from July 2022 to June 2023.
- Participated in the Rolla Youth Forum for drug prevention education on June 23, 2023.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Rolla Elementary School during fall 2022 semester.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Rolla Middle School during fall 2022 semester.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Rolla Junior High School during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Rolla High School during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Rolla Alternative School.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Navig8.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Rolla Technical School.

- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Missouri After School Network.
- Hosted a Connecting All Missourians broadband informational meeting at The Centre in Rolla on Nov. 17, 2022, and June 9, 2023.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Rolla High School.
- Provided information to a local youth-related organization about grant programs as potential resources to expand services and purchase a building.
- Met with Parks Department to discuss LWCF grant for Ber Juan Park.
- Checked on cybersecurity grants available to the city.
- Sent information on ARPA Entertainment Grant to local theater.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to perform lead remediation services on a historic building.
- Provided information to a local individual about grant programs as potential resources to perform renovations on a historic building in conjunction with a business.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to update a recreational trail bridge, purchase a tractor and furniture and add landscaping elements.
- Met with the city/RMU to discuss potential EV charging sites and grant funding.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to improve local law enforcement operations and equipment.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Provided a letter of support to the St. James School District for a Scrap Tire Market Development grant.
- In collaboration with St. James Caring Center, piloted an expansion of our special waste collection to include textiles as a pilot project at our Brewer Science event.
- Assisted a local realtor in the St. James area with floodplain questions.
- Provided support letters from ORSWMD to the St. James School District for a scrap tire grant.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads to City of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Doolittle Rural Fire Protection District, Duke Rural Fire Department, Edgar Springs Fire protection district, Rolla Rural Fire Protection District and St. James Fire Protection District.
- Participated in the Mayors Minute Facebook Live posts on Aug. 12, 19 and 26, 2022.
- Hosted an Awareness walk in St. James on Aug. 20, 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at St. James High School in October and November 2022.
- Provided 16 backpacks and 17 summer bags with substance use disorder information to St. James Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide “Too Good for Drugs” curriculum to St. James Elementary School during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide “Too Good for Drugs” curriculum to St. James Middle School during fall 2022 semester.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide “Too Good for Drugs” curriculum to St. James High School during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at St. James High School.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at the St. James Great Circle/ KVC location.
- Hosted Overdose Awareness Day at Phelps County Bank on Aug. 31, 2022.
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs as potential resources to purchase an ATV to use in emergency situations.
- Provided information on the state’s ARPA programs to local caring center.
- Researched information on vendors for universal playgrounds for the city.
- Met with city to discuss LWCF for universal playground.
- Provided engineer with USDA contact for Community Facility grant/loan for police departments upgrades.
- Provided EV charging station grant information to a local business owner.
- Met with city administrators to discuss needs, potential projects and funding resources.
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs

## ST. JAMES

- Secured a Missouri Humanities Grant, established a local committee, hired contractor and facilitated meetings for the development of a feasibility study for a National Museum of Indian Removal in the St. James area.
- Attended an OAYI virtual community conversation with a St. James youth.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the St. James Head Start on Oct. 5, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to K-5 students at the St. James Elementary on Nov. 1, Nov. 2 and Nov. 3, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of St. James’ ARPA funds.
- Initiated collection of mailing envelopes for reuse through the St. James library.
- Presented and gained Ozark Rivers SWMD approval for St. James Caring Center’s \$1,480 request to purchase two pallet jacks and a computer for their Resource Center’s repair of thrift store items.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Phelps County
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs



as potential resources to build new restrooms in a municipality-owned park.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## PULASKI COUNTY



***MODOT's Meramec Area Engineer Preston Kramer and MRPC staff Bonnie Prigge and Anne Freand discussed transportation needs and priorities in Pulaski County.***

- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Pulaski County's ARPA funds.
- Distributed educational materials on July 2, 2022, for food waste reduction at the Farmers' Market.
- Coordinated an illegal dump clean up on Laramie Road with Fort Leonard Wood volunteers on March 25, 2023.
- Conducted an illegal dump survey in western Pulaski County.
- Coordinated setting of illegal dump surveillance camera on Laramie Road on July 19, 2022.
- Coordinated the cleanup preparation for the illegal dump cleanup on Laramie Road.
- Placed a surveillance camera at an illegal dump on the southwest end of Laramie Road on June 29, 2023.
- Met with Pulaski County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Nov. 14, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Attended Pulaski County CIT monthly meetings from July to November 2022 and April to June 2023.
- Completed update of 240 businesses on Naturally Meramec Consortium website for Pulaski County.
- Provided assistance with the first Pulaski County Jail CIT in August 2022.
- Reviewed and provided comments on BRO application for Road and Bridge Department.
- Looked up eligibility of a county road for CDBG funds and informed Road and Bridge Department.
- Provided information to a local business about grant and loan programs as potential resources to relocate and expand a pumpkin patch.
- Discussed needs at the Pulaski Museum and began grant research.

- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to complete ADA upgrades to existing facilities and add a recreational trail.
- Sent EMS a couple of potential resources for a non-profit in Laquey area to get a generator.
- Set traffic counter at Devils Elbow Bridge.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to complete building improvements to a history museum.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services, to Pulaski County and its cities.
- Provided a letter of support to the Swedeborg School District for a Scrap Tire Market Development grant.

## CROCKER

- Helped plan and implement a crash simulation docudrama presentation to Crocker High School on Nov. 4, 2022.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to K-5 grade students at Crocker Elementary on April 14, 2023.
- Awarded a Project Graduation mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Cuba High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event.
- Participated in the Crocker Back to School fair on Aug. 11, 2022.
- Promoted the Lead Safe program at the Crocker Back to School Fair on Aug. 11, 2022.
- Contacted Crocker School District to provide information for Seeking Safety classes in October 2022.
- Facilitated 10 Seeking Safety classes at Crocker High School in January and February 2023.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at the Crocker Back to School Fair on Aug. 8, 2022.
- Completed a Strategic Plan for the city of Crocker using MRPC's CARES Act funds in April and June 2023.
- Provided traffic counts for Riverside Road and Resort Road in Crocker.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## DIXON

- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to K-5 grade students at



***Mag Roberts, MRPC's docudrama coordinator, attended Dixon Back to School Fair to distribute roadway safety information and school supplies to returning students on Aug. 15, 2022.***

Dixon Elementary School on Oct. 14, 2022.

- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to K-2 grade students at Dixon Elementary School on Nov. 18, 2022.
- Participated in the Dixon Back to School Fair on Aug. 15, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for the city of Dixon's ARPA funds.
- Provided a letter of support for the Dixon Elementary School's scrap tire grant application.
- Awarded an Ozark Rivers grant in the amount of \$24,080.84 to the Dixon Area Caring Center – Recycling Center.
- Coordinated a special collection hosted by Dixon High School and diverted 6.56 tons of tires, electronics, and appliances.
- Shared SBA 7a origination fee information with a local bank in Dixon, MO.
- Provided SBA 504 and EDA RLF loan program information with an individual looking to purchase an existing restaurant in Dixon, MO.
- Assisted a small business in Dixon, MO, with SBA 504 and EDA RLF financing for the purchase of land and building for its custom trailer assembly business.
- Contacted Dixon School District to discuss Seeking Safety classes in August 2022.
- Sent Pulaski ARPA proposal to local senior center and discussed needs for grant research.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### FORT LEONARD WOOD

- Provided information on roadway safety at the Ready and Resilient Fair at Fort Leonard Wood on Oct. 18, 2022, and May 23, 2023.
- Attended the Fort Leonard Wood Ready and Resiliency Fair with Roadway Safety, ACP information and Opioid Awareness program information on May 23, 2023.
- Participated in the Fort Leonard Wood Earth Day Celebration on April 22, 2023.
- Consulted with Fort Leonard Wood staff on activities for their Earth Day event.
- Had a conversation about the DCIP grant opportunity for a project in Waynesville.
- Had conversations about the Compatible Use Plan to update the JLUS plan.

- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### RICHLAND

- Provided information on roadway safety at the Richland Safety Fair on June 3, 2023.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Pulaski County Library District's Richland location on July 13, 2022.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at Richland Safety Day in June 2023.
- Provided 17 backpacks and 17 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Richland Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Sent possible grant source for housing complex improvements.
- Sent information to the city on potential sources of funds to upgrade police/fire/public works communications.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### ST. ROBERT

- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant award for residential household hazardous waste collections and promoted trash/dump prevention strategies.
- Administered an Ozark Rivers grant award for residential household hazardous waste collection with satellite locations in Rolla and St. Robert.
- Coordinated the special collection in St. Robert on for tires, appliances and electronics on Oct. 8, 2022.
- Coordinated an Ozark Rivers Community Fund grant for the city of St. Robert to purchase 1,000 additional curbside recycling bins for its residential collections in St. Robert and Waynesville.
- Provided SBA express microloan program and contact information and EDA RLF loan program information to an individual looking to start a new business in St. Robert, MO.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.



*More than 30 volunteers from Fort Leonard Wood participated in a clean-up of Laramie Road on March 25, 2023. The group was so large they were able to clean multiple sections of the road.*



- Continued administering a CDBG General Infrastructure grant in the amount of \$32,500,000 from the Missouri Department of Economic Development for the construction of a wastewater treatment facility in St. Robert.

## WAYNESVILLE

- Participated in meetings to plan and review DCIP application with Waynesville on a new fire station.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at the Waynesville Head Start on Sept. 21, 2022.
- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to Pre-K students at the Waynesville Head Start on Oct. 25, 2022.
- Distributed educational materials on July 2, 2022, for food waste reduction at the Farmers' Market.
- Provided a letter of support for the city of Waynesville's scrap tire grant application.
- Provided a letter of support for the Westside Christian Academy tire grant application.
- Provided the Incredible Journey program for the Water Cycle Summer Reading Program at the Pulaski County Library District's Waynesville location on July 20, 2022.
- Coordinated an Ozark Rivers Community Fund grant for the city of St. Robert to purchase 1,000 additional curbside recycling bins for its residential collections in St. Robert and Waynesville.
- Provided SBA express microloan program information to an individual looking to start a new business incubator in Waynesville, MO.
- Contacted Waynesville School District Special Educator to discuss Seeking Safety in August 2022 and hosted a Zoom meeting with the district in September 2022.
- Provided 49 backpacks and 53 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Waynesville Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.
- Met with Waynesville Mayor on city needs, especially transportation issues.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY

- Provided \$549,597 in rental assistance through the Housing Choice Voucher Program to an average of 137 households. This includes the cities of Caledonia, Irondale, Mineral Point and Potosi and the communities of Belgrade and Cadet.
- Provided information on roadway safety at the Washington County Health Fair in Potosi on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Participated in the Washington County Back to School Fair on July 30, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for Washington County's ARPA funds.
- Promoted Lead Safe Program at Washington County Fair on Aug. 1, 2022.
- Secured a MERC/SEMA grant that provided booms and pads

for Belgrade Volunteer Fire Department, Caledonia Fire Protection District, Irondale Fire Protection District, Potosi Fire Protection District and Richwoods Fire Protection District.

- Promoted Lead Safe Program at Washington County Health Fair on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Deployed illegal dump surveillance camera on Forest Service Road 2375 through July 2022.
- Provided a letter of support for the Washington County Community Partnership scrap tire grant.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Washington County.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Basic Life Saver class training through MERC/SEMA for Washington County Health Department and Caledonia Fire Department and surrounding agencies.
- Conducted an illegal dump survey in south Washington County.
- Met with Washington County Commission, city leadership and TAC members on Oct. 24, 2022, to discuss unfunded transportation needs on the state system.
- Attended Washington County CIT monthly meeting in November 2022.
- Provided information to Washington County Sheriff Jacobsen regarding Seeking Safety in August, September and October 2022
- Met with Washington County Jail Administrator to provide information regarding Seeking Safety in January 2023.
- Completed first draft of Crawford/Washington Day Trip for Naturally Meramec Consortium.
- Hosted Taste of Washington County in conjunction with the Home Grown Farm Tour on Aug. 27, 2022.
- Provided CARES information/documentation to county's auditor.
- Provided agenda and meeting support, as well as assistance writing a Strategic Plan, for the Great Mines Health Center Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities (WORC) grant, which includes Washington County.
- Provided information to a local fire department about grant programs as potential resources to fund various proposed activities.
- Provided information to a local school about grant programs as potential resources to purchase radios for use in school buses.
- Provided information to a local agency about a grant program as a potential resource to install or rehabilitate an early warning emergency alert system.
- Met with Marrilac Mission Fund to discuss needs in the county and provided local contacts for them to reach.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

## CALEDONIA

- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Valley R-VI School.

- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Washington County.
- Secured a Hazardous Materials Basic Life Saver class training through MERC/SEMA for Caledonia Fire Department and Washington County Health Department and surrounding agencies.
- Provided instructions to the city on how to initiate a low-to-moderate (LMI) survey to determine CDBG eligibility.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### IRONDALE

- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Washington County.
- Provided information about grant programs as potential resources to hire a police officer and purchase law enforcement related equipment.
- Provided information about grant programs as potential resources to make upgrades to municipality-owned water and sewer systems.
- Submitted a grant request in the amount of \$611,580 to the Missouri Department of Economic Development on behalf of the city of Irondale for funding to renovate the existing community building, as well as adding a parking area and building addition.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.

### CADET

- Presented a Buckle Buddy program to 3-8 grade students at Kingston Elementary School in Cadet on Sept. 13 - 14, 2022.

### MINERAL POINT

- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to Pre-K students at Mineral Point Head Start on Nov. 8, 2022.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for city of Mineral Point's ARPA funds.
- Provided Buckle Buddy program at Mineral Point Head Start on Nov. 9, 2022.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Washington County.
- Provided 56 backpacks and 56 summer bags with substance use disorder information to Mineral Point Head Start in August 2022 and May 2023, respectively. Bags are provided as a part of the Family Assistance Backpack Program funded by the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative through the Department of Justice.
- Responded to public inquiry on Village's ARPA funds.

- Provided information to state auditor working on the city's audit.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services

### POTOSI

- Participated in the Washington County Community Partnership meetings throughout the year.
- Presented a bicycle/pedestrian program to 7-8 grade students at Potosi Middle School on Oct. 19, 2022.
- Awarded a Project Graduation and Docudrama mini-grant, using Coalition for Roadway Safety (Central District) funds to Potosi High School. School received \$300 cash and \$100 in Buckle Up/Phone Down incentives for their project graduation event and \$400 to cover expenses for its docudrama.
- Provided technical assistance and submitted required reports for city of Potosi's ARPA funds.
- Provided a letter of support for the Washington County Community Partnership scrap tire grant.
- Completed a hazardous material training survey for the Meramec Local Emergency Planning District in Washington County.
- Provided SBA 504 loan payoff information and assistance to a local bank in Potosi.
- Provided SBA 7a loan eligibility requirements information to two individuals in Potosi, MO.
- Hosted a booth for MRPC's Opioid Programs at the Potosi Health Fair on Sept. 10, 2022.
- Contracted with Prevention Consultants of Missouri to provide "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum to Potosi Schools during fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.
- Contracted with Invent Yourself, LLC to provide Breaking the Cycle of Substance Use Disorders at Potosi Middle School.
- Provided a drug take-back box to the Potosi Police Department in February 2023.
- Completed a Strategic Plan for the city of Potosi using MRPC's CARES Act funds in July 2022 and June 2023.
- Provided state ARPA information for police departments.
- Provided information to a local agency about grant programs as potential resources to install electric vehicle charging stations.
- Provided information to a local law enforcement agency about grant programs as potential resources to fund various proposed activities.
- Provided information to a local organization about grant programs as potential resources to perform updates and enhancements to a senior center facility.
- Provided information on Community Development Block grants and 49 grant alerts, which are listed under Regional Services.



# ***Meramec Regional Planning Commission Board of Directors***

*As of Sept. 18, 2023*

## **CRAWFORD COUNTY**

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Jason Ward, mayor of Steelville  
Steve Black, presiding commissioner

## **DENT COUNTY**

Earl Brown, representing people with disabilities  
Kyle Williams, representing the mayor of Salem  
Gary Larson, presiding commissioner  
Robert Parsons, representing Farming/Agri Business  
John Smith, representing for-profit

## **GASCONADE COUNTY**

Tim Schulte, presiding commissioner  
Merrilee Spurgeon, mayor of Bland  
Shannon Grus, mayor of Rosebud  
John Kamler, mayor of Owensville  
Jason Koenigsfeld, representing the mayor of Morrison  
Duane Kraettli, representing for-profit  
Patricia Heaney, representing the mayor of Hermann  
Debbie Green, mayor of Gasconade  
Tammy Bruckerhoff, representing tourism

## **MARIES COUNTY**

Timothy Schell, mayor of Vienna  
Ray Schwartze, representing for-profit  
Vic Stratman, presiding commissioner  
Steve Vogt, representing the mayor of Belle

## **OSAGE COUNTY**

Rich Eisterhold, representing for-profit  
Dr. Don Claycomb, representing education  
Tammy Massman, mayor of Westphalia  
Emily Sommerer, mayor of Meta  
Darryl Griffin, presiding commissioner  
Scott Knoll, chairman of Freeburg  
Jan Haviland, representing industry  
Dwight Massey, mayor of Linn  
Ryan Davis, chairman of Argyle  
Michael Edwards, mayor of Chamois

## **PHELPS COUNTY**

Albert Hamlet, mayor of Edgar Springs  
Kent Bagnall, representing for-profit  
Patti Chism, representing the mayor of Newburg  
John Butz/Tom Coots, representing the mayor of Rolla

Adam Housewright, representing lending institutions  
Doug Smith, mayor of Doolittle  
Shane Anselm, representing labor  
Joey Auxier, presiding commissioner  
Janet Walker, representing minorities  
Dan Knoell, representing the mayor of St. James  
John Money, representing healthcare

## **PULASKI COUNTY**

Brenda Doyle, representing seniors  
Michael Dunbar, representing for-profit  
Mike Null, mayor of Dixon  
Sean Wilson, mayor of Waynesville  
Glen Smith, mayor of Crocker  
Gene Newkirk, presiding commissioner  
George Lauritson, mayor of St. Robert

## **WASHINGTON COUNTY**

T.R. Dudley, representing for-profit  
John Casey, representing transportation  
Joseph Blount, mayor of Potosi  
Nick Courtois, chairman of Mineral Point  
William Hall, mayor of Irondale  
John Robinson III, chairman of Caledonia  
Dave Sansegraw, presiding commissioner

## **EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBERS**

Sen. Elaine Gannon—District 3  
Sen. Justin Brown—District 16  
Sen. Ben Brown—District 26  
Rep. Bruce Sassmann—District 61  
Rep. Mike McGirl—District 118  
Rep. Ron Copeland—District 120  
Rep. Bill Hardwick—District 121  
Rep. Tara Peters—District 122  
Rep. Don Mayhew—District 124  
Rep. Bennie Cook—District 143  
Rep. Chris Dinkins—District 144



*MRPC Board members talk with state legislators at its Jan. 12, 2023 meeting. The board creates a report of legislative priorities that they take to the capitol in January each year.*

## MRPC Leadership



### MRPC Officers (from left to right):

- Mary Heywood, chairman;
- Darryl Griffin, vice chair;
- Joey Auxier, secretary; and
- Sean Wilson, treasurer.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Steve Vogt; Mary Heywood; Darryl Griffin, Joey Auxier, Sean Wilson, Shane Anselm and Janet Walker.

### EXTERNAL RELATIONS/MEMBERSHIP

Darryl Griffin, chairman; Shane Anselm, vice chair; Kent Bagnall; Patti Chisum; Ryan Davis; Brenda Doyle; William Hall; Mary Heywood; Duane Kraettli; Gary Larson; Tammy Massman; Dave Sansegraw; Timothy Schell; Tim Schulte; Ray Schwartze; John Smith; Steve Vogt; and Janet Walker.

### OPERATIONS

Jan Haviland, chairman; Sean Wilson, vice chair; Debbie Green; Shannon Grus; Albert Hamlet; Dan Knoell; Scott Knoll; John Kamler; George Lauritson; Erik Lowes; Dwight Massey; Gene Newkirk; Mike Null; Doug Smith; Merrilee Spurgeon; Jason Ward; and Kyle Williams.

### PLANNING

T.R. Dudley, chairman; Adam Housewright, vice chair; Joey Auxier; Steve Black; Joseph Blount; Margie Brine; Earl Brown; Tammy Bruckerhoff; John Casey; Donald Claycomb; Tom Coots; Nick Courtois; Michael Dunbar; Michael Edwards; Rich Eisterhold; Patricia Heaney; Jason Koenigsfeld; John Money; Rodney Neff; Robert Parsons; John Robinson III; Glen Smith; Emily Sommerer; and Vic Stratman.

### HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD

Vic Stratman, chairman; Tim Schulte, vice chairman; Gary Larson; Joey Auxier; Steve Black, secretary; Vacant (Resident Board Member) and Washington County (Vacant).

## MRB Board

MRB Corporation is the nonprofit holding company that owns the assets (building, cars, computers, furniture, etc.) used by the Meramec Regional Planning Commission and its related organizations. MRB Corp. is composed of the cities and counties that make up MRPC. City and county representatives who sit on MRPC's board also sit on the MRB board.

MRB officers are:

President Steve Vogt • Vice President Vic Stratman • Secretary/Treasurer Tim Schulte

## 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

Archer-Elgin  
First Community National Bank  
Legends Bank  
Pulaski County Sewer District #1

### GOLD MEMBERS

None

### SILVER MEMBERS

Argyle Catering  
Investment Realty  
Gascosage Electric Cooperative

### EXCHANGE MEMBERS

Dixon Area Chamber of Commerce  
Hermann Area Chamber of Commerce  
Owensville Area Chamber of Commerce

Salem Area Chamber of Commerce  
Steelville Chamber of Commerce  
Vienna Area Chamber of Commerce  
Washington County Chamber of Commerce



## **MRPC Staff**

### **Administration & Communication**

Bonnie Prigge - Executive Director  
Fredd Burton - Maintenance Technician  
Linda Carroll - Senior Secretary  
Caitlin Jones - Communications/Marketing Manager  
Mag Roberts - Docudrama Coordinator  
Angela Riemensnider - Community Development Specialist

### **Environmental**

Tammy Snodgrass - Assistant Director/Environmental Programs Director  
Kathryn Hawes - Environmental Programs Specialist  
Jill Hollowell - Environmental Programs Specialist

### **Fiscal/Business Loans**

Linda Loughridge - Fiscal Officer  
Maria Bancroft - Business Loan Specialist III  
Jazmen Black - Accountant I  
Jodie Branson - Accountant II  
Ramona Cook - Accountant I  
Bethany Ferrell - Accountant II  
Danielle Tuepker - Business Loans Specialist

### **Housing**

Donald Keeney - Housing Program Manager  
Chuck Cantrell - Housing Inspector/Grant Administrator  
Elaine Cloyde - Senior Housing Coordinator  
Teresa Murdie - Housing Inspector/Coordinator  
Tammy Rigsby - Senior Housing Coordinator  
Dowanda Bullock - FSS/Home Ownership Coordinator

### **Planning**

Anne Freand - Planning Manager  
Ann Feeler - Community Development Assistant  
Orin Pogue - Community Development Specialist  
Samantha Sherman - Senior Community Development Specialist  
Connie Willman - Senior Community Development Specialist

### **Project Development**

Kelly Sink - Project Development Manager  
Eva Voss - Senior Community Development Specialist  
Nichole Zielke - Senior Community Development Specialist

## **Organizations & Boards**

### **GASCONADE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (GCIDA)**

This nonprofit group's goal is to assist Gasconade County businesses by promoting economic development.

Roberta Berger, Vice-chairman  
John Kamler

Jerry Lairmore - Ex-Officio  
Dale Ridder - Chairman

Glenn Ely, Secretary/Treasurer  
Vacant

### **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  
Jerry Lairmore, Treasurer  
Cory Orr

#### **MARIES COUNTY**

Vic Stratman  
Gene Gillispe, Secretary  
Ray Schwartz

#### **OSAGE COUNTY**

John Deeken, President  
Darryl Griffin  
Larry Kliethermes, Vice President

### **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  
Vacant, President

Kathy Taber, Treasurer  
John Petersen

Elizabeth Shockley, Secretary  
Loretta Peterman, Vice President

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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.

Dr. Greg Edwards, Chairman  
Danny Brown, Vice Chairman  
Gary Hicks, Secretary  
Vic Stratman, Treasurer  
Gene Newkirk

Steve Black  
Jerry Lairmore  
Gary Larson  
Wayne Langston  
Joey Auxier

Tim Schulte  
Darryl Griffin  
Erin Adamson  
Dave Sansegraw  
Bruce Cox

Brenda Johnson  
Jennifer Millard  
Christy Metzger

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## 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

John Craig  
Vacancy  
Vacancy

### Dent County

Mike Homeyer  
Sally Burbridge  
Jason Jones

### Gasconade County

James Holland  
Kathy Brandt  
Woody Schlottach

### Maries County

Sarah Stratman  
Wanda Williams  
Tonya Jacquin

### Osage County

Mark Baker, Secretary  
Thomas Klebba  
Larry Kleithernes

### Phelps County

Tim Comerford, Vice President  
Gary Hicks, President  
James Marcellus, Treasurer

### Pulaski County

Carol Carson  
Vacancy  
Vacancy

### Washington County

Don Thompson  
Darlene Weber  
Vacant

### MRDC At-Large

**Member**  
Marla Stevenson

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## OZARK RIVERS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (ORSWMD)

This organization is charged with reducing the amount of waste generated in the district. The executive board shall consist of two members per county — the presiding commissioner and a single representative for cities with populations of 500 or more. The district includes Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Washington counties and their cities.

### Crawford County

Steve Black  
Vacant

### Dent County

Greg Parker  
Gary Larson, Vice Chairman

### Gasconade County

Jim Holland  
Jesse Geltz

### Maries County

Vic Stratman  
Steve Vogt, Treasurer

### Phelps County

Roger Pankey  
Jim Fleming

### Pulaski County

Troy Porter, Chairman  
Charles Bassett

### Washington County

Gary Gilliam, Secretary  
Dave Sansegraw



*Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District board gathers at the St. James Caring Center for its Dec. 6, 2022, meeting.*

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## 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:** John Craig

**Dent County:** Vacancy

**Gasconade County:** Jared Niederer, Chairman

**Maries County:** Vacancy

**Osage County:** Tony Hayden

**Phelps County:** Amy Pendleton

**Pulaski County:** Randy Becht, Secretary/Treasurer

**Washington County:** Vacancy

**MRCF At-Large:** Richard Cavender, Vice Chairman

**MRPC Representatives:** Bonnie Prigge, Steve Vogt and Vacancy





# MRPC Special Interest Committees

## 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.

### Crawford County

Jared Boast  
Rob Cummings  
Steve Black

### Dent County

Gary Larson  
Sally Burbridge  
Robert Parsons

### Gasconade County

John Kamler  
Jerry Lairmore  
Randy Blaske

### Maries County

Steve Vogt, Chairman  
Vic Stratman  
Ray Schwartze

### Osage County

Darryl Griffin  
Ron Kempker  
Larry Kliethermes

### Phelps County

Darin Pryor  
Joey Auxier  
Rick Krawiecki

### Pulaski County

Gene Newkirk  
George Lauritson  
Charles Bassett, Secretary

### Washington County

John Casey  
Dave Sansegraw  
T.R. Dudley, Vice Chairman

### Ex-Officio Members

Preston Kramer, MoDOT  
Steve Engelbrecht, MoDOT  
Oscar Powers, FLW Safety  
Denny Ward, SMTS  
Machelle Watkins, MoDOT

## 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.

### Crawford County

Jenny Southerland

### Dent County

Jessica Horn

### Gasconade County

Bethany Breeden  
Stephanie DeLong  
Brittnie Crosby  
Susan Steinbeck  
Dana Loughridge  
Jean Baker  
Andrea Dixon  
Cara Smith  
Heather Schlottach

### Maries County

Crystal Railey  
Dawn Hicks

### Phelps County

Janice Wilson  
Gabrielle Merrill

### Washington County

Rhonda Woolery

### MRPC Staff

Donald Keeney  
Bonnie Prigge  
Tammy Rigsby  
Dowanda Bullock



*Amber Helling graduated early from her Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program in July of 2022 with an escrow balance of \$3,529.04. She began FSS in 2017 and has since received a full-time teaching position and, at the time of graduation, was working on purchasing her own home in Gasconade County.*

## MERAMEC LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING DISTRICT (MLEPD)

The MLEPD contracts with MRPC develop and update the regional Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan and maintaining Community Right-to-Know records of hazardous materials in the region.

**Crawford County:** Honor Evans

**Dent County:** Brad Nash

**Gasconade County:** Jeff Arnold and Clyde Zelch

**Maries County:** Doug Drewel, Scott John and Steve Vogt

**Osage County:** Kim Sallin, Ron Hoffman, Chelsea Smith and Joshua Krull

**Phelps County:** Margaret Biolsi, Jeff Breen, Vice Chairman; Ron Smith, Wendy Squires, Secretary/Treasurer; Joshua Pearson, Ron Jones and Mark Diedrich

**Washington County:** Kraig J. Bone, Chairman; Chuck Fisher, John Lucas, Floyd Hawarth and Shawnee Douglas

## REGION I HOMELAND SECURITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (HSOC)

This advisory committee carries out regional homeland security planning and recommends the allocation of grants to the MRPC board. Region I includes Crawford, Dent, Laclede, Maries, Phelps and Pulaski counties. (Committee as of 9/19/23)

**Chair: Ron Smith Vice Chair: Tabitha Stanfast**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** – Gary Hicks of Phelps County; Vacant, Alt.

**POLICE CHIEFS** – Dan Cordova of Waynesville; Regina Arrington, Crocker Police Department, Alt.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTORS** – Randy Rowe of Laclede County; Brad Woods, Rolla Fire and Rescue, Alt.

**SHERIFFS** – Sam Allen of Laclede County; Jimmy Bench of Pulaski County, Alt.

**FIRE CHIEFS** – Donald Good of Lenox Fire; Doug Yurecko of Waynesville Rural Fire, Alt.

**COUNTY HEALTH** – Hector Silva, Pulaski County Health Dept.; Vacant, Alt.

**PUBLIC WORKS** – Darin Pryor of Rolla; Vacant, Alt.

**MAYOR/CITY OFFICIALS** – Mayor Glen Smith of Crocker; Vacant, Alt.

**PRIVATE INDUSTRY/UTILITY** – Tony Floyd of Intercounty Electric Cooperative; Byron Dudley with Laclede Electric, Alt.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES** – Linda Kerr with Phelps Health; Jennifer Parrett, St. James Ambulance, Alt.

**911 DISPATCH** – Brad England with Crawford County; Stacey Smith of Rolla 911; Alt.

**VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS** – David Sewell with American Red Cross;; D. L. Miller with American Red Cross. Alt.

### HOMELAND SECURITY

**RESPONSE TEAMS** – Jeff Breen of Rolla Fire & Rescue; Ron Smith, of Rolla Fire and Rescue, Alt.

**SCHOOLS** – Vacant; Vacant, Alt.

**HOSPITALS** – Tabitha Stanfast of Salem Memorial District Hospital; John Lochner of Mercy Hospital in Lebanon, Alt.

**EX-OFFICIO** – Matt Luetkemeyer, Missouri Div. of Fire Safety; Chris Engelbrecht, Missouri Dept. of Transportation; Brett Hendrix, SEMA; Wayland Taylor, SEMA; Kevin Virgin, SEMA; Roger Strobe, SEMA; Wendy Squires, Phelps Health; Greg Dubois, Missouri State Highway Patrol; Ashley Campbell, Phelps-Maries County Health Department; Rob Barth, U.S. Geological Survey; Joni McCarter, Dept. of Public Safety; and Bonnie Prigge, Meramec Regional Planning Commission.

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## COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDs) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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.

**CRAWFORD COUNTY:** Kelly Long, Terry Beckham, Chuck Ray, Roger Louderman and Dr. Sean Siebert

**DENT COUNTY:** Earl Brown, Sally Burbridge, Tabitha Stanfast and Tony Floyd

**GASCONADE COUNTY:** Tammy Bruckerhoff and Bruce Cox

**MARIES COUNTY:** Dr. Lenice Basham, Mark James and Vic Stratman

**OSAGE COUNTY:** Darryl Griffin, Jan Haviland, Rich Eisterhold, Chris Bowser and Kim Sallin

**PHELPS COUNTY:** Dale Martin, Donald Keeney, Janet Walker, Lyle Thomas, Marla Stevenson, Pat Leaders, Rick Krawiecki, Joey Auxier, Travin Shelton and Taisia Gordon

**PULASKI COUNTY:** Carol Carson, Randy Becht, Megan Titus and Travis Bohrer

**WASHINGTON COUNTY:** John Casey, Kraig Bone, and Jaclyn Rowe

**EX-OFFICIO:** Kevin Stadler (Central Workforce Investment Board), Alexandra Crabb (MoDED), Mitch Rademan (MoDED), Amy Sublett (Central Workforce Investment Board), Bonnie Prigge (Executive Director MRPC), Anne Freand (Planning Manager)



## Chambers of Commerce

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### DENT COUNTY

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### WASHINGTON COUNTY

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### DENT COUNTY

#### Dent County IDA

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# Remembering Gary Brown

January 13, 1946 - May 1, 2023

Gary Brown, 77, of Salem spent over 30 years serving his community. In April of 1993 he was elected the East Ward alderman for the city of Salem. In 2000, Brown was elected Mayor where he served the community for 14 years. Even when Gary gave up his elected position of mayor, he continued to serve and was still serving on the Meramec Regional Planning Commission board and the Salem planning and zoning committee when he passed away. With the planning commission, Gary served on many boards and committees over his 23 years including holding all four officer positions multiple times. At the time of his passing, Gary served on the MRPC board and the External Relations Committee, the Transportation Advisory Committee and Meramec Regional Community Foundation. Gary is survived by his wife, Alys, his two children, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.



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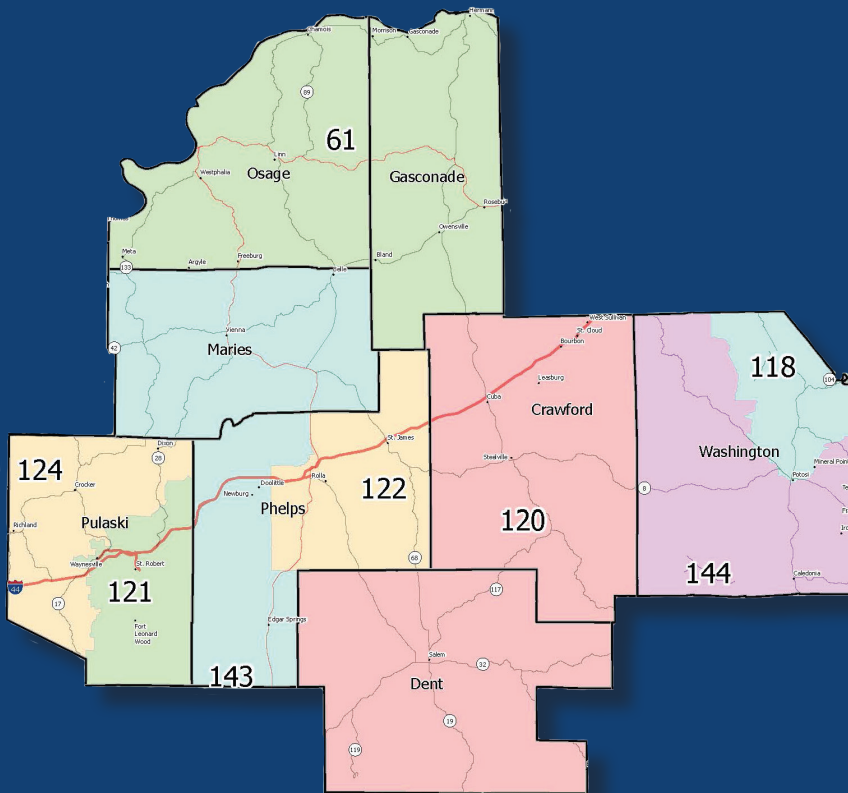
# Legislative District Maps

## House Districts

With the redistricting of the legislative maps (approved May 2022), the Meramec Region went from 10 to eight representatives in the Missouri House of Representatives.

The Meramec Region lost districts 62, 119, 142, but gained district 124.

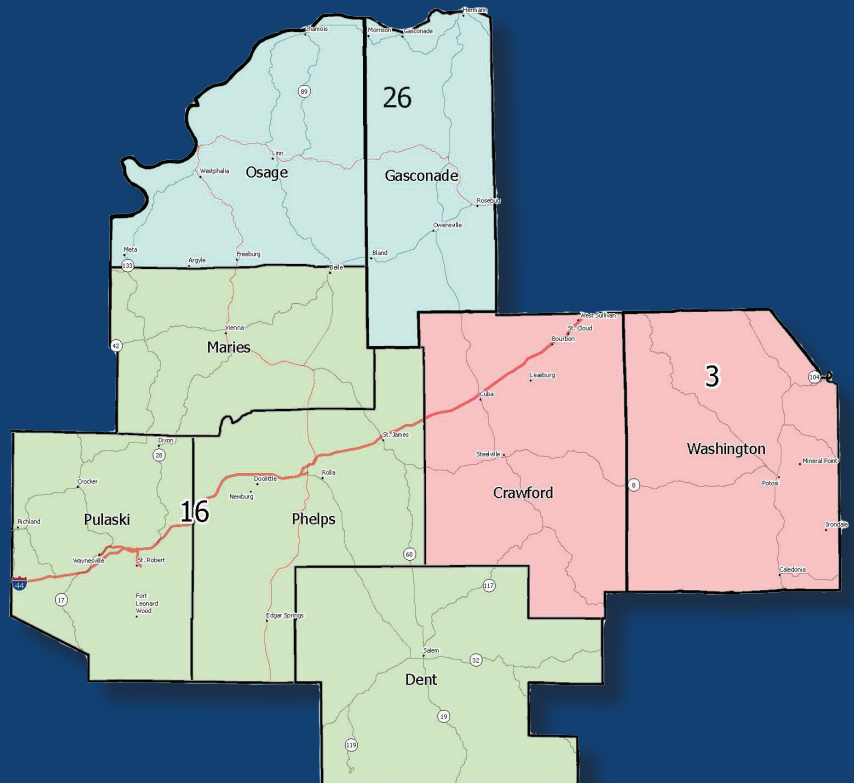
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- District 120 - Ron Copeland
- District 121 - Bill Hardwick
- District 122 - Tara Peters
- District 124 - Don Mayhew
- District 143 - Bennie Cook
- District 144 - Chris Dinkins



## Senate Districts

After redistricting, the Meramec Region maintains three senators, but lost District 6, which was replaced with District 26 in the Missouri State Senate.

- District 3 - Elaine Gannon (no election)
- District 16 - Justin Brown
- District 26 - Ben Brown



Source: Missouri Office of Administration



# Meramec Region Cities & Towns

County and city population figures are based on 2022 population estimates,  
provided by the Missouri Census Data Center.

## Crawford County

Population (2022) ..... 22,659

Founded ..... January 23, 1829

Courthouse

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Collector: Pat Schwent

Treasurer: Karen Sikes

Prosecuting Attorney: David S. Smith

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**Bourbon.....4th Class**

Population (2022).....1,528

Founded.....September 6, 1853

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Water/Street/Sewer/Parks Depts./Floodplain

Administrator: Mark McEuen

EMD: Daniel L. Simmery

**Cuba.....4th Class**

Population (2022).....3,160

Founded.....January 2, 1857

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Fire Chief: Mike Plank

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Building Inspector: Bob Baldwin

Street Supt.: Bill Dotson

Electric Supt.: Any Simpson

Water Supt.: Glen Shockley

Natural Gas Supt.: James Happel

Municipal Judge: Kara Wacker

Court Clerk: Melissa Brown

Assistant Court Clerk: Janelle Goss

Prosecutor: Steve Paulus

Airport Manager: Travis Pritchett

Floodplain Administrator: Cody Leathers

**Leasburg .....Village**

Population (2022) ..... 321

Founded.....1859

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65535

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Water/Sewer Supervisor/Floodplain

Administrator: Jarod Boast

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Population (2022).....1,445

Founded.....December 18, 1835

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Mayor: John Terry Beckham

Clerk/Collector: Sandra Richter

Comptroller/Treasurer: Roben Griggs

Alderpersons:

Duane De Rennaux

Bill Bennett

Jason Ward

Curtis Crouch

Attorney: R. Brooks Kenagy

Prosecutor: Kara Breshears Wacker

City Marshall/Police Chief/EMD: Mike Sherman

Public Works Director/ Building Inspector:

Jason Evans

Sewer Supt.: Jim Chambers

Water Supt.: Robert Hicks

Floodplain Administrator: Jason Evans

**Sullivan.....4th Class**

Population (2022).....6,858

Founded.....1856

**West Sullivan.....Village**

Population (2022).....276

## Dent County

Population (2022).....14,467

Founded.....February 10, 1856

Courthouse

400 N. Main, Salem, MO 65560

www.salemмо.com

dent@sos.mo.gov

Commission meets 9 a.m. Mon. & Thurs.

Phone: (573) 729-3044 | Fax: (573) 729-3044

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F

Commissioners:

Presiding—Gary Larson

Associates—Gary Polk & Wes Mobray

County Clerk: Angie Curley

Assessor: Jamie L. Homeyer

Circuit Clerk: Kristi Craig

Recorder: Cindy Ard

Collector: Shannon Vankirk

Treasurer: Denita Williams

Prosecuting Attorney: Andrew M. Curley

Sheriff: Bob Wells

Associate Circuit Judge: Nathan Kelsaw

Coroner: Benjamin Pursifull

Public Administrator: Sherida Cook

Surveyor: Michelle Elwood  
EMD: Brad Nash

**Salem.....4th Class**  
**Population (2022).....4,655**  
**Founded.....1860**

400 N. Iron St. Salem, MO 65560  
sailemmo.com  
mayor@sailemmo.com  
cityadministrator@sailemmo.com  
cityclerk@sailemmo.com  
Council meets 2nd & 4th Tues., 6 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 729-4811 or 729-5211 | Fax: (573) 729-5371

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F  
Mayor: Greg Parker  
Collector/City Clerk: Tammy Kohler  
Alderspersons:

Kala Sisco  
Shawn Bolerjack  
Amanda Duncan  
Kyle Williams

City Administrator & Economic Development

Director: Sally Burbridge  
Finance Director: Stacey Houston  
Attorney: James K. Weber  
Chief of Police: Joe Chase  
Street Supt./Airport Manager: Brent Young  
Water & Sewer Supt.: Donnie Moore  
Electric Superintendent: Josh Kotschedoff  
Parks and Rec.: Melissa DuBois  
Code Officer: Travis Roberts  
Salem Community Center Executive  
Director: Sherry Lea  
EMD: Jonathon Counts  
Building Inspector: Jarred Brown  
Floodplain Administrator:  
Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC

## Gasconade County

**Population (2022).....14,768**  
**Founded.....November 25, 1820**

Courthouse  
119 E. First St. Hermann, MO 65041  
gasconadecounty.org  
gasconade@sos.mo.gov  
Commission meets on Thurs., 8:30 a.m. (1st Thurs. in Owensville at City Hall)  
Phone: (573) 486-5427 | Fax: (573) 486-8893  
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F  
Commissioners:

Presiding—Tim Schulte  
Associates—Jerry Lairmore & James Holland  
County Clerk: Lesa Lietzow  
Assessor: Paul Schulte  
Circuit Clerk/Recorder: Jenny Schneider  
Collector: Shawn Schlottach  
Treasurer: Mike Feagan  
Prosecuting Attorney: Mary Weston  
Sheriff: Scott Eiler  
20th Judicial Court Judge, Dist. 1:

Craig Hellmann  
20th Judicial Court Judge, Dist. 2:  
Ryan J. Helfrich  
Associate Circuit Judge: Ada Brehe-Krueger  
Coroner: Jeffrey Arnold  
Public Administrator: Kelly Brehe Thomas  
EMD/Floodplain Administrator: Clyde Zelch  
911 Director: Lisa Schlottach  
Health Admin: Kenna Fricke  
Road/Bridge: Rogeer Dahl  
Surveyor: Vincent Klott

**Bland.....4th Class**  
**Population (2022).....507**  
**Founded.....1902**

209 W. Kansas City St. • P.O. Box 40  
Bland, MO 65014  
Council meets 2nd Mon., 6:00 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 646-3252 | Fax: (573) 646-5210

Email: blandmo@centurylink.net  
Office Hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., M-Th, 8-12 F  
Mayor Pro-Tem: Merrilee Spurgeon  
City Clerk/Treasurer: Diane Decker  
Court Clerk: Julie Solan

Alderspersons:

Merrilee Spurgeon  
Ned Steiner  
Joe Ridener  
John Hollandworth

City Marshall: Dwayne Goodridge  
Fire Chief: Mark Davis  
Municipal Judge: Cody Holt  
Attorney: Stephanie Carr  
Prosecutor: Jonathan Downard  
Public Works Director: Rodney Turner  
City Engineer: Terris Cates  
Parks & Recreation: Lee Medlock  
Floodplain Administrator: Diane Decker

**Gasconade.....4th Class**  
**Population (2022).....170**  
**Founded.....1926**

493 Oak St., Gasconade, MO 65036  
Phone: (573) 294-7348 (City Hall)  
Email: gasconadecity@gmail.com  
Mayor: Debbie Green  
City Clerk: Kim Steiner  
City Collector: Marjorie Kuhn  
Alderspersons:

Michael Owens  
Jennifer Miller  
John Steiner  
Curtis Duncan

Floodplain Administrator: Debbie Green

**Hermann..... 4th Class**  
**Population (2022)..... 2,194**  
**Founded..... August 27, 1836**

1902 Jefferson St. Hermann, MO 65041  
www.hermannmo.com  
Council meets 2nd & 4th Mon., 7 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 486-5400 | Fax: (573) 486-5432

Office Hours: 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., M-F

Mayor: Bruce Cox  
Clerk: Corey Orr  
cityclerk@hermannmo.com  
Alderspersons:

Derek LeRoy  
Ash Geers  
Jim Schirmer  
Susan Lenger

City Administrator/Floodplain Administrator:  
Patricia Heaney

Director/Economic Development and  
Tourism: Tammy Bruckerhoff

Collector: Carol Schluss  
Treasurer: Lois Puchta  
Chief of Police: Marlon Walker  
Fire Chief: Kevin Speckhals  
EMD: Marlon Walker

**Morrison ..... 4th Class**  
**Population (2022) ..... 98**  
**Founded ..... 1899**

134 Main St. | P.O. Box 8, Morrison, MO 65061  
Council meets on 2nd Tues., 7:30 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 294-7000

cityofmorrison.com  
cityofmorrisonmo@gmail.com  
Mayor: Melissa Strobe  
Clerk: Doris Rost

Collector: Stephanie Birk  
Treasurer: Toni Grzeskowiak  
Alderspersons:

Rick Penrod  
Jason Koenigsfeld  
Tom Hernandez  
Steve Nolte

Fire Chief: Rick Cramer  
Attorney: Mary Weston  
Water & Wastewater: Greg Breeden  
Meter Reader: Larry Rinne  
Gas & Street: Brad Birk  
Floodplain Administrator: Melissa Strobe

**Owensville ..... 4th Class**  
**Population (2022) ..... 2,806**  
**Founded ..... 1911**

107 W. Sears Owensville, MO 65066  
www.cityofowensville.com  
citygov@cityofowensville.com  
Council meets 1st & 3rd Mon., 7 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 437-2812 | Fax: (573) 437-5812  
Office Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F  
Mayor: John Kamler

City/Finance Administrator/Floodplain  
Administrator: Randy Blaske

Clerk/Collector: Peggy Farrell  
Deputy City Clerk: Kara Meyer  
Alderspersons:

Cathy Lahmeyer  
Matt Kramme  
Denise Bohl  
Kevin McFadden



Attorney: Edward Sluys, St. Louis, MO  
Police Chief: Scott Griffith  
EMD/Fire Chief: Jeff Arnold  
Public Works Director: Jeff Kuhne  
Assistant Public Works Director: Jeff Fahrenholtz  
Building Inspector/Codes: Travis Hernandez  
Prosecuting Attorney: Scott Fulford  
Parks & Recreation Director: Angela Lairmore

**Rosebud ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 395**

**Founded ..... June 14, 1911**

307 N. Cedar • P.O. Box 199 Rosebud, MO 63091

Council meets 2nd Tues., 7 p.m.

Phone: (573) 505-1818 (City Hall)

Office Hours: by appointment only

Mayor: Shannon Grus

shannon.grus@gmail.com

Clerk: Jennifer Griffith

cityofrosebud@gmail.com

Alderpersons:

Caleb Zelch

Kelly Kuhrts

Justin Haase

Doug Bauer

Attorney: Stephen Paulus, Cuba, MO

Collector: Wendy Bartel-Turnbough

Interim Chief of Police: Lynde Mantels

Public Works: Dennis Eilers

## Maries County

**Population (2022) ..... 8,431**

**Founded ..... March 2, 1855**

Courthouse

211 4th St. • P.O. Box 205 Vienna, MO 65582

www.mariescountymo.gov

maries@sos.mo.gov

Commission meets 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Mon. & Thurs.

Phone: (573) 422-3388 | Fax: (888) 280-1159 (Clerk)

Office hours: 8 a.m.-4 p.m., M-F

Commissioners:

Presiding—Vic Stratman

Associates—Doug Drewel & Ed Fagre

County Clerk: Rhonda Rodgers

Assessor: Dana Simmons

Circuit Clerk/Recorder: Mark Buschmann

Collector: Jayne Williams

Treasurer: Angie Stricklan

Prosecuting Attorney: Richard Skouby

Sheriff: Chris Heitman

Associate Circuit Judge: Kerry Rowden

25th Circuit Judge Div. 1: William Hickie

25th Circuit Judge Div. 2: John Beger

Public Administrator: Carol Jo Schulte

Coroner: David Martin

EMD/911 Director: Scott John

Floodplain Administrator:

Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC

Phelps-Maries Health Dept.: Ashley Campbell

**Belle ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 1,384**

**Founded ..... 1901**

200 E. Third St. • P.O. Box 813 Belle, MO 65013

cityofbellemo.org

Council meets 2nd Tues., 6:30 p.m.

Phone: (573) 859-3513 | Fax: (573) 859-3821

Office Hours: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. M-F

Mayor: Darryl White Jr.

Court Clerk: Sherree Burkholder

City Treasurer: Charro Reasor

City Clerk/Collector: Frankie Horstman

cityclerk@cityofbellemo.org

Alderpersons:

James Mitchell

Adam Padgett

Barb Howarth

Vacant

Fire Chief/EMD: Dwight Francis

Municipal Court Judge: Kris Crews

City Attorney/Prosecutor: Tony Skouby

Public Works: Jason Lewis

Building Inspector: Gary Gehlert

**Vienna ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 579**

**Founded ..... April 9, 1884**

424 8th Street • P.O. Box 196 Vienna, MO 65582

Council meets 1st Mon. following a Fri., 6 p.m.

Phone: (573) 422-3549 | Fax: (573) 422-6110

Office Hours: 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., M-F

Email: cityofvienna@outlook.com

Mayor: Timothy Schell

Clerk: Karen Dudenhoeffer

kdudenhoeffer@viennamissouri.org

Alderpersons:

Brenda Davis

Charles Davis

Reva Hutchison

Rita Juergens

Attorney: Ross Bush

Chief of Police: Shannon Thompson

Public Works Supt./Floodplain Administrator:

Shon Westart

Fire Chief: Mike Smith

## Osage County

**Population (2022) ..... 13,399**

**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 Trenshaw &

Larry Kliethermes

County Clerk: Nicci Kammerich

Assessor: Tina Kammerich

Circuit Clerk: Beth Billington

Recorder of Deeds: Cindy Hoffman

Collector: Denise Nolte

Treasurer: Valerie Prater

Prosecuting Attorney: Amanda Grellner

Sheriff: Michael Bonham

Associate Circuit Judge: Sonya Brandt

20th Judicial Court Judge: Ryan J. Helfrich

Coroner: A.J. Probst

Public Administrator: Paul Stratman

Surveyor: Tim Hamburg

EMD/911 Director: Ron Hoffman

Health Administrator: Kim Sallin

Road & Bridge Foreman: Ron Kempker

Floodplain Administrator: Andrea Rice

**Argyle ..... Village**

**Population (2022) ..... 144**

**Founded ..... February 3, 1908**

472 2nd St. • P.O. Box 22 Argyle, MO 65001

argyle.missouri@gmail.com

Council meets 3rd Thurs., 7 p.m.

Phone: (573) 728-9980

Chairperson: Ryan Davis

Clerk: Jerica Otto

Trustees:

Todd Wildhaber

Felicia Wieberg

Kym Brunnert

Attorney: Kent Brown

EMD: Derek Schwartz

Floodplain Administrator: Ryan Davis

**Chamois ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 375**

**Founded ..... 1818**

200 S. Main St., Chamois, MO 65024

Phone: (573) 763-5541

Office Hours: 4:30 - 8:30., M-F 8 - 10, Sat.

cityofchamois@gmail.com

Mayor: Mike Edwards

Clerk: Meghan Birmingham

Alderpersons:

Marie Slusser

James Wright

Lance Gerloff

Sara Mengwasser

Public Works: Danny Kirsch

EMD: Rodney Frey

Floodplain Administrator: Michael Edwards

**Freeburg ..... Village**

**Population (2022) ..... 410**

**Founded ..... 1905**

P. O. Box 237 • 304 Highway 63 South

Freeburg, MO 65035

Phone: (573) 301-6944

www.villageoffreeburg.com

Council meets 1st Mon. 6:30 p.m.  
villageoffreeburg@gmail.com  
Chairperson: Scott Knoll  
Clerk: Nicki Bax  
Trustees:

Darryl Haller  
Jamie Kaesik  
Shane Zimmer  
Glen Haller

Attorney: Albert Crump  
Public Works: Doug Hamacher  
Water Clerk: Cindy Struempf  
Fire Chief: Brady Iven  
EMD: Andrea Rice

**Linn ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 1,378**

**Founded ..... February 15, 1883**

1200 E. Main St. • P.O. Box 498 Linn, MO 65051

carrie@cityoflinn.com

Council meets 3rd Mon., 5 p.m.

Phone: (573) 897-2236 | Fax: (573) 897-3009

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. - 1 - 4 p.m. M-F

Mayor: Dwight Massey

Clerk/Floodplain Administrator: Carrie Grellner

Alderpersons:

Dustin Flamm  
Robert (Bill) Turner  
Chris Jaegers  
Steven Boeckmann

Treasurer: Janelle Jaegers

EMD/Police Chief: Sam Ford

Water/Street/Utilities Supt.: Derek McCubbin

Fire Chief: Ron Hoffman

City Attorney: Kent L. Brown

**Meta ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 182**

**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. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

cityofmetamo@outlook.com

Mayor/EMD: Emily Sommerer

City Clerk: Deidra Buechter

Treasurer: Karla Buechter

Alderpersons:

Ivie Helton  
Otto Wankum  
Steve Sherrell  
Lawrence Hoffman

City Attorney: Nathan Nickolaus

Collector: Doris Keilholz

Water Supt: Trevor Plemmons

Floodplain Administrator:

Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC

**Westphalia ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 377**

**Founded ..... 1836**

P. O. Box 36 • 116 East Main St.

Westphalia, MO 65085  
Council meets last Tues. 6:00 p.m.

Phone: (573) 619-8817

westphaliamo@gmail.com

Mayor: Tammy Massman

Clerk/Floodplain Administrator/EMD:

Tammy Massman

Alderpersons:

Stanley Heckman  
Jake Plassmeyer  
Delbert Wieberg  
Lori Asel

Water Dist. Clerk: Sue Feltrop

Fire Chief: Jim Roark

**Phelps County**

**Population (2022) ..... 45,313**

**Founded ..... November 13, 1857**

Courthouse

200 N. Main St. Rolla, MO 65401

www.phelpscounty.org

phelps.county@sos.mo.gov

Commission meets Tues. & Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Phone: (573) 458-6000 | Fax: (573) 458-6119

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F

Commissioners:

Presiding—Joey Auxier

Associates—Sherry Stites & Gary Hicks

County Clerk: Laura Johnson

Assessor: Tim Kean

Circuit Clerk: Marlaina Wallace

Recorder: Robin Kordes

Collector: Faith Barnes

Treasurer: Cathy Tipton

Prosecuting Attorney: Brendon Fox

Sheriff/EMD: Lt. Mike Kirn, PCSD

Associate Circuit Judges: Mark Calvert &

Ken Clayton

25th Circuit Judge Div. 1: William E. Hickley

25th Circuit Judge Div. 2: John D. Beger

Surveyor: Terris Cates

Public Administrator: Dana Sooter

Coroner: Earnie Coverdell

Phelps-Maries Health Dept.: Ashley Campbell

Floodplain Administrator:

Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC

**Doolittle ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 575**

**Founded ..... 1944**

380 Eisenhower Doolittle, MO 65401

Council meets 3rd Tues., 6 p.m.

Phone: (573) 762-2601

Office Hours: Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9a.m. - 12p.m.

Mayor/EMD: Doug Smith

doolittlemayor@gmail.com

Clerk/Treasurer/Collector: Della Bishop-Baggett

Clerk Phone: 573-465-2523

doolittleclerk@gmail.com

Alderpersons:

Dena Smith

Tony Giacalone

James Lewis

Sherry Pierce

Garry Duhadway

Vacant

Attorney/Prosecutor: Lance Thurman

Police Chief: Carl Swanson

Fire Chief: Brandon Williams

Floodplain Administrator: Doug Smith

**Edgar Springs ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 203**

**Founded ..... 1974**

555 Broadway St. • P.O. Box 13

Edgar Springs, MO 65462

Council meets 2nd Mon., 6 p.m.

Email: edgarspringscity@gmail.com

Phone: (573) 435-6334 | Fax: (573) 435-0224

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-12 p.m., Mon.- Fri

Mayor: Albert Hamlet

Clerk/Treasurer/Recorder/Floodplain

Administrator: Melissa Klott

Alderpersons:

Ted Brookshire  
Ron Clift  
Sam Newman  
Michelle Hamlet

Attorney/Prosecutor: Brandi Baird

Police Chief: Joe Hohner

Fire Chief: Ernie Coverdale

Street/Sewer Supt.: Jeff Jordan

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

**Population (2022) ..... 338**

**Founded ..... June 28, 1883**

191 Main St. • P.O. Drawer K Newburg, MO 65550

newburg.city.hall@gmail.com

Council meets 2nd Tues., 6:30 p.m.

Phone: (573) 762-2315 | Fax: (573) 762-3704

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F;

Summer Hours: 6:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. M-F

Mayor: James Poucher

Clerk: Phyllis Harris

Treasurer: Rhonda Thomas

Alderpersons:

William Poucher  
Scott Russell  
Patti Chism

Attorney: Lance Thurman

Collector: Faith Barnes

Police Chief: Brandt Webber

Water/Sewer Supt.: Scott Liebig/Royce Ruwwe

Floodplain Administrator: James Poucher

**Rolla ..... 3rd Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 20,322**

**Founded ..... January 25, 1861**

901 N. Elm • P.O. Box 979 Rolla, MO 65402

www.rollacity.org

admin@rollacity.org

Council meets 1st & 3rd Mon., 6:30 p.m.

Phone: (573) 426-6948 | Fax: (573) 426-6947



Office Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F  
Rolla Mayor: Louis J. Magdits, IV  
Clerk: Lorri Thurman  
Council:

Josh Vroman  
Terry Higgins  
Megan Johnson  
Nathan Chirban  
Jaired Hall  
Rob Kessinger  
Stanley Mayberry  
Victoria Steen  
Lister B. Florence Jr.  
Kevin Greven  
Tina Balch  
Matthew Fridley

City Administrator: John Butz  
Planning Administrator: Tom Coots  
Community Development Director:  
Steve Flowers

Finance Director: Steffanie Rogers  
City Prosecutor: Brad Neckermann  
Chief of Police: Sean Fagan  
Fire Chief: Jeff Breen  
City Engineer/Public Works Director/Floodplain  
Administrator: Darin Pryor  
Utilities Manager: Rodney Bourne  
Parks & Recreation Director: Floyd Jernigan  
Municipal Judge: James Crump  
Court Clerk: ReLauun Smith  
Dir. of Environmental Services: Roger Pankey  
EMD: Brad Woods  
Airport Manager: Darrin Bacon

**St. James ..... 3rd Class**  
**Population (2022) ..... 3,929**  
**Founded ..... 1892**

100 S. Jefferson St. James, MO 65559  
Council meets 2nd Mon., 7 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 265-7013 | Fax: (573) 265-5585  
Office Hours: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F  
Mayor: Rick Krawiecki  
Clerk: Linda Cochran  
Council:

Tyler Wagnon  
Dave Bond  
Mark Gray  
William "Bill" Dunkus  
Maggie Roberts  
Ryan Miller  
Michael Gary  
Brittney Marston

City Administrator: Daniel Knoell  
Prosecuting Attorney: Steve Paulus  
City Attorney: Jonathan Downard  
Police Chief/EMD: Ron Jones  
Fire Chief: John M. Douglas II  
Public Works Director/Floodplain  
Administrator: Lyle Thomas  
Utilities Engineer: Archer-Elgin Engineering  
Street Supervisor: Danny Scheel

Parks & Recreation Director: Kristy Rich  
Solid Waste Manager: Ron Fraser

## Pulaski County

**Population (2022) ..... 53,941**

**Founded ..... 1833**

Courthouse  
301 Historic 66 East, Waynesville, MO 65583  
www.pulaski-county-mo.org  
pulaski@sos.mo.gov  
Commission meets Mon. & Thurs., 9 - 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— Charles Bassett & Andy Helms

County Clerk: David Ernst  
Assessor: Daniel Whittle  
Circuit Clerk-Recorder: Rachele Beasley  
Collector: Terri Mitchell  
Treasurer: Mack E. Wilkerson  
Prosecuting Attorney: Kevin Hillman  
25th Circuit Judge Div. 1: Bill Hickel  
25th Circuit Judge Div. 2: John Beger  
Assoc. Circuit Judge: Mike Headrick (Probate) &  
Colin Long (Magistrate  
Sheriff: Jimmy Bench  
Public Administrator: Loretta Rouse  
Coroner: Roger Graves II  
EMD/Floodplain Administrator:  
Shauna McCullough  
911 Director: Michelle Graves  
Health Admin: Debra Baker

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

**Population (2022) ..... 919**

**Founded ..... March 11, 1911**

108 S. Commercial • P.O. Box 116 Crocker, MO  
65452  
Council meets 2nd Mon., 5:30 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 736-5327 | Fax: (573) 736-5438  
Email: crockercitymayor@yahoo.com  
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Tues.-Thurs.  
Mayor: Glen Smith  
City Clerk: Jessica McGowen  
Alderpersons:

Christy Leabton  
Richard Heenan  
Michael Criswell  
Jim Patton

City Prosecutor: Ronda Cortesini  
City Attorney: Mark Rector  
Police Chief/EMD: Regina Arrington  
Fire Chief: Jeff Porter  
Chief of Public Works: Don Theberge

**Dixon ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 1,219**

**Founded ..... 1869**

305 S. Elm St. • P.O. Box 177 Dixon, MO 65459  
Council meets 1st Mon., 6 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 917-4501 | Fax: (573) 917-4610

Email: cityclerk@cityofdixonmo.org  
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1 p.m.-4 p.m., M-F  
Mayor: Mike Null  
Clerk: Deana Burns  
Alderpersons:

Stacy Yoakum  
Anthony Campbell  
Mary Wiles  
Trevor Warnol  
Michael Gunther

City Attorney: Jeffrey Thomas  
Municipal Judge: Les Hansmann  
Chief of Police: John Durbin  
Fire Chief/EMD: Dennis Lachowicz  
Water/Sewer Supervisor: Pat Ragan

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

**Population (2022) ..... 1,627**

**Founded ..... 1884**

**St. Robert ..... 4th Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 5,386**

**Founded ..... October 15, 1951**

194 Eastlawn Ave. #A St. Robert, MO 65584  
Council meets 1st, 3rd Tues., 5 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 451-2000 | Fax: (636) 216-3368  
Email: webmaster@saintrobert.com  
www.saintrobert.com  
Office Hours: 8 a.m.-5p.m., M-F  
Mayor: Dr. George A. Lauritsen  
Clerk: Vacant

Deputy City Clerk: Cassandra Heimsness  
Alderpersons:

Susan Davidson  
Walter Reese  
Reggie Hall  
John Moore  
Glen Askland  
Michael Myers  
Todd Williams  
Linda Daniels

City Administrator: Anita Ivey  
Assistant City Administrator: Mark Parker  
Interim City Attorney: Tyce Smith  
Finance Officer: Fredrica Norris  
Collector: Maria Vasquez  
Mun. Judge: Ernest Tanner  
Police Chief: Curtis Curenton  
Fire Chief/EMD: Mike Shempert  
Land Use Administrator: Jerome Gordon  
Public Works Director: Steve Long  
Transfer & Recycling: Richard Zeigenbein  
Floodplain Administrator: Jeromy Gordon

**Waynesville ..... 3rd Class**

**Population (2022) ..... 5,432**

**Founded ..... 1833**

100 Tremont Center Waynesville, MO 65583  
www.waynesvillemo.org  
Council meets 3rd Thur., 5:30 p.m.  
Phone: (573) 774-6171 | Fax: (573) 774-5647  
Email: john.doyle@waynesvillemo.org

Office Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F  
 Mayor: Sean A. Wilson  
 Clerk: Michele Brown  
 mbrown@waynesvillemo.org  
 Deputy City Clerk: Tracey York  
 Treasurer/Fin. Director/Collector: Amber Box  
 Council:

Bill Farnham  
 Robert Rice  
 Clarence Liberty  
 Cecil Davis  
 Ed Conley  
 Trudy Dils  
 Bob Hyatt  
 Amanda Koren

City Administrator: John Doyle  
 Economic Developer: Doug Potts  
 City Attorney: Nathan Nicholaus  
 Prosecutor: Henry Surkamp  
 City Court Administrator: Lesa Helm  
 Police Chief/Marshall: Dan Cordova  
 Fire Chief: Mike Shempert  
 Airport Manager: Mika Guy  
 Water/Sewer Supt.: Donnie Beal  
 Electric Supt.: Donnie Sheldon  
 Parks & Rec: Trey Haragan  
 Code/Land Use Admin./Building Inspector/  
 Floodplain Administrator: Nathan Carmon

## Washington County

**Population (2022)** ..... 23,441  
**Founded** ..... August 21, 1813

Courthouse  
 102 N. Missouri Potosi, MO 63664  
 www.washingtoncountymo.us  
 Commission: meets 9 a.m. Mon.  
 Phone: (573) 438-6111 Ext. 7704 - Clerk  
 Fax: (573) 438-4038  
 Office Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. M-F  
 Commissioners:  
 Presiding—Dave Sansegraw  
 Associates—Doug Short & Cody Brinley  
 County Clerk: Jeanette Allen  
 Email: jallen@washcomo.us  
 Assessor: Heather Eckhoff  
 Circuit Clerk: Ashley Gum  
 Collector: Kris Richards  
 Treasurer: John Robinson III  
 Prosecuting Attorney: John Jones IV

Sheriff: Zach Jacobsen  
 Associate Circuit Judge: Tony Dorsett  
 24th Circuit Judge Div. 1: Jerrel Poor  
 24th Circuit Judge Div. 2: Wendy Horn  
 Coroner: Steven Hatfield  
 Public Administrator: Judy Gilliam  
 County Surveyor: Tim Daugherty  
 EMD: Floyd Haworth  
 911 Director: Donald Sanderson  
 Health Admin: Shawnee Douglas  
 Road/Bridge: Kurt Dickey & Stacy Juliette  
 Floodplain Administrator: Dave Sansegraw

**Caledonia** ..... **Village**  
**Population (2022)** ..... **132**  
**Founded** ..... **1819**

P. O. Box 100 • 218 S. State Hwy 21  
 Caledonia, MO 63631  
 caledoniainmo.org  
 Phone: (573) 779-3492 | Fax: (573) 779-1213  
 email: city029@centurytel.net  
 Council meets 3rd Mon., 7 p.m.  
 Office Hours: Wed. 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. &  
 Fri. 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
 Chairperson: John Robinson III  
 Village Secretary/Clerk: Debra Bay  
 Trustees:  
 Pat Sims  
 John Lucas  
 Nina Gilliam

Attorney: Jeremy Brauer  
 Floodplain Administrator: John Lucas

**Irondale** ..... **4th Class**  
**Population (2022)** ..... **367**  
**Founded** ..... **1858**

P.O. Box 53 Irondale, MO 63648  
 Council meets 3rd Mon., 6:30 p.m.  
 Phone: (573) 749-3223 | Fax: (573) 749-3340  
 Email: irondale@centurytel.net  
 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. M-Thurs.  
 Mayor Pro-Tem: Paula Forrester  
 Clerk: Mandy Barton  
 Alderpersons:  
 Debra Poster  
 Paula Forrester  
 Elaine Pulliam  
 Frederick Williams  
 City Attorney: Chris Wynes  
 Water/Sewer Supt.: Paul Lashley

Street/Maintenance Supt.: Tommy Pulliam  
 Fire Chief/EMD: Ryan Hardy  
 Floodplain Administrator: Frederick Williams

**Mineral Point** ..... **Village**  
**Population (2022)** ..... **226**  
**Founded** ..... **1858**

701 State St. • P.O. Box 127 Mineral Point, MO 63660  
 Phone: (573) 438-3487  
 Council meets 1st Wed., 4:30 p.m.  
 Chairperson: Nickolas Courtois  
 Clerk: Destiny Buhler  
 Treasurer: Courtney Fierce  
 Trustees:

Tina Hammer  
 Becky Eckhoff  
 Attorney/Prosecutor: Eric Harris  
 Floodplain Administrator: John Taylor

**Potosi** ..... **4th Class**  
**Population (2022)** ..... **2,535**  
**Founded** ..... **1826**

121 East High Street Potosi, MO 63664  
 potosicity.com  
 Council meets 2nd Tues., 6:00 p.m.  
 Phone: (573) 438-2767 | Fax: (573) 438-7008  
 Office Hours: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., M-F  
 Mayor: Joseph Blount  
 jblount@potosicityhall.org  
 City Clerk: Tiffany Cain  
 Finance Director: Debbie Jacobsen  
 City Collector: Angelia King  
 Alderpersons:

Wayne Malugen  
 James Harvey  
 Mary Pat West  
 Elmer Akers  
 Attorney: Ric Harris  
 Prosecutor: Jerrod Mahurin  
 Police Chief/EMD: Michael Gum  
 Fire Chief: Roger LaChance  
 Street Supt.: Robert Rough  
 Water/Sewer Supt.: Jonny Hicks  
 Natural Gas Supt.: Sam Johnson  
 Building Inspector/Code Officer: Dennis Hill  
 Floodplain Administrator: Travis Hernandez,  
 Archer-Elgin

## 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
- 1993 Elaine Cloyde
- 1994 Jean Hentzel
- 1995 Tammy Rigsby

- 1996 Bonnie Prigge
- 1996 Barbara Durnin
- 1997 Angie Breeding
- 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 Tunyavanich
- 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 Copenhagen
- 2013 Tonya Price
- 2015 Jane Dolan
- 2020 Jill Hollowell
- 2020 Savannah Vandegriffe
- 2021 Linda Carroll
- 2021 Anne Freand
- 2021 Gary O'Day
- 2021 Mag Roberts
- 2022 Samantha Sherman
- 2022 Caitlin Jones
- 2023 Bethany Ferrell

#### **Ten years:**

- 1992 Richard Cavender
- 1992 Betty Riggs
- 1992 Teresa Tyler
- 1992 Ruth Whitaker
- 1994 Allan Satterfield
- 1997 Behshid Marcellus
- 1998 Elaine Cloyde
- 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 Kelly Sink-Blair
- 2013 Cheryl Dupes
- 2013 Lesley Bennish
- 2013 Larry Blevins
- 2016 Jodie Branson
- 2016 Maria Bancroft

#### **Fifteen years:**

- 1994 Richard Cavender
- 1994 Ruth Whitaker
- 1995 Betty Riggs
- 1996 Teresa Tyler
- 2003 Elaine Cloyde
- 2003 Behshid Marcellus
- 2005 Tammy Rigsby
- 2006 Bonnie Prigge
- 2007 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2009 Connie Willman
- 2010 Linda Loughridge
- 2013 Chuck Cantrell
- 2015 Linda Hollandsworth
- 2015 Kelly Sink-Blair
- 2018 Larry Blevins
- 2021 Maria Bancroft
- 2022 Jodie Branson

#### **Twenty years:**

- 1999 Richard Cavender
- 1999 Ruth Whitaker
- 2000 Betty (Riggs) Ransom
- 2001 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2008 Elaine Cloyde

- 2008 Behshid Marcellus
- 2010 Tammy Rigsby
- 2011 Bonnie Prigge
- 2012 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2014 Connie Willman
- 2015 Linda Loughridge
- 2018 Chuck Cantrell
- 2020 Linda Hollandsworth
- 2020 Kelly Sink

#### **Twenty-five years:**

- 2004 Richard Cavender
- 2004 Ruth Whitaker
- 2006 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2013 Elaine Cloyde
- 2015 Tammy Rigsby
- 2016 Bonnie Prigge
- 2017 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2019 Connie Willman
- 2020 Linda Loughridge
- 2023 Chuck Cantrell

#### **Thirty years:**

- 2009 Richard Cavender
- 2009 Ruth Whitaker
- 2011 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2018 Elaine Cloyde
- 2020 Tammy Rigsby
- 2021 Bonnie Prigge
- 2023 Tammy Snodgrass

#### **Thirty-Five years:**

- 2016 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2023 Elaine Cloyde

#### **Forty years:**

- 2021 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie

## ***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 Loughridge
- 1998 Connie Willman
- 1999 Ruth Whitaker
- 2000 Janet Metzger
- 2001 Donna Hanger
- 2002 Linda Hollandsworth

- 2003 Kelly Sink-Blair
- 2004 Larry Blevins
- 2005 Teresa (Tyler) Murdie
- 2006 Richard Cavender
- 2007 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2008 Cheryl Dupes
- 2009 Lesley Bennish
- 2010 Jodie Branson
- 2011 Elaine Cloyde
- 2012 Tammy Rigsby
- 2013 Tammy Snodgrass
- 2014 Maria Bancroft
- 2015 Lyle Thomas
- 2016 Chuck Cantrell
- 2017 Ryan Dunwoody

- 2018 Caitlin Jones
- 2019 Linda Loughridge
- 2020 Kathryn Hawes
- 2021 Donald Keeney
- 2022 - Bethany Ferrell



## ***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.

- 2007 - Town & Country Bank
- 2008 - Town & Country Bank
- 2009 - Phelps County Bank
- 2010 - First Community National Bank
- 2011 - First Community National Bank
- 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

- 2019 - The Missouri Bank
- 2020 - Mid-America Bank
- 2021 - First Community National Bank
- 2022 - Town and Country Bank
- 2023 - Guaranty Bank

## 2022 Volunteer Award Winners

The 2022 Annual Dinner and Awards Banquet honored six individuals and one community organization for their outstanding community service throughout the region. The event was held at the Vienna Knights of Columbus Hall on Oct. 13, 2022.

Individuals, agency representatives and community organizations recognized included:

- James T. Porter (posthumously) of Irondale, nominated by MRPC board member T.R. Dudley;
- Hollis Sturdy of Belle, nominated by MRPC Chairman Steve Vogt;
- Jim Morrison of St. James, nominated by St. James Mayor Rick Krawiecki;
- Bruce Grotewiel of New Bloomfield, nominated by MRPC board member Ray Schwartz;
- The Route 66 Rolla Summerfest Committee, nominated by Rolla City Administrator John Butz and Rolla Mayor Louis J. Magdits; and
- Gracie Rehmert of Belle, nominated by MRPC Chairman Steve Vogt.

The Eugene E. Northern, the highest honor MRPC awards, was

awarded to Lawrence Buschmann of Vienna. They were nominated by Maries County Presiding Commissioner Vic Stratman.

Buschmann has been a highly respected person in the Maries County area for decades, and when he gets behind a project, it immediately brings credibility to the endeavor. Buschmann has a real passion for his community and is the kind of guy who wants to help everyone out. Buschmann has been instrumental in the incorporation of and writing of the bylaws for the Visitation Cemetery in Vienna serving on the cemetery's board since the early 1970s. As the president of Maries County Bank, Buschmann supported worthwhile projects across the county. Buschmann has whole heartedly supported of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. For more than 50 years, he worked tirelessly to keep it equipped and personnel trained. Buschmann helped obtain funding for a new fire house and satellite location, even getting a tax levy passed to provide the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department with more consistent funding. He served on the Vienna Fire Protection District Board since its creation 10 years ago and will be retiring from the board in December.

Buschmann was unable to attend the event, and his award was accepted by his children.

## Eugene E. Northern Award Recipients

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.

Circuit Judge Eugene E. Northern – (Posthumous) – 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" Stoltz 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 – 2000  
 Larry Edwards of Salem – 2001  
 Robert J. Stoltz of Rolla – 2001  
 Lawrence C. George of Rolla – 2002  
 John H. Klebba of Linn – 2003  
 Dr. Terry and Paula Brewer of Rolla – 2004  
 Don Lenauer 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  
 Faye Howard of Cuba – 2019  
 Ralph and Jerry Voss of Linn – 2020  
 Judy Terry of Rolla – 2021  
 Lawrence Buschmann of Vienna – 2022

## Community Service/Volunteer Award Recipients

Debra Adkins of St. Robert 2008  
 Mark Akers of Washington County – 1995  
 Muriel Akers of Caledonia – 1988  
 Joe Alexander – 1997  
 Taylor Allen of Freeburg – 2009  
 Tim Allen of Caledonia – 2009  
 Jay Anderson of Salem – 2010  
 Tina Anderson of Rolla – 1990

Laura Antolak of Rolla – 2015  
 Judy Apperson of Salem – 2019  
 Chris Arand of Hermann – 1989  
 Sally Arft of Salem – 1989  
 Laura Arrington of St. Robert – 2006  
 Linda Armstrong of Bourbon – 2001  
 Phil Askey of Salem – 1987  
 Imogene Avery of St. James – 1993

Charles Bade of Owensville – 2005  
 Dottie Bagnall – 1997  
 E. Louise Baker of Owensville – 2019  
 Evelyn Baker of Phelps County – 1998  
 Edward Barger of Caledonia – 2000  
 Roy Bassett of Vienna – 1984  
 Doug Barnes of Dent County – 1995  
 Bob Barnett of Newburg – 1995



Nick Barrack of Rolla - 2011, 2020  
 John L. Baxter of Bland - 2006  
 Terry Beck of Irondale - 1995  
 Charles Beers of Maries County - 1998  
 Carol Bennett of Phelps County - 2014  
 Tim Berrier - Waynesville - 2012  
 Harley Bialczyk of Belle - 2015  
 Roger Bilderback, Potosi Alderman - 1981  
 Baylee Bilyeu of Salem - 2017  
 Adam Birdsong of Rolla - 2010  
 Tami Bobbitt of Bourbon - 2001  
 Rita Boero of Bourbon - 1989  
 Mary Bonham of St. James (Posthumous) - 1984  
 Virginia Kroner Bonham of St. James - 1994  
 Randy Booth of Rolla - 1988  
 Jim & Diane Boulware of Salem - 2010  
 Matt Bramel of Doolittle - 2011  
 Joe Brand of Salem - 2020  
 Albert Bray Jr. of Maries County - 1998  
 Paige Breeding of Vienna - 2020  
 Alice Bremer of Bourbon - 1987  
 Randy & Cathy Bremer of Bourbon - 2000  
 Lucy Brenner of Morrison - 2018  
 Norma Bretz of Cuba - 2005  
 Al Britton, Potosi - 1985  
 Dr. Donald "Doc" Broman of Linn - 2019  
 Gary Brown of Salem - 2015  
 George Brown of Cuba - 1994  
 Debra & John Brummet of Crawford County - 1991  
 Joe Brune, Chairman, Maries County IDA - 1983  
 Terry Bruno of Lenox - 2009  
 Wanda Bunch of Linn - 2006  
 Byron Burke of Lenox - 2009  
 Cindy Butler of Belle - 2019  
 Joey Butler Sr. of Belle - 2019  
 Juanita Butler of Vichy - 2009  
 Maxwell Butler of Vichy - 2017  
 Dana Campbell of Sullivan - 2005  
 Sharon Campbell of Hermann - 1996  
 Carol Carson of Dixon - 2009  
 Don Chaney of Phelps County - 1995  
 Jennifer Chymiak of Cuba - 1997  
 Les Clark of Maries County - 2003  
 Linda Claycomb of Linn - 2005  
 Tom Coffey of Vienna - 1986  
 Cathy Coffman of St. Mary's Home - 2008  
 James Coffman of Salem - 2011  
 Genelle Cole of Potosi - 1994  
 Esther Collier of Belle - 1990  
 Theresa Cook of St. Robert - 2010  
 Jay Copeland of Owensville - 2011  
 Joe & Madeline Copeland of Vienna - 1985  
 Paul Corbett of Waynesville - 2012  
 Gerald "Jerry" Craig of Salem - 1998  
 Bill and Judy Crede of Westphalia - 2007  
 Crocker Park Board - 2020  
 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 - 1988 & 2011  
 Sue Delmont of Salem - 1994  
 Russell Dessieux, 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 Ebker of Gasconade County - 1998  
 Marie Lucille Edgar of Potosi - 2001  
 Callie Ellis of Belle - 2013  
 Larry Ellis of Belle - 2010  
 Peggy Emde of Owensville - 2004  
 Bill Emerson, U. S. Rep. - 1983 & 1986  
 1438th Engineering Co. (National Guard) - 1982  
 Norbert Englert of Hermann - 2006  
 Dallas Ernst of Waynesville - 2012  
 Don Ertle of Phelps County - 2001  
 Dorothy Felden of Jadwin - 1991  
 Martha Fenewald of Westphalia - 2001  
 Duane Fennewald of Westphalia - 2010  
 Ken Fiebelman, State Rep. - 1985  
 Willard Finn of Vienna - 1987  
 James Forinash of Irondale - 1990  
 Vicki Frazier of St. James - 2009  
 Bill Freeman of Steelville - 1992  
 Betty Frink of Steelville - 2010  
 Donald J. Fuchs, DDS, of Cuba - 1993  
 Gasconade Valley Medical Corp. - 1981  
 Kati George of Bourbon - 2013  
 Gingerbread House - 1982  
 Nancy Glore of Potosi - 1989  
 Jay Gourley of Hermann - 1987  
 Dolores Granneman of Hermann - 2012  
 Alta Grayson of Steelville - 1991  
 Carol Green of Rolla - 1997  
 Jewell Grogan of Salem - 1991  
 Bruce Grotewiel of New Bloomfield - 2022  
 George & Liz Gruendel of Salem - 2005  
 Rosemary Gruver of Steelville - 2015  
 Judith (Judy) Guffey of Cuba - 1997  
 Kevin Guffey of Belle - 2000  
 Barbara M. Gum of Washington Co. - 1999  
 Don Gummersheimer of Steelville - 2004  
 B.L. "Doc" Halbert, Crawford County Pres. Comm. (Posthumous) - 1983  
 Davis R. Haas of Rolla - 1996  
 Sean Hackmann of Chamois - 2018  
 James Hagale, Springfield - 1984  
 Earl Halbert of Steelville - 2001  
 Karlee Hallahan of Vienna - 2019  
 Erin Hamby of Salem - 2007  
 Ava Hamilton of Cuba - 1995  
 Linda Hance of Doolittle - 2002  
 Mary Happel of Salem - 2005  
 Zach Happel of Salem - 2006  
 Bruce Harrill of Waynesville - 2020  
 Floyd Harris of Rolla - 1996  
 Chuck Hartbauer of Hermann - 2018  
 Patricia Heaney of Hermann - 2019  
 Jeannie Hedge of Rolla - 1991  
 Jim Helton of Vienna - 1992  
 Vernon "Sonny" & Robin Helton of Brinktown - 2013  
 Jean Henderson of Vienna - 1990  
 Herbert Henley of Belle - 1991  
 Arthur C. Henry Sr. of Doolittle - 1988  
 Mary Heywood of Bourbon - 1995  
 Howard C. Higginbotham of Potosi - 1990  
 Kenny Highley of Crawford County - 2014  
 Jaime Hodson of Maries County - 1995  
 David D. Hoffman Jr. of Richwoods - 2013  
 Ronald Hoffman of Linn - 2016  
 Carol Hofstetter of Bourbon - 2016  
 Linda Hollingshead of Potosi - 1990  
 Tiffany Horsefield of Cuba - 1999  
 Jay Horton of Irondale - 2013  
 Faye Howard of Cuba - 2007 & 2014  
 Gail Howard of Vienna - 1988  
 Lane Howard of Lecom - 2010  
 Kelly Johnston Howley of Waynesville - 2013  
 Richard Hudson of Hermann - 1992  
 Kathryn Hunt of Salem - 2008  
 Richard Huse of Belle - 2011  
 William T. "Bill" Huskey, Phelps County Clerk (Posthumous) - 1984  
 Mozelle Hutchinson of Vienna - 1988  
 Carolyn Isgriggs of Bourbon - 2013  
 George Ivan of Freeburg - 2012  
 Micka Sue Jarvis of Potosi - 1992  
 William "Bill" S. Jenks III of Rolla - 2019  
 Randy Jett of Belle - 2003  
 Seth John of Vienna - 2015  
 Douglas Johnson of Kansas City - 1992  
 George Johnson of Hermann - 1997  
 Caitlin Jones of Owensville - 2003  
 Jamie Jones of Vienna - 2015  
 Shane Jones of Belle - 2019  
 Shirley Kaiser of Belle - 2007  
 Dustin Kallmeyer of Hermann - 2001  
 Joy Kallmeyer of Hermann - 1993  
 Larry Kampeter of Vienna - 2021  
 Stacey Kelly of Belle - 2021  
 Samantha Kelley of St. Robert - 2008  
 Jan Keeper of Rolla - 1989  
 Jacob Kettner of Salem - 2011  
 William Kickbusch of Phelps County - 1998  
 Macie Kinsey of Belle - 2012  
 Robert Kirchhofer of Hermann - 1984  
 C.G. "Pete" Kirgan of Phelps County Commission - 1984  
 John H. Klebba of Linn - 1993  
 Tom Klos of Hermann - 1991  
 Mayor John Koch of Cuba - 2003  
 Lori Knox of Irondale - 1992  
 Forrest Koch, U.S. Economic Development - 1981  
 Carma Labbee of Potosi - 2016  
 Becky Lakaner of Steelville - 2004  
 Deborlee Marie Land of Salem - 1999  
 Robert Landwehr of Owensville - 1996  
 Chip Lange of Cuba - 2006  
 Marilyn Lansberry of St. James - 1993  
 Dan Lashley of Caledonia - 1992  
 Betty Layman of Crocker - 2016  
 Robert Layman of Crocker - 2014  
 Ronnie Layman of Crocker - 2012  
 Robert Letcher, Washington Co. IDA - 1983  
 Patsy Leubbert of Westphalia - 2011  
 Donald Lewis of Belgrade - 2002  
 Kurt J. Lewis of Belle - 1999  
 Anton Libbert of Meta - 2005  
 Tim & Anna Long of Belle - 2018  
 John Lucas of Caledonia - 2008  
 Marv Luten of St. Robert - 2006

Mike Lybyer, State Senator – 1986  
 Warren Malugen of Potosi - 2013  
 Joe Manetzke of Washington Co. - 1998  
 Lucille Mannering of Rolla - 1993  
 Bill Marshall of St. James/Rolla - 2005  
 Susan Marshall of St. Robert - 2007  
 Billy Martin of Doolittle - 1994  
 Chris Mathes of Dent County - 2014  
 Bob May of Phelps County - 1998  
 Jerry McBride, State Rep. - 1982  
 James McCaul of Potosi - 1986  
 Mark McClane of Belle - 2016  
 Janice McClintock of Irondale - 1996  
 Maddie McDonald of Waynesville - 2014  
 Michel McKinney of Belle - 1994  
 Bob McKune of Rolla - 1991  
 Josiah Melzer of Maries County - 2014  
 Sharon Meusch of Rolla - 1990  
 Stacey Middleton of Washington Co. - 2004  
 Bill Miller of Maries County - 2001  
 Merrie Miller of Rolla - 1993  
 Mickey Miloradovich of Cuba – 1992  
 Lesa Mizell of Cuba - 2013  
 Nancy Moenster of Salem, 2006  
 Charles Moon of Hermann - 1989  
 Kenneth & LaVaunne Moore of Maries County - 1994  
 Martin (Marty) Moreland Jr. of Vichy – 1997  
 Jim Morrison of St. James – 2022  
 Mayor Ray Mortimeyer of Cuba - 1987  
 Mayor Ruth Mullnack of Salem - 1983 & 1986  
 Les Murdock of Cuba - 2004  
 C. Dale Murphy of Crawford Co. - 1998  
 James A. Myers of Rolla - 2003, 2015  
 Vicki Nelson of Belle - 2020  
 Toni Nichols of Crocker - 2006  
 Al Nilges, State Rep. - 1981 & 1986  
 Don Olds of Rolla - 2006  
 Roger Olney of Waynesville - 2008  
 George E. Ornsbey of Newburg - 2002  
 Owensville Chamber of Commerce - 1981  
 Owensville IDA - 1981  
 Owensville Mayor & Board of Aldermen - 1981  
 Owensville M.O.B. (Making Owensville Better) - 2016  
 Cecil Penland of Crocker - 2010  
 Jerry Perkins of Belle - 2002  
 Planters of Pulaski County Garden Club - 2015  
 Joyce Peterson of Crocker - 2007  
 Phelps County Regional Medical Center - 1981  
 Paula Pierce of Hermann - 2020  
 Stan Podorski of Salem - 2008  
 Lois Pohl, Office of Administration – 1984  
 James T. Porter of Irondale - 2022  
 Sharon Powell of Rolla - 1988  
 Potosi/Washington County Chamber of Commerce - 2015  
 Tonya Price of Belle - 2006  
 Jan & Terry Primas of Waynesville - 2019  
 Roger Pruett of Maries County - 2014  
 Rick Prugh of Salem - 1987  
 Pulaski Young Marines of Waynesville - 2016  
 Marsha Ray of Rolla - 2003  
 Ruth Rebmann of Owensville – 2018  
 Gracie Rehmert of Belle – 2022  
 Bill Reynolds of Loose Creek - 2017  
 Hal Rhea of St. James - 1989  
 Skyler Rice of Belle - 2020  
 Harvey Richards of Steelville - 2005  
 Kris Richards of Potosi - 2014  
 Kris and Carrie Richards of Potosi - 2020  
 Neil Richards of Potosi - 1990, 2017 (Posthumously)  
 Tyler Richter of Steelville - 2005  
 Tyler Roberds of Meta - 2017  
 Therese Roberson of Vienna - 2008  
 Kittie Robertson of Rolla - 2006  
 Dennis Roedemeier of Cuba – 1985  
 Route 66 Rolla Summerfest Committee – 2022  
 Curt Rowden of Maries County - 2002  
 Harold Rowden of Maries County - 1996  
 Terri Rowden of Leasburg - 2009  
 Joe Sadowski of Caledonia - 1999  
 Libby Sanders of Salem - 2007  
 Larry Salveter of Crocker - 2011  
 David Sassmann of Belle - 1996  
 Bruce Sassmann of Bland - 1991  
 Jan Sassmann of Belle-Bland - 2015  
 Jeff Schaeperkoetter, State Rep. - 1983  
 Sharon Schafer of Salem - 2001  
 Barb Schaller of Belle - 2016  
 Mandi Scheulen of Loose Creek - 2006  
 Nikki Scheulen of Loose Creek - 2010  
 Carla Schnelt of St. James - 1985  
 Pam Schroeder of Potosi - 2006  
 Wally Schuette, President, Central Ozarks Development, Inc. - 1982  
 Harold Schulte of Linn - 2012  
 Gracie Schultz of Belle - 2021  
 A.J. Schwartze of Osage Co. - 1999  
 Arthur Schweighauser of Gasconade County - 1986  
 Denise Seevers of Dixon - 2018  
 Harold Selby of St. James - 2017  
 Ralph Sellenschutter of Hermann – 1988  
 Julia Semsick of Crocker - 2019  
 Larry Sensintaffer of Salem - 2013  
 George Showalter of Potosi - 1984  
 Dorothy Shrader of Hermann – 1985  
 Josh Sirois of Salem - 2016  
 Matt Sirois of Salem - 2013  
 Anton Skouby of Maries County - 2001  
 Charles T. Smallwood of St. James – 1988  
 Justin Smith of Crocker - 2013  
 Lucie Smith, Phelps County Clerk - 1986  
 Marilyn J. Smith of Caledonia - 1990  
 Dwane Smith of Belle - 1995  
 Zelma Smith of Phelps County – 1987  
 South Central Regional Veterans' Group of Rolla - 2013  
 Theresa Specklas of Westphalia - 2001  
 Kathy Speichinger of Belle - 2018  
 Anne Springer of Bourbon - 2011  
 Charles Stacey of Salem - 1988  
 Danny Staples, State Senator - 1992  
 Wilma Stephen of Vienna - 2020  
 Ron Stephens of Potosi - 1991  
 Neal Stevens of Rolla - 1990  
 Roy Stevenson of Newburg - 2012  
 Robert B. Stoltz of Rolla – 1989  
 Hollis Sturdy of Belle – 2022  
 Willard & Flora Tayloe of Owensville - 2003  
 John R. Taylor of Steelville - 2007  
 Ronnie Terrill of Maries County - 1999  
 Robert & Mary Jane Tessaro of St. James - 2008  
 Mark Thibeault of Jerome - 2003  
 Evan Thierry of Belle - 2016  
 Max Thierry of Belle - 2018  
 Gretchen Thompson of Rolla - 1987  
 Leroy Tipton of Vichy - 1993  
 Lowell Tonding of Maries County - 2002  
 Merrill Townley, State Rep.- 1984  
 Steven Townley, Dept. of Natural Resources - 1989  
 Tanya Turnbough of Owensville - 2007  
 Robert N. (Bob) Turner of Belgrade - 2002  
 Wilma Turner of Salem - 1995  
 Shelby Uffmann of Owensville - 2018  
 Patrick Unroe of Owensville - 1994  
 Kent Van Landuyt of Eldon - 2008  
 Robert (Bob) J. Vinyard of Caledonia - 2015  
 Steve Vogt of Belle - 2004  
 Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS) of Rolla - 2012  
 Bill and Bernice Voss of Linn - 2004  
 Henry & Mary Wansing of Vienna - 2017  
 Jennifer Warren of Osage County - 2004  
 Washington County Community Partnership of Potosi - 2011  
 Waynesville Animal Shelter Volunteers - 2014  
 Waynesville Downtown Beautification Committee - 2007  
 Jim Weaver of Washington County - 2002  
 Darlene Weber of Potosi - 2009  
 Keith Wedge of Rolla - 1986  
 Lauren Weiberg of Vienna - 2011  
 Bernard & Jan Wenzel of Meta - 2011  
 Jerry West of Potosi – 2012, 2018 (Posthumously)  
 Shirley Westerman of Crawford County - 2001  
 Alicia White of Rolla - 2005  
 Amanda Wieberg of Vienna - 2021  
 Charlotte Wiggins of Rolla - 2005  
 John Wiggins, Prosecuting Atty., Phelps Co. - 1987  
 Jimmy Dale Williams of Rolla - 1992  
 Judy Williams of Phelps County - 1998  
 Todd Williams of St. Robert - 2006  
 Bob Wilson of St. James - 1983  
 John Wilson of Osage County - 2004  
 Sean Wilson of Waynesville - 2017  
 Lorena Wissmann of Bourbon - 1988  
 June Withers, Maries County Deputy Clerk (Posthumous) - 1989  
 Jerry Wolfe of Linn - 2008  
 Deloris Gray Wood of Dent County - 1996  
 Payden Woodruff of Belle - 2018  
 Sharon W. Wulff of Vienna – 2008  
 Hunter Wyss of Vienna - 2013  
 Ya Ya's of Belle - 2017  
 Patricia Young of Doolittle - 2005  
 Jessica Zaiss of Hermann - 2012  
 Sierra Zeiss of Steelville - 2015  
 Jimmy Zumwalt of Belle - 2012



# 2022 Volunteer Award Recipients



*Award Winners Left to Right: (Front) Debbie Porter, Hollis Sturdy, Gracie Rehmert, Jim Morrison, Bruce Groteviel; (Back) Lindsay Jackson, Jeremy Porter, Tina Reagan, Rachel Guth, Dawn Smith, Lonna Sowers, Paula Schwartz, Tammy Pollerisz, Mark Buschmann and Larry Buschmann. Reagan, Guth, Smith and Sowers represented the Route 66 Summerfest Committee. Debbie Porter, Jeremy Porter and Lindsay Porter accepted on behalf of the late Jim Porter. Paula Schwartz, Tammy Pollerisz, Mark and Larry Buschmann accepted on behalf of Lawrence Buschmann.*



*Lawrence Buschmann of Vienna was the recipient of the Eugene E. Northern award at the MRPC Annual Awards Banquet on Oct. 13 in Vienna. Buschmann was nominated by Maries County Presiding Commissioner Vic Stratman. Unfortunately, he was unable to attend the event so his kids accepted the award on his behalf. Photographed (left to right): MRPC Vice chair Mary Heywood, Mark Buschmann, Tammy Pollerisz, Paula Schwartz, Larry Buschmann and MRPC Chairman Steve Vogt*

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