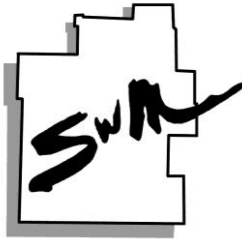


Southwest Missouri Council of Governments



2013 Annual Report

Enhancing the Quality of Our Communities through Regional Cooperation

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About SMCOG

Who We Are

The Southwest Missouri Council of Governments (SMCOG) was formed in 1989 pursuant to Chapter 251 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. SMCOG is one of 19 active councils of governments (also called regional planning commissions) in the State. The SMCOG region encompasses the counties of Barry, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Greene, Lawrence, Polk, Stone, Taney and Webster.

Regional planning commissions are extensions of local government, bringing together communities and resources to address issues of mutual concern as well as local needs. Missouri's regional planning commissions are each tailored to meet the needs of the local governments and communities they serve. Missouri's regional planning commissions also work together through a state association, the Missouri Association of Councils of Government, to share experiences and find ways to better serve our local constituencies.

SMCOG Mission

SMCOG's mission is to enhance the quality of our communities through regional cooperation. We achieve this by:

- Providing staff expertise in planning and community development
- Creating networking opportunities to address issues of common concern
- Assisting governments in accessing resources
- Advocating for Southwest Missouri

Governance

SMCOG is governed by a Board of Directors with representatives from each member local government and citizens representing private sector business and non-profit organizations. The Board directs SMCOG's mission and establishes policy guidance for the organization's operations and services. The Board's Executive Committee is responsible for conducting business on behalf of the Board of Directors as may be necessary.

Since its organization in 1989, SMCOG has been administered through a unique public/public sector partnership with Missouri State University's Center for Resource Planning and Management. The University provides for staffing, administrative services and program delivery on behalf of SMCOG.

About SMCOG

Funding for SMCOG’s operation and program delivery comes from a variety of sources. City and county members contribute annual dues and some planning funds are provided by state and federal government grants. SMCOG also receives funding from local, state and federal governments for contract services provided to individual communities and the region.

Services

SMCOG serves as a forum for local elected officials and community stakeholders to discuss issues of common concern. The Council provides for coordination of programs addressing issues and needs that cross political boundaries and that are of regional significance, such as economic development, transportation, and emergency management. SMCOG provides staff support that enables its members to access technical assistance, grant writing and administration, research, planning services, and linkages to funding and other resources for local project needs. Services available through SMCOG include:

Technical Assistance Services

- Grant writing and administration
- Comprehensive plan development and updates
- Specialty planning studies
- Subdivision ordinances
- Zoning regulations
- Community surveys
- Geographic Information Systems and custom mapping
- Transportation Planning
- Parking studies, Traffic counts
- Hazard mitigation planning
- Economic development planning
- Environmental assessments
- Cost-benefit analysis
- Homeland security regionalization services

Information Services

- State Census Data Center affiliate- provide census data and specialty reports
- Workshops and training sessions on topics of local/regional interest and state and federal programs
- Disseminate information on federal and state programs and funding opportunities
- Planning & Zoning Commission training sessions
- Data gathering and research
- Planning library
- Research on prospective funding for local projects
- Other services available on request

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Transportation Planning

SMCOG's transportation planning program is conducted through a cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). SMCOG provides transportation planning coordination for the areas within its ten-county area outside of the Springfield metropolitan area which is served by the Ozarks Transportation Organization. The transportation planning program conducted by SMCOG includes the development and maintenance of the jurisdiction's regional transportation plan, identification and prioritization of transportation system needs, coordination with MoDOT and dissemination of information on transportation issues to the SMCOG membership, and technical and advisory assistance to local governments.

An important component of this program is the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), comprised of representatives from each county in the region. The TAC serves as an advisory body to the SMCOG Board of Directors and MoDOT on the transportation system needs assessment and prioritization process.

Transportation Needs Prioritization

As part of the prioritization process described in MoDOT's *Planning Framework for Transportation Decision Making*, the TAC engaged in identifying and prioritizing a list of needs for MoDOT's consideration for scoping during FY2014. Part of this process included meeting with the county commissioners and city officials in each county and discussing any new or ongoing transportation needs in the county. The county and city meetings were completed in FY2012 and the TAC completed prioritizing the needs list in November 2012. The top ten priority needs included:

- Route 65: Safety improvements from City of Buffalo north to county line
- Route 60 from Route 125 through Rogersville: Capacity improvements/Upgrade to freeway
- Route 76 from Branson West to Route 465: Capacity and alignment improvements
- Route 37 South from Monett to the Arkansas State Line: Capacity and alignment improvements
- Route 60 to Route 37: Capacity Improvements from the Springfield MPO boundary to Route 37
- Route 215, Bridge over Pomme De Terre: Bridge needs raised and widened
- Route 76 at Indian Point and at Route 265: Capacity improvements
- Route 160 (Route 76 to Route 265): Various intersection improvements
- Route B Low-Water Bridge North of Rogersville: Frequently floods
- Route 165 (Route 76 to Route 265): Capacity improvements

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Transportation Enhancements/Transportation Alternatives

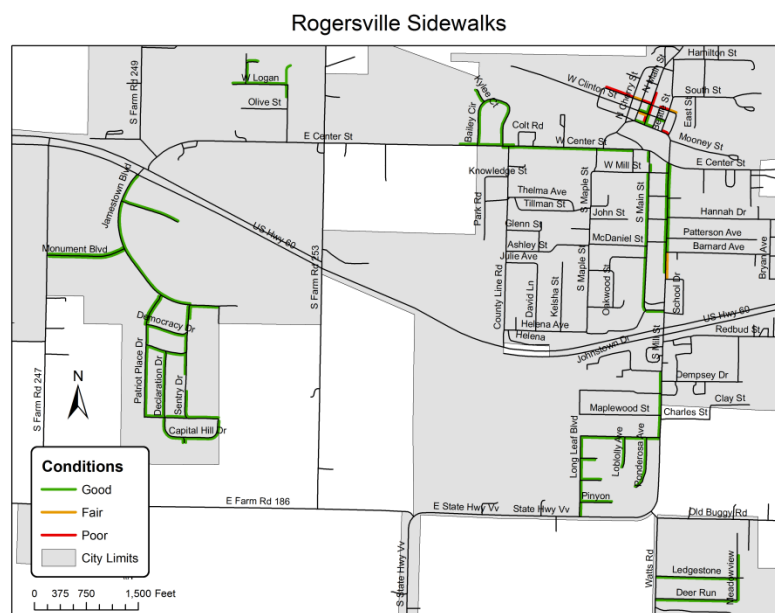
On July 6, 2012, President Obama signed into law, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). A new program, the Transportation Alternatives (TA) –encompasses most activities funded under the Transportation Enhancements, Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School programs under SAFETEA-LU. In December 2012, MoDOT Southwest district invited SMCOG and its other planning partners to score project applications for remaining Transportation Enhancement dollars and the first round of Transportation Alternatives. Scoring was completed in December. Projects within the SMCOG area include:

- City of Aurora: White Park Trail
- City of Buffalo: Buffalo Greenway Trail
- City of Clever: Clever Trail, Phase III
- City of Mount Vernon: Hickory Street Sidewalks, Phase I
- City of Verona: Verona Sidewalks, Phase I
- City of Rogersville: Center Street Sidewalks

Sidewalk Inventory

In late FY2011, SMCOG began work on the sidewalk assessment inventory task included in the work program approved by MoDOT. This project involved on-site assessment of pedestrian facilities for cities with greater than 1,000 population. SMCOG completed the assessment phase of this project, including field and GIS work, in June 2013. The web-based mapping application for the project will be completed in FY2014. The sidewalk inventory assessments were completed for the following communities:

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| • Ash Grove | • Hollister |
| • Aurora | • Humansville |
| • Billings | • Kimberling City |
| • Bolivar | • Marionville |
| • Branson | • Marshfield |
| • Buffalo | • Monett |
| • Cassville | • Mt. Vernon |
| • Clever | • Pierce City |
| • Crane | • Purdy |
| • Fair Grove | • Rogersville |
| • Forsyth | • Seymour |
| • Greenfield | • Sparta |



Regional Programs and Initiatives

Transportation Funding Forum

SMCOG hosted a regional forum focused on transportation funding in June 2013. Over 50 city and county leaders attended the forum to discuss a variety of transportation funding mechanisms. Speakers included area leaders in government and business including: MoDOT CFO, Roberta Broeker; Chairman of the Monett Tax improvement Financing Commission, Mark Nelson; and Gilmore & Bell attorney, Rick McConnell.

Annual Planning Partners Meeting

The MoDOT Southwest District hosted its annual planning partners meeting in February 2013. In addition to staff from the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments, the Harry S. Truman Coordinating Council, the Joplin Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission, two guests from each organization participated in the meeting. Two categories of transportation needs were identified through this planning process, Major Corridors and Regional Needs. The Major Corridor projects prioritized in the Southwest District were:

- Route 65: Corridor improvements on Route 65 from Warsaw to Buffalo.
- Route 171: Corridor improvements on Route 171 from Kansas State Line to Fir Road
- Route 60: Upgrade Route 60 to freeway from Springfield to Rogersville
- Route 43: New corridor in the Joplin Metropolitan Area from north of Carl Junction to I-44
- Route 60: Corridor improvements on Route 60 from Monett to Republic
- Route 76: Corridor improvements on Route 76 from Branson West to Branson
- Route 37: Corridor improvements on Route 37 from Monett to Arkansas
- Route 13: Corridor improvements on Route 13 from Warrensburg to Clinton

High ranking regional needs from the SMCOG area Included:

- Route 60: Interchange on Route 60 at Route 125 in Rogersville
- Route 76: Intersection improvements on Route 76 at Lakeshore Drive
- Route 76: Intersection and operational improvements on Route 76 from Indian Pointe Road to Route 265
- Route 13: Capacity expansion to four lanes on Route 13 from Route 160 to south of Route 76 south junction in Branson West

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Transit Coordination Plan

The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), passed by Congress in August, 2005, requires that grantees applying for funds under the New Freedom Initiative (5317), Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC-5316) and Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program (5310) must meet certain planning requirements. SAFETEA-LU specifically requires projects for the three above programs to be a strategy of a public transit plan that addresses the transportation services needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and persons with low incomes.

SMCOG developed the Public Transit-Human Services Plan in 2007 for the rural areas of the region outside of the Springfield metropolitan area and completed the five year required update of the plan (Transit Coordination Plan) during 2013. Update of the plan was initiated during the spring of 2012 with a series of meetings held throughout the region with transportation service providers and stakeholders to gather information on existing services and needs. In addition to online surveys, a second round of public meetings was held in August 2012 to further assess needs and to identify and prioritize strategies to address the identified gaps in service. The Transit Coordination Plan, funded through the Missouri Department of Transportation, was completed in December 2012 and adopted by the SMCOG Board of Directors in March 2013.

The *Southwest Missouri Council of Governments Transit Coordination Plan 2013* is online at <http://smcog.missouristate.edu/transportation.html>

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Region D Homeland Security Program

SMCOG continues to serve as the administrative and procurement agent for the Region D Homeland Security Regionalization Program for the 18 counties of Barry, Barton, Cedar, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Greene, Hickory, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton, Polk, St. Clair, Stone, Taney, Vernon, and Webster. SMCOG provided staff support for the RHSOC meetings held during the year, prepared Region D's Homeland Security Grant Program application, and continued to host and maintain the RHSOC's website to further public awareness of the program and available regional assets. The RHSOC met several times throughout the year to discuss various issues within the Region and the State, be advised of the purchasing status, re-appropriate funding, and determine the projects for the FY2013 grant application.

The FY2009 Homeland Security Regionalization Grant of \$895,559.09 was closed out at the end of July 2012. Funds received in September 2012 from the FY2012 grant were again cut from the previous year award to \$221,176.85. Both the FY2011 grant and the FY2012 grant are scheduled to close out on August 31, 2014. FY2010 grant funds were expended the end of June and the grant is to be closed out by the end of July 2013.

Grant funds are now used to sustain equipment previously purchased with earlier grants, to provide training for response teams, and to complete projects that were split between fiscal years. The FY2012 funds have been used for communications sustainment; Incident Support Team and Structural Collapse training; purchase of a Snake Eye camera, the remaining piece of equipment required for three teams in Region D to operate at the FEMA Type I Structural Collapse level; and replacement bomb suits for the Region D Bomb Squad.



Snake Eye Camera

SMCOG also received funds from the Office of Homeland Security to aid the RHSOC in the development of a Region D Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) to help support the application process for FY2013 grants. This assessment will be used to guide future project requests for the regions in Missouri. Total awards for the Region D Homeland Security Regionalization Grant Program that have been administered by SMCOG through FY2013 are noted below.

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Grant	SHSP Funding	Funds Remaining	Funds Expended	Percent Expended	Maintenance	Total Funding
FY06	\$1,645,383.37	-	\$1,645,383.37	100%	\$50,886.96	\$1,696,270.33
FY07	\$895,559.29	-	\$895,559.29	100%	\$27,697.71	\$923,257.00
FY08	\$1,085,240.90	-	\$1,085,240.90	100%	\$30,434.28	\$1,115,675.18
FY09	\$895,559.29	-	\$895,559.29	100%	\$27,643.13	\$923,202.42
FY10	\$842,666.97	-	\$842,666.97	100%	\$35,110.48	\$877,777.45
FY11	\$307,105.17	\$39,744.79	\$267,360.38	87%	\$6,646.18	\$274,006.56
FY12	\$221,176.85	\$103,415.59	\$117,761.26	53%	\$2,796.79	\$120,558.05
Totals	\$5,892,691.84	\$143,160.38	\$5,749,531.46		\$181,215.53	\$5,930,746.99

MoBroadbandNow Phase II Planning

The MoBroadbandNow initiative was created by Governor Nixon to develop a public-private partnership to expand the reach of affordable, high speed internet access throughout Missouri by the end of 2014. SMCOG contracted with the State to organize a Regional Technical Planning Team (RTPT) to obtain input on assessing the broadband needs within the region and to contribute to the development of a regional broadband plan for southwest Missouri.

SMCOG completed all planning activities and submitted reviews of the draft strategic plan and other input from the RTPT and the public to the State project team for preparation of the final strategic plan for the region in FY2012. The *Broadband Availability and Adoption Strategic Plan for the Southwest Missouri Region* was finalized by the State planning team and adopted by the SMCOG Board of Directors in August 2012.

In April 2013, an agreement was entered into with the Missouri Office of Administration for BroadbandNow Phase II Planning. This project includes reconvening the SMCOG Regional Technology Planning Team (RTPT) to review and comment on the State Broadband Strategic Report: *Building Broadband Access and Adoption in Missouri*. The project also involves establishing a “targeted topics” committee to develop a broadband implementation plan for a priority economic cluster identified by the State—health care. The first work element of the Phase II project was completed during FY2013. The SMCOG RTPT met at the Library Center in Springfield on May 3, 2013 to develop and coordinate comment on the State Broadband Strategic Report. Feedback from the meeting, meeting notes and agenda were submitted to the Office of Administration on May 24, 2013. The development of the broadband implementation plan for health care is scheduled for completion by December 2013.

The *Broadband Availability and Adoption Strategic Plan for the Southwest Missouri Region* is online at <http://smcog.missouristate.edu>

Regional Programs and Initiatives

CDBG Supplemental Disaster Planning

In FY2011, SMCOG received a Community Development Block to provide technical assistance and planning activities to assist counties and communities in the decision making process to reduce future development in high hazard areas, to mitigate existing development in hazard areas, and to implement identified mitigation strategies developed through the hazard mitigation planning process that will help communities to become more resilient and reduce or eliminate property damages, injuries and loss of life from disaster events. Greene County was awarded the CDBG grant for the region on behalf of SMCOG as the sub-applicant. Services provided through this grant include:

- technical assistance on planning for land utilization in high hazard areas
- mapping services for hazard areas in area communities
- professional development training for local community officials responsible for floodplain management and decision making on infrastructure, and development in high hazard areas, and coordination of program outcomes with other state and federal agency programs.

The outcomes of these planning activities will be utilized to assist communities and counties in seeking mitigation assistance, complying with federal, state and local regulations and coordinating public investments for disaster preparedness, mitigation, and response.

Land Suitability Conflict Analysis

During FY2013, SMCOG staff worked with the Taney County Planning and Zoning Commission in the development of a land suitability conflict analysis to aid in future land-use decisions. This project was designed to provide technical assistance in the development of a forward thinking land-use plan that will guide subsequent land-use decisions in the community and reduce future development in disaster risk areas. Map layers of hazard prone areas were combined with other mapped environmental features and features of the built environment to determine land suitable for agricultural, conservation and urban use. Based on the preference and values of the Commission members, weights were assigned to the various map data layers to a land use preference map locating the area suitable for the three broad uses of agriculture, urban and conservation use, and areas of conflict. In January of 2013, a report was submitted to the Planning and Zoning Administrator containing a future land-use scenario based on the land-use conflict analysis.

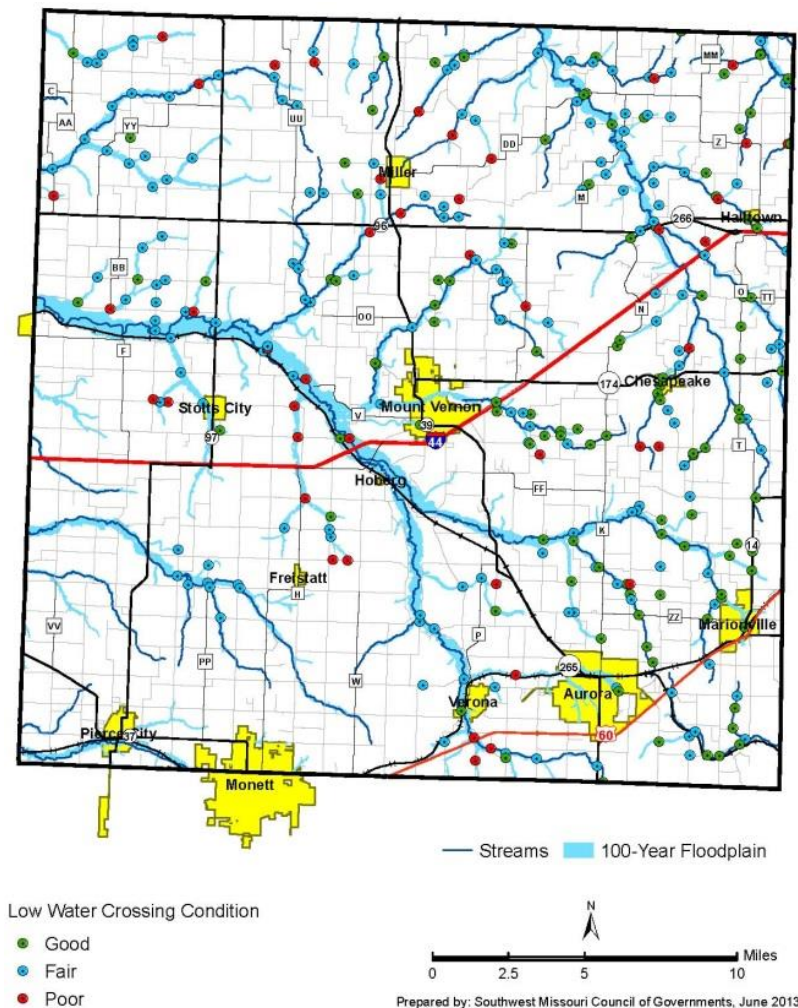
Work has been ongoing to develop a process model and database of map layers for all counties in the SMCOG region so that the analysis can be replicated using weights and preferences of stakeholder groups in each county.

Regional Programs and Initiatives

Low Water Crossing Inventories

Low water crossing inventories are being conducted for mapping of high hazard areas in each county. Inventories, including field GPS field location, conditions, and mapping, were completed for low water crossings in Lawrence, Polk, and Stone counties during FY2013. The GIS databases will be provided to the counties to assist in their planning, emergency management, and hazard mitigation programs. The remaining inventories for Dade, Dallas, and Taney counties will be completed during FY2014.

Lawrence County Low Water Crossings



Local Technical and Advisory Assistance

Hazard Mitigation Planning

Hazard mitigation planning is a proactive effort to assess risks and identify actions that can be undertaken to mitigate the impacts of disaster events on life and property. Federal statute requires that local governments develop and adopt hazard mitigation plans to be eligible for certain federal disaster mitigation funding programs and it is required that these plans be updated every five years. During the year, SMCOG staff completed the multi-jurisdictional natural hazard mitigation plan updates for three counties within the region. All three plans were approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA):

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| • Taney County Hazard Mitigation Plan | Expiration Date: January 17, 2018 |
| • Lawrence County Hazard Mitigation Plan | Expiration Date: March 27, 2018 |
| • Stone County Hazard Mitigation Plan | Expiration Date: May 17, 2018 |

SMCOG also worked to complete the plan updates for Dallas and Polk counties, as well as develop the initial multi-jurisdictional natural hazard mitigation plan for Dade County. These plans will be submitted for FEMA review and approval in the 2014 fiscal year.

Community Planning

SMCOG provides technical and advisory assistance on comprehensive planning and land development regulations on a request basis to local governments. During the year, assistance was provided to the following communities:

- City of Pleasant Hope, advisory assistance and map updates for the preparation of the Pleasant Hope Comprehensive Plan, adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission in October, 2012.
- City of Rockaway Beach, advisory assistance to the Planning and Zoning Commission on the update of the city's zoning regulations

Information, Training and Advocacy Services

SMCOG continues its efforts to create networking opportunities to address issues of common concern, to assist the membership in accessing resources, to disseminate information of interest, to provide educational and training opportunities, and to advocate for Southwest Missouri. A few examples of activities during FY2013 include:

- SMCOG hosted the annual Municipal Officials Training Workshop on August 2, 2012 at the Springfield-Greene County Library Center in Springfield. This event continues to be quite popular with 48 local government representatives in attendance. Richard Sheets, Deputy Director of the Missouri Municipal League, presented the workshop.



Richard Sheets, Municipal Officials Training Workshop

- SMCOG continued its agreement with the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce to collect field data three times per year for the Cost of Living Index Price Reports and then to report the information to the National Council for Community & Economic Research. This information is used to attract businesses and residents to the region.
- SMCOG is a member of the Missouri Association of Council of Governments (MACOG). to support the availability of community and economic development, transportation planning, hazard mitigation planning, and homeland security regionalization programs and funding to assist and benefit local communities and the region.

Information, Training and Advocacy Services

- SMCOG distributed information via email to the membership on federal and state funding opportunities, program changes and training/educational workshops and webinars.
- SMCOG continued a working partnership with the Ozarks Workforce Investment Board; SMCOG's Associate Director serves on the WIB and the Planning and Oversight Committee.
- Staff represented SMCOG and participated in local, regional, state and national conferences, grant program training, and professional development sessions, including:
 - **“Transforming Streets into Public Spaces” webinar, Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals, August 15, 2012.**
 - Missouri Community Development Block Grant Program Administration Training Seminar, Jefferson City, August 28-30, 2012.
 - FY2012 Homeland Security Regional Grant Program Subrecipient Award and Compliance Workshop, Jefferson City, September 13, 2012.
 - Economic Outlook Conference, Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, Springfield, September 18, 2012.
 - Iowa Association of Regional Councils 4-State Conference, Ankeny, Iowa, June 16-18, 2013.
 - Springfield Regional Economic Partnership Retreat, Kansas City, October 5, 2012.
 - Missouri Economic Development Council Fall Conference, Springfield, October 24-26, 2012.
 - New Partners for Smart Growth Conference, Kansas City, February 7-9, 2013.
 - “Driving Death Down: Proven Countermeasures that Work” webinar, Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals, February 20, 2013.
 - 2013 Homeland Security Regional Grant Program Application Workshop, Office of Homeland Security, February 20, 2013.
 - “Why Export? Key Information for Economic Development Professionals & Businesses Wanting to Connect to International Markets,” Missouri Economic Development Council workshops, Joplin & Springfield, April 5, 2013.
 - Community Conservation Workshop, Missouri Department of Conservation, Columbia, May 7-9, 2013.
 - 2013 Traffic and Safety Conference, Columbia, May 14-16, 2013.
 - 2013 Broadband Telemedicine Multi-State Summit, St. Louis, May 20, 2013.
 - Spring River Water Summit, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Joplin, May 30-31, 2013.
 - Springfield Regional Economic Partnership Annual Partners Meeting, Springfield, May 31, 2013.

Financial Statement

Southwest Missouri Council of Governments Financial Statement Summary July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

REVENUE FY2013	
Membership Fees	\$34,337.50
Federal Grants/Funds Pass Through	\$838,438.01
State Grants/Funds	\$239,502.96
Local Funds	\$5,840.59
Total Revenues FY2013	\$1,118,119.06

EXPENSES FY2013	
Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits	\$220,300.46
Federal Grants/Funds Pass Through	\$642,271.68
Travel	\$10,101.59
Supplies	\$3,541.82
Services	\$7,773.83
Facilities & Administrative Costs	\$51,273.02
Other Operational Costs	\$3,513.98
Total Expenses FY2013	\$938,776.88

Boards and Committees

Board of Directors Southwest Missouri Council of Governments 2012 – 2013

Chair – Chris Coulter
Vice-Chair – Brian Bingle
Secretary/Treasurer – Cindy Stephens

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Dave Watson, City Administrator, Marshfield
Nancy Edson, City Administrator, Rogersville

NON-GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Chris Berndt, Southwest MO Emergency Support Org.
Lisa Bernet, Bernet Investments
Brian Daugherty, Mid-Missouri Bank
J. Howard Fisk, J. Howard Fisk Limousines
Michelle Garand, Community Partnership of the Ozarks
Star Kohler, Southwest Missouri Office on Aging
Allen Kunkel, Missouri State University
Yolanda Lorge, Grupo Latinoamericano
Cy Murray, White River Valley Electric
Jeff Seifried, Springfield Regional Economic Partnership
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Nancy Edson
Allen Kunkel
Todd Wiesehan

Boards and Committees

Transportation Advisory Committee 2012-2013

Dennis Wood, Chair
Todd Wiesehan, Vice-Chair

BARRY COUNTY

Cherry Warren
Eugene Dilbeck

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

Danny Garbee
Todd Wiesehan

DADE COUNTY

Randy Daniel
Position Open

DALLAS COUNTY

Kenneth Bacon
Rex Barclay

GREENE COUNTY

J. Howard Fisk
Joel Keller

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Max Springer
Position Open

POLK COUNTY

John Hopkins
Rick Davis

STONE COUNTY

Dennis Wood
Collin Brannan

TANEY COUNTY

David Miller
Buddy Roberts

WEBSTER COUNTY

Nancy Edson
Stan Whitehurst

Retiring Members

Frank Washburn, Barry County
Bill Marshall, Dade County
Bill Monday, Dallas County
Robert Walster, Lawrence County
Toney Stonecypher, Lawrence County
Billy Dryer, Polk County
Susie Knust, Webster County

Boards and Committees

Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee 2012 – 2013

Chair, Ryan Nicholls
Vice Chair, Jaci McReynolds

Discipline	Principal Member	First Alternate
Emergency Management	Ryan Nicholls	Ted Martin
Police	Lane Roberts	Greg Higdon
County Sheriff	Jim Arnott	Mitch Shaw
Fire	David Pennington	David Hall
County Health	Jaci McReynolds	Paige Behm
HSRRS	Shea Lane	Bruce Bjorge
Public Works	David Brock	Ron Bailey
Mayor/City Administrator	Max Springer	Troy Royer
County Commissioner	Jeff Tucker	Randy Daniel
Industry/LEPC	David Edwards	Nathan Bower
Utilities	Tom Killibrew	Tim McCracken
EMS	Dana Aumiller	Bob Patterson
911	Rance Duffy	April Tarrant
Volunteer Groups	Lisa McCarthy	Rick Lewis
Schools	Scott Blake	Jon Turner
Agriculture	Todd Schubert	Position Open
Hospitals	Jason Henry	Russ Conroy

Retiring Members

Charles Dake, Agriculture	Chris Berndt, HS RRS
Jeanne Beas, County Health	Ron Potter, Mayor
Bonda Rawlings, County Commissioner	John Drury, Public Works Alternate
Sam Gaskill, County Commissioner Alternate	Shawn Dilday, Schools
Travis Trent, Fire	Debi Meeds, Volunteer Groups

Boards and Committees

Southwest Missouri Health Care Regional Technology Planning Team

Name	Title	Organization
Todd Wiesehan	Planning & Zoning Administrator	Christian County
Angela Davison	Telehealth Coordinator	Citizens Memorial Healthcare
Denni McColm	CIO	Citizens Memorial Healthcare
Sherry Montileone	Information Technology	Citizens Memorial Healthcare
Brian Bingle	City Administrator	City of Nixa
Nancy Edson	City Administrator	City of Rogersville
Dan Brewer	Sr. Manager-Communications	CoxHealth
J.R. Smith	Sales Representative	GraybaR
Tom Roper	Lead IT Business Partner	Mercy Technology Services
Karen Thomas	President	Oxford Healthcare
Sherry Coker	Director-Ctr. For Workforce Dev.	Ozarks Technical College
Jay Bosch	Emergency Management Specialist	Polycom
Becky Allen	Health Representative	Sho-Me Technologies
Todd Murren	Director	SpringNet

SMCOG Staff

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Diane May, AICP, Executive Director
Jane Hood, Associate Director
David Faucett, Community Planner
Lynda Jochims, Accounting Specialist
Danial Watts, Planner
Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren, Community Development Coordinator
Shuo-Sheng Wu, Geospatial Information Technician

Visit our websites for information on programs and services, upcoming meetings, current news items, regional data and contact information for SMCOG members.

SMCOG Website

<http://smcog.missouristate.edu>

Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC) Website

<http://rhsoc-d.missouristate.edu>

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