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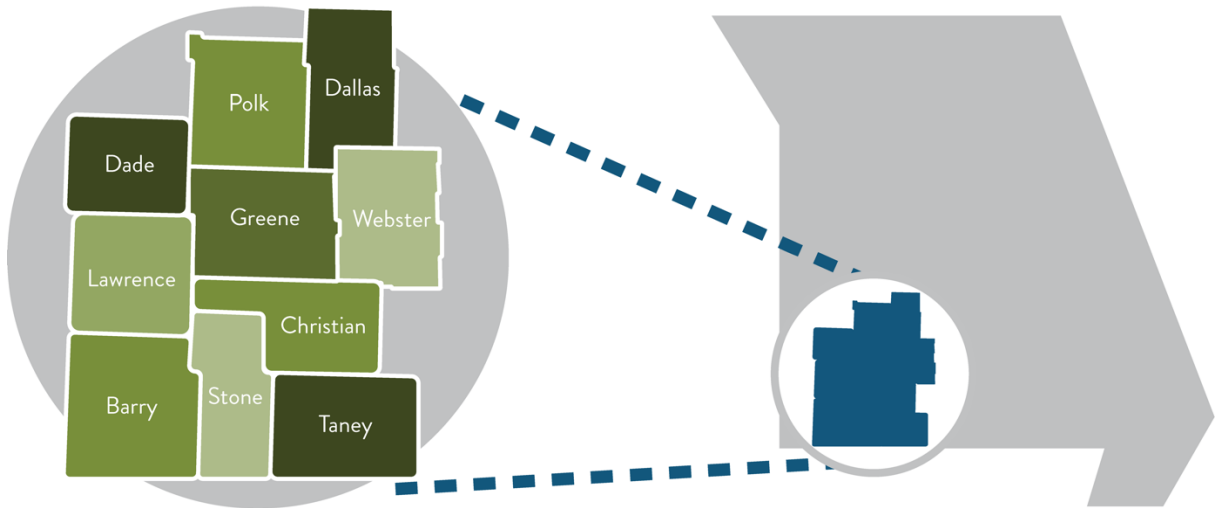


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SMCOG Overview

The Southwest Missouri Council of Governments (SMCOG) is an organization comprised of local governments serving the counties of Barry, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Greene, Lawrence, Polk, Stone, Taney and Webster in southwest Missouri. Organized in 1989 pursuant to Chapter 251 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, SMCOG is one of the State's active regional planning commissions.



Mission and Governance

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.

“Enhancing the quality of our communities through regional cooperation.”

we achieve this by:

- 01 providing staff expertise in planning & community development
- 02 creating networking opportunities to address issues of common concern
- 03 assisting governments in accessing resources
- 04 advocating for the Southwest Missouri Region

SMCOG is governed by a Board of Directors with representatives from each member local government and citizens representing private sector business and other public service 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.

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

OUR SERVICES

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
- Benefit-cost 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
- Bi-weekly Local Government Briefings publication
- Planning & Zoning Commission training sessions
- Data gathering and research
- Planning library
- Research on prospective funding for local projects
- Other services available on request

FY 2021 Program Highlights

Community and Economic Development

Housing

As a continuation of the Regional Housing Forum hosted by SMCOG in May of 2019, the Council of Governments sought funding opportunities and issued an RFP to complete multiple housing studies throughout the region. While funding was not secured in FY20, SMCOG's efforts to address housing issues continued through the convening of regional discussions and sharing of resource materials. In FY21, SMCOG partnered with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks' GRO program to expand the housing discussion to include additional communities. SMCOG staff has also advocated for local zoning reforms to help increase housing supply within the region.

SMCOG staff provided technical assistance to the City of Crane in Christian County to apply for CDBG funds to demolish 13 dilapidated and hazardous residential structures and one publicly-owned commercial structure. The grant was successfully awarded on June 4, 2021 for \$241,088 with local contributions of \$21,500 and \$6,500 in private funds. SMCOG will administer this project over the next 2-3 years.

Additionally, SMCOG provided assistance to the City of Branson and Elevate Branson, a 501(c)3 organization providing a number of services to Taney County residents to submit a CDBG application public infrastructure, including roads, water, and sewer, that will be in support of an affordable housing development, known as Elevate Community Village. The development will include 48 tiny homes (400 square feet), 2 micro-enterprise shops, and a missions bunkhouse. The grant was successfully awarded on March 26, 2021 for \$1.94 million. The project is also funded

with \$2,275,150 in local funds and \$2.45 million in private contributions. SMCOG will administer this project over the next few years.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Private Funds</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| <i>Crane Demolition Project</i> | \$241,088 | \$21,500 | \$6,500 | \$269,088 |
| <i>Elevate Community Village</i> | \$1,940,000 | \$2,275,150 | \$2,450,000 | \$6,665,150 |

Economic Development Planning

SMCOG provides technical and advisory assistance on economic development planning to its member communities and area organizations. During the year some of the activities undertaken in support of promoting economic development opportunities in the region included:

- SMCOG is funded as the Federally-designated Economic Development District (EDD) through the Economic Development Administration (EDA). This funding supports regional economic development planning and was extended to an additional three years in FY21.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <i>Annual EDA Partnership Planning Program</i> | \$70,000 | \$30,000 | \$100,000 |

- SMCOG was awarded a grant through EDA for long term economic recovery planning activities related to the COVID-19 pandemic. SMCOG leveraged this grant to hire a full-time Recovery Coordinator and Grants Administrator. This grant has also funded market studies for the communities of Ozark, Republic, and Buffalo.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <i>EDA COVID-19 Long Term Recovery</i> | \$400,000 | \$0 | \$400,000 |

- SMCOG was awarded a \$1 million Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) through EDA. The RLF will leverage private investment to expand small business access to capital while reducing risk to lenders.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|----------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| <i>EDA RLF</i> | \$975,000 | \$25,000 | \$1,000,000 |

- SMCOG staff served on the Governments Liaisons Committee of the Springfield Contractors Association to better understand issues facing commercial, industrial, and utilities contractor in the region.
- SMCOG staff continued to serve on the executive board of the RMI, Inc., which functions as a certified lender of SBA 504 Small Business Loans.
- SMCOG continued its agreement with the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce to collect field data, 3 times per year for the Cost of Living Index Price Reports which in turn the Chamber provides to the National Council for Community & Economic Research. This information is used to attract new residents and businesses to the area.
- SMCOG continued a working partnership with the Ozarks Workforce Development Board and staff is a member of the WDB’s Planning and Oversight Committee.
- SMCOG routinely distributed information via email to the membership on funding opportunities, program changes and training/educational opportunities related to economic and community development.
- SMCOG maintained and actively participated in the Missouri Association of Council of Governments (MACOG) to support all economic development efforts and legislation.
- Staff participated in the Taney County Partners for Progress.
- SMCOG partnered with the Show Me Christian County Economic Development Organization.

Homeland Security Regionalization

SMCOG serves as the administrative and fiscal 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 continues to provide administrative services to the Region D RHSOC and procurement services for the Homeland Security Regional Grants awarded to jurisdictions in Region D.

The FY18 State Homeland Security Program Grant of \$360,907.95 was closed out June 30, 2021. During the majority of the year, activity focused on FY19 grant procurement which will be completed August 31, 2021. The Region D FY20 Grant award in the amount of \$355,311 was received in October 2020 with procurement of services for regional jurisdictions starting in March.

The emphasis in Homeland Security is on sustaining previous purchases first before acquiring any new equipment or capability. As a result, projects continued communications sustainment; Chemical, Bomb, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) sustainment; and Regional Preparedness through credentialing and training. The RHSOC met quarterly in person and through Zoom to discuss various issues within the Region and the State, be advised of the purchasing status, and determine the projects for the FY20 grant application. During the spring, several members scored the FY21 applications which will be determined this summer. Due to the pandemic, the RHSOC members reviewed this year's Region D Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) through emails and agreed not to make any changes at this time. The THIRA assesses the impacts of the most catastrophic threats and hazards to the Region/State and establishes capability targets to manage them.

The following table summarizes the Region D Homeland Security Regionalization Grant Program funds that have been allocated to the region and administered by SMCOG.

| | <i>SHSP Funding</i> | <i>Funds Remaining</i> | <i>Funds Expended</i> | <i>Percent Expended</i> | <i>M&A</i> | <i>Total Funding</i> |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <i>FY06</i> | \$1,645,383.37 | - | \$1,645,383.37 | 100% | \$50,886.96 | \$1,696,270.33 |
| <i>FY07</i> | \$895,559.29 | - | \$895,559.29 | 100% | \$27,697.71 | \$923,257.00 |
| <i>FY08</i> | \$1,085,240.90 | - | \$1,085,240.90 | 100% | \$30,434.28 | \$1,115,675.18 |
| <i>FY09</i> | \$895,559.29 | - | \$895,559.29 | 100% | \$27,643.13 | \$923,202.42 |
| <i>FY10</i> | \$842,666.97 | - | \$842,666.97 | 100% | \$35,110.48 | \$877,777.45 |
| <i>FY11</i> | \$307,105.17 | - | \$307,105.17 | 100% | \$12,796.05 | \$319,901.22 |
| <i>FY12</i> | \$221,176.85 | - | \$221,176.85 | 100% | \$9,215.15 | \$230,392.00 |
| <i>FY13</i> | \$269,178.07 | - | \$269,178.07 | 100% | \$14,167.27 | \$283,345.34 |
| <i>FY14</i> | \$479,689.57 | - | \$479,689.57 | 100% | \$21,895.97 | \$487,712.41 |
| <i>FY15</i> | \$349,520.85 | - | \$349,520.85 | 100% | \$18,385.50 | \$367,906.35 |
| <i>FY16</i> | \$355,157.17 | - | \$355,157.17 | 100% | \$18,316.40 | \$373,473.57 |
| <i>FY17</i> | \$337,565.39 | - | \$337,565.39 | 100% | \$17,766.60 | \$355,331.99 |
| <i>FY18</i> | \$342,849.35 | - | \$342,849.35 | 100% | \$18,058.60 | \$360,907.95 |
| <i>FY19</i> | \$337,376.46 | \$75,124.94 | \$262,251.52 | 78% | \$12,667.32 | \$274,918.84 |
| <i>FY20</i> | \$348,775.95 | \$299,988.48 | \$48,787.47 | 14% | \$1,569.66 | \$50,357.13 |
| <i>Totals</i> | \$8,712,804.65 | \$375,113.42 | \$8,337,691.23 | | \$316,611.08 | \$8,654,302.31 |

Transportation Planning Program

SMCOG’s transportation planning program is conducted through a cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). Each year SMCOG provides transportation planning coordination for the areas within its ten-county region outside of the Springfield metropolitan area which is served by the Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO). 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. Work program activities completed during FY21 are listed below. SMCOG received a grant for \$64,705 in federal transportation funds through MoDOT and provided \$16,176 in local match.

SMCOG worked with Webster County to apply to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) to conduct a Preliminary Environmental Linkages (PEL) study to identify alternative preliminary designs for construction of an interchange and outer road system at I-44 and Highway A at Diggins, MO, as well as shoulder pull-offs along Highway A to minimize conflict between agricultural buggies and vehicular freight traffic travelling between Highway 60 and Interstate 44. The EDA grant was awarded on November 5, 2020 for \$127,622 with a local match of \$31,906.

Additionally, SMCOG assisted the City of Rockaway Beach in Taney County to apply for CDBG funds to repave several blocks of local roadways and provide stormwater drainage. The grant was successfully awarded on May 24, 2021 and will be administered by SMCOG.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <i>MoDOT Transportation Planning Work Program</i> | \$64,705 | \$16,176 | \$80,881 |
| <i>Webster County PEL</i> | \$127,622 | \$31,906 | \$159,528 |
| <i>Rockaway Beach Road Improvements</i> | \$455,737 | \$50,000 | \$505,737 |

Planning Support Activities

- Participated in Planning Partners meetings for the Southwest MoDOT District.
- Participated in MoDOT Statewide Planning Partners meeting.
- SMCOG staff facilitated Board and Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings where members were informed of the pertinent federal and state legislation dealing with transportation issues and services.
- Staff attended meetings with communities and MoDOT to gather public input on possible transportation solutions.
- Staff participated in the Taney County Transportation Advisory Board.

General Transportation Planning Activities

- Worked with the TAC and other local stakeholders to continue to provide information on MoDOT's transportation planning activities.
- Worked with the OTO on the LCB (Local Coordination Board) and the BPAC (Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee) and attended Technical Committee meetings.
- Attended meetings with the Ozarks Clean Air Alliance.
- SMCOG informed member communities of MoDOT's programs and other Transportation funding opportunities such as TAP, TEAP and cost-share, along with other federal programs such as LWCF and RTP.
- Assisted communities in planning for interchange improvements with MoDOT, and advised communities on funding/financing options for local roads.
- SMCOG staff facilitated the regional transportation prioritization processes with the TAC during FY21.
- SMCOG staff served on the application review committee to award TAP funds within the Southwest MoDOT District.

Hazard Mitigation

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 finalized the Webster, Christian, and Barry County Hazard Mitigation Plans and received an award notification for the next round of five-year plan updates for Lawrence, Taney, Stone, Polk, and Dallas Counties. The funding for each plan is outlined below:

| <i>County</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <i>Lawrence</i> | \$19,200 | \$6,400 | \$25,800 |
| <i>Taney</i> | \$22,000 | \$7,334 | \$29,334 |
| <i>Stone</i> | \$22,000 | \$7,334 | \$29,334 |
| <i>Polk</i> | \$20,200 | \$6,733 | \$26,933 |
| <i>Dallas</i> | \$20,200 | \$6,733 | \$26,933 |

SMCOG also provided additional assistance to the Village of Saddlebrook for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) application for a culvert replacement to mitigate flooding. The application was ultimately withdrawn due to a lower-than-expected Cost Benefit Analysis.

SMCOG assisted the City of Branson in applying for funds to floodproof a wastewater treatment plant. A CDBG-LTR grant was successfully awarded on November 24, 2020 for over \$2.74 million; a CDBG-MIT grant was awarded on March 29, 2021 for \$5 million; and a EDA grant

was awarded on June 24, 2021 for \$3 million. There is still a \$3.6 million funding shortage for this project and SMCOG is working with the City to identify additional financial resources.

| <i>Project</i> | <i>Federal Funds</i> | <i>Local Match</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <i>Branson WWTP Floodproofing</i> | \$10,745,538 | \$3,632,829 | \$14,378,367 |

SMCOG closed out a floodplain buyout project in downtown Monett in Barry County. The project included acquisition and demolition of four (4) residential, commercial, and government properties; the project was jointly funded by CDBG and SEMA. Acquired properties are now deed-restricted as open space in perpetuity.

SMCOG also closed out a floodplain buyout project in the Village of Bull Creek in Taney County. The project included acquisition and demolition of fifteen (15) residential properties; the project was jointly funded by CDBG and SEMA. Acquired properties are now deed-restricted as open space in perpetuity.

SMCOG provided staff support to the City of Cassville in Barry County to make efforts toward being reinstated in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

Watershed Planning

SMCOG completed the James River Watershed Management Plan in partnership with James River Basin Partnership (JRBP), Ozarks Water Watch (OWW), and the Ozarks Environmental and Water Research Institute (OEWRI) at Missouri State University.

Comprehensive Planning

SMCOG finalized comprehensive plan updates for the city of Republic and continued work on the City of Battlefield's Comprehensive Plan.

Staff initiated updates to comprehensive plans for Branson West, Aurora, and Christian County.

Other Projects/Programs/Accomplishments

SMCOG maintained a website at www.SMCOG.org.

SMCOG distributed the SW Missouri Local Government Briefings, to provide current information relevant to local governments and stakeholders about news, grants, jobs, and other announcements. Currently, over 400 individuals subscribe to the publication which can also be viewed on the www.SMCOG.org website.

SMCOG drafted zoning code updates for the City of Kimberling City and assisted the City in adopting updated zoning maps.

SMCOG provided zoning code amendment recommendations to the City of Ozark for a new type of residential zoning district.

Financial Statement

Southwest Missouri Council of Governments

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

| | Actual |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Line Item Expenses | through June |
| Revenues | |
| Project Revenue | \$ 413,092.30 |
| SMCOG Membership Dues | \$ 48,300.00 |
| SMCOG Associate Membership Du | \$ 5,750.00 |
| Cash Receipts | \$ - |
| State Grants | \$ 13,351.76 |
| Services | \$ 78,745.00 |
| Indirect Revenue | \$ 27,806.92 |
| Indirect Carryforward | \$ - |
| Total Revenues | \$ 587,045.98 |
| Expenses | |
| Salaries & Wages-permanent FT | \$ 203,336.68 |
| Fringe Benefits | \$ 79,295.89 |
| Part-Time Wages | \$ 49,989.00 |
| Fringe Benefits | \$ 5,760.00 |
| Students | \$ 20,356.19 |
| Total Personnel Expense | \$ 358,737.76 |
| <i>Operating Expenses</i> | |
| Supplies & Equipment | \$ 19,419.17 |
| Equipment Repair/Maintenance | \$ 620.00 |
| Total Travel | \$ 20,457.93 |
| Printing, Binding & Photos | \$ 3,751.06 |
| Advertising & Promotions | \$ 4,990.72 |
| Telephone | \$ 4,031.19 |
| Postage | \$ 1,623.60 |
| Dues & Subscriptions | \$ 15,154.53 |
| Facility Rental | \$ 30.00 |
| Food Service & Supplies | \$ 851.63 |
| Directors' Insurance | \$ 2,505.15 |
| Other Professional Services | \$ 21,096.81 |
| Indirect Transfer to MSU | \$ 44,616.59 |
| Total Operating Expenses | \$ 139,148.38 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 497,886.14 |
| Total Fund Balance | \$ 89,159.84 |
| Transfer | \$ 1,700.53 |
| Fiscal Year Net Income/Loss | \$ 90,860.37 |
| Net Asset Carryforward | \$ 59,471.50 |
| Net Amount | \$ 150,331.87 |

Board of Directors
Southwest Missouri Council of Governments
2021

Executive Committee

Chair – Chris Coulter – Greene County
Vice-Chair – Duane Lavery – GRO Marshfield
Secretary – Todd Wiesehan – Christian County
Treasurer – Cindy Stephens – Ozarks Technical College
Past-Chair – Steve Childers – City of Ozark
 Allen Kunkel – Missouri State University
 Mark Maples – Stone County
 Bill Monday – O’Bannon Bank
 Jerry Harman – Kimberling City

2021 GOVERNMENTAL MEMBERS

| GOVERNMENT | GOVERNMENT |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| ASH GROVE | LOCKWOOD |
| AURORA | MARIONVILLE |
| BARRY COUNTY | MARSHFIELD |
| BATTLEFIELD | MCCORD BEND |
| BILLINGS | MERRIAM WOODS |
| BOLIVAR | MILLER |
| BRANSON | MONETT |
| BRANSON WEST | MORRISVILLE |
| BUFFALO | MT. VERNON |
| BULL CREEK VILLAGE | NIXA |
| CASSVILLE | OZARK |
| CHRISTIAN COUNTY | PLEASANT HOPE |
| CLEVER | POLK COUNTY |
| CRANE | PURDY |
| DADE COUNTY | REEDS SPRING |
| DALLAS COUNTY | REPUBLIC |
| DIGGINS | ROCKAWAY BEACH |
| EVERTON | ROGERSVILLE |
| EXETER | SADDLEBROOKE |
| FAIR GROVE | SEYMOUR |
| FAIR PLAY | SPARTA |
| FORSYTH | SPRINGFIELD |
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| FREMONT HILLS | STRAFFORD |
| GREENE COUNTY | TANEY COUNTY |

HALFWAY
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HUMANSVILLE
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INDIAN POINT
KIMBERLING CITY
KIRBYVILLE
LAWRENCE COUNTY

TANEYVILLE
URBANA
VERONA
WALNUT GROVE
WASHBURN
WEBSTER COUNTY
WHEATON
WILLARD

2021 Associate Members

Trekk Design Group
Allgeier Martin
Olsson
Toth & Associates
Anderson Engineering
Paragon Architecture
CFS Engineers
Bartlett & West
GRO Marshfield
N-Form Architecture
Ozarks Technical College
CJW Transportation
Associated Electric
City Utilities

2020-2021 Non-Governmental Representatives

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Chris Berndt | Sw Mo Emergency Support Organization |
| Bill Monday | O'Bannon Bank |
| J. Howard Fisk | Fisk Limousines |
| Alex Cobb | Sw Mo Office On Aging |
| Allen Kunkel | Missouri State University |
| Devin Fisher | White River Valley Electric |
| Alex Woodson | Springfield Regional Economic Partnership |
| Cindy Stephens | Ozarks Technical Community College |
| Yolanda Lorge | Grupo Latinoamericano |
| Alice Wingo | Community Foundation of The Ozarks |
| Jonas Arjes | Taney County Partnership |

2021 EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Eric Burlison | State Senator - District 20 |
| Sandy Crawford | State Senator - District 28 |
| Mike Moon | State Senator – District 29 |
| Lincoln Hough | State Senator - District 30 |
| Bill White | State Senator - District 32 |
| Karla Eslinger | State Senator - District 33 |
| Ann Kelley | State Representative - District 127 |
| Mike Stephens | State Representative - District 128 |
| Jeff Knight | State Representative - District 129 |
| Bishop Davidson | State Representative - District 130 |
| Bill Owen | State Representative - District 131 |
| Crystal Quade | State Representative - District 132 |
| Curtis Trent | State Representative - District 133 |
| Alex Riley | State Representative - District 134 |
| Betsy Fogle | State Representative - District 135 |
| Craig Fishel | State Representative - District 136 |
| John Black | State Representative - District 137 |
| Brad Hudson | State Representative - District 138 |
| Jered Taylor | State Representative - District 139 |
| Tricia Derges | State Representative - District 140 |
| Hannah Kelly | State Representative - District 141 |
| Travis Smith | State Representative - District 155 |
| Brian Seitz | State Representative – District 156 |
| Mitchell Boggs | State Representative - District 157 |
| Scott Cupps | State Representative - District 158 |

Transportation Advisory Committee

2020-2021

Dennis Wood, *Chair*

Todd Wiesehan, *Vice-Chair*

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Cherry Warren *Barry County*

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Jon Holmes *Lawrence County*

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Brent Young *Christian County*

Todd Wiesehan *Christian County*

Miranda Beadles *Christian County Alt.*

Sydney Allen *Polk County*

Rick Davis *Polk County*

Shannon Hancock *Polk County Alt.*

Kim Kinder *Dade County*

Randy Daniel *Dade County*

Davey Rusch *Dade County Alt.*

Dennis Wood *Stone County*

Jerry Haman *Stone County*

Steve Seaton *Stone County Alt.*

Roger Bradley *Dallas County*

Hollie Elliott *Dallas County*

Bill Monday *Dallas County Alt.*

Rick Ziegenfuss *Taney County*

Buddy Roberts *Taney County*

Randy Haes *Taney County Alt.*

Joel Keller *Greene County*

Howard Fisk *Greene County*

Jeff Scott *Greene County Alt.*

John Benson *Webster County*

Randy Owens *Webster County*

Stan Whitehurst *Webster County Alt.*

Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee

2020-2021

Chair, Chris Berndt

Vice-Chair, Lynn Hollandworth

| Discipline | Primary | 1st Alternate |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Emergency Management | Melissa Duckworth | Charla Geller |
| Police | Eric Schmitt | William Davis |
| Sheriff | Randy Foster | Tom Koch |
| Fire | Jim Furgerson | David Pennington |
| County Health | Jessica Wagner | Scott Allen |
| HSRRS | Travis Trent | Bryan Newberry |
| Public Works | Ron Bailey | David Brock |
| Mayor/City Administrator | Gregg Sweeten | Brad Gray |
| County Commissioner | Hank Smythe | Dallas Maxwell |
| Industry/LEPC | Shea Lane | Brent Watkins |
| Utilities | Will Endicott | Cassie Cunningham |
| EMS | David Compton | Valerie Wilson |
| 911 | Lori Sneed | Wes Taylor |
| Volunteer Groups | Linda Barger | Julie Stolting |
| Schools | Steve Verheyen | Jason Perkins |
| Agriculture | Mark Sconce | Kyle Whittaker |
| Hospitals | Dennis Martin | John Elmore |
| Cybersecurity | Shannon McMurtrey | Neil Slagle |

FY21 SMCOG Staff

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Thomas Cunningham, *Associate Planner*
Aishwarya Shrestha, *Planner*
Christopher Kempke, *Recovery Coordinator*
Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren, *Fiscal Officer*
Courtney Pinkham-Martin, *Administrative Assistant*

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

SMCOG Website
www.SMCOG.org

Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC) Website
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