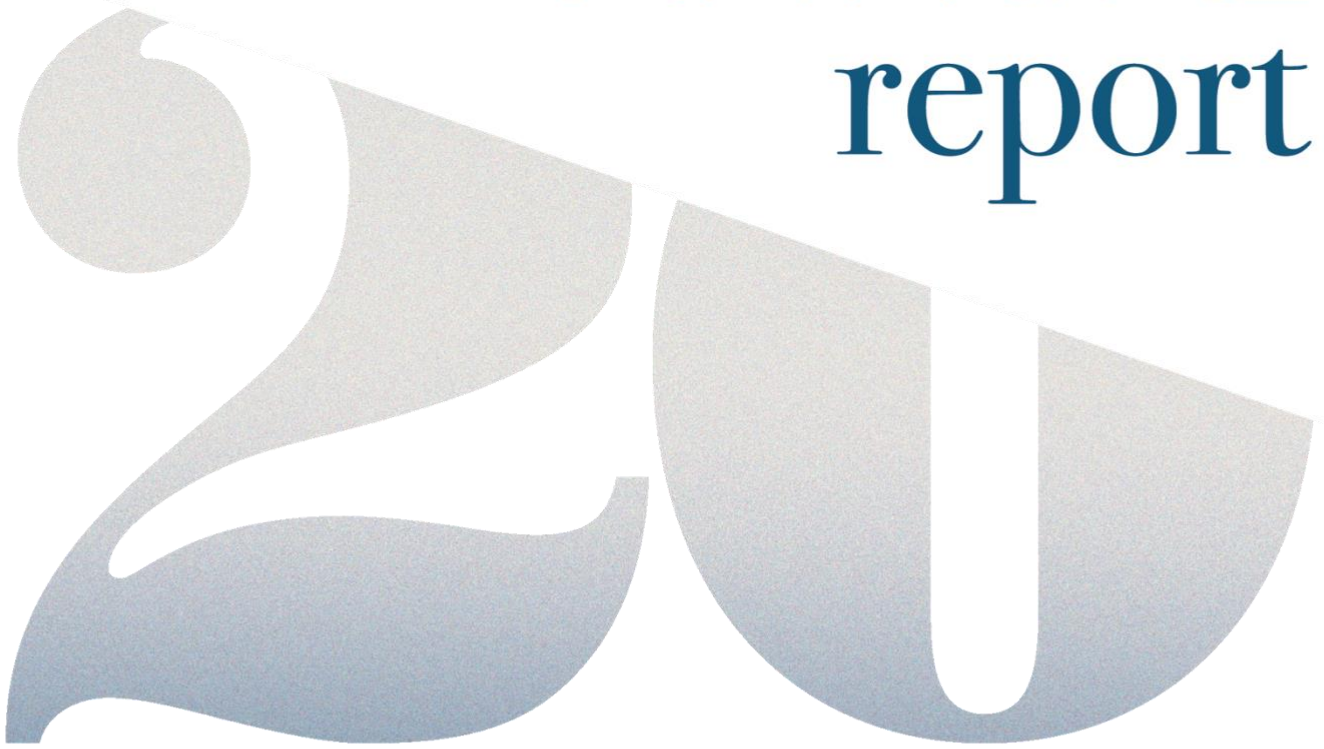




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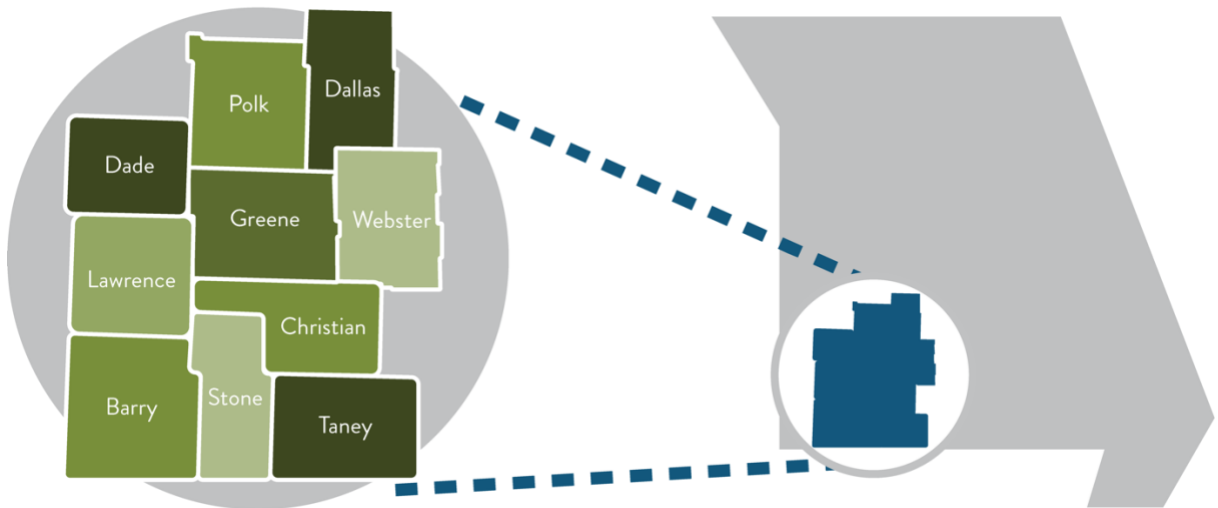


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## SMCOG Overview

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 2020 Program Highlights

### *Community and Economic Development*

#### Regional Housing Forum

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 continues through the convening of regional discussions and sharing of resource materials.

SMCOG staff provided technical assistance to the City of Crane in Christian County to prepare a demolition program and potentially apply for CDBG funds in FY21.

#### 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:

- Federal funding was restored to SMCOG as the Federally-designated Economic Development District (EDD) through the Economic Development Administration (EDA). This funding supports regional economic development planning.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>EDA Partnership Planning</i>	\$70,000	\$46,667	\$116,667

- SMCOG attended regular meetings of the Springfield Downtown Community Improvement District to learn best practices and associated challenges in operating a CID. This information is crucial when assisting other jurisdictions on establishing a CID for their community.
- SMCOG 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 completed an Economic Development Study for Stone County in partnership with the Table Rock Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. This project was funded by a grant through MACOG with funds from CDBG and EDA and stemmed from an Economic Development Forum hosted by State Rep. Brad Hudson in Reeds Spring. The study was completed in February, 2020 and will assist the County in developing a more strategic long-term economic development plan.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Stone County Economic Development Study</i>	\$12,000	\$0	\$12,000

- SMCOG staff attended the EDA Denver Regional Conference for economic development, and has worked closely with EDA staff to restore annual EDA Planning Partners funding during fiscal year 2020.
- SMCOG submitted an application to EDA to establish a \$1 million Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). The RLF would serve as a gap financing mechanism to create or retain jobs in the region and would be used to leverage private investment while reducing risks.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>EDA RLF (Applied)</i>	\$975,000	\$25,000	\$1,000,000

- 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 FY17 State Homeland Security Program Grant of \$380,331.99 was closed out in August 2019. During the majority of the year, activity focused on FY18 grant procurement which will be completed August 31, 2020. The Region D FY19 Grant award in the amount of \$380,133.12 was received in October 2019 with procurement of services for regional jurisdictions starting in January.

The emphasis in Homeland Security has been on sustaining previous purchases first before acquiring any new equipment or capability. Projects are to continue communications sustainment; Chemical, Bomb, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) sustainment; and Regional Preparedness through credentialing and training. The RHSOC met quarterly 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. There also were two workshops held for the members of the RHSOC Disciplines to update the Region D Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) to incorporate into the State THIRA. It 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 SMOG.

	<i>SHSP Funding</i>	<i>Funds Remaining</i>	<i>Funds Expended</i>	<i>Percent Expended</i>	<i>M&amp;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>	\$348,775.95	\$69,080.55	\$279,695.40	80%	\$15,669.22	\$295,364.62
<i>FY19</i>	\$337,376.46	\$298,319.28	\$39,057.18	12%	\$2,879.77	\$41,936.95
<i>Totals</i>	\$7,676,944.27	\$433,380.22	\$7,243,564.05		\$272,313.80	\$7,515,877.85

## *Transportation Planning Program*

SMCOG's transportation planning program is conducted through a cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). Each year SMOG 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 SMOG 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 FY20 are listed below. SMCOG received a grant for \$64,705 in federal transportation funds through MoDOT and provided \$16,176 in local match.

<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>Rt. 60 Corridor Plan</i>	\$20,000	\$180,000	\$200,000

Additionally, SMCOG received a grant through MACOG funded by CDBG and EDA for a US Rt. 60 Corridor Plan through Webster County. As a result of the plan, SMCOG staff assisted the county and MoDOT in applying for \$10.4 million through the federal CRISI program to eliminate several railroad crossings and design and construct a new interchange at Hwy A in Diggins, MO. SMCOG also submitted an application to EDA to assist with the design of the interchange. The overall project funding is detailed below:

PROJECT ESTIMATE CONTRIBUTIONS		
Funding Source	Project Contribution Amount	Percentage of Total Cost
FRA CRISI Grant	\$10,357,239.20	56.0%
Federal EDA Grant (PEL Design)	\$127,662.40	0.7%
Lead Applicant (MoDOT – State Funds)	\$1,500,000.00	8.1%
Co-Applicant (Webster County)	\$1,010,168.40	5.5%
Lead Applicant (MoDOT – Section 130 Funding)	\$4,000,000.00	21.6%
Project Partner (BNSF)	\$1,500,000.00	8.1%
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST</b>	<b>\$18,495,070.00</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### 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 FY20.

## *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 began updating the Webster and Christian County Hazard Mitigation Plans and received an award notification for the next round of five-year plan updates for Barry County. The funding for each plan is outlined below:

<i>County</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Webster</i>	\$22,000	\$7,334	\$29,334
<i>Christian</i>	\$22,000	\$7,334	\$29,334
<i>Barry</i>	\$21,000	\$7,000	\$28,000

SMCOG also prepared and submitted a Notice of Interest (NOI) for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) on behalf the Village of Saddlebrook in Christian County in August, 2019 for a culvert replacement to mitigate flooding. A formal application was submitted to FEMA in March, 2020. SMCOG prepared and submitted a HMGP NOI on behalf of the City of Marionville in Lawrence County in August, 2019 which seeks federal funding for a FEMA Safe Room.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Saddlebrook Culvert (Applied)</i>	\$87,862	\$29,287	\$117,149
<i>Marionville Safe Room (NOI)</i>	878,850	\$292,950	\$4,000

SMCOG continued to administer a floodplain buyout in downtown Monett in Barry County. The project includes acquisition and demolition of four (4) residential, commercial, and government properties; the project is jointly funded by CDBG and SEMA. Acquired properties will be deed-restricted as open space in perpetuity.

SMCOG continued to administer a floodplain buyout in the Village of Bull Creek in Taney County. The project includes acquisition and demolition of fifteen (15) residential properties; the project is jointly funded by CDBG and SEMA. Acquired properties will be deed-restricted as open space in perpetuity.

<i>Project</i>	<i>FEMA Funds</i>	<i>CDBG Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Monett Floodplain Buyout</i>	\$490,898	\$166,600	\$657,498
<i>Bull Creek Floodplain Buyout</i>	\$433,541	\$153,168	\$586,709

SMCOG was awarded two grants through a program coordinated by the Missouri Association of Councils of Government and funded by CDBG and EDA to host a regional workshop on the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and conduct a floodplain structures inventory for the City of Cassville in Barry County. The latter project is in coordination with FEMA and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to assess the feasibility for the City to re-enter the NFIP.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>NFIP Workshop</i>	\$2,500	\$400	\$2,900
<i>Cassville Structures Inventory</i>	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000

## *Disaster Recovery*

SMCOG developed, submitted, and administered an emergency CDBG grant for the City of Seymour to recoup cleanup and recovery costs from the January 2019 ice storm. The total CDBG funding was \$171,797 with a local match of \$75,274. The project was closed out in May of 2020.

<i>Project</i>	<i>Federal Funds</i>	<i>Local Match</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Seymour Emergency Grant</i>	\$171,797	\$75,274	\$247,071

## *Watershed Planning*

SMCOG was awarded a sub-grant from MoDNR/EPA to complete the James River Watershed Management Plan. SMCOG subcontracted with James River Basin Partnership (JRBP), Ozarks Water Watch (OWW), and the Ozarks Environmental and Water Research Institute (OEWRI) at Missouri State University to complete nutrient and sediment modeling, surveying, and analysis for the plan. Although work was delayed due to a transition at MoDNR in funding sources, the project is anticipated to be completed by December 31, 2020 with a federal project budget of \$168,111.11.

## *2020 Census*

SMCOG coordinated a Regional Complete Count Committee to facilitate outreach and education services concerning the 2020 Census for rural communities, in collaboration with existing Local

Complete Count Committees. SMCOG received a \$34,000 Missouri Foundation for Health grant to facilitate these activities.

### *Comprehensive Planning*

SMCOG finalized comprehensive plan updates for the cities of Strafford, Willard, and Billings. SMCOG partnered with the senior practicum class, under Dr. Krista Evans, to complete a Comprehensive Plan update for the City of Willard. The plan focuses on infill residential development, and enhancement of the downtown in connection with the Frisco Highline trailhead.

Staff initiated updates to comprehensive plans for Nixa, Republic, and Battlefield.

### *Other Projects/Programs/Accomplishments*

SMCOG maintained a website at [www.SMCOG.org](http://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, 348 individuals subscribe to the publication which can also be viewed on the [www.SMCOG.org](http://www.SMCOG.org) website.

SMCOG staff continued to assist FEMA with their Long-Term Recovery Team following the 2017 and 2019 floods.

SMCOG received a contract from the SW MO Regional Water to create a communications plan and develop marketing and public engagement materials for the organization.

SMCOG provided GIS mapping services to the City of Ozark to map capital projects and assisted several municipalities in creating maps for medical marijuana ordinances.

## Financial Statement

*Southwest Missouri Council of Governments  
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020*

	Line Item Expenses	through June
<b>Revenues</b>		
Project Revenue		\$ 264,587.85
SMCOG Membership Dues		\$ 46,622.87
SMCOG Associate Membership Dues		\$ 6,375.00
Cash Receipts		\$ 187.58
State Grants		\$ 13,351.76
Services		\$ 33,510.00



**Board of Directors**  
**Southwest Missouri Council of Governments**  
*2020*

*Executive Committee*

**Chair** - Chris Coulter - Greene County  
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 Duane Lavery - GRO Marshfield

<b><i>2020 GOVERNMENTAL MEMBERS</i></b>		
<b>NAME</b>	<b>GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
Bill Wagner	Ash Grove	Alderman
Jon Holmes	Aurora	City Manager
Gary Youngblood	Barry County	Presiding Commissioner
Chris Hopkins	Billings	Treasurer
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Joel Hornickel	Branson	Planning & Development Director
Ken Smith	Branson West	City Administrator
Brandon Kendall	Buffalo	Mayor
Steve Walenski	Cassville	City Administrator
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Collin Brannan	Crane	Mayor
Randy Daniel	Dade County	Presiding Commissioner
Hollie Elliott	Dallas County	Economic Development Director
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Bob Senninger	Lawrence County	Presiding Commission

Larry Allen	Lockwood	Mayor
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Max Springer	Mt. Vernon	City Administrator
Steve Childers	Ozark	City Administrator
Richard Harralson	Pleasant Hope	Mayor
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Martha Smartt	Strafford	City Administrator
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Jim Cole	Walnut Grove	City Clerk
John Tiedeman	Washburn	Mayor
Stan Whitehurst	Webster County	County Clerk
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Gopala Borchelt	Toth & Associates
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Lynne Shea	Associated Electric

Callie Linville	City Utilities
Gail Melgren	SW MO Regional Water

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Alex Cobb	Sw Mo Office On Aging
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Devin Fisher	White River Valley Electric
Danny Perches	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

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Eric Burlison	State Senator - District 20
Sandy Crawford	State Senator - District 28
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Lincoln Hough	State Senator - District 30
Bill White	State Senator - District 32
Mike Cunningham	State Senator - District 33
Ann Kelley	State Representative - District 127
Mike Stephens	State Representative - District 128
Jeff Knight	State Representative - District 129
Jeffrey Messenger	State Representative - District 130
Sonya Anderson	State Representative - District 131
Crystal Quade	State Representative - District 132
Curtis Trent	State Representative - District 133
Elijah Haahr	State Representative - District 134
Steve Helms	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
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Karla Eslinger	State Representative - District 155
Mike Moon	State Representative - District 157
Scott Cupps	State Representative - District 158



## Transportation Advisory Committee 2019-2020

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Todd Wieschan, *Vice-Chair*

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Cherry Warren   *Barry County*  
Steve Walensky   *Barry County Alt.*

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Randy Haes       *Taney County Alt.*

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Stan Whitehurst   *Webster County Alt.*

## Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee 2019-2020

Chair, Chris Berndt

Vice-Chair, Lynn Hollandworth

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Primary</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Alternate</b>
Emergency Management	Bonnie Witt-Schulte	Melissa Duckworth
Police	Eric Schmitt	William Davis
Sheriff	Matt Stoller	Randy Foster
Fire	Lynn Hollandworth	Jim Furgerson
County Health	Jeanne Beas	Jessica Wagner
HSRRS	Travis Trent	Bryan Newberry
Public Works	Ron Bailey	David Brock
Mayor/City Administrator	Gregg Sweeten	Brad Gray
County Commissioner	Tim Selvey	Hank Smythe
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	David Cope	Mark Sconce
Hospitals	Jason Henry	Russ Conroy
Cybersecurity	Bill Dorman	Neil Slagle

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Courtney Pinkham-Martin, *2020 Census Outreach Coordinator*

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](http://www.SMCOG.org)

Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC) Website

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