



Table of Contents

From the RCOG	1
Grant Funded Projects	2
Transportation Planning	3
Solid Waste District	5
Economic Development	7
Other Projects	9
Regional Council Staff	10
RCOG and RDC Board Members	11
Solid Waste and TAC Members	12
Public Officials Directory	13



From the RCOG

Hi all, we are excited to bring you our 2023 Annual Report and Public Officials Directory. 2023 has been a whirlwind... a whirlwind of new projects, new grants, and more. Kim secured a grant through the FCC to promote the Affordable Connectivity Program and we hired Joy Huddleston to be the Coordinator for that program; staff worked together to complete three RAISE Planning Grants, one of which was funded; Intern Sarah lost her "intern" status upon graduation from Northwest and is now Assistant Regional Planner working primarily on transportation-related projects, and Steve kept our technology working during all the madness while also writing Hazard Mitigation Plans. We've had two different Solid Waste Planners this year and hired one new intern. Amy and Sarah wrote some transportation-related grants that were funded and Sarah wrote a Community Active Transportation Plan for the City of Rock Port; Kim is still working to bring affordable and adequate Broadband to everyone in our region; Cheyenne is administering all kinds of new grants, and Jerri celebrated her 35th anniversary at the Regional Council and we keep her very busy overseeing all the madness.

This year, our board made the decision to no longer offer Workforce Development services so we did not bid on the new contracts to continue services which means we no longer have a job center in our building. St. Joseph Youth Alliance got the contract for services in our region and they have opened up a job center location on East Summit in Maryville. We are please that the people in our region will still receive services without having to travel to St. Joseph, Chillicothe or Trenton. Our contract ended June 30, 2023, and that was also Rita's last day with us as she chose to seek employment elsewhere.

We also transitioned to a hybrid work schedule and a 4-day work week in 2023. This has taken some getting used to but everyone has adapted well. Thanks to technology we haven't missed a beat with our new schedule. This year, we were awarded a USDA grant to help fund renovations for the first floor of the Regional Council office. We hope the renovations will begin shortly after the first of the new year and we are so excited to have an area that suits our growing staff's needs.

Through all the hustle and bustle of the year, we did manage to find some time for staff bonding and team building. We also adopted a local family for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Staff always has the best time shopping for the family. We had a really fun Staff Christmas Party. Below are some photos from it and preparing our adopted family gifts for delivery.

Thank you for collaborating with us and for trusting us with your projects and your grant applications. We value all of you and are honored to help your jurisdictions continue to thrive. We look forward to more projects, grants, and excitement in 2024.



Grant Funded Projects

GRANT PROJECTS COMPLETED IN FY '23

PROJECT NAME	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL PROJECT
Oregon Water Distribution System	\$500,000	\$2,415,730
Grant City Wastewater System Improvements	\$500,000	\$3,049,900
Fairfax Streets/Drainage Improvements – Environmental Review		\$5,000

CURRENT GRANT PROJECTS

CDBG GRANTS	GRANT AMOUNT	TOTAL PROJECT
Elmo Water Tower Rehabilitation	\$400,000	\$505,000
Fairfax Streets/Drainage Improvements	\$500,000	\$548,591
Gentry Country Two Bridge Replacements—Miller Township	\$256,418	\$440,998
Parnell Water Distribution System	\$500,000	\$1,971,000
Parnell New Water Tower – CV	\$667,788	\$2,900,788
Holt County DR Flood	\$5,680,340	\$5,897,440
Burlington Junction Wastewater Improvements – Environmental Review		\$5,000
Tarkio Pool Improvements – Application and Environmental Review Letters		\$2,400

FLOOD PROJECTS

Holt County		
Fortescue Special Roads Repair & Debris Removal	\$699,727	\$2,689,410
Holt County Roads Repair & Debris Removal	\$532,346	\$2,039,384

FEMA HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROJECTS

Village of Big Lake - New Storm Siren	\$35,730	\$37,516
City of Craig – New Storm Siren	\$30,213	\$31,500
City of Mound City – New Generator	\$198,968	\$208,443
Worth County – New Generator	\$26,024	\$27,263

MO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

604b Rural Holt County Feasibility Study Big Lake, Big Lake State Park, Craig	\$50,000	\$50,500
604b Atchison County Feasibility Study Fairfax, Rock Port, Tarkio	\$50,001	\$50,501

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION—FHWA

BUILD—Phase 1 South Main Corridor	\$3,246,827	\$13,734,916
RAISE – Phase II South Main Corridor	\$5,925,780	\$5,988,060

MO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

County of Holt – Jail Improvements – APRA Funds	\$277,559	\$293,662
County of Nodaway – Jail Improvements – ARPA Funds	\$582.017	\$593,717

Transportation Planning

The Regional Council continues to serve as the leading voice for regional transportation planning in northwest Missouri, and remains a steadfast supporter and facilitator of communication between MoDOT and the cities and counties of northwest Missouri. In support of regional transportation planning, the Regional Council develops and executes an annual transportation work plan designed to allow local, grassroots input to statewide transportation planning.

To assist with this planning, the Transportation Advisory Committee, or TAC, serves as a standing committee of the Northwest Missouri Regional Council's Board of Directors. The TAC is comprised of elected officials, city and county representatives, and local citizens from the region's five counties, and serves as the heart of local planning efforts. The Committee meets on a quarterly basis, and assists in the identification of regional needs for transportation infrastructure, public education, and safety in MoDOT's Northwest District.

For the past 18 years, the Regional Council has served as a member of the Northwest Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety (Blueprint), which strives to decrease the number of deaths and injuries on our roadways. The group meets bi-monthly. Regional Council staff serves on the Blueprint Grant Scoring Committee and has a spot on the Impaired Driving Subcommittee.

The Regional Council shares a speed trailer with MoKan and Green Hills RPCs. The speed trailer can be deployed to gather data and assist with traffic calming efforts throughout the region. Additionally, the Regional Council has an Armadillo Traffic Counter that is a great tool for gathering data as needed on different streets and roads. If your jurisdiction would like to use either of these devices, please call or email Amy.

This year has been a big year for Transportation Planning grants for the Regional Council. Like last year, the Regional Council applied for a Community Active Transportation Plan through the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and was awarded the grant mid-year. The Regional Council chose to write a Community Active Transportation Plan for the City of Rock Port and began the project July 1st. The Regional Council staff worked in conjunction with the City of Rock Port to create a community-driven, forward-thinking plan that will

benefit Rock Port for years to come. This plan was approved by the Rock Port City Council on September 20, 2023, and will be used to help guide sidewalk improvements, score more higher on grant applications due to the presence of a Community Active Transportation Plan, and inspire other active transportation projects in the future.



We are proud to introduce a new Roadway Safety Program! In 2023, the transportation staff applied for a Roadway Safety grant from MoDOT to rejuvenate a roadway safety education program for high school and college age individuals. We hired Alex Dandy, a student at NWMSU to facilitate the program. Reaching the 5-county area of Atchison, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway, and Worth—presentations on topics in roadway safety, events involving impaired driving information, and more are on the agenda for not only this year but for many to come.

Alex's first presentation was on November 7 at Jefferson C-123. Getting out to meet the students was amazing, as well as all the great information shared. The students got to participate in a fun little activity using the Drunk Buster Goggles which really got them involved.



Outside of the in-person events, we are also working on our social media presence. The growing technological presence we see in society shows the importance of getting in touch with the community online. Having accounts on Instagram, Facebook, and TikTok is helping our outreach of Roadway Safety information and will help inform followers of upcoming events. Please follow, get involved and stay connected. We look forward to working with everyone.

Instagram: @nw_roadway_safety

Facebook: Northwest Missouri Roadway Safety

TikTok: @nw_roadway_safety

Transportation Planning

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A). What is Safe Streets For All (SS4A)? SS4A is a federal grant program that will provide \$5-6 billion in grants over the next 4 years. It is funding that is intended to directly support regional, local, and Tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. The first round of SS4A opened and closed last year, with most projects funded and with money left over. The second round of funding opened in April and the Regional Council submitted proposal for a Regional Safety Action Plan for Atchison, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway, and Worth counties, requesting \$393,971. We were able to secure match commitments from all five of our County Commissions which helped our application stand out as a community-driven project. Awards were recently announced, and we received notice that our grant application was selected! We are excited to move forward with this grant opportunity to help make the region's roads safer and eventually reduce/eliminate roadway crashes and fatalities.

We want to develop a comprehensive safety action plan that is community-driven, fact-driven, and that will lead to the decrease of roadway fatalities and serious injuries in our five counties. In the development of this safety action plan, we seek to excite the community and begin changing the driving culture in our region.

Roadway safety should always be a top priority, but in rural America it often falls to the backburner due to a myriad of reasons, like lack of funding or driving culture. The Regional Council is committed to bringing roadway safety to the



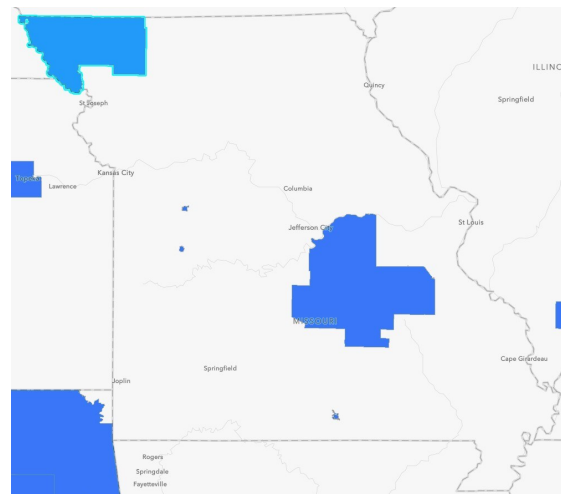
forefront and has been cultivating change through many avenues. In the past year, the Regional Council staff has updated a handful of transportation related plans to prioritize existing safety issues, as well as developing two Community Active Transportation plans to enhance accessibility and address safety issues with alternative transportation methods.

We are excited about the opportunity this SS4A grant provides to develop a comprehensive safety action plan for our region. We feel like this is the next step to help achieve our goal to decrease, and eventually eliminate, roadway fatalities and serious injuries in our 5-county region

Missouri

Lead Applicant	Project Title	Application Type	Urban/Rural	Funding Award
City of Clinton (MO)	Safety Action Plan & Supplemental Planning for Clinton, Missouri	Develop Action Plan as well as Demonstration or Other Supplemental Planning	Rural	\$120,000.00
City of Warrensburg	Warrensburg Safety Action Plan and Demonstration Project	Develop Action Plan as well as Demonstration or Other Supplemental Planning	Rural	\$280,000.00
City of West Plains	City of West Plains Missouri Safe Streets and Roads 4 All Action Plan	Develop New Action Plan (only)	Rural	\$100,000.00
Meramec Regional Planning Commission	Meramec Region Safe Streets for All Action Planning	Develop New Action Plan (only)	Rural	\$200,000.00
Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments	5-County Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	Develop New Action Plan (only)	Rural	\$393,971.00
Missouri Total				\$1,093,971.00

Our plan is to develop a comprehensive safety action plan that caters to the wants and needs of the region. The development process is anticipated to span 12-18 months to ensure the project is comprehensive, in-depth, and an excellent fit for the community. The Regional Council staff plans to be active in the region to drive public engagement for the project. At least eight public engagement meetings will be scheduled to gather information, ideas, and concerns from the public. These meetings will rotate locations, so each county is visited at least once. Surveys will also be available to the public to ensure that even those who can't attend in-person meetings can have their voices heard.



Solid Waste District

About the Solid Waste District Region A. The Northwest Missouri Regional Solid Waste Management District (SWMD), Region A, serves the same five-county region as the Regional Council, providing local communities and governments easy access to waste education technical services. RCOG staff provide administration, education, and



implementation of the Northwest Missouri Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. It is one of 20 Solid Waste Management Districts operating with oversight provided by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The SWMD is directed by local leaders

appointed to participate on the Full Council, Executive Board and Advisory Committee. Its goal is to educate and support recycling efforts in our region, and to encourage “reduce, re-use & recycle”.

FY '23 Grant Call. Reimbursement grant funds are available each year through a competitive application process. For each grant call, the Advisory Committee reviews the grant applications and makes recommendations to the Executive Board. The Executive Board then evaluates, and ranks grant applications to award grant funds for community projects. Eligible projects must address reducing the amount of waste entering local waste stream and/or facilitating recycling. Funds can be used for various projects, including but not limited to waste diversion, creating opportunities for recycling, creating new market research and development, collection and processing of compost, and providing education on recycling. District funds have also been used for



outdoor classrooms, rubberized track and playground surfaces and recycling business expansion. One grant call was held for FY'23. Ten grant applications were received. Due to available funding, only eight of the ten were awarded for a total of \$74,459.79, plus \$47,500 for Plan Implementation and District Operations.

FY '23 Solid Waste District Highlights. The Northwest Missouri Regional SWMD continues to support the growing recycling infrastructure that provides increased collection bin availability at the community level and a network of collection sites to encourage proper disposal. Five HHW collections were held in FY '23, serving 145 residents and diverting over three ton of household hazardous waste from entering the local waste stream.



Plan Implementation (PI) funds were utilized to host community education and collection events focusing on white goods and e-waste, educational events around Earth Day to highlight the importance of reuse, collection boxes for crayon recycling at local schools in the District, and to continue supporting HHW outreach. The white goods and e-waste collections diverted over 5 tons of waste over 5 collections. Recycling capability and infrastructure has been expanded through various grants from FY '23.



SWMD Grant Funded Projects

A2023-001 - District Operations - \$40,000

District A conducted all daily operations and fiscal operations what included the administering District projects, completed quarterly reports, and submitted the annual report.

A2023-002 - Plan Implementation - \$7,500

E-waste/White Goods Collection events were held in Albany, Grant City, Ravenwood, Rock Port, Fairfax, Tarkio, Burlington Jct, Stanberry, King City, Jefferson School, Maryville, Hopkins, Barnard, Oregon, Mond City and Graham MO. Dave Chestnut with Nodaway County Recycling was contracted to collect the waste at each event. Over 5 tons of materials were collected. Community education events were held in observation of Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, 2023.

A2023-003 - Stanberry Bulldog Recycle 2.0 - \$15,848.79

The Stanberry School expanded their recycling program. The school continues to collect plastics and recycle paper/cardboard and added the collection of aluminum cans and tin cans. The school purchased the following: metal materials and made recycling bins to collect the aluminum and tin cans, a utility trailer to transport the recyclables, 2-picnic tables, made from recycled materials, a can crusher, weights made from recycling materials for the weight room and gloves/trash can liners for the bins. Students are very involved in the recycling project. The Stanberry community has a drop-off location for recycling.



A2023-004 - Albany R-3 Earth Science Class - \$2,586

The Earth Science class project expanded recycling to include plastics, aluminum, and tin cans from the school kitchen. Students in Earth Science are responsible for collecting, preparing the waste, weighing, and placing it out for pickup.



A2023-005 - NWMSU Composting - \$19,500

Northwest Missouri State University purchased a new industrial shredder to support food waste composting efforts on campus. The equipment substantially increases the efficiency and effectiveness of current food composting efforts, centered on the primary food service facility on campus.

A2023-006 - WCCC Recycling - \$7,525

Worth County Convalescent Center expanded recycling at their facility to add large #10 (20+ oz) tin cans that are used during food preparation. Following state regulations, WCCC needed a way to store food cans compactly outside the building. An industrial can crusher was purchased. In addition, an outside employee break area with designated recycling bins were purchased and are being utilized. Other materials purchased were one handicapped 8' picnic table and two 6' park bench made from recycled materials. The facility staff prepare the materials for recycling pickup by Rolling Hills.

A2023-007 - HHW Vendor Pick-up - \$19,000

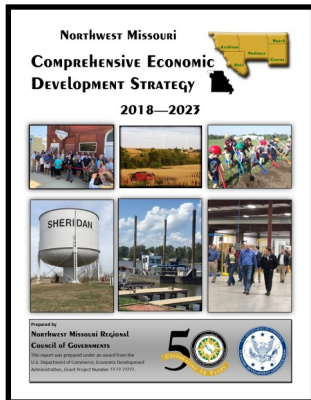
In 2016, the Nodaway County Commission established a permanent Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Site at the Nodaway County Maintenance Barn, 1516 East Halsey St., Maryville, MO 64468. This site is available to the 39 communities served in our 5-county area and was open for five collections throughout FY23. The grant covered the cost of HAZWOPER certified personnel to intake materials on collection days, the proper containers, and pick-up of the HHW materials, and the required HAZWOPER continuing education. Clean Harbors collected the HHW materials. The Regional Council provided public education and outreach about HHW materials.

A2023-008 - Nodaway Co Recycling/Sheridan - \$10,000

A 30' trailer was purchased for Nodaway County Recycling to collect metals in the town of Sheridan. Educational materials were provided to the Sheridan area residents, and the collections were staffed by RCOG personnel.

Economic Development

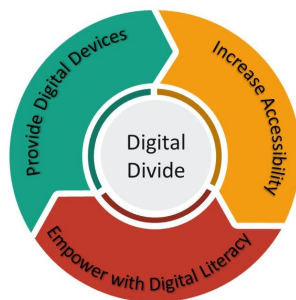
The Department of Commerce-Economic Development Administration (EDA) federally recognizes the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Government's five-county region as an Economic Development District. As part of that designation, EDA supports the Regional Council with an annual partnership planning investment, which is used to facilitate the development, implementation, and revision of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The 2018-2023 EDS was adopted on October 25, 2018. Since the plan's adoption, the Regional Council and its partners have worked on several projects featured throughout this report related to the document's goals to help northwest Missouri grow and prosper.



Broadband Access, Equity, and Digital Literacy

On July 1, 2023, the Northwest Missouri Regional Council released the Northwest Broadband Plan created with the University of Missouri Extension Digitally connected framework. A team comprised of local economic developers, and extension staff worked to create the plan. This plan has been used by Internet Service Providers, the Regional Council, and the University of Missouri Extension to secure grant funding and host events.

In August, the Regional Council teamed up with the University of Missouri System Broadband Initiative and MU Extension to develop an economically sustainable, public-private partnership (P3) business model competition to design affordable access to high-speed internet (broadband) for residents and businesses in northwest Missouri.



Multidisciplinary teams of students from UM System universities competed to develop P3 business models using surveys, research, data, and discussions to develop workable and affordable plans for infrastructure expansion and service adoption in northwest Missouri. Each P3 business plan addressed strategies for increasing the adoption of internet-based technologies and a plan to finance and construct the community's internet network. On August 20 the teams presented their proposals to a panel of judges at a public event in Maryville Missouri. The teams' plans were integrated into the regional planning efforts.

In addition, the Regional Council collaborated with the University of Missouri Broadband Initiative Team to pilot the Missouri Digital Ambassadors program. Volunteers interested in becoming Digital Ambassadors receive 14 hours of in-person training in August 2023. Working through community partners such as libraries, schools, senior centers, and civic groups, Digital Ambassadors will share their knowledge – in group settings and one-on-one interactions – on a variety of topics, including telehealth, job searching online, videoconferencing, cybersecurity, social media, cloud resources and document applications such as Google Docs and Office 365.

Missouri Digital Ambassadors is based on programs such as Missouri Master Gardeners, in which gardening enthusiasts receive extensive training and share what they know with other gardeners in a variety of settings. This project was funded in part through a \$25,000 Digital Demonstration Projects Grant Program offered by the Office of Broadband Development.

Over the past year, the Office of Broadband Development provided public engagement service as the division crafted its state plans for the Broadband Equity and Deployment Program and Digital Equity Act program. The Regional Council hosted two listening sessions in Maryville and ensured that stakeholders were able to participate in monthly virtual meetings related to reliable and affordable access, partnerships with local governments, workforce development, digital literacy and equity programs, the Missouri Internet Survey, and the Missouri Digital Asset Map.

Economic Development

Affordable Connectivity Program

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) launched the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) in an effort to close the digital divide by providing Americans in need with the opportunity to receive discounted rates on their broadband internet bill. Eligible households that take part in the program can receive a monthly credit of up to \$30 towards their internet bill (\$75 on Tribal lands). The Regional Council was rewarded with a grant to assist in outreach efforts for ACP, to spread awareness about the program in the five counties and increase enrollment rates.



Get Connected Today!

You may qualify for \$30 off your internet bill with the Affordable Connectivity Program

IF YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD:

- Participate in SNAP, WIC, TANF, or Lifeline
- Receive Medicaid, SSI, or Veterans Pension or Survivor Benefits
- Received a Federal Pell Grant
- Participate in the Free and Reduced Price School Lunch Program

YOU QUALIFY!


To sign up for an enrollment event

Call 660-582-5121, ext. 1

Email joy@nwmorcog.com

This year was the start of the Regional Council's two-year ACP plan. During the summer and early fall, efforts were focused on outreach. Kim hit the ground running by attending Back to School Fairs for all five counties to inform families about ACP and take down contact information for future enrollment events. From there, Kim and Joy conducted outreach at various events, including Northwest Missouri State University's Part-Time Job Fair, Maryville's

Downtown Market, and Northwest's Exploring Majors and Minors freshman event. Talks about ACP were also given at senior centers and assisted living homes. Aside from in-person outreach, the Regional Council took out ads in seven different newspapers, as well as radio ads on KNIM, KVVL, and Bearcat/Spoofhound Radio.



LOCAL PROVIDERS

The following providers are participating in ACP:

Optimum	Cricket Wireless
United Fiber	Boost Mobile
American Broadband	Verizon
Mercury Wireless	Grand River Mutual
T-Mobile	Centurylink/Brightspeed
AT&T	IAMO Communications
Hughesnet	Oregon's Farmer's Mutual
Midwest Data/Rock Port Telephone	
Kinetic/Windstream	

Funded by the Federal Communications Commission

In October, while outreach is still being conducted, focus started shifting towards enrollment. Kim and Joy hosted their first enrollment event at Autumn House in Maryville and have since been taking appointments in the Regional Council office. We have officially partnered with Knacktive, a program for advertising and marketing students from Northwest, to create an advertising campaign targeted towards college students starting next year. We have also begun working with Second Harvest Food Bank, joining them at food dispensing events to hand out informational materials about ACP. We

hope to continue to collaborate on similar events in the future and to continue to increase awareness about ACP in the five counties. If you have any questions or would like help enrolling, please contact Joy.



Other Projects

Hazard Mitigation Planning. Hazard mitigation is the means by which communities, businesses and citizens can reduce the impacts of a disaster by taking action before a hazard event occurs. The first action necessary to reduce the effects of a disaster is the preparation and implementation of a mitigation strategy presented through a hazard mitigation plan. This effort is completed by coordinating meetings among local elected officials, school district officials, local citizens, and representatives from businesses and service agencies to review goals, objectives and achievable actions that will address their community's vulnerabilities in the occurrence of a natural disaster. In 2023, FEMA approved the 5-year updates to the AMEC plan and the Nodaway County plan.



The Regional Council assisted several jurisdictions with Hazard Mitigation Grant applications. Mound City and Worth County were awarded grants for generators and Big Lake and Craig were awarded grants for outdoor warning sirens. We are now helping administer the completion of the projects to ensure the state and federal guidelines are followed.

Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission. Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission is well underway with construction of the regional water system. The finished project will provide drinking water to the cities of Cameron and Maysville to ensure a more reliable access to affordable, clean drinking water during drought related times. The Northwest Regional Council continues to provide support to the Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission, serving as the administrative agent for the Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission.



The project includes the installation of 36-Miles of Pipeline and Two Master Meter Vaults, the erection of a 450,000-gallon Ground Water Storage Tank, Package Pump Station at the east edge of St. Joseph, Missouri and, the erection of a 300,000-gallon Elevated Water Storage Tank east of Stewartsville along Highway 136. Construction contractors who were awarded the bids included: BRB Contractors, Inc from Topeka, KS; Irvinbilt Constructors, from Chillicothe, MO and Caldwell Tanks from Louisville, KY. Missouri American Water in St. Joseph will provide the water source. The project is being funded by USDA-Rural Development, through both grant and loans. Completion is expected in 2024.

604b Water Quality Management Grant. The Regional Council was awarded a Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Quality Management Grant, also known as a 604(b), on behalf of the Village of Big Lake, City of Craig and Big Lake State Park. Snyder & Associates, St. Joseph, MO was selected as the engineering firm to complete a Preliminary Engineering Report. The project was completed 9/30/2023.

The Regional Council applied for another grant in February 2023 for the communities of Fairfax, Rock Port, Tarkio and was awarded 7/1/2023. The project's overall goal is to determine the feasibility of developing a regional wastewater system in the designated project area. Objectives of the project are to: 1) examine and evaluate viable alternatives, including costs; 2) establish the boundaries for regional wastewater treatment; and 3) project



MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES

positive effects of improved wastewater treatment on the local and regional environment and economy. The Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services was released and received six RFQ's. The Regional Council and all three communities met to review and score all qualifying proposals and selected Lamp Rynearson as the engineering firm to conduct the feasibility study. This project ends 6/30/2025.

RCOG Staff



Jerri Dearthmont
Executive Director



Amy Dowis
Regional Planner



Steve Houts
Program Assistant



Joy Huddleston
ACP Coordinator



Kirk Kopper
Community Development Specialist



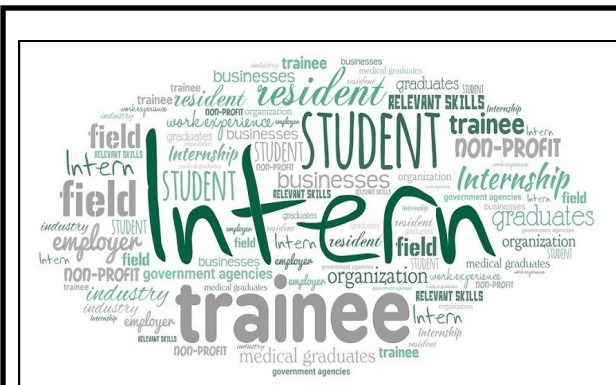
Kim Mildward
Economic Development Planner



Cheyenne Murphy
Fiscal Officer



Sarah Prickett
Assistant Regional Planner



We are fortunate to have a great relationship with Northwest Missouri State University and are excited to provide internship opportunities to Northwest students. Current Regional Council Interns include:

Eli Fox: Hazard Mitigation

Alex Dandy: Roadway Safety

RCOG Board of Directors

Tyler Paxson, Chairperson
Duane Nauman, Secretary

Atchison County
Curtis Livengood—County
Ryan Kingery—Fairfax
Kory Paris—Rock Port
Andrew Riley—Tarkio

Gentry County
Gary Carlson—County
Derek Brown—Albany
Lorie Carlson—King City
Jeff Osborn—Stanberry

Holt County
Tom Bullock—County
Duane Nauman—Mound City
Rick Dozier—Oregon
Vacant—TBD

Bill Walker, Vice Chairperson
Regan Nonneman, Treasurer

Worth County
Jubal Summers—County
Regan Nonneman—Allendale
Ben Abplanalp—Grant City
Tyler Paxson—Sheridan

Nodaway County
Bill Walker—County
Brian Williams—Maryville
Greg Welch—Parnell
Vacant—TBD

At Large Members
Doug Sutton
Pat Walter

RDC Board of Directors

Gary Carlson, Chairperson

Bill Walker, Secretary/Treasurer

Regan Nonneman, Vice Chairperson

Representatives from Local Government

Curtis Livengood, Presiding Commissioner
Andrew Riley, Representative
Gary Carlson, Commissioner
Lorie Carlson, Representative
Tom Bullock, Presiding Commissioner
Duane Nauman, Mayor
Bill Walker, Presiding Commissioner
Vacant
Jubal Summers, Presiding Commissioner
Regan Nonneman, Representative

Atchison County
Tarkio, Atchison County
Gentry County
King City, Gentry County
Holt County
Mound City, Holt County
Nodaway County
Nodaway County
Worth County
Allendale, Worth County

Representatives from Economic Development Organizations

Monica Bailey
Mackenzie Manring
Arnie Kreek
Josh McKim
Meggan Brown

Atchison County Development Corporation
Albany Economic Development (Gentry County)
Northwest Missouri Enterprise Facilitation (Holt County)
Nodaway County Economic Development
Grant City Economic Development (Worth County)

Representatives from Local Businesses

Mike Farmer
Vacant
Ken Jones
Brock Pfof
Ben Abplanalp

Atchison County
Gentry County
Holt County
Nodaway County
Worth County

Representative from NWMSU

Dr. Bronson P. Herrera

Representative from Elementary/Secondary Education

Danny Johnson, Superintendent
King City R-II School

SOLID WASTE FULL COUNCIL

David Carroll, Chairperson

Debbie Roach, Vice Chairperson

Mackenzie Manning, Secretary/Treasurer

Atchison County

Richard Burke—County
Jim Quimby—County
Ryan Kingery—Fairfax
Brentlee Thomas—Rock Port
*Paul Seaman—Tarkio

Gentry County

Randy Cline—County
*Mike Sager—County
**Mackenzie Manning—Albany
Don Combe—King City
Shanda Parrish—Stanberry

Holt County

*David Carroll—County
Bryan Markt—County
Duane Nauman—Mound City
*Richard Wilson—Oregon

Nodaway County

Alex Callow—County
*Bill Walker—County
Vacant —Burlington Jct.
Matt Wray—Hopkins
John McBride, Maryville

Worth County

Regan Nonneman—County
Tyler Paxson—County
***Debbie Roach—Grant City

Advisory Committee

Cynthia Pederson—Citizen
Dick VanVactor—Citizen
Dennis Porter—Solid Waste Industry
Diane Higdon—Commercial Generator
Shane Baumgart—Commercial Generator

Executive Board Member **Executive Board Officer *Executive Board Chairman*

Transportation Advisory Committee

Atchison County

Curtis Livengood
Jeff Meyer
Kamron Woodring

Gentry County

Gary Carlson
Mike Sager
Vacant

Holt County

Carla Acton
Tom Bullock
David Carroll

Nodaway County

Chris Burns
Brian Engle
Greg McDanel

Worth County

Regan Nonneman
Anthony Stienhauser
Jubal Summers

Public Officials Directory

FEDERAL OFFICIALS

U.S. Senator

ERIC SCHMITT

387 Russell Senate Office Bldg.

Washington, D.C. 20510

(202) 224-5721

U.S. Senator

JOSH HAWLEY

115 Russell Senate Office Bldg.

Washington, D.C. 20510

(202) 224-6154

U.S. Representative, District 6

SAM GRAVES

1135 Longworth House Office Bldg.

Washington, D.C. 20515

(202) 225-7041

MISSOURI STATE LEGISLATORS

State Senator

District 12

RUSTY BLACK

201 W. Capitol Ave.

Rm 331

Jefferson City, MO 65101

(573) 751-1415

State Representative

District 001

JEFF FARNAN

201 W. Capitol Ave.

Jefferson City, MO 65101

(573) 751-9465

Jeff.Farnan@house.mo.gov

State Representative

District 002

MAZZIE CHRISTENSEN

201 W. Capitol Ave.

Jefferson City, MO 65101

(573) 751-4285

Mazzie.Christensen@house.mo.gov

Public Officials Directory

STATE OFFICIALS

Governor

MICHAEL L. PARSON
P.O. Box 720
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(573) 751-3222
Web Form:
governor.mo.gov/contact/

State Auditor

SCOTT FITZPATRICK
301 West High Street, Room 880
P.O. Box 869
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(573) 751-4213
moaudit@auditor.mo.gov

Lieutenant Governor

MIKE KEHOE
Capitol Building, Room 224
Jefferson City, MO 65101
(573) 751-4727
ltgovinfo@ltgov.mo.gov

State Treasurer

VIVEK MALEK
P.O. Box 210
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(573) 751-8533
[https://treasurer.mo.gov/Content/
ContactUsForm?Value=](https://treasurer.mo.gov/Content/ContactUsForm?Value=)

Secretary of State

JOHN R. ASHCROFT
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101
(573) 751-4936
info@sos.mo.gov

Attorney General

ANDREW BAILEY
Supreme Court Building
207 W. High St.
P.O. Box 899
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(573) 751-3321
<https://ago.mo.gov/about-us/contact-us/>



Public Officials Directory

ATCHISON COUNTY, POPULATION 5,305



Curtis Livengood, Presiding Commissioner
Richard C. Burke, South District Commissioner
Jim Quimby, North District Commissioner
Susette M. Taylor, County Clerk

In session: Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Phone: (660) 744-6214

Fax: (660) 744-5499

Address: 400 Washington St., P.O. Box 280
Rock Port, MO 64482

Email: acclerk@atcomo.org

Website: acmoelections.org

Public Officials Directory

ATCHISON COUNTY

FAIRFAX, population 648

Ryan Kingery, Mayor

Carol Clark, Clerk

Council Members: Beth Graves,
Shannon Long, Tabatha Wintz, Debra Wyatt

Address: P.O. Box 315, Fairfax, MO 64446

Council Meeting: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Phone: (660) 686-3520

Fax: (660) 686-9525

Email: cityoffairfax@fairfaxmo.net

Website: <https://fairfaxmo.com/>

WESTBORO, population 116

Shawn Manchester, Mayor

Julie LaRock-Hogue, Clerk

Council Members: Richard Jensen, Ponya King, Jason
Leseberg, Mark Stockstill

Address: P.O. Box 156, Westboro, MO 64498

Council Meeting: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m. at the Fire
Station, 305 E. Main, Westboro

Phone: (712) 215-2423

Email: clerkwestboro@gmail.com

ROCK PORT, population 1,278

Amy Thomas, Mayor

Emily Schulte, Clerk

Council Members: Lisa Farmer,
Kelly Herron, Kory Paris, Raechel Schoonover

Address: 500 S. Main, Rock Port, MO 64482

Council Meeting: 3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Phone: (660) 744-2636

Fax: (660) 744-5553

Email: rpcityhall@rpmo.com

Website: <https://www.rpmo.com/>

TARKIO, population 1,506

Mark Staten, Mayor

Danielle Madron, Clerk

Council Members: Jeff Agnew, Blu Dow, Jeff Olson,
Scott Walker

Address: 602 Main St., Tarkio, MO 64491

Council Meeting: 2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Phone: (660) 736-4821

Fax: (660) 736-5605

Email: tarkioch@tarkio.net

Website: www.tarkiomo.com



Public Officials Directory

GENTRY COUNTY, POPULATION 6,162



Mike Sager, Presiding Commissioner
Randy Cline, District 1 Commissioner
Gary Carlson, District 2 Commissioner
Shelia Clark, County Clerk

In session: Monday 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Phone: (660) 726-3525, ext. 4

Fax: (660) 726-4478

Address: 200 W. Clay St., Albany, MO 64402

Email: gencoclerk@windstream.net

Website: www.gentrycounty.net

Public Officials Directory

GENTRY COUNTY

ALBANY, population 1,679

Barbara Murray, Mayor

Jill Cottrill, Clerk

Board of Aldermen: Michael Emery, Craig Gillespie,
Tonya McCampbell, Bobby Smith

Address: 106 E. Clay, Albany, MO 64402

Board of Aldermen Meeting: 1st & 3rd Tuesday,
5:30 p.m.

Phone: (660) 726-3935

Fax: (660) 726-5823

Email: cityhall@albanymo.net

Website: <https://www.albanymo.net/>

STANBERRY, population 1,129

Shanda Parrish, Mayor

Christy Davis, Clerk

Council Members: Jeremy McQueen, Jeff Osborn,
Amber Schieber, Josh Schieber

Address: 130 W. First St., Stanberry, MO 64489

Council Meetings: 2nd Monday, 6 p.m.

Phone: (660) 783-2725

Fax: (660) 783-9004

Email: clerk@stanberrymo.com

Website: www.stanberrymo.com

GENTRY, population

(Didn't provide 2023 update)

Connie Mercer, Mayor

Chris Fritzel, Clerk

Council Members: Chris Fritzel, Denise Fritzel,

Carissa Karr, Randy Mercer

Address: P.O. Box 152, Gentry, MO 64453

Council Meetings: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Phone: (660) 448-3325 (Mayor)

KING CITY, population 799

Doug Waugh, Mayor

Denise Harris, Clerk

Council Members: Don Combe, Matt Jundy, Seth
Law, Jennifer Saunders

Address: 101 E. Vermont, P.O. Box 653,

King City, MO 64463

Council Meeting: 2nd Monday, 6 p.m.

Phone: (660) 535-6121

Fax: (660) 535-6344

Email: denise.harris@kccityhall.com

Website: www.kccityhall.com



Public Officials Directory

HOLT COUNTY, POPULATION 4,223



Tom Bullock, Presiding Commissioner
Richard Meyer, 1st District Commissioner
David Carroll, 2nd District Commissioner
Alice Derr, County Clerk

In Session: Monday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Phone: (660) 446-3303

Fax: (660) 446-3353

Address: P.O. Box 437

Oregon, MO 64473

Email: holtcoclerk@ofmlive.net

Website: www.holtcounty.org

Public Officials Directory

HOLT COUNTY

BIG LAKE, population 65

Richard Poland, Board Chairperson
Diana Phillips, Clerk
Board of Trustees: Galen Curtis, Randy Derry,
Rich McCann, Chris Phillips
Address: 481 Lake Shore Dr., Craig, MO 64437
Board of Trustees Meeting: 2nd Tuesday, 5 p.m.
Phone: (816) 244-3892
Email: biglakemo@squawcreek.net
Website: www.biglakemo.net

CRAIG, population 248

Diana Jones, Mayor
Jan Lewis, Clerk
Council Members: Bruce Ideker,
Mitchel Longcore, Rick Panning, Caleb Wright
Address: P.O. Box 236, Craig, MO 64437
Council Meeting: 3rd Tuesday, 5 p.m.
Phone: (660) 683-5412
Fax: (660) 683-5414
Email: city@cityofcraigmo.com

FOREST CITY, population 243

Darrick Scroggins, Mayor
Theresa Mackey, Clerk
Council Members: Jessica Baker, Kayla Ripley, Loyd
Russell, Michele Weber
Address: P.O. Box 5, Forest City, MO 64451
Council Meeting: 1st Monday, 7 p.m.
Phone: (660) 446-2346
Email: forestcity@ofmlive.net

MAITLAND, population 3276

Donnie Kirk, Mayor
April Schwebach, Clerk
Council Members: Dale Grasty, Terry Schwebach,
John Sportsman, Bill Thurnau
Address: P.O. Box 208, Maitland, MO 64466
Council Meeting: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m.
Phone: (660) 935-2291
Fax: (660) 935-2529
Email: tschwebach@nwmo.net
Website: www.maitlandmo.com

MOUND CITY, population 1,004

Duane Nauman, Mayor
Annissa Brandon, Clerk
Council Members: Kris Gibson, Bob Heck,
Jim Krueger, Matt Stiens
Address: P.O. Box 215, Mound City, MO 64470
Council Meeting: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Phone: (660) 442-3447
Fax: (660) 442-0167
E-Mail: abrandon@moundcitymo.com
Website: https://www.moundcitymo.com/

OREGON, population 837

Richard Wilson, Mayor
Tiffany French, Clerk
Council Members: Kent Bohart, Paxton Crumbaker,
Rick Dozier, D.A. Greiner
Address: P.O. Box 225, Oregon, MO 64473
Council Meeting: 2nd Monday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 446-3695
Fax: (660) 446-3693
E-mail: cityoforegon@ofmlive.net
Website: www.cityoforegon.info



Public Officials Directory

NODAWAY COUNTY, POPULATION 21,241



Bill Walker, Presiding Commissioner
Chris Burns, North District Commissioner
Scott Walk, South District Commissioner
Melinda Patton, County Clerk

In session: Tuesday & Thursday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon & 1 to 3 p.m.

Phone: 660-582-5541

Fax: 660-582-5282

Address: Nodaway County Administration Building
403 N. Market St., Maryville, MO 64468

Email: nodawaycom@gmail.com

Website: www.nodawaycountymo.us

Public Officials Directory

NODAWAY COUNTY

ARKOE, population 56

Darrell Cronk, Mayor
Megan Partridge, Clerk
Council Members: Joyce Cronk, Treasurer;
Joe Partridge, Chairperson;
Mike Wallace, Road Commissioner
Address: P.O. Box 443, Maryville, MO 64468
Council Meeting: 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Phone Number: 660-215-2196
Website: <https://arkoemissouri.blogspot.com>

BARNARD, population 201

Glenn Miller, Mayor
Teresa Coleman, Clerk
Council Members: Tamra Atkins, Donnie Murphy,
Amy Watson
Address: P.O. Box 74, Barnard, MO 64423
Council Meeting: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Phone/Fax: (660) 652-3410
E-mail: t_coleman.clerk@yahoo.com

BURLINGTON JUNCTION, population 521

Jim Johansen, Mayor
Jo Anna Marriott, Clerk
Board of Alderman: Michael Goff, Darby Grace,
Martha Greeley, Brian Hunt,
Address: P.O. Box 50,
Burlington Junction, MO 64428
Board of Aldermen Meeting: 2nd Monday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 725-4514
E-Mail: cityofbj@iamotelephone.com
Website: <https://www.burlingtonjunction.org/>

CLEARMONT, population 158

Byron Clark, Mayor
Linda Babcock, Clerk
Council Members: Kyle Martin, Brenda Snodderly,
Herb Snodderley, Peggy Younger
Address: P.O. Box 64, Clearmont, MO 64431
Council Meeting: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Phone Number: 816-390-7151 (Mayor)
Clerk's Email: lbabcock@wnrockets.com

CLYDE, population 55

Scott Lane, Chairperson
Martha Sue McCrary, Clerk
Council Members: Dustin Day, Chris McCrary,
Andy Schieber, Joseph Stoll
Address: 609 Main St., Clyde, MO 64432
Board of Trustees Meeting: 3rd Monday, 8 p.m.
Clerk's Home Phone: (660) 944-2491

CONCEPTION JUNCTION, population 177

(Did not provide 2023 update)
Cletus Lager, Mayor
Tammy Bliley, Clerk
Council Members: Robert Bliley, Wes McQueen,
Rob Simmerman, Mike Wilmes
Address: 37229 320th St.
Conception Junction, MO 64434
Council Meeting: 1st Monday of every other month,
7 p.m.
Phone: 660-562-0742

Public Officials Directory

NODAWAY COUNTY

ELMO, population 114

Christopher Thompson, Mayor
Norma Bragg, Clerk
Council Members: Adam Hull, Jo Anna Marriott,
Skyler McGinness, Jim Thompson
Address: P.O. Box 193, Elmo, MO 64445
Council Meeting: 3rd Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 742-3321
Email: njnbragg@hotmail.com

GRAHAM, population 147

Darrell Johnson, Mayor
Holly Holmes, Clerk
Council Members: Cory Anderson, Randy Hankins,
Richie Vogel
Address: P.O. Box 14, Graham, MO 64455
Council Meeting: 2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 562-7888 (Clerk)
(660) 541-4626 (Mayor)

GUILFORD, population 60

(Did not provide a 2023 update)
Gary Pulley, Mayor
Nancy Pulley, Clerk
Board of Trustees: Don Bagley,
Danyell Wiederholt
Address: P.O. Box 63, Guilford, MO 64457
Board of Trustees Meeting: Varies
Mayor's Phone: 660-541-3595
E-mail: danyellewiederholt@hotmail.com

HOPKINS, population 472

Matt Wray, Mayor
Teddy Phipps, Clerk
Council Members: Bryson Allen, Rick Gladman,
Richard Moore, Allan Thompson
Address: P.O. Box 174, Hopkins, MO 64461
Council Meeting: 1st Monday, 7 p.m.
Phone: (660) 778-3688
Fax: (660) 778-3683
E-Mail: cityofhopkins@gmx.com
Website: <https://www.hopkinsmogov.com/>

MARYVILLE, population 10,633

Tye Parsons, Mayor
Stacy Wood, Clerk
Council Members: Benjamin Lipiec, John McBride,
Dannen Merrill, Bryan Williams
Address: 415 N. Market, P.O. Box 438,
Maryville, MO 64468
Council Meeting: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6 p.m.
Maryville Public Safety Meeting Room
Phone: (660) 562-8001
Fax: (660) 562-8022
E-Mail: swood@maryville.org
Website: www.maryville.org

Public Officials Directory

NODAWAY COUNTY

PARNELL, population 135

Kristina Gobster, Mayor
Heather Burns, Clerk
Council Members: Jennifer Burns, Jeremy Burns,
Rex Welch, Brandon Wilcox
Address: P.O. Box 106, Parnell, MO 64475
Council Meeting: 2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 254-0246
E-Mail: cityofparnell.mo@gmail.com

SKIDMORE, population 245

Teresa Carter, Mayor
Sadie McHugh, Clerk
Council Members: Steve Day, Kim Fetterer,
Dennis Gladman, Tim Slagle
Address: P.O. Box 15, Skidmore, MO 64487
Council Meeting: 2nd Thursday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 928-3281
E-mail: skidmore@nwmo.net
Website: www.skidmoremo.org

PICKERING, population 149

Charles Smith, Mayor
Milton Sovereign, Clerk
Council Members: Julie Blane, Juliana Judd,
Kevin Leedom, Brad Renfro
Address: P.O. Box 2, Pickering, MO 64476
Council Meeting: 1st Monday, 6 p.m.
Phone: (660) 927-3620
Clerk's Email: smithrepairllc@yahoo.com

RAVENWOOD, population 439

(Did not provide 2023 update)
Bryan Sobotka, Mayor
Taylor Spire, Clerk
Board of Aldermen: Justin Briney, Jeremy Faustlin,
Jerry Lager, Colby Wiederholt
Address: P.O. Box 65, Ravenwood, MO 64479
Board of Aldermen Meeting: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Phone: (660) 937-4355
Fax: (660) 937-4354
Email: rvwdcity@grm.net



Public Officials Directory

WORTH COUNTY, POPULATION 1,973



Jubal Summers, Presiding Commissioner
Regan Nonneman, East District Commissioner
Tyler Paxson, West District Commissioner
Roberta Owens, County Clerk

In-Session: Monday, 9 to 11 a.m.

Address: 11 W. 4th Street, P.O. Box 450, Grant City, MO 64456

Phone: (660) 564-2219

Fax: (660) 564-2432

E-Mail: cclerkwoco@grantcity.net

Website: www.worthcounty.us

Public Officials Directory

WORTH COUNTY

ALLENDALE, population 48

(Did not provide a 2023 update)

Kevin Harding, Mayor

Michelle Hertl, Clerk

Council Members: Bill Calhoon, Bill Glenn,

Paul Myer, Mike O'Riley

Address: P.O. Box 51, Allendale, MO 64420

Council Meeting: 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.

Phone: (660) 541-4024

E-mail: hertljm@grantcity.net

SHERIDAN, population 145

Eldon (Butch) Thomas, Mayor

Geneveive Walker, Clerk

Board of Aldermen: Allen Blythe, Candace Martin,

Larry Musick, Mary Jo Riley

Address: P.O. Box 55, Sheridan, MO 64486

Board of Aldermen Meeting: 1st Monday, 6 p.m.

Phone: (660) 799-2605 (Clerk)

E-mail: butchthomas@ymail.com (Mayor)

DENVER, population 32

(Did not provide a 2023 update)

John Kenny, Board Chairman

Council Members: Charles Cisler, Darlene Kenny,

John Kenny

Address: 415 Raymond St., Denver, MO 64441

Council Meeting: 2nd Monday, 7 p.m.

Phone: (660) 254-1941

E-mail: dardeuce@grm.net

GRANT CITY, population 817

Debbie Roach, Mayor

Farrah Richy, Clerk

Board of Aldermen: Lenny Campbell, Bruce Downing,

Kevin Kobbe, Catherine Runde

Address: 101 W. Third St., Grant City, MO 64456

Board of Aldermen Meeting: 3rd Wednesday,

6:30 p.m.

Phone: (660) 564-3369

Fax: (660) 564-3536

E-Mail: cityg23@hotmail.com

Website: <http://www.grantcitymo.com/>



Other Jurisdictions...

Jurisdictions who are not currently RCOG dues-paying members and, therefore, not included in the Public Officials Directory, are:

Atchison County

Watson

Gentry County

Darlington

McFall

Holt County

Bigelow

Fortescue

Worth County

Worth



This document was prepared in part through a planning grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce (70% Federal; 30% Local Match), the Economic Development Administration, the Missouri Office of Administration, and from local membership dues and contracts for services. EEO/Program.