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**OZARK
FOOTHILLS
REGIONAL
PLANNING COMMISSION**

FY 2016 Annual Report

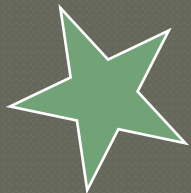
(July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016)

MISSION STATEMENT

The Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission improves the quality of life in and promotes the development of Butler, Carter, Reynolds, Ripley and Wayne Counties through social, cultural, educational, public infrastructure, housing, economic development and recycling programs.

Ozark Foothills Service Area

(5 Counties & 15 Cities)



94%

Membership



Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

The Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission (OFRPC) manages its internal activities, as well as the activities of the Ozark Foothills Development Association, the Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation, the Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District, and the Ripley County Public Housing Agency.

The OFRPC's core service is providing grant preparation and administrative services to its five member counties & fifteen member cities.

During Fiscal Year 2016, OFRPC staff prepared thirty-eight grant applications and brought \$3,362,674 into the Ozark Foothills Region.

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

Membership – FY 2016

- Vince Lampe, Butler County
- Ed DeGaris, Poplar Bluff
- Shannon Poole, Fisk
- Lee McComb, Jr., Neelyville
- Glen Sedrick, Qulin
- Donald Black, Carter County
- Tom Wilder, Ellsinore
- Rick Julius, Grandin
- Dale Kirkvliet, Van Buren
- Joe Loyd, Reynolds County
- Gary Conway, Jr., Bunker
- Stanley Barton, Centerville
- Paul Woods, Ellington
- William Kennon, Ripley County
(Treasurer)
- Terry Cooper, Doniphan
- Brian Polk, Wayne County
- Angela Clyburn, Mill Spring
- William Kirkpatrick, Piedmont
- Fred Bennett, Greenville
- Angela Smith, Williamsville
- Wayne Gibbs, Agriculture
- Paul Johnson, Retired/Senior Services
(2nd Vice-Chairman)
- Darrell Dement, Business (Ex-Officio)
- Russell French, Professions
- Margaret Carter, Finance
- Edward Coursey, Minority (Secretary)
- Mildred Coursey, Minority
- Reverend Gregory Kirk, Social Agency
- Sister Anne Francioni, Social Agency
- Mike Gossett, Solid Waste Management
- Dr. Gene Oakley, Education (Chairman)
- Brian Polk, Solid Waste Management
(1st Vice-Chairman)
- William Kennon, Professions

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

FY 2016 Goal Progress

Goals

- Conduct Staff Retreat
- Maintain 100% Membership
- Complete Grant Proposals for Member Communities & Nonprofits
- Increase Investment Within the Region

Accomplishments

- ✓ Staff Retreat Held during June 2016
- ✓ 100% Membership Maintained
- ✓ Submitted 38 Grant Proposals
- ✓ Brought \$3,362,674 into the Region

Ozark Foothills Region

FY 2016 Grants/Contracts Received

\$3,362,674 Total

- ❖ Ripley County PHA, U.S. HUD, FSS Coordinator, \$34,213
- ❖ Carter County, FHWA, Federal Lands Access Program, \$126,176
- ❖ Butler County, U.S. DOC, EDA, \$1,018,000
- ❖ Ozark Foothills RPC, MO CTF, License Plate Partnership
- ❖ Ozark Foothills RPC, OFSWMD, Solid Waste Management Grant, \$154,318
- ❖ Ozark Foothills RPC, USDA, RD, Solid Waste Management Program, \$30,000
- ❖ Ozark Foothills SWMD, MDNR, Solid Waste Management Grant, \$164,922
- ❖ RCPHA, U.S. HUD, Maintain Leasing Funding, \$45,458
- ❖ Butler County, DRA, States' Economic Development Assistance Program, \$106,000
- ❖ City of Qulin, MO DED, Community Development Block Grant, \$250,000
- ❖ Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, MO OA, Annual Planning Grant, \$4,451
- ❖ Ripley County Ambulance District, U.S. DHS, FEMA, Assistance to Firefighters Grant, \$109,327
- ❖ Butler County, Pepsi-Mid-America Expansion Project, CDBG, \$116,329
- ❖ Butler County, MDNR, Missouri Heritage Properties Program, \$76,300
- ❖ City of Poplar Bluff, MDNR, Historic Preservation Fund, \$7,500
- ❖ Ozark Foothills Development Association, Inc., MO DED, Business Incubator Tax Credits 57,000
- ❖ Ozark Foothills RPC, U.S. DOC, EDA, Annual Planning Partnership Program, \$66,000
- ❖ City of Poplar Bluff, MO DED, CDBG, Flood Buyout & Study, \$995,000

Ozark Foothills Development Association, Inc.

The Ozark Foothills Development Association is an IRS-defined non-profit charged with enhancing economic development in the five-county region. The association administers the Ozark Foothills Business Incubator.

The Small Business Incubator, constructed in 1988, provides 20,000 square feet of affordable operating space to start-up or expanding enterprises. During FY 2016, the Ozark Foothills Development Association maintained 100% occupancy within its incubator and finalized plans to expand the incubator's capacity by 50%.

Ozark Foothills Development Association

FY 2016 Goal Progress

Goals

- ❑ Maintain 100% Incubator Occupancy
- ❑ Ensure Lease Agreements are Current for All Tenants

Accomplishments

- ✓ Business Incubator Occupancy was 100% During FY 2016
- ✓ Lease Agreements Executed with Four of Four Tenants During December 2015

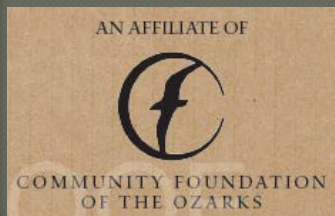
Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation

The Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation, established November 2011, is the charitable arm of the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission.

The mission of the Foundation is to establish endowments that enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by reinvesting in the five counties and sixteen cities of the Ozark Foothills Region of Missouri.

The foundation's eleven-member Board of Governors is led by Mr. Russell French, Chairman; Ms. Jan Brown, Vice-Chairman; Sister Anne Francioni, Secretary; and, Ms. Felicity Ray, Treasurer.

As of June 30, 2016, the foundation held 34 funds with total assets of \$665,222!



Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District

The Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District, Region Q, in partnership with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources funds the Ozark Foothills Materials Recovery Facility (Recycling Center). In doing so it provides region-wide recycling services to Butler, Carter, Reynolds, Ripley and Wayne Counties.

Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District

FY 2016 Goal Progress

Goals

- ❑ Continue Solid Waste Management in the Ozark Foothills Region
- ❑ Continue to Support Region-Wide Solid Waste Diversion
- ❑ Conserve Limited Grant Resources by Minimizing Administrative Expenses.

Accomplishments

- ✓ Submitted a Solid Waste Management Program Continuation Proposal to MDNR, Which Was Funded During June 2015
- ✓ Provided \$154,318 in Grant Funding to the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission for the Operation of its Materials Recovery Facility
- ✓ Continued to Contract with the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission for Administrative Services on an Actual Cost Reimbursement Basis (\$8,403
- ✓ in FY 2016 or 5.1% of the Total Annual MDNR Allocation)



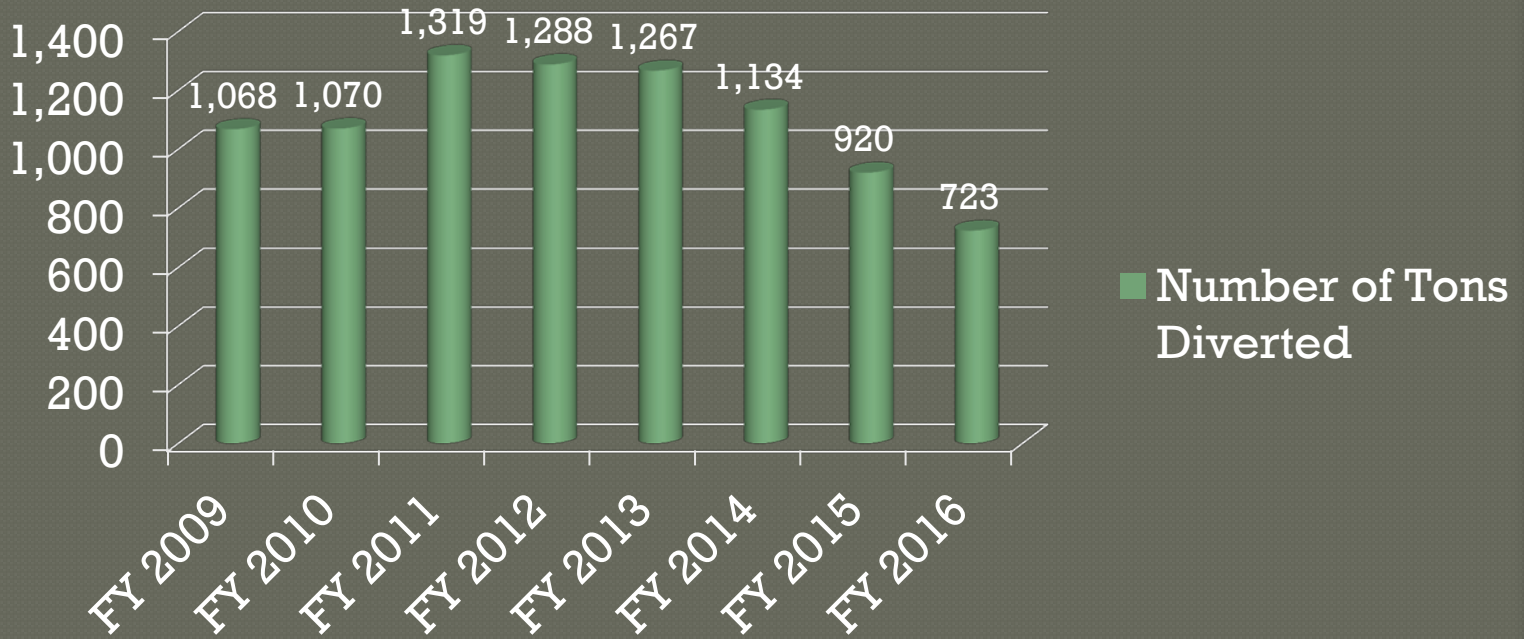
During FY 2016, the Ozark Foothills Recycling Center diverted *723 tons* of aluminum, tin, plastic, cardboard, newspaper, white paper, white goods, tires, and electronics from landfills!

Solid Waste Tonnage Diverted from Landfills

Ozark Foothills Region

July 2009 – June 2016

Tonnage Diverted



Doniphan Recycling Project



Recycled Art Contest
April 2016



Doniphan Community
Composting Station

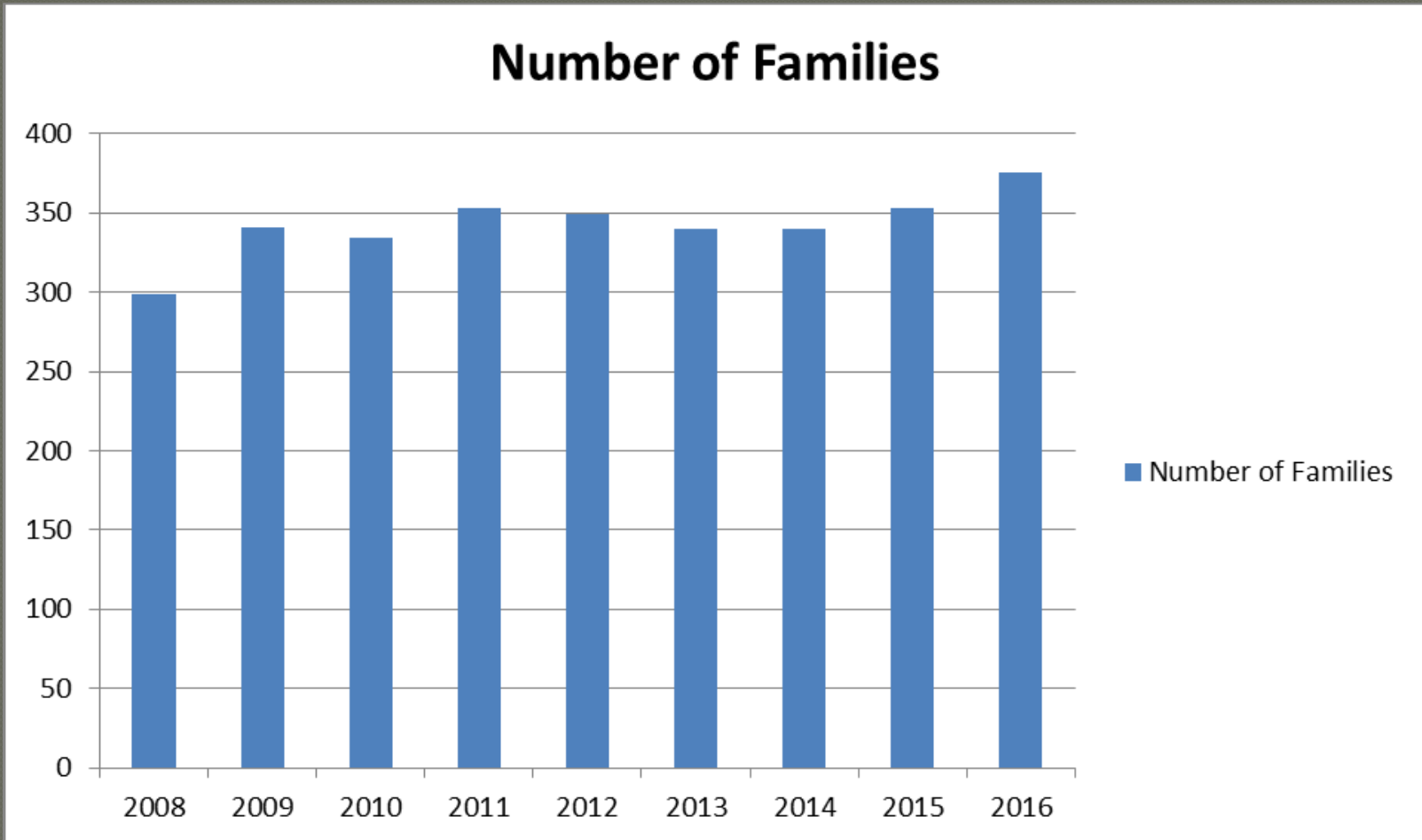
Ripley County Public Housing Agency

The Ripley County Public Housing Agency is authorized to provide HUD Section 8 rental and, if applicable, utility subsidies to 382 families throughout the five-county service area.

As of June 30, 2016, 40 families were enrolled in the agency's Family Self-Sufficiency and Homeownership Programs, while 375 families (including 56 veteran-led households) were receiving Section 8 rental assistance.

Number of Families Served by the Ripley County PHA

July 2008 – July 2016



Ripley County Public Housing Agency

FY 2016 Goal Progress

Goals

- ❑ Maintain Number of Section 8 Vouchers at 356 When Funding Permits
- ❑ Maintain Maximum Monthly Administrative Fee Eligibility
- ❑ Maintain Family Participation Levels Above the Required Minimum Within the Family Self-Sufficiency Program
- ❑ Conduct an Internal Program Review

Accomplishments

- ✓ Number of Vouchers Filled Increased from 299 on July 1, 2008 to 375 on June 30, 2016
- ✓ Monthly Administrative Fee Eligibility Averaged **\$17,330** per month
- ✓ Family Self-Sufficiency Caseload Increased from 32 Families on June 30, 2011 to 40 Families on June 30, 2016, While the Minimum Caseload Requirement Remained Unchanged at 25 Families
- ✓ Annual SEMAP Review Identified the RCPHA as a “High” Functioning Housing Authority

Ozark Foothills Transportation Advisory Committee

The Ozark Foothills Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) consists of twenty-five members who meet quarterly to identify, discuss, and prioritize the region's transportation needs. Prioritized needs are relayed to MODOT for potential inclusion within the five-year Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, or STIP, which is updated annually.

Transportation Planning

FY 2016 Goal Progress

Goals

- ❑ Continue Regional Transportation Planning Program
- ❑ Maintain a Full-Time Transportation Planning Coordinator
- ❑ Conduct Quarterly Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings
- ❑ Solicit Public Input Regarding Regional Transportation Needs
- ❑ Conduct Regional Project Prioritization

Accomplishments

- ✓ FY 2017 MODOT Work Plan Submitted and Approved for \$64,706—a 9% Increase from FY 2016!
- ✓ Full-Time Transportation Planning Coordinator Maintained
- ✓ Four TAC Meetings Held
- ✓ Public Comments Collected at Two Regional Events and Five Public Hearings
- ✓ Submitted a Region-Wide Prioritization of Potential Projects to MODOT During the Fall of 2015

Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee FY 2016 Project Priorities (Adopted November 5, 2015)

Butler County

1. Route M 2 miles west of Route 67 – Curves and Hill
2. Route PP from Township Line to Lakeview County Road – Add Shoulders
3. Route T: 2 foot asphalt shoulders from Butler County Line to Highway 60

Carter County

1. Route N: Widen and Eliminate one-lane bridge over Middle Brushy Creek
2. Route A: Eliminate Narrow Bridge in Ellsinore
3. Widen Bridge/Culvert on A Highway at corner curve in Ellsinore

Reynolds County

1. Replace Highway F Bridge
2. Highway 21: Centerville to Glover, add shoulders
3. Highway K: Ellington to Annapolis, add shoulders

Ripley County

1. State Route K: Straighten “S” curve
2. Between Navlor and Doniphan: Eliminate three one-lane bridges
3. Improvement Highway 142 West at Gatewood – Narrow bridge

Wayne County

1. Highway 49: Replace bridge over McKenzie Creek north of Piedmont
2. Highway 49/Highway A: Straighten and widen from Highway 67 to 60 and from Williamsville to Iron County Line.
3. Repair/Replace Highway 34 bridge across Black River: North of Leeper, West of 34/49 junction

Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee

FY 2016 Maintenance Priorities

(Adopted November 5, 2015)

Butler County

1. HH Highway: Resurface from Highway 142 to Highway 53
2. Resurface Route F: From Route 160 to end of State Maintenance
3. Resurface Route N: From Route 53 to Route 51

Carter County

1. Overlay: Y Highway near Fremont
2. Z Highway: Overlay
3. Overlay A Highway Ellsinore

Reynolds County

1. B Highway: Overlay
2. O Highway: Overlay
3. Highway 49 Overlay Centerville to Highway 32 junction

Ripley County

1. BB Highway: Overlay
2. EE Highway: Overlay
3. C Highway: Overlay

Wayne County

1. Highway 49: Resurface from Williamsville to Iron County Line
2. Overlay Route 49 from Highway 67 to west junction of Route A
3. Overlay Route A from west junction of Highway 49 to US Highway 60 East

Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee

FY 2016 Multi-Modal Priorities

(Adopted November 5, 2015)

Butler County

1. Extend the Poplar Bluff Airport Runway
2. Improve Amtrak Depot Service Facility
3. Extend trail from Shelby/Oak Grove to McLane Park/and West to Wolf Creek trail

Carter County

1. Construct new helipads
2. Improve road to the Van Buren Airport
3. Ramps for various sidewalks in Van Buren

Reynolds County

1. Add bike lane on North Highway 21 to Highway 106
2. Reopen railhead at Buick Mine
3. Bike Lane on Highway 106 Ellington to Eminence

Ripley County

1. Remove trees from west end of Doniphan Airport runway
2. Fix landing lights at Doniphan Airport
3. Install fence at airport to keep out deer

Wayne County

1. Sidewalk repair/construction in Piedmont (Main Street/Variou)
2. Sidewalk repair/construction in Greenville (Variou)
3. Wayne County Cross-County walk/bike trail

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Staff

(6/30/2016)

Agency Administration

- Felicity Ray, Executive Director
- Keona Ferguson, Executive Secretary
- Camille Donnell, Project Officer
- Andrew Murphy, Transportation Planning Coordinator
- Samantha Rodgers, Program Administrator
- Mike Watkins, Fiscal Officer
- Matt Winters, Associate Director

Rental Assistance & Family Self-Sufficiency

- Kristin Brooks, Housing Coordinator
- Carolyn Hayes, FSS Coordinator
- Ilene Ward, Housing Coordinator

Recycling Center

- Jamie Lansford, Recycling Supervisor
- David Foster, Recycling Technician
- Verlin Willcut, Recycling Technician

Your OFRPC Staff

*Annual Staff Retreat - June 2016
Keener Springs, Williamsville, MO*



Front Row: Felicity Ray, Ilene Ward, Keona Ferguson, Andrew Murphy, Carolyn Meeks, Mike Watkins, Samantha Rodgers, Camille Donnell, Jamie Lansford

Back Row: David Foster, Verlin Willcut, Matt Winters

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