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**OZARK  
FOOTHILLS  
REGIONAL  
PLANNING COMMISSION**

**FY 2017 Annual Report**

*(July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)*

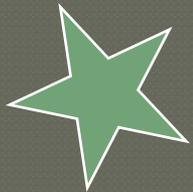
# MISSION STATEMENT

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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 2017, OFRPC staff prepared fifty-one (51) grant applications and brought **\$3,834,121** into the Ozark Foothills Region.

# Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

## Membership – FY 2017

- 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
- Carroll Rainwater, Greenville
- Angela Smith, Williamsville
- Wayne Gibbs, Agriculture
- Paul Johnson, Retired/Senior Services  
(2<sup>nd</sup> 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  
(1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman)
- William Kennon, Professions

# Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

## FY 2017 Goal Progress

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### 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 2017
- ✓ 94% Membership Maintained
- ✓ Submitted 51 Grant Proposals
- ✓ Brought \$3,834,121 into the Region

# Ozark Foothills Region

## FY 2017 Grants/Contracts Received

### \$3,834,121 Total

OFRPC- CTF License Plate Partnership	\$1,080	Butler Co., MO DED, CDBG	\$286,345	Doniphan Vitality DRA	\$99,225	OFRPC, U.S. DOC, EDA, Annual Planning Grant	\$70,000
MODOT Annual Workplan	\$64,706	City of Piedmont, MO DED, CDBG	\$385,945	City of Poplar Bluff MODOT	\$337,751	Butler Co., MO DED, Energy Loan	\$157,264
OFRPC OFSWMD SWM GRANT	\$90,081	City of Ellington, MO DPS, LLEBG	\$9,139.44	RCPHA U.S DEPT OF HUD	\$2,400	RCPHA U.S. HUD, ANNUAL PLAN	\$1,215,872
OFRPC SWMD, MDNR, SWM GRANT	\$98,288	OFRPC, MO OA, Annual Planning Grant	\$4,450.59	Greenville R-I School MO SEMA	\$843,297	OFDA, MO DED BI TAX CREDITS	\$30,000
RCPHA, U.S. HUD FSS GRANT	\$34,213	OFRPC, MODOT, Annual Work Plan	\$64,705.88	RCPHA, U.S. HUD, HUD VASH EAF	\$39,538		

# Ozark Foothills Development Association, Inc.

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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 2017, the Ozark Foothills Development Association maintained 100% occupancy within its incubator and finalized plans & secured the financing needed to expand the incubator's capacity by 50%.

# Ozark Foothills Development Association

## FY 2017 Goal Progress

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### Goals

- ❑ Maintain 100% Incubator Occupancy
- ❑ Ensure Lease Agreements are Current for All Tenants
- ❑ Expand Business Incubation Capacity by 50%

### Accomplishments

- ✓ Business Incubator Occupancy was 100% During FY 2017
- ✓ Lease Agreements Executed with Four of Four Tenants During December 2016
- ✓ Full Funding Obtained for the Expansion Effort During FY 2017

# Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation

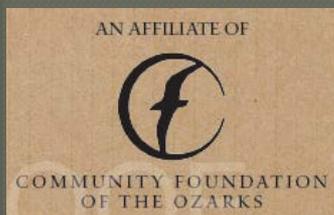
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The Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation, established November 2011, is the charitable arm of the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission.

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, 2017, the foundation held 41 funds with total assets of \$1,218,855--an increase of 83% from one year prior.



# Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District

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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 2017 Goal Progress

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### 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 2016
  
- ✓ Provided 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**

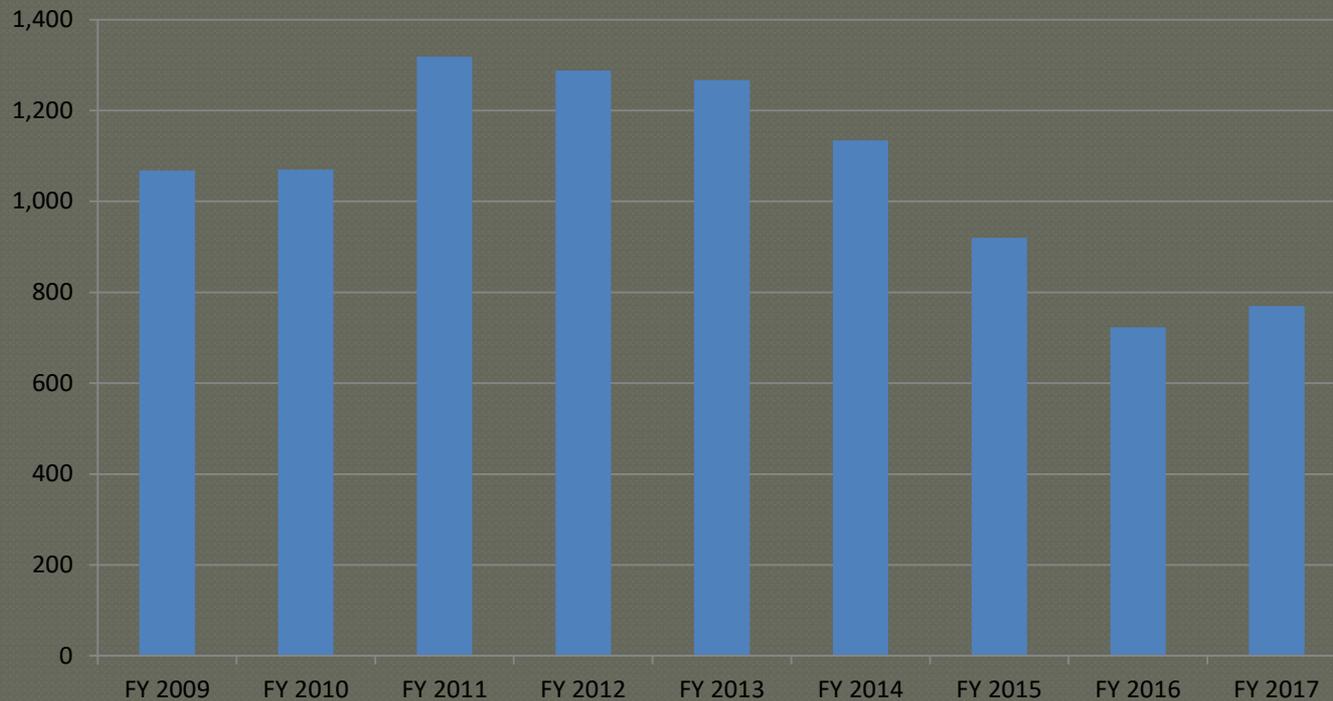


During FY 2017, the Ozark Foothills Recycling Center diverted *770 tons* of aluminum, tin, plastic, cardboard, newspaper, white paper, white goods, tires, and electronics from landfills!

# Solid Waste Tonnage Diverted from Landfills

## Ozark Foothills Region

July 2009 – June 2017



# Ripley County Public Housing Agency

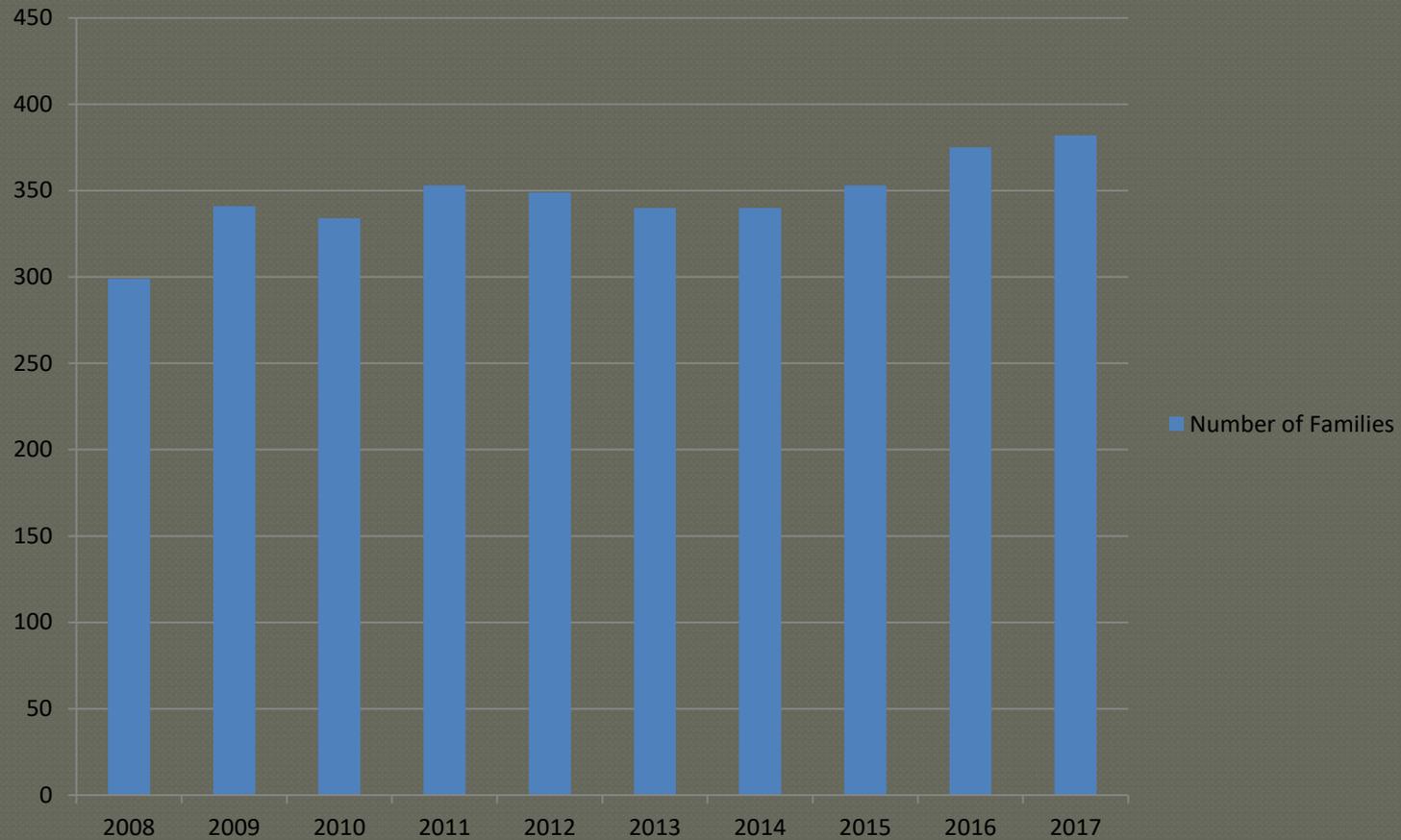
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The Ripley County Public Housing Agency is authorized to provide HUD Section 8 rental and, if applicable, utility subsidies to 390 families throughout the five-county service area.

As of June 30, 2017, thirty-six (36) families were enrolled in the agency's Family Self-Sufficiency and Homeownership Programs, while 382 families were receiving Section 8 rental assistance.

# Number of Families Served by the Ripley County PHA

July 2008 – July 2017



# Ripley County Public Housing Agency

## FY 2017 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 382 on June 30, 2017
- ✓ Monthly Administrative Fee Eligibility Averaged \$17,989 per month while average expenses totaled \$14,091 per month
- ✓ Family Self-Sufficiency Caseload Increased from 32 Families on June 30, 2011 to 36 Families on June 30, 2017, 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

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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 2017 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 2018 MODOT Work Plan Submitted and Approved for \$64,706.
- ✓ 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 2016

# Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee FY 2017 Overall Project Priorities (Adopted October 13, 2016)

## 2016-2017 Identified Needs by County

### Butler County

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

### Carter County

1. Route N: Widen and Eliminate one-lane bridge over Middle Brushy Creek
2. Overlay and add shoulders to D highway
3. Route A: Eliminate Narrow Bridge in Ellsinore

### Reynolds County

1. Replace Highway F Bridge
2. ~~Highway 21: Centerville to Glover, add shoulders~~ <sup>already to be included</sup>
3. Highway K: Ellington to Annapolis, add shoulders

### Ripley County

1. State Route K: Straighten “S” curve
2. Between Naylor 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~~ <sup>already in S</sup>
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 Planning Commission Staff

(6/30/2017)

## 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

- Niki Harp, Housing Coordinator
- Carolyn Hayes, FSS Coordinator
- Ilene Ward, Housing Coordinator

## Recycling Center

- Jamie Lansford, Recycling Supervisor
- David Foster, Recycling Technician
- Eugene Shanor, Recycling Technician

## *Your OFRPC Staff*



*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 -- Not Pictured: Eugene Shanor*

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