



FY 2022 Annual Report

(July 1, 2021– June 30, 2022)

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 & 16 Cities)

100%
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 & sixteen member cities.

During Fiscal Year 2022, OFRPC staff prepared 55 grant applications and brought **\$6,873,774** into the Ozark Foothills Region.



Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Membership – FY 2022

- Vince Lampe, Butler County
- Steve Davis, Poplar Bluff
- Doug Moseby, Fisk
- Kevin Bynum, Neelyville
- Justin Parks, Qulin
- Ron Keeney, Carter County
- Wayne Ogden, Ellsinore
- Rick Julius, Grandin
- Mike Hoerner, Van Buren
- Joe Loyd, Reynolds County
- Gary Conway, Jr., Bunker
- Stanley Barton, Centerville
- Paul Wood, Ellington
- Jesse Roy, Ripley County
- Dennis Cox, Doniphan
- Brian Polk, Wayne County
- Angela Clyburn, Mill Spring
- Dale Day, Naylor
- Sandy Joy, Williamsville
- Wayne Gibbs, Agriculture
- Paul Johnson, Retired/Senior Services
(1st Vice-Chairman)
- Darrell Dement, Business (2nd Vice-Chairman)
- Russell French, Professions
- Margaret Carter, Finance (Secretary/Treasurer)
- Rebeca Pacheco, Social Agency
- Reverend Gregory Kirk, Social Agency
- Teresa Lee, Education
- Brian Polk, Solid Waste Management (Chairman)
- Bill Moriarty, Retired/Senior Services
- Dr. Jim Jones, Professions
- Larry Burchard, Greenville
- William Kirkpatrick, Piedmont
- Chad Henson, Solid Waste Management
- Brandon Woolard, Finance

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission

FY 2022 Goal Progress

Goals

Accomplishments

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain 100% Membership | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100% Membership Maintained |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Grant Proposals for Member Communities & Nonprofits | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Submitted 55 Grant Proposals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Investment Within the Region | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brought \$6,873,774 into the Region via 25 Funded Proposals. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct Staff Retreat | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff Retreat Held in August 2022 |



Ozark Foothills Region

FY 2022 Grants/Contracts Received

\$3,028,762 Total

Project	Total
Carter County, MO DED CDBG, Big Springs Medical Center Building Generator	\$50,000
Butler County, MO DNR, Volkswagen Trust-Replace Two Dump Trucks	\$142,400
City of Naylor, MO DNR Land & Water Conservation, Improve Downtown & Judson Parks	\$42,000
City of Poplar Bluff, MO DED CDBG, Roxie Road Bridge Replacement	\$612,941
OFRPC, MoDOT, Transportation Planner	\$64,706
City of Poplar Bluff, MO DED CDBG, New City Street, Stormwater basins, Utility Infrastructure for Industrial Site at Fair Street and Hwy. 142	\$1,540,020
City of Poplar Bluff, MO DNR Land & Water Conservation, Improve Hillcrest & Linc Parks	\$68,513
City of Poplar Bluff, MoDOT Alternative Program, Extend Trail North Side of PP Hwy. 1.85 miles from East Roundabout to Wolf Creek Trail Head	\$375,273
Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, MO OA, MO funds to Serve OFRPC	\$13,352
OFSWMD, MO DNR, Recycle Center	\$95,000
Ripley County Senior Center, USDA Rural Development, Senior Center Equipment	\$24,557



(Projects Awarded July 2021 – December 2021)

Ozark Foothills Region

FY 2022 Grants/Contracts Received

\$3,845,012 Total

Project	Total
Ripley County Public Housing Agency, HUD, FSS Coordinator	\$43,605
City of Van Buren, Delta Regional Authority, Gap Funding Public Safety Building	\$139,549
Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, US Dept. of Commerce EDA. Assignment Agreement to Provide Staff Time to Agency	\$140,488
Ripley County, Ripley County PWSD #1, MO DED CDBG-CV, Water System Improvements	\$426,208
Ripley County, Ripley County PWSD #2, MO DED CDBG-CV, Water System Improvements	\$927,071
Ripley County, MO DED CDBG-CV, Additional Funding for County Jail Facility	\$531,933
Carter County, Carter County Nutrition Center, MO DED CDBG-CV, Facility Improvements	\$363,619
Butler County Council on Aging, CFO-Coover Grant, Pallet Jack and Kitchen Appliances	\$14,538
Naylor Nutrition Center, CFO-Coover Grant, Upgrade Kitchen with New Equipment	\$14,303
Ripley County Senior Citizens Club, CFO-Coover Grant, Support Purchase of 2 Used Vans for Meal Delivery	\$24,800
Williamsville Area Association of Senior Citizens, CFO-Coover Grant, Update Kitchen Equipment	\$24,471
Wayne County/City of Williamsville, Area Association of Senior Citizens, MO DED CDBG-CV, Building Renovations and Improvements	\$198,428
Wayne County, MO DED CDBG-CV, Broadband Infrastructure in Puxico School District Area	\$971,999
Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, MO OA, MO Funds to Support OFRPC Efforts	\$24,000



(Projects Awarded January 2022 – June 2022)

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 and expanded in 2018, provides 30,000 square feet of affordable operating space to start-up or expanding enterprises.

During FY 2022, the Ozark Foothills Development Association maintained 100% occupancy within its original incubator and 100% within the expansion area.

The last of the four newly constructed spaces was rented in September 2021.

Ozark Foothills Development Association

FY 2022 Goal Progress

Goals

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

Accomplishments

- ✓ Business Incubator Occupancy was 100% During FY 2022, as of September 2021. The last unit was leased on September 21, 2021.
- ✓ Lease Agreements Executed with Ten of Ten Tenants During FY 2022.

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; Dr. Scott Dill, Secretary; and, Mrs. Crystal Jones, Treasurer (through April 2022), Treasurer position currently vacant.

As of June 2022, the foundation held funds with total assets valued at \$2,014,413.



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 2022 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 2022
- ✓ 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**





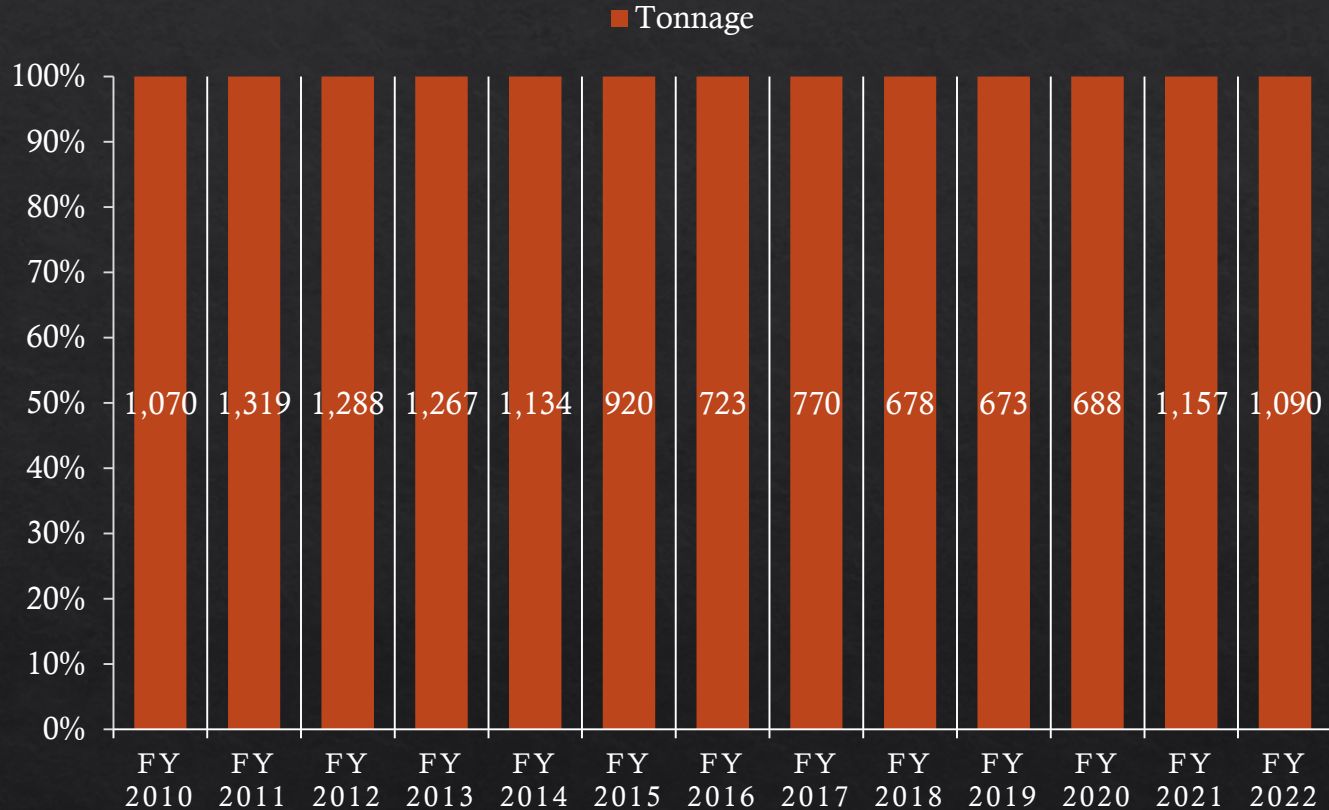
During FY 2022, the Ozark Foothills Recycling Center diverted *1,090 tons* of aluminum, tin, plastic, cardboard, newspaper, white paper, white goods, tires, and electronics from landfills.



Solid Waste Tonnage Diverted from Landfills

Ozark Foothills Region

June 2010 – June 2022



Ripley County Public Housing Agency

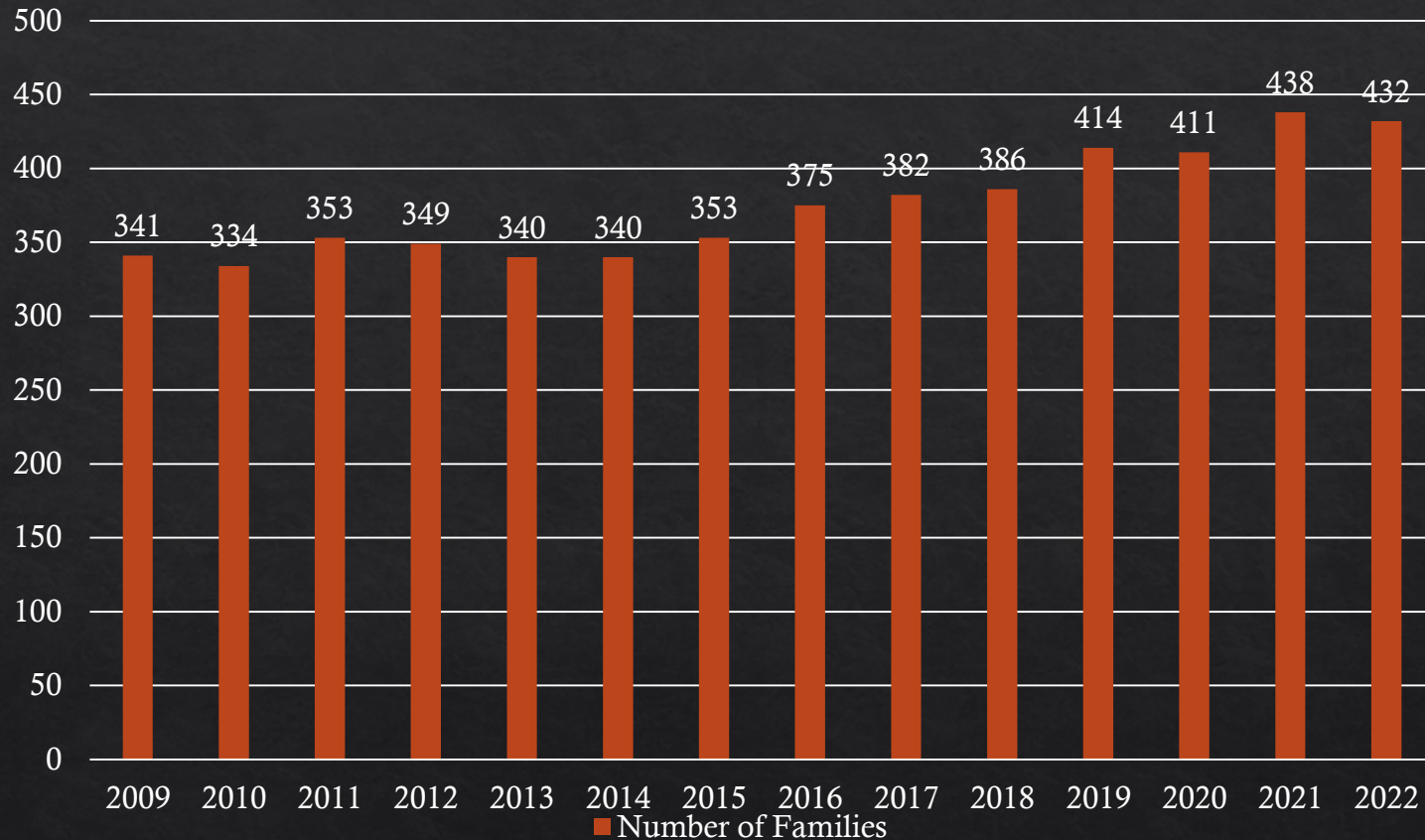
The Ripley County Public Housing Agency is authorized to provide HUD Section 8 rental and, if applicable, utility subsidies to 461 families throughout the five-county service area.

As of June 30, 2022, 37 families were enrolled in the agency's Family Self-Sufficiency and Homeownership Programs, while 432 families were receiving Section 8 rental assistance.



Number of Families Served by the Ripley County PHA

June 2008 – June 2022



Ripley County Public Housing Agency

FY 2021 Goal Progress

Goals

- ❑ Maintain Number of Section 8 Vouchers at 461 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 411 on June 30, 2020, exceeding goal by 29. We were able to add 40 additional mainstream vouchers in January 2021.
- ✓ Monthly Administrative Fee Eligibility Averaged \$25,524 per month while average expenses totaled \$20,054 per month
- ✓ Family Self-Sufficiency Caseload decreased from 32 Families on June 30, 2021, to 26 Families on June 30, 2022. The Minimum Caseload Requirement Remained Unchanged at 25 Families.
- ✓ Annual SEMAP Review was required by HUD this year and we completed it during June 2022, along with the internal quality control inspections.



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 2022 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 2022 MODOT Work Plan Submitted and Approved for \$64,706.
- ✓ Full-Time Transportation Planning Coordinator Maintained.
- ✓ Four TAC Meetings held.
- ✓ Public Comments Collected at five Public Hearings.
- ✓ Submitted a Region-Wide Prioritization of Potential Projects to MODOT during September 2021.

Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee

FY 2022 Overall Project Priorities

(Adopted July 8, 2021)

1. Guardrails on Highway 21 from Highway H to Hwy 60 in Reynolds County.
2. 4-lane Highway 67 from Highway 160 to the state line in Butler County.
3. Safety Shoulders on Highway 49 from Highway 67 to Mill Spring and Piedmont to Iron County line and widen existing box culverts in Wayne County.
4. Low water crossing on Highway K between CR K-5 and CR K-6 in Ripley County.
5. Overlay and add shoulders to D Highway in Carter County.

Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Staff

(as of 6/30/2022)

Agency Administration

- Alan Lutes, Executive Director
- Andrew Murphy, Assistant Director & Transportation Planning Coordinator
- Camille Donnell, Fiscal Officer
- Brooke Hinklin, Executive Secretary
- Amy Baugus, Project Officer
- Raamin Burrell, Community Development Specialist
- Felicity Ray, Planner
- Lydia Keller, Disaster Recovery Coordinator
- Hannah Barnett, Disaster Recovery Coordinator
- Carolyn Meeks, Environmental Review Specialist
- Chelsae Cordia, Disaster Recovery Coordinator
- Rachel Coleman, Project Officer
- Amber Hornbeck, Project Officer

Rental Assistance & Family Self-Sufficiency

- Niki Harp, Housing Coordinator
- Debbie Tarvid, FSS Coordinator
- Ilene Ward, Housing Coordinator
- Carolyn Meeks, SPC Coordinator

Recycling Center

- Jamie Lansford, Recycling Supervisor
- Davey Hicks, Recycling Technician



Your OFRPC Staff
Locked Away Escapes, Jonesboro, AR
August 2022



From Left to Right (Back): Amber Hornbeck, Kevin Allen, Rachel Coleman, Debbie Tarvid, Camille Donnell, Jamie Lansford, Davey Hicks, Carolyn Meeks, Amy Baugus, Alan Lutes. From Left to Right (Front): Niki Harp, Raamin Burrell, Brooke Hinklin, Lydia Keller, Andrew Murphy.

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