# **OZARK** FOOTHILLS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

# FY 2018 Annual Report

(July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018)

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

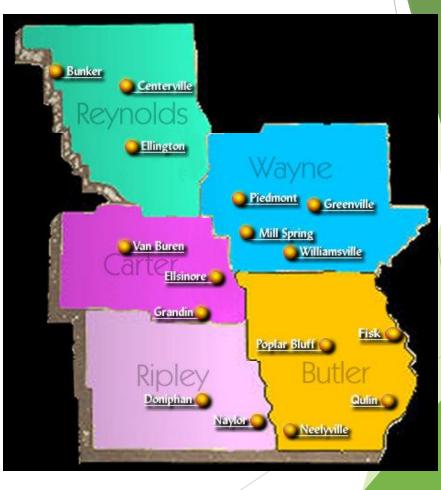
The Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission improves the quality of life in and promotes the development of Butler, Carter, Reynolds, Ripley and Wayne Counties through social, cultural, educational, public infrastructure, housing, economic development and recycling programs.



# **Ozark Foothills Service Area** (5 Counties & 15 Cities)

### 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 & fifteen member cities.

During Fiscal Year 2018, OFRPC staff prepared 62 grant applications and brought \$3,587,044 into the

Ozark Foothills Region.

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### Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Membership - FY 2018

- Vince Lampe, Butler County
- Ed DeGaris, Poplar Bluff
- John Murray, Fisk
- Kevin Bynum, Neelyville
- Glen Sedrick, Qulin
- Donald Black, 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
- William Kennon, Ripley County (Treasurer)
- Dennis Cox, 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 2018 Goal Progress

### <u>Goals</u>

### **Accomplishments**

Conduct Staff
 Retreat

✓ Staff Retreat Held during June 2018

Maintain 100%Membership

 100% Membership Maintained

- Complete Grant
  Proposals for
  Member
  Communities &
  Nonprofits
- Increase InvestmentWithin the Region



Proposals

Submitted 62 Grant

 Brought \$3,587,044 into the Region via 31 Funded Proposals

### Ozark Foothills Region FY 2018 Grants/Contracts Received \$3,587,044,Total

Butler County Energy Loan, \$157,264 Ripley County PHA, Section 8 Rental Assistance, \$1,200,000 Ozark Foothills Business Incubator Tax Credits, \$30,000 Ozark Foothills RPC, Planning Assistance, \$70,000 Ozark Foothills RPC, Transportation Planning, \$64,706 Ozark Foothills RPC, Safe Cribs Program, \$1,088 Ozark Foothills SWMD, Solid Waste Management Program, \$95,188 Purman VFD, Turnout Gear, \$74,286 Poplar Bluff Fire Department, SCBA Units, \$141,715 Ozark Foothills RPC, Recycling Promotion Grant, \$36,245 Carter County, CR 201 Paving, \$247,888 City of Neelyville Sewer Improvements, \$206,000 City of Piedmont, Waterline Replacement, \$144,615 Ozark Family Resource Agency, Shelter Operations & Equipment \$551,731 Carter County, Emergency Loan, \$150,000 Carter County, Disaster Debris Removal, \$39,200

Carter County, Flood Recovery Coordinator, \$49,938 Ripley County PHA, Family Self-Sufficiency Program, 36,946 Wayne County Nutrition Center, NAP Tax Credit, \$67,025 Carter County, Courthouse Damage Remediation, \$21,574 City of Van Buren, Residential Flood Buyout, \$159,139 City of Doniphan, Residential Flood Buyout, \$116,6654 Carter County Residential Flood Buyout, \$186,695 City of Bunker, Paving Project, \$210,343 Butler County, Paving Project, \$171,080 Carter/Ripley Counties, Justice Center Study, \$30,000 City of Piedmont, Waterline Replacement, \$500,000 Butler County, Railroad Overpass, \$250,000 Carter County, South Van Buren Sewer Improvements, \$13,466 Ozark Foothills RPC, Annual Planning Program, \$8,901



# Ozark Foothills Development Association, Inc.

The Ozark Foothills Development Association is an IRS-defined nonprofit charged with enhancing economic development in the fivecounty region. The association administers the Ozark Foothills Business Incubator.

The Small Business Incubator, constructed in 1988, provides 30,000 square feet of affordable operating space to start-up or expanding enterprises.

During FY 2018, the Ozark Foothills Development Association maintained 100% occupancy within its incubator and finalized construction to expand the incubator's capacity by 50%!

# Ozark Foothills Development Association FY 2018 Goal Progress

### <u>Goals</u>

- Maintain 100% Incubator Occupancy
- Ensure Lease Agreements are Current for All Tenants
- Expand Business Incubation
  Capacity by 50% from 20,000
  square feet to 30,000 square feet

#### **Accomplishments**

- Business Incubator
  Occupancy was 100%
  During All of FY 2018.
- Lease Agreements
  Executed with Four of Four
  Tenants During December
  2017.
- Construction Completed for the Expansion Effort!

# 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 2018, the foundation held funds with total assets valued at \$1,433,831--an increase of 17.6% from one year prior.



# 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 2018 Goal Progress

### <u>Goals</u>

 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 2017
- 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 <u>Actual Cost</u> <u>Reimbursement Basis</u>



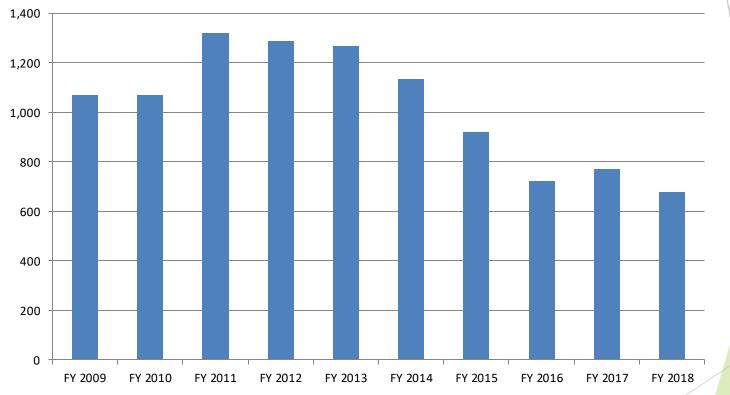
# During FY 2018, the Ozark Foothills Recycling Center diverted 678.270 tons

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 2018





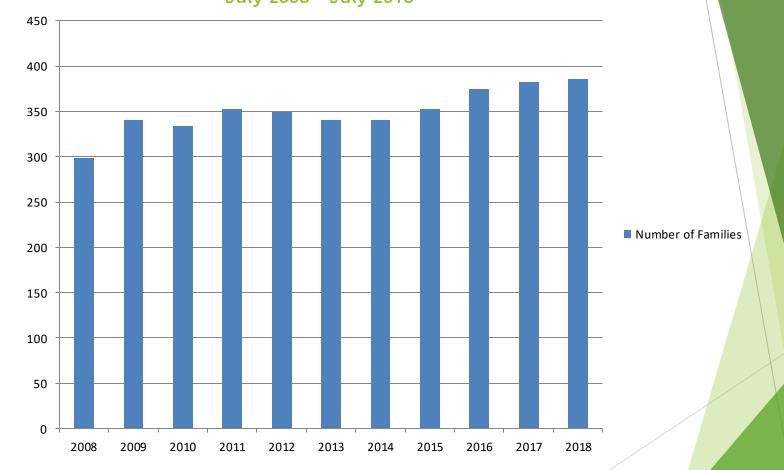
# Ripley County Public Housing Agency

The Ripley County Public Housing Agency is authorized to provide HUD Section 8 rental and, if applicable, utility subsidies to 410 families throughout the five-county service area.

As of June 30, 2087, 34 families were enrolled in the agency's Family Self-Sufficiency and Homeownership Programs, while 386 families were receiving Section 8 rental assistance.



### Number of Families Served by the Ripley County PHA July 2008 - July 2018





### **Ripley County Public Housing Agency** FY 2018 Goal Progress

#### <u>Goals</u>

- 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 386 on June 30, 2018
- Monthly Administrative Fee Eligibility Averaged \$18,416 per month while average expenses totaled \$14,305 per month
- Family Self-Sufficiency Caseload Increased from 32 Families on June 30, 2011 to 34 Families on June 30, 2018, 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 2018 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 2019 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 July 2017.

Ozark Foothills Regional Transportation Advisory Committee FY 2018 Overall Project Priorities (Adopted July 27, 2017)

- 1. Highway 142 Between Naylor and Doniphan: Eliminate three one-lane bridges in Ripley County. Includes Ditch No. 2 and Harris Creek
- 2. Overlay and add shoulders to D Highway in Carter County
- **3.** Add safety shoulders on Highway 49 from Highway 67 to Williamsville in Wayne County
- 4. Route T Add shoulders from Butler County Line to US Highway 60
- 5. Add bike lane for TransAmerica Bike Trail on Highway 76 Bike Route in Reynolds County

### Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Staff (6/30/2018)

#### Agency Administration

- Felicity Ray, Executive Director
- Keona Ferguson, Executive Secretary
- Cassandra Anagnostopulous, Project Officer
- Andrew Murphy, Transportation Planning Coordinator
- Samantha Rodgers, Program Administrator
- Camille Donnell, Fiscal Officer
- Crystal Jones, 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
- Crystal Mehring, Recycling Technician



### Your OFRPC Staff



From Left to Right: Cassandra Anagnostopulous , Ilene Ward, Carolyn Meeks, Crystal Jones, Niki Harp, Samantha Rodgers, Felicity Ray, Camille Donnell, Jamie Lansford, Keona Ferguson, Crystal Mehring, David Foster, Eugene Shanor, & Andrew Murphy

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