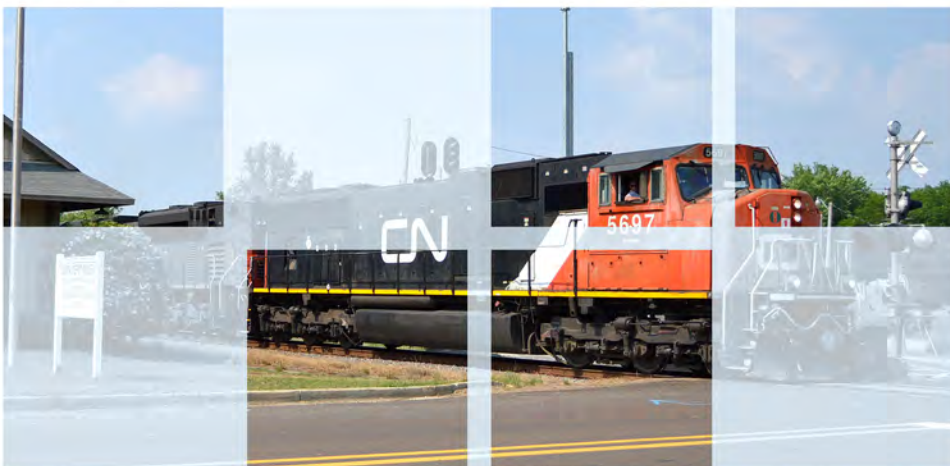


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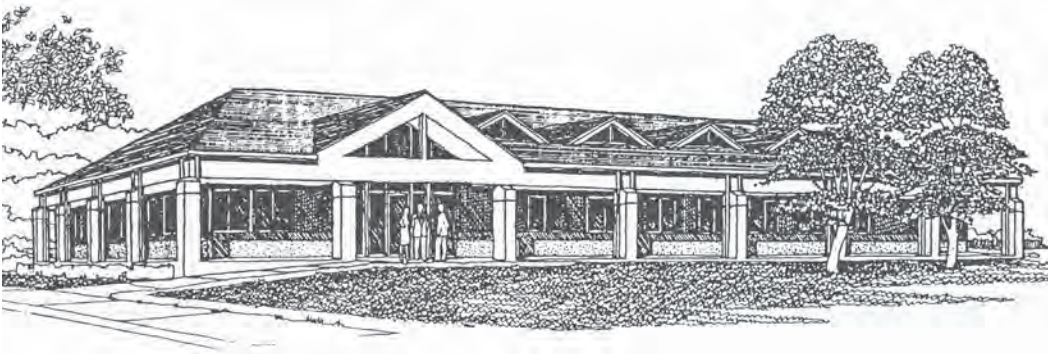
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



On behalf of the staff and the Board of Directors, it is an honor and a pleasure to present the 2016-2017 Annual Report of the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District. Hopefully, this document represents an interesting and attractive overview of the projects, programs, and activities during the last fiscal year. Early in the year we all witnessed a change in President of the United States, and with it a change in political philosophies.

So far, these changes in leadership have not resulted in any direct, adverse effects to the programs and activities managed through CMPDD. We remain hopeful that Congress can find some balance without eliminating funding necessary to support our local governments.

Organizationally, the CMPDD is a non-profit organization created to improve the overall well-being of the seven county area by addressing problems and issues that go beyond any one political subdivision. The local cities and counties within this region are the entities this organization primarily serves. Many of our activities remain the same each year, while others greatly vary as the needs of this ever changing region vary quite a bit. Our effectiveness can rarely be measured by one fiscal year, one project, program, or activity. Our major strength is bringing many groups, organizations, and interests into one common element for the long term benefit of this region. We represent the only organization of this type in this area and are constantly striving to bring about better coordination, cooperation, and consistency.

Another strength CMPDD has is its ability to adapt to changing conditions for which we seemingly have little or no control. The District is extremely diverse in the types of functions and activities it provides and therefore has numerous streams of revenue. We are uniquely structured where, during difficult times, we can look for opportunities to promote a regional approach. The District and its staff are instilled with an entrepreneurial spirit and are constantly looking for new and innovative ways to address the common issues and concerns of this most important region.

There is no way to truly determine our most significant or important activities for the year, but a few are:

- This year the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) approved the distribution of over \$20 million in Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds for 26 local government projects in the Jackson Metropolitan Area. These funds, coupled with the nearly \$9 million in local matching funds will help with some of the transportation needs of the metro area.
- As we have for almost 50 years, the CMPDD in cooperation with our local governments is in the process of preparing a full update of the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs) for the period 2018-2022. The CEDs is an important planning document for the region, because EDA will only consider financial support for projects included in the CEDs. CMPDD values our role in helping to support economic development efforts in the region.
- Our "paperless" initiative continues. Over the past year we have transitioned our review and signature process for purchase requisitions, travel requests, travel reimbursements, outside agency reports and cash requests to an electronic system. Additionally, we continue to electronically scan and archive documents into E-File Cabinet that typically would be stored away into file cabinets and boxes, which takes up valuable space.
- The Elderly and Disabled Home and Community-Based Waiver (Medicaid Waiver) program continues to operate efficiently. Our dedicated staff of Case Managers see clients throughout our seven (7) county region to help them remain at home instead of entering a nursing home facility. Over the past year, we have consistently filled 100% of our 2,400 approved slots, and maintain a waiting list that has swelled to over 1,800 persons needing assistance.
- CMPDD's staff associated with the Southcentral Mississippi Works (Workforce Training) program have been at work on several initiatives. Over the past year, a Sector Strategy Plan was completed to help identify and direct resources to targeted industry sectors in the seventeen (17) county workforce region. In addition, we have been actively involved in establishing a Comprehensive Workforce Center and working with a number of counties to achieve the status of Work-Ready Communities.

After reviewing this document, it is our hope that you will agree that we have had a most productive and beneficial year. If you have any questions, comments, or need further information please feel free to contact the appropriate person within the organization.

ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION

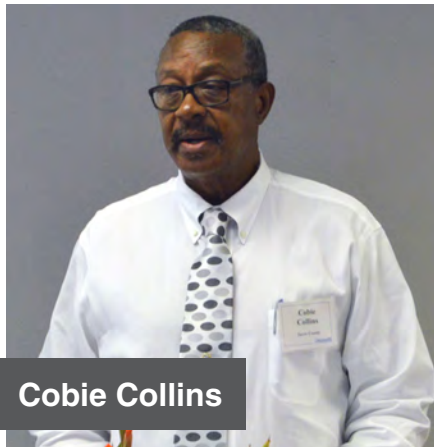
The Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) is a sub-state regional planning organization serving the governments of seven adjacent counties in Central Mississippi - Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, and Yazoo. CMPDD is a non-profit corporation concerned with meeting the ever changing needs of its seven participating counties and thirty-four municipalities. The District promotes area-wide progress through regional planning and development concepts in such areas as local planning, governmental management, economic development financing, and human resource coordination.

CMPDD was created in 1968 through the voluntary actions of local community leadership with technical assistance provided by various local, state, and federal agencies. Many of these agencies provided financial incentives to create local regions to address multi-jurisdictional issues.

The District prides itself in effectively organizing and managing its functions and activities. Each year an overall program of work is developed, which contains all projects and activities expected to be undertaken during the upcoming fiscal year. There is a corresponding budget for each project. In addition, a Mid-Year Report is presented in the identical format of the Work Program, and shows the progress of each activity along with a year-to-date spending analysis. The District also produces a newsletter each quarter, which relates the activities that have occurred during that three month period. Finally, the District maintains an up-to-date website. Information on planning and development, grants, loans, workforce training, aging activities, as well as transportation planning is available at www.cmpdd.org.



Mike Monk



Cobie Collins

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The District is governed by a Board of Directors composed of county and municipal elected officials, representatives of business and industry, and minority leaders. The Board of Supervisors from each county appoints three members - one in each category - and the municipalities in each county select an elected official as their representative. In addition to these members, representation from the City of Jackson is composed of two elected officials, a leader in business or industry, and a minority representative.

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COMMITTEES

The District is a very diverse organization concerned with many issues and opportunities. To provide the staff with adequate input and maximum policy direction, the Board of Directors has delegated much authority to its standing committee system which has proven to be an effective mechanism for providing guidance and direction in a timely manner. At each Board of Directors' meeting, reports from the committees are presented in written form, and the Board acts with recommendations from these committees. The committee members listed are those that are serving at the time this document was written.

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LOCAL PLANNING AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE

CMPDD offers comprehensive planning assistance to local governments, including preparation of comprehensive plans in accordance with State law, zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, sign ordinances, and unified development codes that embrace all development-related controls. CMPDD also prepares economic development plans for municipalities and counties, and performs economic feasibility studies for local governments and private parties. During the last fiscal year, CMPDD's planning work was nationally recognized when the Simpson County Health Care Zone Master Plan it authored received a 2015 Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Research Foundation.

In addition, CMPDD is the only one of ten Mississippi Planning and Development Districts (PDD's) that has a staff of trained urban and regional planners who have been accredited by the American Institute of Certified Planners. CMPDD's certified planners receive annual continuing education to ensure that their credentials are kept current and that they can provide local governments with cutting edge expertise. Because of their abilities, CMPDD, in cooperation with the other PDD's, offers planning assistance to local governments outside of its seven-county area.



The Regional Governmental Assistance Program is CMPDD's effort to provide common services to areas that have common issues and needs, thus lowering the cost of providing services to the citizens of the respective governmental units. The purpose of this program is to better address the total needs and demands of the local governments in the seven-county area in a regional and collective manner. Over the past year, the District provided notifications and technical assistance to local governments regarding various federal and state grant opportunities, and hosted meetings at the District's headquarters to disseminate information. In addition, District staff provided technical assistance to the Central Mississippi Mayors Association, County Administrators, and City Clerks by coordinating regular meetings at the District headquarters. Furthermore, CMPDD hosted a regional meeting for the Mississippi Municipal League (MML) to provide municipal officials with an update of ongoing legislative issues, as well as, setting future legislative priorities.

Through CMPDD's Geographic Information System (GIS) and Regional Data Center, assistance is provided on a contractual basis for mapping services and local economic studies, including feasibility studies, tax studies, and economic impact analyses.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING, AND OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

CITY OF CLINTON

The District continues to work on the update of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The updated Plan will include not only all elements and tasks as required by State code, but also a web-based GIS map viewer with the capability of viewing various data layers such as infrastructure, the Land Use Plan and Zoning. The new Comprehensive Plan will be published both in printed form as well as an online Story Map format that will be available to the public through the city's website. Citizen input was gathered through the use of an online survey, social media and meetings.



CITY OF MAGEE

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Magee adopted a new Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance at their April 18th meeting. The new Plan and Ordinance was developed by CMPDD over the past year and incorporates new elements such as a chapter on Economic Development and web-based GIS mapping. It also incorporates elements of the Simpson County Health Care Zone Master Plan. This is the third time that CMPDD has assisted the City with developing its Comprehensive Plan and maintaining its Zoning Ordinance since first being implemented in 1998.

This new Plan also includes a new online Story Map technology that is intended to better engage the public by placing interactive maps and pictures into the written Plan. This makes the Plan more visually appealing to the reader and allows it to be used as an economic development tool to promote the City.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING, AND OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

CITY OF VICKSBURG TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The District provides technical assistance to the City of Vicksburg for a variety of planning and zoning matters under an existing technical assistance contract. Earlier this year, the District prepared a Comprehensive Housing Plan, which was adopted by the city.

The District has also submitted the third draft of a new Zoning Ordinance for review. This Ordinance divided the city into eleven neighborhood planning and zoning districts to better guide neighborhood development and to help them establish a “sense of place.” Each of the neighborhood districts is further divided into regular zoning districts, which will differ somewhat from neighborhood to neighborhood. Once the city staff has concluded its review, the draft Ordinance will be presented to the City’s Planning and Zoning Commission for its review.

TOWN OF BRAXTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

District staff is nearing completion of the Town of Braxton’s first Comprehensive Plan. The Plan will include all of the elements of a Comprehensive Plan as required by State code. After adoption, the Plan will be followed by the town’s first Zoning Ordinance. The Town has shown some signs of commercial growth in recent months, an indication the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance will be needed to guide future development. The Zoning Ordinance will be matched to the Town’s size and include a zoning operations manual showing how to administer the Ordinance.



DESOTO COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

District staff has completed a draft of the fifth of five articles in the update and reorganization of the DeSoto County Zoning Ordinance. The Ordinance’s articles are broad headings under which the sections and sub-sections fall. The DeSoto County Zoning Ordinance was organized under the five following articles:

- ARTICLE I: GENERAL PROVISIONS
- ARTICLE II: DEFINITIONS
- ARTICLE III: SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS
- ARTICLE IV: ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS
- ARTICLE V: ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Subdividing the Ordinance into five broad articles enables the reader to easily grasp the main ideas more easily. Most sections have no more than five subsections. The Ordinance includes a detailed table of contents, and an index will be added to help the reader to find ordinance provisions.

The Ordinance is currently under review by DeSo-

to County officials. When their review is complete, CMPDD will make any suggested changes and resubmit the Ordinance for final review before presenting it to the county’s Planning Commission.

FLORA PLANNING UPDATE

The District has begun developing an update of the Town of Flora’s Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance. The Plan update will include revisions to all four elements including the Goals and Objectives, Land Use Plan, Transportation Plan, and Community Facilities Plan. The new Comprehensive Plan will also be integrated into an online interactive system that is linked to the web-based GIS mapping application and viewer that is also being updated by the District. The Comprehensive Plan update will set the foundation and vision for updates to the Town’s Zoning Ordinance.

The Town’s Zoning Ordinance, which was adopted in 2005 and amended in 2012, will undergo a thorough review and revision to ensure that it matches with the community’s vision for growth today. Furthermore, as new trends and judicial rulings are released, a local zoning ordinance must be updated to ensure it adequately addresses the current concerns.

In addition to completing the existing Land Use Windshield Survey in July 2017, planners have met with the Town’s Department Heads to determine the community facility needs. District staff will continue to meet with the Board, Mayor, and Department Heads over the next fiscal year to develop a draft of the Plan, and subsequently, assist with the adoption of the Plan. Upon completion of the Comprehensive Plan update, CMPDD will assist the Town by proposing amendments to their Zoning Ordinance.

PORT GIBSON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ZONING ORDINANCE

The Town of Port Gibson requested assistance from CMPDD to develop a Comprehensive Plan and update its 43-year old Zoning Ordinance. District staff completed a revised draft of the Comprehensive Plan for the Mayor and Aldermen to review. The Plan is comprised of the four elements required by State law: goals and objectives, a land use plan, a transportation plan, and a community facilities plan. The Plan is long-range but includes a chapter on more immediate short-range (5 years) needs. The five-year Plan arranges a number of mostly capital improvements by priority on a short term basis to address some of its most pressing problems.

The District also completed a draft of the updated Port Gibson Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map and submitted them to the Mayor and Board for review. The new Ordinance updated the definitions section and the conditional use section. Two new zoning districts were added: A mixed residential use district and a highway commercial district. Lastly, the Zoning Map was adjusted to more accurately depict existing conditions. After the town’s officials finish their review, the District will make any additional changes before going to a public hearing.

RANKIN COUNTY

At their March meeting, the Rankin County Board of Supervisors adopted a new Comprehensive Plan. Since the adoption of the first Comprehensive Plan for the County in 2004, the population has increased by over 30,000 persons. The County has also experienced significant growth in retail commercial development. County leaders have recognized the importance of continually updating the county's Plan as well as amending zoning regulations to help facilitate and control growth in a desirable manner.

The new Comprehensive Plan incorporates an additional chapter on economic development that analyzes the labor force, commute patterns and also includes an inventory of businesses in Rankin County. Building permits were also studied to see what types of, and where housing was being built since the last plan update in 2010.

This Plan also incorporates a new online Story Map technology that is intended to better engage the public by placing interactive maps, pictures and videos into the written Plan. This makes the Plan more visually appealing to the reader and allows use the Plan as an economic development tool to promote the county.

TOWN OF PELAHATCHIE

The Town of Pelahatchie Comprehensive Plan developed by the District has received two prestigious awards.

The District received a 2016 Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Research Foundation for the Town of Pelahatchie Comprehensive Plan.



The District also received the Best Project Award from the Mississippi Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA-MS) for Town of Pelahatchie Comprehensive Plan. This award recognizes best practices, results, and state-of-the-art planning methods for an outstanding plan. The award was presented to the CMPDD at the Mississippi and Alabama Chapters of the American Planning Association (APA) Joint Annual Conference, held September 14-16 in Biloxi, Mississippi.

This new Plan is a first of its kind in Mississippi in that it incorporates an online version with an interactive digital format that is linked to a GIS map viewer. Those viewing the Plan are able to view all areas of the town and activate various map layers such as land use, zoning, infrastructure, building footprints, community services, and ward boundaries. The user may also view aerial photography as well as topographic and street maps.

The new online version of Pelahatchie's Comprehensive Plan is not only a guide to growth and development, but is also an economic development tool that highlights the character and small town atmosphere that people and businesses find when coming to Pelahatchie. The new Comprehensive Plan may be viewed at www.pelahatchie.org.

TOWN OF TERRY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

The District submitted a proposal to update the Town of Terry's Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and Zoning Map. These documents require an update, because of Terry's fairly recent annexation.

The Scope of Services includes updating the town's base map, developing an existing conditions inventory for Terry, a goals and element, a land use plan element, a transportation plan element, a community facilities plan element, and a web-based plan via story map. After the Plan has been reviewed and adopted by the Mayor and Board of Alderman, a new Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map will be prepared, submitted, and reviewed by the Mayor and Board. It is expected to take a year or so to complete the Plan.

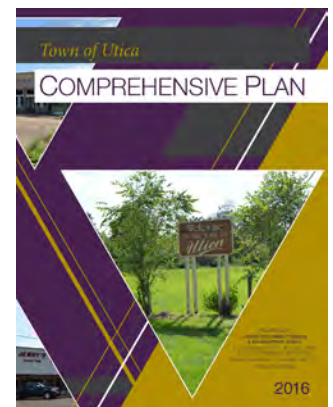
YAZOO CITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

On October 9, 2017 The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Yazoo City adopted an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance which established an overlay district for the Willie E. Morris Parkway called the Willie E. Morris Parkway Overlay District.

Several years ago Yazoo City constructed Willie E. Morris Parkway that connects U.S. Highway 49 to MS Highway 3 near the northern city limits. The District developed an overlay district for the Parkway that would protect the visual integrity of the Parkway by establishing some standards for improving development design along the roadway. These standards include landscaping, architectural, lighting, and driveway standards to improve the appearance and function of the Parkway's land uses. Over the next fiscal year the District plans to incorporate amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to create a revised edition.

TOWN OF UTICA ADOPTS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Town of Utica adopted a Comprehensive Plan prepared by CMPDD planners in November 2016. The Plan developed in partnership with Mayor Kenneth Broome, the Board, and several members of "Friends of Utica." This Plan is the first to be adopted by the Town in decades.



REGIONAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI COUNTY ADMINISTRATORS

The District hosted an annual meeting of the County Administrators representing the District’s seven county region of Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, and Yazoo Counties. These meetings provide the County Administrators with the opportunity to discuss common goals, issues, and

concerns, as well as share best practices with each other. At each meeting, CMPDD highlights specific programs and services that are available through the District.

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI MAYORS ASSOCIATION

The Central Mississippi Mayors Association (CMMA) consists of the Mayors from the 34 municipalities within the District’s seven county region of Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren, and Yazoo Counties. The organization was established to further relationships throughout the region and provide an avenue for the exchange of ideas, coordination of activities, and to address common issues pertinent to municipal government. During Fiscal Year 2017, the CMMA met on a quarterly basis, three times at CMPDD’s headquarters and once in conjunction with the Mississippi Mayors League (MML) conference, to discuss common issues such as funding programs, pending legislation affecting municipalities, and current laws. Also, in FY 2017, CMMA hosted a legislative reception for House and Senate members from central Mississippi in early March.

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI MAYORS ASSOCIATION AWARDS TWO \$1000 SCHOLARSHIPS

Central Mississippi Mayors Association (CMMA) recently awarded two \$1,000 scholarships to Brittany Wade of Brandon and Kyla Smith of Hazlehurst. The scholarships are based on academic achievement and community service. The scholarships were presented at Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) by CMMA Vice-Chairperson Butch Lee, Mayor of Brandon. Eleven of the association’s thirty-four members took part in the presentation by giving Wade and Smith encouraging words of wisdom, advice, affirmation and support.

Mayor Lee announced that four applications were received for the second annual CMMA Scholarship. Mayor Lee then introduced Miss Kyla Smith and Miss Brittany Wade as the 2017 CMMA Scholarship Recipients. Both were provided a presentation check for the scholarship, which will be mailed directly to the recipients’ university/college upon formal registration. Mayor Lee then asked both to share a little about themselves with the members.

Miss Smith attended Hazlehurst High School and graduated in May 2017. She is attending Tougaloo College, majoring in Political Science. She desires to become a corporate attorney.

Miss Wade is a resident of the City of Brandon and attended East Rankin Academy. She graduated with Honors from ERA in May. She is currently enrolled at Mississippi State University.

CMMA awards two \$1,000 scholarships to senior high school students or undergraduates entering college to help cover tuition, books, or fees. Applications are available around November 1st of each year through Mayors in the CMMA area (Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, Simpson, Warren and Yazoo Counties).



Mayors pictured at the Scholarship Presentation to Kyla Smith: (left to right) Joseph Kendrick, Terry, Sally Garland, Crystal Springs, Les Childress, Flora, Henry Banks, Hazlehurst, Butch Lee, Brandon, Kyla Smith, 2017 Recipient, Marcus Wallace, Edwards, Linda Harris, Beauregard, Kathy Nesbit, Satartia, Kenneth Broome, Utica, Pam Clark, Florence, Isla Tullios, Raymond.



Mayors pictured at the Scholarship Presentation to Brittany Wade: (left to right) Henry Banks, Hazlehurst, Joseph Kendrick, Terry, Sally Garland, Crystal Springs, Les Childress, Flora; Angela Wade, Mother of the Recipient, Butch Lee, Brandon, Brittany Wade 2017 Recipient, Marcus Wallace, Edwards, Linda Harris, Beauregard, Kathy Nesbit, Satartia, Kenneth Broome, Utica, Pam Clark, Florence, Isla Tullios, Raymond.

CMPDD AT MML SUMMER CONFERENCE

The District took the opportunity to showcase its recent planning and zoning products at the Mississippi Municipal League (MML) Summer Conference in July. AICP certified planners Gray Ouzts and David Wade displayed both printed and digital Comprehensive Plans and Zoning Ordinances recently developed. It was a great opportunity to visit and discuss recent innovations in planning and zoning with various municipal officials from across the State.



CITY CLERKS QUARTERLY MEETINGS

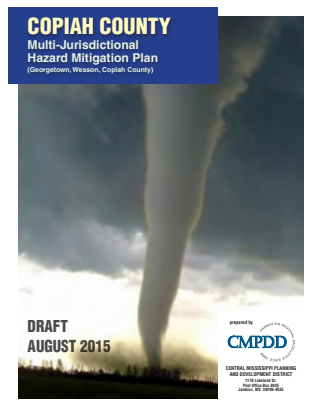
The District hosts quarterly meetings of the City Clerks representing the thirty-four cities/towns/villages within its region. These meetings provide the Clerks with the opportunity to discuss common goals, issues, and concerns, as well as share best practices with each other. At each meeting, CMPDD highlights specific programs and services that are available through the District. In 2017 special invited speakers included, Johnathan Simmons with the CMPDD GIS/Mapping Division and Jay Wadsworth with the CMPDD Data/Census information. Mr. Simmons discussed the CMPDD website and gave a presentation on how our website can assist them. Mr. Wadsworth discussed the data/census information and answered questions during his presentation.



City Clerks pictured from left to right are: Hazlehurst, Flora, Georgetown, Pelahatchie, Brandon, Byram, Florence, Braxton, Crystal Springs, Raymond and Learned, Clinton.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING

Over the past year, CMPDD has worked with several local communities to develop updated Hazard Mitigation Plans. In order for communities to maintain grant eligibility for pre- and post-disaster mitigation funding the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires communities to have an approved plan in place. In addition, communities are required to update their plan every five-years to track progress implementing mitigation policies and to evaluate any changes that might have occurred, which could result in an increased or decreased risk for the community to a particular hazard. Over the past year, CMPDD has developed plans for Flora, Clinton, Richland, Yazoo City, Bentonia, Eden, Sartartia, Hazlehurst, Flowood, Byram, Pearl, Yazoo County, Madison County, Warren County, and Jackson State University. Each plan has been approved by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Each plan developed examines all natural hazards and a select few man-made hazards that can impact each com-



munity. Each plan was developed to meet all of the Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations and recognizes the unique characteristics of each jurisdiction. Hazards identified as a potential risk to Central Mississippi include:

- Earthquakes
- Flooding
- Wildfires
- Winter Storms
- Expansive Soil (Yazoo Clay)
- Drought/Heat Wave
- Severe Storms (hail & lightning)
- Transportation Accidents with Hazardous Materials
- Dam or Levee Failure
- Tropical Storms
- Tornadoes
- Nuclear Power Plant Accidents

Over the next year, CMPDD will continue working with local entities to complete the 5-year update cycle of their existing mitigation plan as needed including working with Terry and MS Valley State University. For more information concerning the District's hazard mitigation planning efforts visit the District's mitigation planning website page, www.cmpdd.org/mitigation-planning/.

REGIONAL DATA CENTER

During the past year, the Regional Data Center maintained by the District continued to provide valuable demographic and geographic information to our clients and constituents in an easy to access, easy to use online format on the CMPDD website. This information system incorporates Geographic Information System (GIS) technology and web-server hardware/software upgrades to allow map based retrieval of numerous data sets at completely customizable scales and complexities. As always, CMPDD strives to provide current and comprehensive information to businesses, industries, and other potential economic development prospects in order to assist them in expanding or relocating their business activities to areas in Central Mississippi. This type of information is user driven and continuous adjustments are made to the system so that persons and groups needing the information will have instant access whenever possible. The Regional Data Center provides a comprehensive approach to business and industrial development and uses both local and regional data in this effort. We regularly provide valuable assistance and insight to local counties and municipalities using the data tools we have at our disposal.

The District is also involved in facilitating and promoting Census training in partnership with regional Census personnel. We have already hosted two Census related promotional workshops to benefit our local communities and government leaders and plan to host more as we near the 2020 Census. District staff stays current on Census training and data offerings by attending Census training sessions held annually at the University of Mississippi and Jackson State University. The knowledge we gain at these sessions helps us better serve our local leaders when Census re-

lated issues or questions arise.

One of the District's most popular data products is the Radial Demographic Profile, which utilizes geo-referenced data and can provide a wide range of demographic and business profile information for a given radius or drive-time polygon around a specified point. Radial Profiles are critical components of market research for business location analysis and are utilized by entrepreneurs, businesses looking to expand or relocate, and economic developers looking to attract new business and industry to the area. A sample 5-mile radial demographic profile of CMPDD, with the District's office as the center point of the radial, is displayed on the District's website under the section called GIS/Data Portal.

In addition, the Regional Data Center has access to current economic information at numerous geographic levels, which offers a single integrated data source specifically designed to meet the needs of higher education, workforce development, economic development, government, and private industry. District staff are experts in geo-profiling and take pride in helping to attract economic development projects to Central Mississippi using demographic data and GIS tools.

The District continues its use of EfileCabinet document management and archiving software. Implemented early 2016 as a way to cut down on printed paper and the need for physical storage space, EfileCabinet has worked out well for the District's needs. We have been able to free up valuable building square footage by digitally archiving important documents into EfileCabinet and destroying other paper storage that we're not required to keep.

CENTCOM

CentCom is a web and email hosting service that CMPDD provides to its local governments. Communication and marketing through email and websites have become important tools for local governments to reach out to their citizens and the world. Developing a website can also improve day-to-day operations by making available general information, permit applications, registration forms, regulations and ordinances, and other applications to improve access to local government by its citizens. The goal of CentCom is to provide a cost efficient service for the District's member governments that address all of their email and web hosting needs. Throughout this fiscal year the District has continually updated and maintained websites and email accounts for CentCom customers.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

The District assisted Rankin First and the Southwest Mississippi Partnership with various technical capacities over this year.

In 2014, the District began working with the Southwest Mississippi Partnership in developing an online based mapping tool, as well as packaged uniform demographic data and industrial park maps. The partnership currently includes economic development organizations in Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Copiah, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, Walthall, and Wilkinson.

The District also continued its relationship with Rankin First by continuously updating and maintaining Rankin First's online commercial and industrial real estate database.

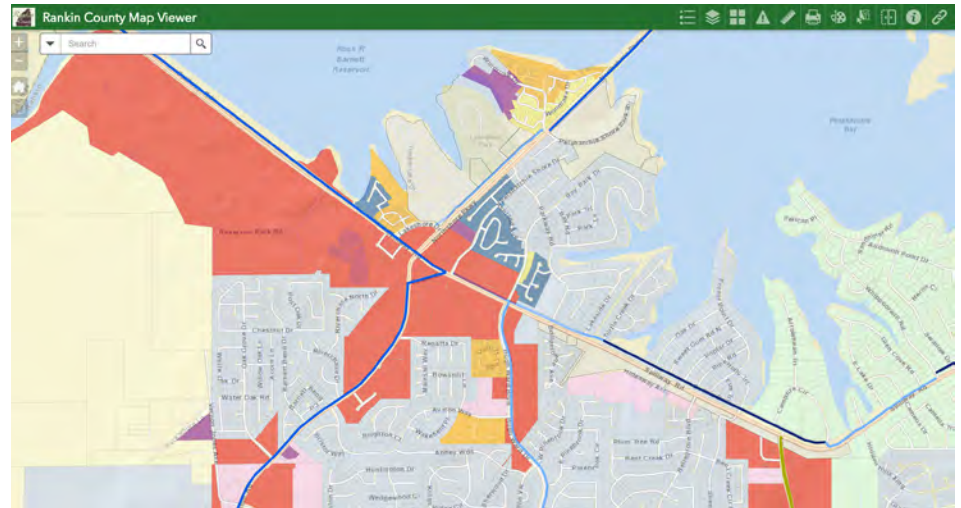
The online mapping tool and commercial and industrial database provides economic developers in our region with unique tools to assist them with business recruitment efforts.

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) ACTIVITIES

Geographic Information System (GIS) design, maintenance, and upgrades continue to be a major area of emphasis in the GIS Department at CMPDD. During this past year CMPDD GIS staff assisted the planning staff with numerous ongoing and special projects using GIS technology aimed at information management and increasing public access/ availability. Specifically, GIS technology was used extensively in data gathering and analysis for updating area Hazard Mitigation Plans for Flora, Clinton, Richland, Yazoo City, Bentonia, Eden, Sartartia, Hazlehurst, Flowood, Byram, Pearl, Yazoo County, Madison County, Warren County, and Jackson State University. In addition, the District using GIS to assist land use planners with finalizing comprehensive plan and zoning updates for Rankin County, the City of Magee, the Town of Pelahatchie and the Town of Utica. Finally, GIS technology was used in the ongoing efforts to update comprehensive plans and/or zoning for the City of Clinton, the City of Port Gibson, the City of Richland, the City of Vicksburg, Yazoo City, the Town of Braxton, and the Town of Flora. The majority of these newer plans incorporate a new online technology called Story Maps that better engage the public by incorporating interactive maps and pictures into the written plan. This allows for an opportunity to not only make the plan more visually appealing to the reader but also use the plan as an economic development tool to promote the entity.

Of particular note, the District used GIS technology to offer additional innovative mobile applications to several member governments. These services consist of three categories of mobile offerings where users are able to collect or view information using mobile devices. These apps include the community app for highlighting business and points of interest, the collector app for logging location data for mapping facilities such as fire hydrants, water valves and street signs, and the 311 app which allows citizens to report issues or concerns to officials.

For those not familiar with geographic information system (GIS) technology, it is essentially a computer-based man-



agement environment for viewing and manipulating maps and data that can be referenced geographically. The use of GIS technology gives CMPDD staff and outside researchers the ability to analyze and visually display a host of geographically referenced information very effectively. Powerful database management and display features of today's GIS software packages allow geographic data to be merged into easily interpretable maps and graphics to aid in decision-making processes. At CMPDD, the major uses of GIS technology can be broken into the following categories:

- Land use planning
- Transportation planning
- Redistricting
- Pavement management
- Demographic analysis
- Population estimates and projections
- Site selection radial searches
- Economic development mapping
- Roadway inventory
- Facility management
- Property management

A major portion of GIS implementation at CMPDD is associated with data collection. Planners and technicians continually take to the field to collect information on existing development patterns and roadway conditions, which is then converted to digital layer based information for analysis. Another valuable source of information has been that of local counties and cities which are acquiring or have

implemented GIS at the local level. This sharing of local data and current high resolution aerial imagery to assist in making regional plans and decisions has resulted in improved governmental management procedures at all levels of government. As GIS use becomes more widespread, the networking of GIS users allows the District to communicate more effectively with other cities, counties, external organizations and the general public.

The GIS Department continues to receive requests for the ever popular Radial Demographic Profile, which utilizes geo-referenced data to provide demographics for a given radius or drive-time polygon around a specified point. Radial Profiles are critical components of market research for business location analysis and are utilized by entrepreneurs, businesses looking to expand or locate, and economic developers looking to attract new industry and business.

Finally, the District was able to continue to support and upgrade its internet based GIS viewing tools where users are able to pick and choose base maps and data layer(s) from a menu of available information. Staff programmers were able to redesign several of the map viewers with an updated product aimed at being more user friendly and with increased functionality. The District will continue strive to meet the demanding needs of its map viewer users to be sure their needs are being met.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

The District as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Jackson Urbanized Area, is responsible for directing the federal-mandated transportation planning process. Federal regulations require that all “urbanized areas” (cities with populations of 50,000 or more including the surrounding closely settled area) have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process. On December 4, 2015, the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation bill or FAST Act was signed into law. The FAST Act authorizes \$305 billion over fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for highway, highway and motor vehicle safety, public transportation, motor carrier safety, hazardous materials safety, rail and research, technology, and statistics programs.

The MPO is required to produce four main documents; a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), a Long Rang Transportation Plan, a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and a Public Participation Plan (PPP). The UPWP is produced every two years, the LRTP is produced every five years, and the TIP is produced at least every four years. The PPP is a living document that is continuously evaluated to determine its effectiveness, but is formally reviewed at least every five years. Other documents developed as part of the transportation planning process include the Prospectus, Annual Listing of Obligated Projects, Project Submittal Guidelines, and other documents as needed to carry out the transportation planning process.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The MPO’s Public Participation Plan provides a list of activities and procedures CMPDD follows to engage the public in the transportation planning process. The Plan establishes the methods used by the CMPDD as the MPO to provide a proactive public involvement process which increases public awareness and understanding; offers complete information and timely public notice; supports early and continued involvement of the public and stakeholders; and provides opportunities for meaningful involvement and citizen feedback. During Fiscal Year 2017, CMPDD carried out several public participation opportunities including: advertising public comment periods; issuing press releasing; promoting the transportation planning process on CMPDD’s Facebook page; participating in community outreach events; and answering questions by phone and email. In May, MPO staff participated in a community wide event focusing on the elderly and disabled community members. During the event, MPO staff gave away promotional items marketing the MPO website and answered questions about the transportation planning process. In addition, during FY 2017 CMPDD began the review and revision process of the MPO’s Public Participation Plan. A revised draft Public Participation Plan was release for public review and comments on September 15, 2017, and will be considered for adoption during the Intermodal Technical and Metropolitan Planning Policy Committees November meetings.

JACKSON URBANIZED AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

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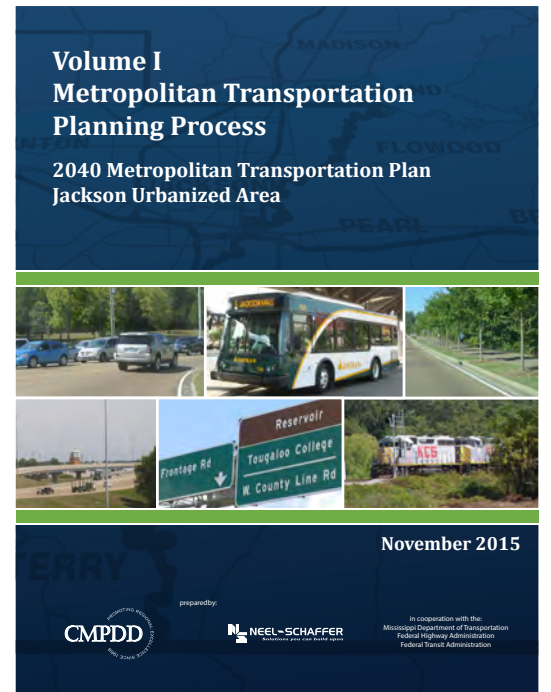
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LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

During Fiscal Year 2017 the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee approved three amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which was originally approved by the Committee in November 2015. The 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan serves as the long range plan for the Metro Jackson area by identifying transportation needs for Hinds, Madison, and Rankin Counties. The Plan, which is updated every 5 years, identifies anticipated transportation needs in the metro-area over a 25-year period by considering:

- The current population and its projected growth;
- Where people are traveling to work and shop;
- Where future development is likely to occur creating traffic demand for residential, commercial, or industrial developments;
- Where people travel to attend school;
- What are the current conditions and capacity of the transportation system and how it will be impacted by the projected growth.

The 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan is multi-modal in nature and examines not only potential highway improvements, but also the condition and capacity of the transportation network, the safety and efficiency of the network, ways to improve accessibility and connectivity, as well as how to improve transit services. The 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan addresses three target timeframes: Stage I 2016 through 2020 for the short range plan, Stage II 2021 through 2030 for the intermediate range plan, and Stage III 2031 through 2040 for the long-range goals. A complete copy of the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the metro-area is located on CMPDD's website (<http://www.cmpdd.org/long-range-transportation-plan-lrtp/>).



FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFIED ROADWAYS

In preparation for the next Long Range Plan Update during Fiscal Year 2017, CMPDD staff members met with local jurisdiction to review and evaluate functionally classified roadways in each jurisdiction. Functionally classifying roadways is the process by which streets and highways are grouped into classes or systems according to the character of service they are intended to provide. Functional classification guidelines from

Federal Highway groups streets and highways into four categories:

- Principal Arterials
- Minor Arterials
- Collectors
- Local Roads

In August CMPDD staff presented the recommended changes to the metro-area's functionally classified road-

ways to the Intermodal Technical and Metropolitan Planning Policy Committees. The recommended changes were unanimously approved by both committees, and have since been forwarded to MDOT and Federal Highway for final approval. In order for a project to be eligible for grant funding through the MPO the roadway project must be located on a roadway functionally classified as a collector or higher.

TRANSPORTATION DATA BASE

During Fiscal Year 2017, the District's GIS staff continued preparation/revision of updated base maps for Raymond, Magee, Braxton, Utica, Rankin County, Clinton, and Flora in connection with the development of Comprehensive Plans for those communities. District GIS staff also updated maps and map layers that will be used in the development of the 2045 Jackson Urbanized Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan. These updated maps and map layers will be used in the development of the traffic demand model, which uses existing transportation corridor data for the Jackson Urbanized Area and projects future transportation demand on the overall network over the next twenty five (25) years. Furthermore, CMPDD continued to maintain and update transportation related viewers on its website such as the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Traffic Counting viewers as needed.

CRITICAL URBAN FREIGHT CORRIDORS

The FAST Act requires MPOs in consultation with the State to designate Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFC) based upon the mileage limitations established for each State. MS was allocated 75 miles for CUFC. During Fiscal Year 2017, the four MPOs in MS were asked to recommend to the MS Department of Transportation (MDOT) segments that should be designated as a CUFC. The FAST Act requires each public road designated as a CUFC to meet one of the following criteria:

- Connects an intermodal facility to the primary highway freight system, the interstate system, or an intermodal freight facility;
- Located within a corridor of a route on the primary highway freight system and provides an alternative highway option important to goods movement;
- Serves a major freight generator, logistic center, or manufacturing and warehouse industrial land; or
- A corridor that is important to the movement of freight within the region, as determined by the MPO or the State.

Based upon the volume of freight that moves through the Jackson MPO area, MDOT allocated the Jackson MPO 34 of the 75 CUFC miles allocated to MS. In May, CMPDD submitted 18 road segments to MDOT for consideration as a designated CUFC.

MDOT agreed with the recommended Jackson MPO CUFC and is in the process of finalizing the designation with Federal Highway.

COUNTY	ROUTE	START POINT	END POINT	LENGTH (MILES)
Hinds	I-20 Frontage Rd	Industrial Park Dr	Madison St	1.82
	Madison St	I-20 Frontage Rd	I-20	
Rankin	MS 475	I-20	Allen Stuart Dr	2.52
	Allen Stuart Dr	Forensic Science Dr	MS 475	
	Forensic Science Dr	Old Whitfield Rd	Allen Stuart Dr	
Rankin	MS 475	North Fox Hall Rd	I-20	2.96
Rankin Hinds	MS 25	I-55	MS 475	6.21
	MS 475	MS 25	North Fox Hall Rd	
Hinds	Gallatin St	South St	US 51	1.44
	US 51	I-20	Gallatin St	
Madison	Nissan Parkway	I-55	MS 857	4.41
	MS 857	Nissan Parkway	W Sowell Rd	
	W Sowell Rd	I-55	MS 857	
Hinds	Bullard St	I-220	Industrial Dr	0.9
Madison	Commercial Parkway	Waterford Parkway	Curbview Cove	1.05
	Curbview Cove	MS 22	Commercial Parkway	
	MS 22	Curbview Cove	I-55	
Hinds	Beasley Rd	Industrial Park Rd	Watkins Dr	2.31
	Watkins Dr	I-220	Beasley Rd	
Hinds	Woodrow Wilson Dr	N Mill St	I-55	1.66
Hinds	N State St	Old Canton Rd	Woodrow Wilson Dr	1.21
	Old Canton Rd	Lakeland Dr	N State St	
	Lakeland Dr	Old Canton Rd	I-55	
Hinds	I-20 Frontage Rd	Continental Plant	St Thomas Pkwy	0.83
	St Thomas Pkwy	I-20 Frontage Rd	I-20	
Rankin	MS 468	I-20	S Pearson Rd	1.65
	S Pearson Rd	MS 468	Chidre St	
	Chidre St	Weems St	S Pearson Rd	
Madison	Gluckstadt Rd E	I-55	Industrial Dr	0.39
Madison	Gluckstadt Rd W	Distribution Dr	I-55	0.4
Rankin	Industrial Park Dr	US 49	Weems St	1.66
Hinds	US 49	Gary Dr	I-220	1.47
Rankin	MS 18	I-20	Marquette Rd	1.52
	Marquette Rd	MS 18	E Metro Pkwy	



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

Meetings of the Intermodal Technical Committee were held on November 2, 2016 and February 1, May 3, and August 2, 2017. During these meeting several items were presented for discussion and review including: status reports on Surface Transportation Program, Transportation Alternatives Program, and Earmark projects included in the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to which federal funds were committed; amendments to the TIP and 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); revisions to the Prospectus and Transportation Alternatives (TA) Project Submittal Guidelines; project rankings for applications submitted for consideration of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program funding; and issuing a TA Call for Projects.

Meetings of the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee were held on November 8, 2016 and February 8, May 10, and August 9, 2017. Butch Lee, Mayor of the City of Brandon, was elected Chairman of the Jackson MPO at the February 8th Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee meeting.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Committee held meeting on February 1 and August 2, 2017. Furthermore, a meeting was held on May 3, 2017 with the Transit Committee. Meetings were

held in June with those appointed to the sub-committee to the Intermodal Technical Committee, which addressed establishing funding priorities and revisions to the TA Project Submittal Guidelines. In addition, TIP update meetings between Federal Highway, MS Department of Transportation (MDOT), and Local Public Agencies (LPA) were held at CMPDD March 9, June 8, August 2, and September 28, 2017.

In March, CMPDD received the formal Transportation Management Area (TMA) Certification Review report, which stated the Jackson MPO planning process substantially meets the Federal metropolitan planning requirements. Federal regulations require the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration to jointly certify the regional transportation planning process complies with Federal regulations in areas with a population over 200,000 at least once every four years. The Jackson MPO's last TMA Review was held in June 2012. The TMA Certification Review process consisted of three main components: (1) a desk audit with CMPDD staff members, MDOT, and the City of Jackson transit officials; (2) a public meeting to gather general feedback; and (3) a meeting with the MPO Chairman and other Technical and Policy Committee members. The MPO's next TMA Review should be held in 2020.

PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Pavement Management System is an inventory of pavement conditions on roadways in the Jackson Urbanized Area (JUA) functionally classified as principal arterials, minor arterials, or collectors. This inventory is completed once each year on a three (3) year cyclical basis for Hinds, Madison, and Rankin Counties. Data is collected for the Pavement Management System by inventorying the roadways through the use of windshield surveys. Windshield surveys are taken by driving the entire length of the roadway and determining the level of sur-

face degradation that has occurred. The person conducting the surveys looks for the types and extent of cracking, such as alligator, edge, or longitudinal/transverse lines. Other surface impediments that may be present are patching, rutting, potholes, and poor storm water drainage. This data is used, along with traffic count data, to ascertain which roadways are in the greatest need of funding for surface repair or reconstruction. The collected data is input into a software program called, Road Safety Management System (RSMS). Once the

data has been analyzed the software will rank the roadways from worst to best dependent on the extent and severity of the roads surface conditions, roughness and drainage.

During this fiscal year, District staff completed a re-inventory of the functionally classified arterial and collector roadways in Hinds County. Based on the aforementioned cyclical approach for inventorying roadways in the JUA, the District will complete a Pavement Management System re-inventory for Rankin County in fiscal year 2018.

SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT

During Fiscal Year 2017, District staff developed a Safety Analysis Report to aid local jurisdictions, within the Jackson Urbanized Area (JUA) at improving dangerous road segments. This report identifies crash trends and provides examples of implementable strategies that may be used to not only reduce crashes, but to reduce the severity of crashes as well. The report also provides details on the number and types of crashes and the resulting injuries or deaths. Crash data used by the Jackson Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to develop this 2017 Safety Analysis Report was obtained from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and from data provided to the Mississip-

pi Department of Transportation (MDOT) by the Mississippi Department of Public Safety (MDPS). Though data provided by the MDOT identifies fatal crashes in the Jackson MPO Planning Area, the data provided by the NHTSA is considered the "official" dataset each state will use to assess fatal crashes and to develop performance measures and set targets to reduce those crash types. Reducing the total amount of crashes and the severity of those crashes in the MPO planning area are both considered high priorities by the MPO in aiding the State in meeting its overall goals set forth in the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP).

STBG PROJECTS AWARDED

In February, the Jackson MPO approved \$20.1 million in Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding for metro-area transportation projects aimed at reducing congestion and improving the safety and efficiency of the regional transportation system. The STBG program is a Federal-aid transportation program that provides funding through the MPO to local municipalities and counties for transportation improvements in the urbanized area.

This year, the MPO focused on providing funding to projects that can be completed in a relatively short timeframe, and that address safety, pavement condition, and congestion concerns.

In total, the CMPDD received 42 applications requesting more than \$34 million in funding. However, the MPO only has enough funds available to fund the top twenty-five (25) rated projects.

Local jurisdictions submitted applications to CMPDD back in October 2016. The applications were then graded and evaluated based on the proposed project type (bridge repair, traffic operational improvement, capacity deficiency, pavement management, or small municipality) category. The scoring criteria for each project type varied slightly, but in general projects were rated based on:

- Whether or not the project provided more than the minimum required local matching funds.
- What percentage of the total funds available did the project request? Projects requesting the least amount of federal funding received priority.
- Whether or not the project is ready to go to construction. Projects ready to proceed to construction were given priority over projects that may still have design work and/or utility and right-of-way factors to address.
- In addition, projects were evaluated on elements specific to each project category such as pavement condition, daily traffic volume, bridge sufficiency ratings, or travel time delays.

Projects rating the highest in each category were selected by the MPO Policy Committee to receive Federal STBG grant funding by the Jackson MPO.

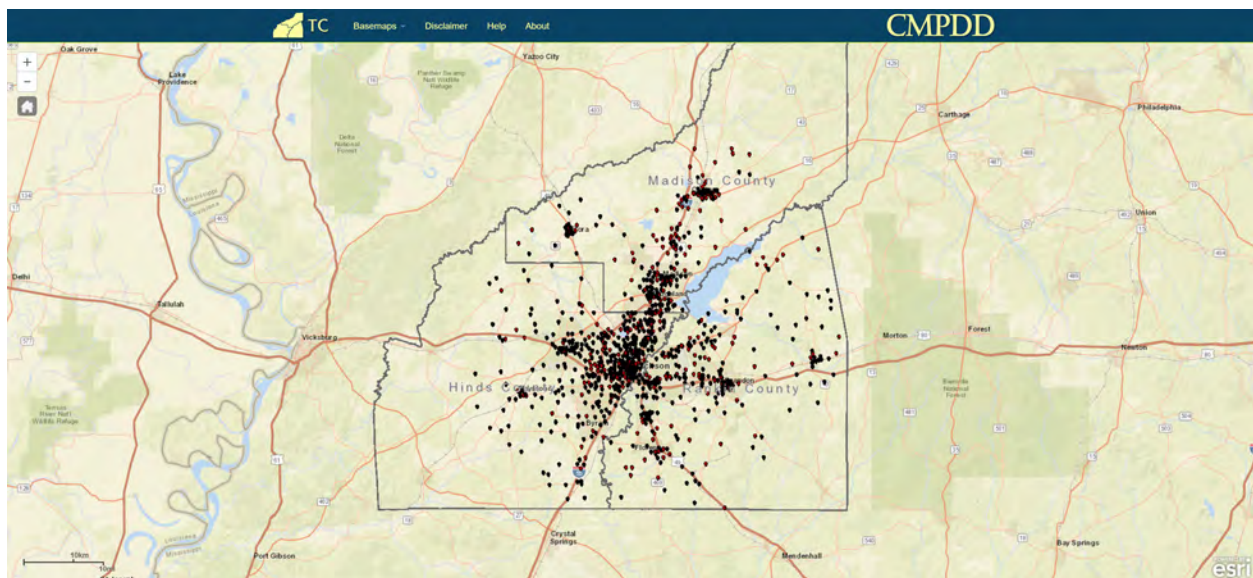
Projects selected for STBG funding by the MPO include:

ENTITY	PROJECT	MPO FUNDING	LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS
Traffic Operational Improvements			
Jackson	Traffic signal upgrades at State Street and Silas Brown Street	\$325,000	\$0
Jackson	Traffic signal upgrades at Old Canton Road and Lakeland Drive/Fondren	\$375,000	\$0
Jackson	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 18 and McDowell Road	\$275,000	\$0
Pearl	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 80 and Service Drive	\$202,600	\$0
Pearl	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 80 and Pemberton Drive	\$202,600	\$0
Pearl	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 80 and Bierdeman Road	\$209,194	\$0
Pearl	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 80 and Pirate's Cove	\$209,194	\$0
Pearl	Traffic signal upgrades at Highway 80 and Mary Ann Drive	\$202,600	\$0
Bridge Repair			
Clinton	Pinehaven Road Bridge Replacement	\$1,621,667	\$405,417
Jackson	McDowell Road Ext. Bridge Replacement	\$250,000	\$1,330,000
Jackson	Greenwood Ave. Bridge Replacement	\$200,000	\$330,000
Capacity Deficiency Projects			
Pearl	Old Brandon Road widening with a center turn lane from Bierdeman Road to Pemberton Drive	\$2,000,000	\$500,000
Rankin County	Northshore Parkway widening with a turn lane west bound onto Spillway Road	\$802,356	\$216,708
Rankin County	Spillway Road widening by adding a 5th lane from Pelahatchie Shore Drive to Hugh Ward Blvd.	\$448,344	\$176,536
Pavement Management Projects			
Byram	Henderson Road: Siwell Road to City Limits	\$736,015	\$315,435
Clinton	Clinton Parkway: Highway 80 to Northside Drive	\$590,849	\$393,899
Clinton	Magnolia Road: Old Vicksburg Road to Northside Drive	\$577,944	\$432,220
Flowood	Old Fannin Road: Lakeland Drive north 3475'	\$371,000	\$159,000
Jackson	State Street: Fortification Street to Webster Street	\$1,859,644	\$619,881
Jackson	Northside Drive: I-55 to State Street	\$1,415,681	\$471,894
Jackson	State Street: Webster Street to Woodrow Wilson Ave.	\$2,029,106	\$676,369
Jackson	Woodrow Wilson Ave.: I-55 to Mill Street	\$2,026,013	\$675,338
Pearl River Valley Water Supply District	Upper Spillway: West end to East end of Dam	\$1,260,000	\$315,000
Ridgeland	East Lake Harbour Drive: Northpark Drive to Breakers Lane	\$1,712,000	\$428,000
Small Municipalities			
Flora	Cox Ferry Road: City Limits to Kearney Park Road	\$289,220	\$72,305

METRO AREA TRAFFIC COUNTING PROGRAM

The District's Traffic Counting Program collects traffic count data for the Jackson Urbanized Area (JUA) on roadways that are part of the functional class system. These counts are collected through a collaborative process with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT), which collects traffic count data throughout the State for all state, and some non-state maintained highways, arterial roads, and collector streets. Traffic count data collected by the District is used for a number of transportation planning activities, including updating the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Congestion Management Process, and Pavement Management System. Traffic count data collected by the District, for the JUA, is collected on a three year cyclical basis for all functionally classified roadways located in Hinds, Madison, and Rankin Counties. Due to each county being counted once every three years, estimates are developed for the interim years in which traffic count data is not collected in the corresponding county. These estimates are derived by using collected traffic count data and applying increase factors, developed by the MDOT, for each year data is not collected. The District collected traffic count data in Hinds County during fiscal year 2017 and will collect data for Rankin County in the next fiscal year.

The District also updated its traffic count viewer in Fiscal Year 2017 to include traffic count data for the years 2015 and 2016. In addition to the updated data, the traffic count viewer includes traffic count projections for the years 2030 and 2040, as well as, historical traffic count data. The data included on the traffic count viewer for traffic projections was taken from traffic simulation modeling data developed for the 2040 Jackson Urbanized Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan. On an annual basis, the District updates the traffic count viewer to include the most up to date traffic count data available. The traffic count viewer can be found on the District's website at <http://gis.cmpdd.org/TC2016/>.



TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES CALL FOR PROJECTS

In August, the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee announced they were accepting applications for the next round of Transportation Alternative (TA) funding available through the MPO. The TA program is a federal-aid transportation program which provides funding for transportation alternative projects such as multi-use paths and bike lanes. In addition to issuing a Call for Projects in August, the Policy Committee also approved changes to the TA Project Submittal Guidelines. The Project Submittal Guidelines outline the process for applying for TA funding made available through the Jackson MPO, and includes the project evaluation criteria used to rank project applications, guidelines for eligibility, and general requirements for all proposed project applications.

The MPO made \$1.7 million in TA program funds available

through the Call for Projects, and applications are due by November 15, 2017. Once all project applications have been received, MPO staff will rate each application, following the adopted evaluation criteria, and submit the scored project applications to the Intermodal Technical and Metropolitan Planning Policy Committees at their regularly scheduled meetings in February, 2018 for review and approval.

Local jurisdictions with applications selected for funding can receive up to 80% in Federal TA funding for construction costs of a project and are required to provide at a minimum 20% in local matching funds. The MPO's last call for TA applications took place in 2013 and resulted in four (4) projects in the metro area receiving \$941,000 from the Jackson MPO in TA funding.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The District was created in 1968 to address chronic and critical economic development problems in the central Mississippi region. To fulfill that mission, an overall economic development plan was formulated and continues to be updated. This plan is known today as the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). This planning process identifies the barriers which must be removed and the opportunities which can be built upon for the seven county region to prosper. The District's staff work daily to help secure federal and state grants which help provide the identified infrastructure improvements needed to attract business and industrial prospects, as well as investments to allow local businesses to expand or remain in central Mississippi.

Additionally, the District continues to provide highly trained and dedicated staff to assist local governments with staying informed and engaged in monitoring and participating in federal and state grant and loan programs. CMPDD has long recognized that one of its primary responsibilities is to improve infrastructure, living environments, and the economic well-being of the citizens of the central Mississippi region. The majority of the opportunities available to cities and counties are accessed through programs administered by the Mississippi Development Authority, the Delta Regional Authority and the Economic Development Administration. Other programs available to assist with promoting economic and community development include the Recreational Trails Program and the Land and Water Conservation Fund. It is not uncommon for CMPDD to apply to multiple grant sources in order to maximize funding for an eligible project. Whether assisting a community with job creation, water and wastewater improvements, industrial park enhancements, transportation infrastructure improvements, or job training and education, the District stands ready and able to provide the technical expertise required to meet the demands of competing for ever changing funding opportunities.

CMPDD's efforts in seeking and securing federal and state grants on behalf of its member governments were recognized by the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) during this fiscal year. The District was the recipient of two (2) 2016 National Innovation Awards. The first NADO award was given for the District's assistance with McNeely Plastic Products' expansion to Copeiah County's Industrial Park. CMPDD completed and received approval for grants to partially fund the expansion. This project made it possible for Copeiah County Economic Development District to fill an empty building in the County's Industrial Park and McNeely Plastics to expand their business. Additionally, McNeely committed to provide twenty five (25) new full time jobs and invest \$5,000,000.

The Second NADO award was given for the City of Raymond City Hall and Board Room renovations, CMPDD assisted the City of Raymond with submitting and receiving approval of a CDBG Public Facilities application to make the necessary ADA accessibility improvements to City Hall and Municipal Courtroom buildings.



From Left: Elise Munn, Chuck Carr, Brenda Harper, Mitzi Stubbs, Greg McNeely, Wayne Davis, Terry Channell, Jimmy Phillips, Pokey Evans, Darrell McMillian, Rita Payton, Perry Hood, Shannon Watts, Kenneth Powell



City of Raymond City Hall and Board Room Renovations

NADO is a Washington, DC-based association that promotes programs and policies that strengthen local governments, communities, and economies through regional cooperation, program delivery, and comprehensive strategies. The association's Innovation Awards program recognizes regional development organizations and their partners for improving the economic and community competitiveness of our nation's regions and local communities.

Award-winning projects were honored during NADO's 2016 Annual Training Conference, held October 15-18 in San Antonio, Texas. The 2016 class of award recipients consists of 96 projects spanning 28 states. These projects are presented in an interactive "Story Map" developed by NADO and ESRI and include project summaries, funding information, and partners. The Story Map is available online at: <https://www.nado.org/innovation-awards/>.

"Since 1986 through its Innovation Awards program, NADO has recognized the transformative work regional development organizations perform every day. Award-winning projects showcase best practices across the country in regional development that support prosperous communities, stronger local economies, and improved quality of life for residents," said 2015-2016 NADO Board President Jeffrey Kiely, Executive Director of the Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments, located in Gallup, New Mexico.

The District operates a variety of federal and state loan programs to finance local businesses and industries. Whether working with local economic and community development leaders or national leaders in Washington, DC, job creation continues to be of primary importance to CMPDD.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

The Economic Development Administration (EDA) was established to generate jobs, help retain existing jobs, and stimulate industrial and commercial growth in economically distressed areas of the United States. EDA assistance is available to rural and urban areas of the nation experiencing high unemployment, low income, or other severe economic distress. EDA is guided by the basic principle that distressed communities must be empowered to develop and implement their own economic development and revitalization strategies, therefore it aids distressed communities address problems associated with long-term economic distress, as well as sudden and severe economic dislocations including recovering from the economic impacts of natural disasters, the closure of military installations and other federal facilities, changing trade patterns, and the depletion of natural resources.



CMPDD serves as the local arm of the EDA and assists its local governments in obtaining grant funding for local projects. These funds are in turn used to support job creation and private investment that will stimulate economic development in low income and high unemployment areas. Funds are provided to support the construction, expansion or upgrade to essential public infrastructure and facilities. The benefiting local government, university, or non-profit must partner with a private company who will benefit from the infrastructure improvements to create or retain jobs. Applications are accepted on a quarterly basis and if approved, CMPDD provides administration services for EDA grants to ensure that the recipient meets all federal requirements and guidelines.

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Mid year 2017, District staff began work on the five year re-write of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS is a requirement of EDA to maintain funding eligibility for the region. Before EDA will consider funding a project, it must be addressed in the regional economic development plan, which is the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Furthermore, EDA requires the CEDS to be updated annually with a new CEDS being written every five years.

Specifically, during the development of the CEDS, the CMPDD solicited the participation of our public and private partners. Local elected officials, economic developers and other interested individuals were invited to attend brainstorming meetings

in each county. During these sessions, participants conducted an analysis of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) in their communities and the CMPDD region as a whole. A SWOT analysis offers a more in-depth view of the economic development problems and opportunities that may not be gathered from basic data. By soliciting the input of community representatives in the SWOT process, a more realistic view of the economic development situation is achieved. Further, all members of the CEDS committee were asked to respond to an online survey regarding needs, specific projects, and priority projects for their community and the region.

DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY (DRA)

The DRA is a Federal-State partnership created by Congress, which serves a 252 county/parish area in an eight-state region. In Mississippi, 45 counties (including all 7 CMPDD counties) are eligible for funding under DRA. The purpose of DRA is to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development partnerships that will have a positive impact on the region's economy. This year approximately \$1,635,177 will be available for the State of Mississippi.

This fiscal year, the City of Vicksburg received a DRA award in the amount of \$547,867 to develop a parking area on city owned property that will support a Center of Innovation and key programs that will lead to the creation of new, high paying professional jobs in Mississippi. Additionally, this parking area will promote and enhance economic development by also serving the Vicksburg Convention Center. This project will have a total investment of \$5,679,671.

In Central Mississippi, the DRA State's Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP) is only open to public and non-profit entities in the DRA-designated counties. To find out if your project is located within the DRA designated area or for more information about DRA, please visit their website www.dra.gov.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Community development in most Mississippi communities is an integral part of improving the overall economy. Strong, viable communities with adequate infrastructure and public facilities are critical to meet the needs of the public, as well as to support improved growth development. The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is designed to aid in the development of viable communities which provide for their residents decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities. The CDBG program utilizes federal funds which are administered by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA). The District provides local governments with technical assistance in all aspects of application preparation, including public hearings and site visits by MDA. Upon approval of a project, CMPDD also provides the needed administration expertise required to meet federal guidelines.

GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

For many years CMPDD was not actively involved in grant administration services, but in recent years local governments have relied upon the District's expertise in writing grant applications, as well as conducting the administration services necessary to complete the project. As a result CMPDD has established a strong track record in ensuring that all grant guidelines and requirements are met.

The largest grant amount that the District has been charged with administering is a \$10 million award of CDBG Katrina funds given to the University of Mississippi Medical Center to provide the site and infrastructure work necessary to construct a new building to house the School of Medicine, which is scheduled to open in July 2017. Other ongoing grant administration services are being provided to the Cities of Hazlehurst, Puckett, Vicksburg, and Yazoo City, as well as Hinds County. During this fiscal year, two projects which CMPDD administered for the City of Madison and the Town of Utica were completed and their grants were closed. The City of Madison has constructed an inclusive design playground at Liberty Village Park and made Americans with Disabilities Act playground improvements to Strawberry Patch Park with CDBG funds. The Town of Utica has completed a major wastewater treatment system renovation with a project cost of over \$1 Million, which now meets all regulations and will allow the Town to avoid penalties

from regulatory agencies.

Although many of the projects administered by the District are funded with CDBG funds, the District also administers all Delta Regional Authority (DRA) funded projects in the region, as well as projects funded through the Economic Development Administration (EDA). One such multi-faceted project that CMPDD has administered, after receiving approval of grants it prepared and submitted, is the utility construction necessary to serve the new location of the Copiah County Medical Center, formally the Hardy Wilson Memorial Hospital, in Hazlehurst. Almost \$400,000 of EDA funding was utilized to provide water infrastructure to the site, and a new sewer main was constructed utilizing \$570,000 of CDBG funds and \$204,000 of DRA funds. Another CMPDD administered project which utilized \$1.5 Million in EDA funds to construct East University Drive at the University of Mississippi Medical Center was closed out this fiscal year.

During the past fiscal year, CMPDD has expanded its staff to meet the administrative needs of grant recipients. Administrative services are conducted with the highest level of professionalism and attention to detail, which guarantees the grant recipient a successful conclusion to their project.

UMMC OPENS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND HOSTS HUD VISIT

On August 4, 2017, CMPDD staff attended a Dedication Ceremony to officially open the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Medicine building. The UMMC received \$10,000,000 in K-CDBG funds to complete site and utility work for the new School of Medicine building. The UMMC matched the grant with just over \$51,000,000 in State Bond funds, which were administered by the Bureau of Buildings. The initial utilities package was completed in 2016 and Phase II of the utilities work should be completed in November 2017. The state of the art building is fully operational, and classes began in July 2017. As a result of this new building and resulting expanded capacity, UMMC will hire an additional 200 employees and will be positioned to increase its medical school class size. Job creation is anticipated to be completed in September 2018. UMMC was awarded \$10,000,000 for the construction of the new School of Medicine and related campus infrastructure and utility improvements.

CMPDD participated in a site visit to the UMMC School of Medicine with representatives from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) disaster recovery division in early September. HUD officials were able to visit a lecture in progress and watch students utilize state-of-the-art simulation equipment, while touring the beautiful new building. The HUD officials then met with officials from UMMC to discuss the progress of the Katrina CDBG funded construction and job creation on campus, and gain insight on the economic impact of physicians on the State's economy.



COPIAH COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER

Through grant application and administration assistance from CMPDD, construction of water and sewer infrastructure to support the new Copiah County Medical Center (CCMC), formerly Hardy Wilson Memorial Hospital, in Hazlehurst is now complete. CMPDD assisted the City of Hazlehurst and the Copiah Water Association in securing grant funds to supply the necessary infrastructure to the hospital site, which is located just off Interstate 55 on Highway 28.

The City of Hazlehurst extended an existing sewer main from the east side of Interstate 55 to the site, which is west of Interstate 55. The City was awarded \$570,000 in Community Development Block Grant funding from MDA and \$204,000 from the Delta Regional Authority, totaling \$774,000 to complete the project. However, bids for the project came in well under budget and the City was able to complete the project for just under \$400,000.



The Copiah Water Association utilized \$385,055 of Economic Development Administration funding to provide water infrastructure to the site. The Copiah Water Association provided matching funds of \$278,000 to complete the project. These funds allowed for the installation of a new main line, storage tank with pump and emergency genera-

tor, and a chlorination system.

The Copiah County Hospital Authority and Copiah County Board of Supervisors held a ribbon cutting on February 14, 2017 and the Copiah County Medical Center was fully operational on February 21, 2017. The CCMC, which is a state of the art facility, cost \$16 million and has created forty one (41) new jobs.

CDBG PUBLIC FACILITIES PROGRAM

The CDBG Public Facilities Program provides grant funds to local units of government for a variety of public improvement projects (e.g., water or sewer facilities, storm drainage, public buildings, street reconstruction, etc.) that benefit low and moderate income families and areas. Special priority is given to water and sanitary sewer projects that eliminate existing health and safety hazards.

The Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) recently conducted a site visit for potential CDBG Public Facilities projects in the CMPDD area. A site visit does not guarantee approval; however, it is an important step toward approval of the CDBG grant. Listed below is the proposed project that ranked high enough to be eligible for potential funding through the CDBG Public Facilities Program.

COMMUNITY NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CDBG FUNDS	MATCHING FUNDS
Village of Beauregard	Unserved Sewer	\$449,991.80	N/A

Also during this fiscal year, the District assisted seven (7) local governments with the preparation of applications. The applications below have been submitted to MDA for review.

COMMUNITY NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CDBG FUNDS	MATCHING FUNDS
City of Brandon	Unserved Sewer	\$374,000.00	\$374,000.00
Town of Bentonia	Sewer System improvements	\$353,396.00	N/A
Town of Edwards	Unserved Sewer and Sewer Improvements	\$450,000.00	N/A
Town of Flora	Water System Improvements	\$319,752.00	N/A
Town of Puckett	Senior Citizen Center	\$418,000.00	N/A
Town of Utica	Water System Improvements	\$431,000.00	N/A
Village of Satartia	Water System Improvements	\$449,415.00	N/A

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCING

The District approved five (5) new business loans in Fiscal Year 2017 for a total of \$6,195,480. A summary of each of these loans is listed the following paragraphs.

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

The Central Mississippi Development Company, Inc. is a Certified Development Company (CDC) under the U.S. Small Business Administration’s 504 Certified Development Company (CDC) Program. It provides loans to small businesses for their use in acquiring fixed assets including land, buildings, machinery, and equipment. These loans can provide up to 40% of a project’s cost and are financed at attractive interest rates for a term of ten or twenty years. The following loans were approved:

BUSINESS	COUNTY	LOAN AMT	TOTAL	JOB	PRODUCT / SERVICE
Albriton’s Jewelry, Inc.	Hinds	\$1,117,566	\$2,793,917	6	Jewelry Store
B G Dental Group	Lamar	\$1,243,340	\$3,108,100	13	Dental Services
LECA Development, LLC	Harrison	\$1,804,950	\$4,512,375	13	Dental Services
Red Rocket Properties,	Harrison	\$1,879,624	\$4,699,060	75	Restaurants
TOTAL (4)		\$6,045,480	\$15,113,452	107	

FARISH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT LOAN PROGRAM

The Farish Street Historic District Loan Program (FSHDLP) received its funding from the State of Mississippi. It provides loans for eligible small businesses located in the Farish Street Historic District in Jackson, Mississippi. The loan amount can be up to a maximum amount of \$1,000,000 per entity or borrower. Loan proceeds are limited to the development of commercial and culturally significant properties located in the District, to include new building construction and or the rehabilitation of historic buildings. The District continued to service this loan’s portfolio.

MISSISSIPPI SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE LOAN PROGRAM

The Mississippi Small Business Assistance Loan Program (MSBALP) received its funding from the State of Mississippi. It provides loans to eligible small businesses for their use in acquiring fixed assets including land, buildings, machinery, and equipment, and working capital. These loans can provide up to

the lesser of one-half of the total debt financing or \$250,000. The loan amount can be up to the lesser of one-half of the total debt financing cost or \$250,000. The District continued to service this loan’s portfolio.

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LOAN PROGRAM

The Minority Business Enterprise Loan Program (MBELP) received its funding from the State of Mississippi. It provides loans to eligible certified minority owned businesses for their use in acquiring fixed assets including land, buildings, machinery, and equipment, and working capital. These loans can provide up to the lesser of one-half of the total debt financing or \$250,000. The following loan was approved:

MBELP	COUNTY	LOAN AMT	TOTAL	JOB	PRODUCT / SERVICE
The Kid’s World Center, LLC	Madison	\$150,000	\$315,000	2	Child Care Center
TOTAL (1)		\$150,000	\$315,000	2	

RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RBEG/RLF)

The Rural Business Enterprise Grant Loan Program received its funding from the U. S. Rural Development Administration. It provides loan funds for small businesses for their use in acquiring fixed assets including land, buildings, machinery, and equipment, and working capital. The loan amount can be up to a maximum amount of \$500,000. The District continued to service this loan’s portfolio.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF)

The EDA Revolving Loan Program received its funding from the U. S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration. It provides loan funds for small businesses for their use in acquiring fixed assets including land, buildings, machinery, and equipment, and working capital. The loan amount can be up to a maximum amount of \$200,000. The District continued to service this loan’s portfolio.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

As an integral part of its overall economic development efforts, the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District is directly involved in the development of the local workforce. The District administers the Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program to help local workers obtain the skills they need to serve as productive members of society and to achieve personal economic sufficiency.

CMPDD serves as fiscal agent for the program and, in conjunction with Southwest Mississippi Planning and Development District, administers the WIOA services and activities as Southcentral Mississippi Works, a seventeen county local workforce development area. The WIOA also allows the workforce area to provide services to business and industry to assist them with training and retaining workers.

As required by the Act, guidance and oversight is provided by a Local Workforce Development Board and a Youth Committee appointed by elected officials from the area. The Local Workforce Development Board, with assistance from CMPDD staff, maintains a comprehensive workforce development plan which outlines workforce needs and services available to meet those needs.

SERVICES TO YOUTH

WIOA offers a variety of options for helping youth prepare for future careers. Services for youth are guided by the Southcentral Mississippi Works Youth Committee. The workforce area serves out-of-school youth, defined as those not currently enrolled and attending a formal educational program.

During the past program year, Southcentral Mississippi Works offered Out-of-School Youth Individual Training Accounts (ITAs) which paid tuition and

certain other allowable costs, thereby enabling them to pursue post-secondary vocational and technical training programs at area community colleges. ITAs provided these youth with recognized occupational skills which led to productive employment. Additionally, out-of-school youth who lacked labor market experience were offered limited internship opportunities designed to better prepare them for getting and keeping a job.



PROGRAM YEAR 2016-2017 HIGHLIGHTS

SECTOR STRATEGY PLAN

Subsequent to the finalization of the Local Area Workforce Plan, Southcentral Mississippi Works developed a Sector Strategy Plan under the direction and guidance of the State Workforce Investment Board. Through a process involving research, analysis, industry and workforce partner engagement, the Southcentral Mississippi Works workforce area identified healthcare, manufacturing and transportation/distribution/logistics as the industry sectors within the area that provide the most in-demand occupations and represent the greatest current and future hiring needs and opportunities. The Sector Strategy Plan outlines objectives, goals, and action steps for the skill gap areas identified by each industry sector. Training and employment within these sectors are given priority and are emphasized to those individuals who are in need of additional skills and jobs.

SMART START AND CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

In order to ensure that Mississippians are equipped with the necessary skills to become employed and in order to fulfill the goals of the Smart Start Career Pathway Plan, the Southcentral Mississippi Works local area plan and the Sector Strategy Plan, individuals needing necessary skills are being referred to Smart Start classes. The classes are provided in coordination with the Mississippi Community College Board (MCCB) Adult Basic Education division. Individuals who complete the class are awarded a Smart Start Credential and are also administered the WorkKeys test. Successful completion of the WorkKeys test earns the individual a Career Readiness Certificate.

The Certificate is an indicator of the type jobs the individual is equipped to successfully perform. During Program Year 2016, applicants for WIOA-funded training under the Individual Training Account (ITA) program were required to earn the Career Readiness Certificate at an appropriate level prior to entering training in the occupation they selected. Obtaining the Certificate prior to training ensures that the participant has the requisite basic skills to be successful in training and in the chosen occupation. Because the Career Readiness Certificate is a nationally recognized credential, it is transportable should the individual move to another location.

STATE AND LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA PLANS

In accordance with WIOA, the State of Mississippi developed a statewide combined workforce plan called the Smart Start Career Pathway Plan. Thereafter, the local workforce development area developed a local workforce plan. This plan details how Southcentral Mississippi Works will implement the state’s combined workforce plan in the local area and how the local area will ensure that the federally funded WIOA services and activities are structured to maximize their benefit to our citizens and businesses.

One of the main goals of WIOA is to coordinate a variety of workforce development efforts, programs, providers and services into a unified, comprehensive system. To accomplish this goal, Southcentral Mississippi Works, in accordance with both the state and the local workforce plans, has formed partnerships with various state and local agencies responsible for workforce related programs. These workforce program partners are committed to implement the “no wrong door” policy outlined in the state and the local plans. This means that no matter which workforce partner agency first serves a job seeker or an employer, those individuals will be provided with information and potential referrals to the other workforce partners’ programs and services that may benefit them. Southcentral Mississippi Works operates eight regional WIN Job Centers which provide individuals and employers with convenient access to a broad array of labor market information and services. The Mississippi Department of Employment Security (MDES), under contract with Southcentral Mississippi Works, operates seven of these WIN Job Centers and Midd-West operates a specialty WIN Job Center in Vicksburg that focuses on the employment needs of developmentally disabled individuals. Activities and services provided through these centers offer all residents of the area access to the latest labor market information, career planning tools (including skills training), job search resources, and other employment related information. Employers can access a variety of services including applicant screening, interview rooms, information on labor supply, and availability of training options.

LOCAL PERFORMANCE DATA

During the past program year, Mississippi’s workforce programs and activities were evaluated according to the U. S. Department of Labor’s “common measures” performance standards. Under WIOA, this performance measuring system is applicable to all federally funded workforce related programs operated by a variety of workforce partners and agencies. Southcentral Mississippi Works achieved the following overall performance for Program Year 2016:

ADULTS			
Performance Indicator	State Standard	State Actual	Local Actual
Entered Employment Rate	75.0%	83.2%	79.3%
Employment Retention Rate	86.0%	92.0%	77.9%
Average Earnings	\$12,372	\$14,345	\$14,299

DISLOCATED WORKERS			
Performance Indicator	State Standard	State Actual	Local Actual
Entered Employment Rate	64.8%	70.7%	88.0%
Employment Retention Rate	83.5%	86.0%	96.4%
Average Earnings	\$13,310	\$13,179	\$14,422

YOUTH			
Performance Indicator	State Standard	State Actual	Local Actual
Placement in Employment or Education	78.1%	77.9%	71.4%
Attainment of Degree or Certificate	94.7%	95.5%	94.4%

Although Southcentral Mississippi Works saw a continuing reduction in federal funds allocated, emphasis continued to be placed on providing training. Under current laws, WIOA is the only program that offers training options to a broad base of workers to help them gain the skills needed to fill jobs in demand in the current economy. Southcentral MS Works is committed to utilizing WIOA funds in the most advantageous manner possible to enhance the employment opportunities of its citizens.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING ACTIVITIES

During this past program year, Southcentral Mississippi Works continued its commitment to providing assistance to individuals who needed some form of occupational skills training in order to be successful in the labor market. WIOA-funded training services were provided through either Individual Training Accounts (ITAs), formal On-the-Job Training contracts, or Internships. Individual Training Accounts cover tuition and related costs of attending established occupational or career-tech training programs. On-the-Job Training allows workers to gain new skills while on the job and allows employers to reduce training costs by receiving reimbursement of a portion of the trainee's wages while they are learning. Internships allow eligible individuals the opportunity for limited work experience to assist them with connecting to permanent unsubsidized employment.

In addition to training services, Southcentral Mississippi Works WIN Job Centers assisted numerous other individuals with basic labor exchange services and helped them find suitable employment when additional skills training was not required.

Southcentral Mississippi Works provided assistance to employers as well as job seekers. Through the WIN Job Centers, employers can locate qualified employees, obtain information on the local labor market, receive assistance with training new workers, and locate other resources to assist them in meeting the needs of their business.

The workforce area partnered with the area's community colleges in their efforts to provide training through MI-BEST programs. These programs offer individuals the opportunity to obtain their high-school equivalency certificate while simultaneously obtaining career tech skills, putting them on a fast track to employment. Southcentral Mississippi Works worked intensively with the Hinds Community College MI-BEST programs to fund ITAs and other supportive services for eligible individuals. MI-BEST programs have been very successful in providing individuals who might not otherwise have the opportunity to obtain these needed credentials, with the greater chance for self-sufficient employment.

SOUTHCENTRAL MISSISSIPPI WORKS WIN JOB CENTER LOCATIONS

Brookhaven Brookhaven WIN Job Center
545 Brookway Boulevard
Post Office Box 790
Brookhaven, MS 39602-0790
601-833-3511

Canton Madison County WIN Job Center
152 Watford Parkway Drive
Canton, MS 39046
601-859-7609

Jackson Jackson WIN Job Center
5959 I-55 Frontage Road, Suite C
Jackson, MS 39213
601-321-7931

McComb McComb WIN Job Center
1002 Warren Krout Road
McComb, MS 39648
601-648-4421

Natchez Natchez WIN Job Center
107 John Pitchford Parkway
Natchez, MS 39120
601-442-0243

Pearl Pearl WIN Job Center
212 St. Paul Street
Pearl, MS 39208-5134
601-321-5441

Vicksburg Vicksburg WIN Job Center
1625 Monroe Street
Post Office Box 1398
Vicksburg, MS 39181-1398
601-638-1452

Vicksburg (Specialty) Mid West (Warren Co. Association for Retarded Citizens)
100 Smokey Lane
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180
601-638-2761



AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Central Mississippi Planning and Development District, serving as the Area Agency on Aging, continues to build on its strengths in its efforts to develop a comprehensive system of services for older persons. Since its designation as the Area Agency on Aging in 1973, the District continues to play a significant role in the creation of new services and the expansion of many services which are designed to promote independence for the elderly in Central Mississippi. Aside from the usual supportive services, the District has advocated for other significant services, including the establishment of assisted-living facilities, adult day care services, and support for caregivers, including Alzheimer victims and their families.

According to population projections from the District’s Regional Data Center, using data collected through the U.S. Census Bureau and projections made by Esri Forecasts for the year 2017 and the year 2022, the 60 years of age and older populations in central Mississippi will continue to grow. Estimates by county are as follows:



COUNTY	YEAR 2017	YEAR 2022	% CHANGE
Copiah	6,730	7,563	0.1238
Hinds	46,385	50,509	0.0889
Madison	20,329	24,864	0.2231
Rankin	29,698	33,978	0.1441
Simpson	6,401	7,145	0.1162
Warren	11,117	12,222	0.0994
Yazoo	5,123	5,542	0.0818
Total	125,783	141,823	0.1275

With this continued growth in the population, it is anticipated that there will be more families in Mississippi which will need help in caring for an older adult at home. Further, it is estimated that 25 to 30 percent of all nursing home patients do not need to be institutionalized, but their families have had limited alternatives. In general, the preference for most families is to keep their older family member at home where they can live, participate, and maintain a viable presence within the family structure whenever possible.

The Older Americans Act of 1965 as amended, the primary piece of legislation which created the network of Area Agencies on Aging and its mission, has not provided adequate funding from year to year to keep pace with the growth and needs of the aging population. This has caused many of the District’s services to be limited. In spite of this, the District has managed to deliver quality services through a variety of means including partnering with other agencies, selecting quality service providers, working with local elected officials, and involving and including the private sector in aging matters.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS

The Boards of Supervisors in Central Mississippi made a commitment to their older citizens by providing local cash contributions listed in the chart to supplement federal and state resources for aging services. Without their help, there would be a loss of home-delivered meals, homemaker visits, transportation trips, and case-management services.

COUNTY	AMOUNT
Copiah County Board of Supervisors	\$ 6,154
Hinds County Board of Supervisors	30,629
Madison County Board of Supervisors	8,896
Rankin County Board of Supervisors	6,143
Simpson County Board of Supervisors	6,592
Warren County Board of Supervisors	7,597
Yazoo County Board of Supervisors	<u>11,413</u>
Total	\$ 77,424

HIGHLIGHTS OF FISCAL YEAR 2017

1. Prepared the Fiscal Year 2018 update to the Fiscal Year 2018-2021 Area Plan on Aging for Central Mississippi.
2. Maintained 31 clients with Lifeline Units, which monitor senior's safety 24 hours a day.
3. Sustained an ongoing partnership with the Mississippi Department of Agriculture & Commerce through the Senior Nutrition Farmers Market Program. A total of 600 vouchers were issued to participating participants.
4. Continued to market the Home-Delivered Meals (Pay As You Go) Program for seniors in central Mississippi. During FY 2017, 775 meals were served through our Pay As You Go Program.
5. Collaborated with other community representatives in transitioning three (3) nursing home/ institutional.
6. Continued to serve on various committees for the purpose of providing/advocating resources to assist the elderly, including:
 - Entergy's Project Concern
 - Local TRIAD groups
 - Mississippi State Department of Health at Risk Population Task Force
 - Technical Assistance Committee for the Mississippi Association of Planning and Development Districts
 - Mississippi State Board of Health Metro Home Health Advisory Council
 - Mississippi Transportation Coalition Committee
 - MAC 2.0 Stakeholder Group
 - Mississippi State Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council
 - Trans-Con Regional Transportation Committee
7. Provided training opportunities for various staff and contractors, including attendance at the following:
 - Mississippi Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Training
 - Mississippi Associations of Planning and Development Districts Annual Conference
 - Southeastern Area Agencies on Aging Conference
 - Alzheimer's Conference
 - Local WIOA Area Planning Committee
 - Mississippi Department of Human Services "Age Out Loud" Conference
 - Other local workshops and seminars
8. Collaborative partnerships with the Mississippi State Department of Health, Division of Injury and Violence Prevention to expand the A Matter of Balance (MOB): Managing Concerns about Falls Program and the Mississippi State Department of Health, Office of Preventive Health expansion of the Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self-Management Programs.
9. Conducted four (4) 8-week Matter of Balance classes and three (3) 6-week Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self-Management classes.
10. Hosted a community health fair "Seniors Grooving to a Healthy Lifestyle" during Older Americans Month.
11. The Area Agency on Aging/State Health Insurance Program reached over 259,000 listeners weekly through a local radio campaign during August- September 2017.
12. Collaborated with Three Rivers Planning and Development District and Southern Planning and Development District for the purpose of the production and distribution of a television commercial promoting the Mississippi Access to Care (MAC) Program on statewide television.

FISCAL YEAR 2017 PROVIDERS OF AGING SERVICES

COUNTY	PROVIDER	AMOUNT*
Copiah	Copiah County Human Resource Agency	\$680,555
Hinds	Hinds County Human Resource Agency	271,383
	City of Jackson	811,618
	Clinton Community Christian Corporation	160,771
	Hinds County Board of Supervisors	58,198
Madison	Madison County Citizens Services Agency	180,642
Rankin	Rankin County Human Resource Agency	215,059
	City of Pearl	73,429
Simpson	South Central Community Action Agency	191,587
Warren	Community Council of Warren County, Inc.	296,529
Yazoo	Yazoo County Human Resource Agency	589,930
District-Wide	Help At Home/ d.b.a. Oxford HealthCare	391,539
District-Wide	Senior Care Centers of America, Inc.	254,423
District-Wide	MS Center for Legal Services Corp.	16,667
Total Resources		\$4,192,330

*includes program income, local cash, in-kind match, and federal and state dollars

ADVOCACY SERVICES & ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION

BRIDGE TO INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM

The District administered the Bridge to Independence (B2I) Program funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The District also works in conjunction with the Mississippi Division of Medicaid to provide these services to eligible participants. B2I is a statewide program designed to assist individuals who reside in nursing homes and intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual and development disabilities to return to the community. The Bridge to Independence Program is built around the core principles of consumer choice and empowerment to assist individuals in facilities to identify potential living options.

The District’s Community Navigators provided information, education, and referral to Medicaid beneficiaries interested in transitioning out of institutional care into the community. The District’s staff provided assistance and collaborated with various community representatives in providing navigation to nine (9) clients. The Community Navigators provided assistance to clients with different circumstances which effected their transitions. Throughout the fiscal year three (3) clients were discharged due to housing availability and three (3) clients transitioned from nursing home/ institutional settings successfully back into the community. Currently, the Navigators are working through the initial stages of transitioning three (3) new clients. Also, the Community Navigators provided over thirty-one (31) hours of telephone contact to patients and family members. Additionally, the Community Navigators have attended four (4) trainings.



ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Elder Abuse Prevention Program is designed to alert the public to the critical need for individual and collective action to protect abused, neglected, and exploited older adults in the community. This program seeks to serve as an information and referral base for broadening public and private involvement in the protection of at-risk older persons.

The District provides trained speakers for professional, civic, and church groups who wish to be a part of a crusade against abuse. District staff also conducted a total of two (2) workshops at area meetings and in-service trainings, as well as, worked closely with the Mississippi Department of Human Services on two (2) case of suspected abuse.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The District provided legal assistance to more than eighty (80) clients through a contract with the Mississippi Center for Legal Services Corporation. Areas of assistance included issues relating to name change, Social Security, wills and estates, Advance Directives and Powers of Attorney, and home ownership and property.

NURSING HOME OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM

Through contractual arrangements with local entities throughout the seven-county area, trained ombudsmen visit all nursing homes and licensed personal care homes to investigate complaints from residents and their families regarding the care they receive in these facilities. While assuming these responsibilities, they serve as companions and advocates to these individuals. In Central Mississippi, there are thirty-four (34) long-term care nursing home facilities with three thousand six hundred and thirty-six (3,636) beds; forty-two (42) personal care homes and assisted living facilities with one thousand six hundred and nineteen (1,619) beds; and three (3) intermediate care facilities for the intellectually disabled with four hundred and forty-seven (447) beds. The District Ombudsman and certified County Ombudsmen conducted five hundred and twelve facility visits (512) facility visits; attended thirty-two (32)

resident council meetings; two (2) family council meetings; and participated in twelve (12) state surveys.

Complaints were investigated by county as shown in the following chart:

<u>County</u>	<u>Resident Contacts</u>	<u>Contacts Complaints</u>
Copiah	323	39
Hinds/Yazoo	7,175	112
Madison	3,084	56
Rankin	2,327	25
Simpson	520	16
Warren	<u>2,175</u>	<u>22</u>
Total	15,604	270

MISSISSIPPI ACCESS TO CARE (MAC) CENTER

As of April 2014, the District was awarded a grant through the Mississippi Department of Human Services to administer the Mississippi Access to Care Center in Central and Southwest Mississippi. The Mississippi Access to Care Centers are one portion of a larger “No Wrong Door” (NWD) network in the State of Mississippi. As a part of Medicaid’s (CMS) Balancing Incentive Program, there is an effort to create a fiscally responsible, person-driven system that offers a full array of choices, thereby empowering individuals to navigate through the complexities of administrative and community resource barriers and locate the appropriate services and supports through a No Wrong Door System. This program will enable individuals and their families to make informed decisions relative to long-term care options and secure needed services or benefits by locating resources available in their communities.

The MAC Center staff has successfully documented over

five thousand one hundred and seventy-four (5,174) telephone calls, responded to over six hundred and sixty-five (665) email requests, presented information to service providers, consumers and families at over one hundred and ninety-nine (199) community events/trainings, passed out twenty-seven thousand two hundred and eleven (27,211) brochures and information packets, completed six thousand two hundred and thirty-two (6,232) follow-ups, assisted one hundred and twenty-nine (129) individuals through office visits, completed over thirty-eight (38) home visits, mailed out eleven thousand three hundred and twenty-three (11,323) information packets and brochures, and updated over three thousand five hundred and twenty-three (3,523) Community Resources within the Mississippi Access to Care database system. To date, several MAC Center staff have successfully been recertified by the Alliance of Information & Referral Systems.

HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

ADULT DAY CARE

The District contracted with Senior Care Centers of America, Inc. to operate adult day care centers for the metro Jackson area. The Day Center provided two thousand one hundred and sixty-six (2,166) hours of care to eligible clients during this fiscal year with an average daily attendance of 35-45 persons per day. Two locations, one in Jackson and one in Clinton, offered a comprehensive array of services which were integrated with other health care delivery systems. The centers are open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., and provide two snacks and lunch daily.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING RESOURCE CENTER

The District’s Resource Center provides assistance to consumers and their families who frequently end up confused and frustrated when trying to access information and support for social services. The Resource Center makes it possible for individuals to enter a “One-Stop” point of entry for all services. The Resource Center is designed to reduce or eliminate consumers from being bounced around from agency to agency, with no systematic follow-up to make sure that needs are met.

More than three thousand and one hundred and twenty-two (3,122) calls were documented through the Center. In addition to their telephone inquiries, staff received training, and performed numerous other tasks. Referrals to the Resource Center came primarily from self-referrals, family members, and other social service agencies. To date, the Director of Aging Programs and the Aging Resource staff has successfully meet all the requirements and awarded recertification by the Alliance of Information & Referral Systems.



CONGREGATE MEALS

Eighteen (18) nutrition sites in Central Mississippi served hot, nutritionally-balanced meals, five days a week to the 60 years old and older population. These sites provide a pleasing setting for meals and an atmosphere for socialization and activities.

County	Annual Meals
Copiah (1 sites)	4,029
Hinds (4 sites)	11,884
Madison (1 sites)	4,335
Rankin (1 sites)	3,436
Simpson (1 sites)	1,825
Yazoo (1 site)	3,122
City of Jackson (9 sites)	46,494
Total	75,125

EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICE

Living alone can be quite frightening to seniors who feel that if something traumatic happened in their homes that no one would be alerted. They need reassurance that help is just a button away. To address this need, the District has placed thirty-four (34) Emergency Response Units in the homes of seniors living alone. The District pays \$22.00 a month per unit for these seniors to be monitored 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. These units are located in the following counties:

<u>County</u>	<u>Units</u>
Copiah	2
Hinds	18
Madison	2
Rankin	5
Simpson	2
Warren	0
Yazoo	<u>5</u>
Total	34



NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Family caregivers are an essential part of any long-term care system. They maintain and coordinate care for the elderly, chronically or terminally ill, or disabled relatives at home. The likelihood of each person becoming or needing a caregiver is rapidly increasing. Due to its pervasive quality, it is imperative to address the needs of these caregivers in continuing their care at home for their loved ones. As the health system undergoes swift and significant changes, the future will bring with it even greater needs and stresses.

With funds under the National Family Caregiver Support Program, authorized under the Older Americans Act Amendments of 2000, the District works to provide assistance to families in the following areas: Adult Day Care Respite; In-Home Respite; Information and Assistance; and Supplemental Services. During Fiscal Year 2017, forty-five (45) caregivers received 4,514.25 hours of relief time, fifty-one (51) individuals received assistance with ensure and incontinence supplies, approximately three thousand and three hundred and eighty (3,380) meals were served to care recipients, and (7) wheelchair ramps were built at homes to assist with mobility. Also, eighty-four (84) clients received emergency services supplies.

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS

The Home-Delivered Meals program is designed to provide meals to individuals 60 years of age and older who are homebound due to failing health and/or physical limitations. This program served these individuals with a balanced meal five days a week, either frozen or hot. Hot meals are delivered daily and at least five (5) frozen meals are delivered weekly. This program receives the highest percentage of funding through the District and is the most popular program that the District operates throughout its seven-county area with 1,130 meals being served daily.

<u>County</u>	<u>Annual Meals</u>
Copiah	21,253
Hinds	43,070
Madison	19,615
Rankin	46,420
Simpson	9,075
Warren	32,520
Yazoo	42,755
City of Jackson	70,660
Private Pay Meals	775
NFCSP Meals	3,380
Wal-Mart	<u>5,465</u>
Total Meals	294,988

HOMEMAKER SERVICES

Many older persons are functionally impaired and experience difficulty in performing routine household tasks which they need to sustain themselves in their own homes. Priority is given to those persons who have been screened as frail, vulnerable, lack family and friend support systems and are at risk of early institutionalization without some type of in-home intervention.

<u>County</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Copiah	3,450.5
Hinds	3,915
Madison	568
Rankin	3,067
Simpson	656
Warren	4,719.5
Yazoo	<u>2,657</u>
Total Homemaker Hours	19,033

INFORMATION, REFERRAL AND OUTREACH

The Information and Referral Offices in each county serve as the focal point for information in that county. Qualified staff was available to inform older persons regarding the services, benefits, and resources in the community which could assist them with their problems. There were twenty-seven thousand and ninety-three (27,093) contacts made by individuals requesting assistance regarding resources and the need for services.

SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

The District received \$70,402.33 in funding under the Title V, Senior Community Employment Program, to employ eight (8) individuals to work in community service employment in Hinds and Rankin counties. The purpose of this project is to promote useful part-time employment for low income persons who are 55 years of age and older, and to the extent feasible, to assist and promote the transition of program enrollees to private or other unsubsidized employment. Through this project, the District successfully placed two (2) enrollees in unsubsidized employment.



SENIOR TRANSPORTATION

The District contracts with several local entities to provide transportation to those seniors who no longer drive or for other reasons have no dependable transportation. Trips are provided primarily for medical appointments, shopping, or other essential services. Daily routes are established for each area, and many of the buses are equipped for the disabled.

<u>County</u>	<u>Trips</u>
Copiah	14,213
Hinds	6,074
Madison	5,784
Rankin	17,035
Simpson	4,426
Warren	3,732
Yazoo	8,917
City of Jackson	<u>31,163</u>
Total Trips	91,344

STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SHIP)

The State Health Insurance Program is designed to increase the knowledge of older persons regarding health insurance, public benefits, including Medicare, Medicaid, HMOs, and long-term care insurance. The purposes of the program are to inform and to increase the number of eligible Medicare beneficiaries through distribution of information. The District’s Insurance Counselors are a critical component in the area of advocacy throughout the fiscal year. Beneficiaries were interested in assistance in determining the best Medicare Prescription Drug Plan. SHIP Insurance Counselors advised beneficiaries

one-on-one with Extra Help assistance, appeals, complaints, and grievances reaching eight thousand two hundred and forty-seven (8,247) seniors. Throughout the fiscal year sixty (60) events and health fairs reached an additional five thousand one hundred and forty-five (5,145) seniors. Counselors also reached an estimated number of twenty-eight thousand (28,000) eligible beneficiaries with printed material and newspaper articles. The District launched a radio media campaign during the months of August –September 2017 which reached over 259,000 people weekly.

PRIVATE SECTOR INITIATIVE

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SANTA FOR SENIORS

As in past years, the annual “Santa for Senior” project was successful. Several other organizations also participated in purchasing the gifts for seniors, including the Metro Jackson Chapter of the National Insurance and Financial Advisors, the Jackson Association of Health Underwriters and Home Instead, Inc. participated with CMPDD in its annual Santa for Seniors Program. More than 600 needy seniors in the Jackson metro area were supplied with Christmas gifts selected from wish lists that they were asked to complete. Gifts included housecoats, pajamas, toiletries, and other similar items. The sponsors brought their gifts to the Country Club of Jackson and Home Instead Senior Care’s Clinton office where District staff picked up gifts to deliver.

Gifts were delivered to Personal Care and Nursing Home residents and recipients of Aging and Medicaid Waiver services. Seniors were excited to receive the needed gifts. All gifts were delivered before Christmas, and for many it was the only gift they received.



MEDICAID WAIVER

HOME & COMMUNITY-BASED ELDERLY & DISABLED MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAM

The Home & Community-Based Services (HCBS) programs offer in-home and / or community based services instead of institutional care. These waiver programs provide more specialized services than the State Plan services. The Elderly & Disabled (E&D) Waiver is one of five (5) HCBS waiver programs offered by the State of Mississippi. It is also the largest statewide waiver serving an average of 17,600 beneficiaries per month. Other HCBS waivers number of participants range from 615 to 2,455 beneficiaries served.

According to data, reports, and information provided by the Division of Medicaid, costs for nursing facility care can exceed paid waiver services provided in a home or community setting by an average of more than \$23,000 per beneficiary per fiscal year. One (1) person in a nursing facility can fund three (3) people in a HCBS Waiver program.

The purpose of the E&D Waiver is to allow eligible Medicaid individuals who require nursing facility level of care to receive assistive services in their homes or community-based settings, instead of in a nursing facility. If not for the provision of services through the Waiver, the person would be in need of nursing facility placement.

Services available through the Elderly & Disabled Waiver program include: Case Management, Personal Care Attendant Services, Adult Day Care Services, Extended Home Health Services, Home Delivered Meals, In-Home Respite Care, Institutional Respite Care, and Transition Assistance. Through participation with the State of Mississippi Division of Medicaid, CMPDD provides Case Management and Home Delivered Meals to eligible recipients.

- Registered Nurses and Licensed Social Workers work as a team to provide monthly Case Management services. Home Delivered Meals are prepared and delivered by a licensed and contracted meal provider.
- To qualify for this program:
 - Clients must be 21 years of age or older;
 - Clients must have an approved Level of Care (LOC) or LOC derived from the InterRAI assessment in the Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) web-based system;
 - Must qualify by either SSI (Supplemental Security Income) income eligibility or 300% of SSI income;
 - Must meet all income, resources, and other Mississippi Medicaid eligibility requirements.
- As part of the Division of Medicaid Balancing Incentive Program, beginning November 1, 2017, personal care attendants and in-home respite providers will utilize the Medi-Key as a clocking in/clocking out system in the client's homes. Medi-Key is also known as One-Time Password (OTP) device. The OTP devices will display an 8-digit number (password) that will be entered via telephone by the direct care worker upon arrival to the client's home to clock in. After the completion of service, the direct



care worker will enter the new password displayed upon leaving the client's home to clock out.

- The client's Case Manager will be responsible for assigning the OTP device in the LTSS system, distributing, and explaining the use of the OTP devices to the Waiver clients.
- Use of the electronic visit verification will also serve as submission, verification, and payment of claims for PCA and IHR providers.
- CMPDD has received and distributed 2,170 OTP devices to Waiver clients.

CMPDD reserves the capacity to serve 2400 participants on an annual basis. During Fiscal Year 2016-2017, the District served an average of 2,456 eligible Medicaid recipients providing monthly Case Management services. Additionally, during Fiscal Year 2016-2017, the District provided 295,193 home delivered meals.

The placement of teams and the clients they were serving at the end of Fiscal Year 2016-2017, are listed below by county:

COUNTY	# OF TEAMS	CLIENTS SERVED
Copiah	2 full	214
Hinds	11 full / 1 half	1,291
Madison	2 full	207
Rankin	3 full	278
Yazoo	2 full	231
Warren	1 full	125
Simpson	1 full	110
Total	22 full / 1 half	2,456

The number of clients served includes Active clients, and clients pending approval by the Division of Medicaid. The District also maintained an average of 1,991 applicants on waiting lists during the fiscal year. The number of Active and Pending Approval cases includes 19 recipients that were assessed as Transition to Community Referrals (TCR), and approved for the E&D Waiver. Transition to Community Referrals are Medicaid eligible recipients moving from a long-term care stay at a nursing facility back to a private home or community setting.

MAPDD - MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

CMPDD is under contract with the other nine Planning and Development Districts (PDDs) across the State to act as their association manager. CMPDD is responsible for setting up monthly information and administrative meetings, as well as spearheading the association's annual conference, and coordinating receptions throughout the year. Working collectively, the PDDs meet monthly at CMPDD's office to discuss matters of common interests, hear federal and state officials provide updates and information on their programs, as well as conduct PDD business.

2017 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Mississippi Association of Planning and Development Districts (MAPDD) held its annual conference in Biloxi at the Beau Rivage Hotel March 21- 24, 2017. The conference was attended by over 580 participants from across the State. CMPDD staff members not only handle the pre-conference organization but the day to day operations during the conference. Featured speakers included: Secretary of State Delbert Hoseman, Mississippi Attorney General Jim Hood, and Mississippi Department of Human Services Executive Director John Davis. In addition, featured panel discussions were held on the art of structuring successful projects, revolving loan fund partnerships, and funding sources. Other sessions included legislative updates from MAS and MML; learning how GIS mapping capabilities can benefit local governments; benefits of partnering with local workforce training providers; financial resources for small businesses; as well as several sessions approved for continuing education credit for licensed social workers. District staff members have already started planning for the Association's 2018 conference, which is scheduled for April 24-26, 2018 at the Beau Rivage Hotel in Biloxi.



OTHER MAPDD ACTIVITIES

In addition to the annual conference, CMPDD staff coordinated a number of other MAPDD activities over the last year. In November 2016, District staff organized and participated in a Census Training workshop held at the University of Mississippi. The workshop sponsored by MAPDD and the State Data Center provided training to Planning and Development District (PDD) staff members on how to compare American Community Survey data, sources on where to find socioeconomic and health related data, and how to create custom geographies on the Census website to gather data. District staff also coordinated the Association's

activities for PDD involvement with the Mississippi Association of Supervisors (MAS) and Mississippi Municipal League's (MML) mid-winter and summer conferences. Staff members participated in every aspect of each conference including attending various workshops, making presentations, participating in round table discussions, staffing the MAPDD exhibit booth, and assisting with conference registration. Finally, District staff worked with MML to coordinate regional legislative meetings held in each PDD's district.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC. UNAUDITED BALANCE SHEET AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash & Investments		\$15,073,915
Receivables		793,525
Prepaid Expenses		<u>57,509</u>
	Total Current Assets	\$15,924,948
Long Term Assets		
Fixed Assets (Furniture & Fixtures, Equipment & Building)		\$1,950,653
Less Accumulated Depreciation		<u>1,216,254</u>
	Total Long Term Assets	\$734,399
	Total Assets	\$16,659,348
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Leave & Retirement on Accrued Leave		\$962,508
Accounts Payable (Net)		29,598
Payroll Taxes Payable		<u>0</u>
	Total Current Liabilities	\$992,107
Long Term Liabilities		\$0
	Total Liabilities	\$992,107
Fund Balances		
Agency Equity-General		\$9,667,241
Agency Equity-Committed		4,000,000
Agency Equity-Designated		<u>2,000,000</u>
	Total Agency Equity	\$15,667,241
	Total Liabilities and and Fund Balance	\$16,659,348

CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC. UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Revenues		
Interest		\$53,790
Lease		345,721
Federal/State		16,549,217
Assessments General and Services		309,701
Program Income		60,760
Local Contracts		628,661
Local Cash/In-Kind		982,468
Loan Revenue		4,705,913
Miscellaneous		<u>92,336</u>
	Total Revenue	\$23,728,567
Expenditures:		
Services		\$8,982,134
Loans Made		576,000
Personnel		6,085,088
Overhead		1,902,310
Other		<u>0</u>
	Total Expenditures	\$17,545,532
	Revenues Over Expenditures	\$6,183,035



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