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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 2017-2018 Annual Report of the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD). Hopefully, this document represents an interesting and attractive overview of the projects, programs, and activities during the last fiscal year.

In accordance with our bylaws, the CMPDD Board of Directors in June elected new officers to serve a two (2) year term. We are fortunate to once again have excellent leadership in place to help guide the organization. The new officers are as follows:

- **Honorable Leslie Childress**, President, Mayor, Town of Flora
- **Honorable Isla Tullos**, Vice-President, Mayor, Town of Raymond
- **Honorable William Banks**, Secretary-Treasurer, Supervisor, Warren County
- **Honorable Cobie Collins**, Immediate Past President, Supervisor, Yazoo County

Organizationally, 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 we reached an important milestone as an organization, our 50th Anniversary. We marked this milestone by changing our logo to add a gold "50 years" emblem. This logo was incorporated on our stationary, website, publications, social media, etc. CMPDD

hosted a 50th Anniversary Luncheon on September 12, 2018 at the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum that was well attended by approximately 150 guests. In celebrating our 50th Anniversary we felt it was important to pause and remember how far we have come, while continuing to look to the future with anticipation of improvements yet to come.

- CMPDD, along with the City of Hazlehurst, Copiah County Board of Supervisors, Copiah Water Association, and the Copiah County Medical Center were honored to receive recognition from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) for a 2017 Innovation Award for exceptional cooperation in obtaining a total of \$1,063,000 in funding from the Economic Development Administration (EDA), Mississippi Development Authority (MDA), and the Delta Regional Authority (DRA) to construct water and sewer improvements to support the new Copiah County Medical Center in Hazlehurst.
- CMPDD assisted the City of Brandon, Town of Edwards, Town of Puckett, and Town of Utica with obtaining Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) totaling \$1,671,400 for construction of various public improvements. These grants have become extremely competitive throughout the State as funding has declined over the years.
- Hinds Community College in collaboration with CMPDD's Southcentral MS Works workforce development area announced in March, 2018 a project to develop a Comprehensive One-Stop Center at the Metrocenter Mall in Jackson. The proposed project involves renovating the former McRae's/Belk department store into a center that offers the workforce-related services of the Mississippi Departments of Human Services, Rehabilitation Services and Employment Security in addition to offering on-site career technical training provided by Hinds Community College.
- The CMPDD Board of Directors on June 20, 2018 authorized the CEO to purchase property in Pearl on Centre Pointe Boulevard to construct a new main office building. The new building will provide CMPDD with added space for growth and include a much larger conference area to accommodate meeting needs. The existing building on Lakeland Drive will continue to be fully utilized, serving as offices for Medicaid Waiver staff and the MAC Center.

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](http://www.cmpdd.org).



**Mike Monk**



**Les Childress**

## 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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## 50 YEARS OF REGIONAL EXCELLENCE

CMPDD celebrated its 50th Anniversary during 2018. Founded in 1968 as the Economic Development District of Central Mississippi, Inc. and later changed to the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) in 1971, CMPDD has worked hard to build a strong reputation for quality work. On September 12, 2018, CMPDD hosted a 50th Anniversary celebration luncheon at the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum. Approximately 150 guests attended the luncheon. In addition, we were honored to have former Congressman David Bowen who served as Mississippi's first Director of Federal/State Programs and played a role in the formation of the Planning and Development Districts (PDDs) and Mr. Clarke Holmes, retired CEO of CMPDD after 44 years of service and now residing in Nashville, were in attendance and shared some of their experiences during the early years of CMPDD's existence.



# 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. 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

### TOWN OF BRAXTON

District staff completed the Town of Braxton's first Comprehensive Plan, and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen adopted it following a public hearing on January 9, 2018. The Plan encourages more commercial development. Additionally, the Plan recommends the Braxton annex across U.S. Highway 49 so the Town can benefit from future commercial development. It also recommends Braxton develop a process to demolish dilapidated and uninhabited houses.

Among a number of the Plan's recommendations, the District recommended repairing sidewalks, drilling for a new water well, installing a new filtration system for the well, and providing some playground equipment for the Town's park.

In December 2017, the District presented the Mayor and Board of Aldermen with Braxton's first Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map. Following a public hearing on March 6, 2018, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen adopted the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map for Braxton. The Ordinance included basic residential, commercial, and industrial zoning districts. The Ordinance was scaled to the Town's size to administer the Ordinance.

In addition, the District prepared a Zoning Operations Manual to help the zoning administrator in administering the Ordinance. The manual covers such things as procedures for zoning violations and procedures for variances, conditional uses, and amendments to the ordinance text and zoning map.

# COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING, AND OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

## CITY OF CANTON

The District continued to provide technical assistance to the City of Canton regarding zoning and planning-related matters under an existing technical assistance contract. During this fiscal year the City requested that the District make a new zoning map and land use map amendments, as well as an amendment to the zoning ordinance text. In recent months, the District made an amendment to the City's Unified Development Code and printed copies of the new edition for the City.

## CITY OF CLINTON

The City of Clinton adopted a new Comprehensive Plan (Clinton Next) in July. This Plan was developed over the past year by CMPDD. Throughout the development of the Plan, feedback and input from citizens and other stakeholders was solicited and considered. Outreach tools included the use of online surveys, social media, and a town-hall style meeting.

In an effort to make the Plan more accessible to the public, the Plan was developed in an electronic format called Story Map which integrates an interactive GIS map viewer and can easily be viewed from the City's website ([www.clintonms.org/comp-plan](http://www.clintonms.org/comp-plan)).



## TOWN OF EDWARDS

CMPDD began work with the Town of Edwards to develop a Comprehensive Plan and a comprehensive revision of their Zoning Ordinance. District staff have completed the existing Land Use Survey to determine the current development patterns and will meet with the Mayor, Board Members, and Department Heads to discuss the general vision and direction for the Plan. District staff will continue to meet with the Mayor and Board over the next fiscal year to develop a draft of the Plan. Public input will be sought throughout the development of the Plan, and prior to adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, a public hearing will be held. Upon completion of the Comprehensive Plan, District Planners will assist the Town with revisions to their Zoning Ordinance.



## MADISON COUNTY

In 2017 the District entered into a contract with Madison County to prepare an update of its Comprehensive Plan and an update of the county's Zoning Ordinance. Madison County is one of the state's fastest growing counties, and the updated plan will enable Madison County to make adjustments in land use policies to stay abreast of new development patterns and changing conditions.

The Plan is a general long-range policy guide to decision-making for future development in the County. The District will also develop and conduct an online survey to gather citizen input and opinions. Following completion of the Comprehensive Plan, the District will review the current Zoning Ordinance and propose amendments to match some of the Plan's recommendations. Also, the County's zoning map will be reviewed and recommendations made to update the map.

Additionally, CMPDD will develop a web-based version of the Plan in Story Map format using CMPDD's virtual server technology and ESRI ArcGIS server Enterprise software. This internet-based component will also utilize Madison County's existing GIS Map Viewer and enable accessibility to interactive land management maps and data layers including such elements as the Land Use Plan, zoning, flood zones, and Transportation Plan. All layers developed as part of this project will be added to the County's web-based GIS mapping application and viewer.

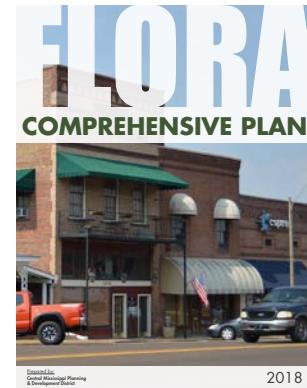
A draft of the Plan is expected to be completed in December 2018.



# COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING, AND OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

## TOWN OF FLORA

CMPDD planners have worked with the Town of Flora to develop a new Comprehensive Plan and comprehensive amendment to the Town's Zoning Ordinance. The Town's current Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance were adopted in 2005 and amended in 2012. Both documents have undergone a thorough review and revision to ensure that it matches with the community's vision for growth today. 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. Furthermore, the Town's Zoning Ordinance will be updated to address new trends, judicial rulings, and current concerns. The general public will be able to access parcel-level data in regards to land use and zoning from the web-based mapping viewer without having to visit City Hall. The Town anticipates adoption of both documents in October 2018.



## RANKIN COUNTY

The District developed a web-based searchable database of all the County's ordinances. District planners worked over the past several months with County Officials to sort through all ordinances adopted since 1969 and determine which ones are still applicable. After determining which ordinances are still in effect, each ordinance was placed in a uniform digital format for

easy viewing along with a scanned image of the original signed document. The District then built a webpage to be incorporated into the County's website. The ordinance webpage has a keyword search function and can be easily accessed by the public through [www.rankin-county.org](http://www.rankin-county.org). As the County amends current ordinances or adopts new ones, the webpage will be updated.



## TOWN OF TERRY

The District entered into a contract with the Town of Terry to update its Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

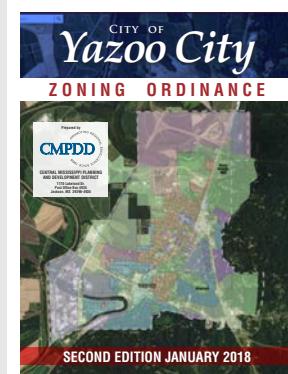
CMPDD completed a draft of the updated Comprehensive Plan and provided Terry's officials with copies for their review. In the plan, the District examined Terry's public facilities, land use and transportation network. The District added the new land use category of rural residential, which primarily consists of rural lands with residences on lots of various sizes not located in subdivisions. After Terry's officials complete their review of the plan, a public hearing will be held to receive public input.

After the Comprehensive Plan is adopted, the District will update Terry's Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map.

## YAZOO CITY

The District provided Yazoo City with an updated Zoning Ordinance in December 2017. The Yazoo City Zoning Ordinance was originally adopted in 2010. In the succeeding years the Zoning Ordinance was amended nine times. The District compiled those amendments and incorporated them into the new edition of the Ordinance.

Five (5) of the amendments involved adding single uses to permitted uses or to special zoning districts. One amendment added regulations for manufactured homes. Another amendment added two new districts: a P-1 Public/Quasi-public Use District and an F-1 Flood Plain District. The final amendment was the addition of the Willie E. Morris Parkway Overlay District, which applied some particular appearance regulations for new development occurring along the Parkway.



# COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING, AND OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



## CITY OF PORT GIBSON

The City 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 a long-range (20 years) plan, but it also 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 Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the city in August 2018.

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 use residential 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, a public hearing will be held before adoption by the City.

## CITY OF RICHLAND

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.

## TOUGALOO COLLEGE

The District signed a contract with Tougaloo College to develop a Master Plan. The primary purpose of the Master Plan is to serve as a long range guide to assist the Board of Trustees in making decisions about future development of properties owned by and adjacent to Tougaloo College. The Master Plan will include an inventory of the study area, an inventory of infrastructure such as utilities, transportation network and current land uses, and recommendations on zoning amendments and development.

## CITY OF VICKSBURG

The District continues to provide technical assistance to the City, as needed, regarding planning and GIS-related matters under an existing technical assistance contract. The 2015 Comprehensive Plan the District prepared has already begun to show fruit. Vicksburg is moving forward on a Riverwalk project recommended in the plan. The City hired a New Orleans firm to develop a Downtown Riverfront Improvements Plan that details how this project could be realized. Gateway welcome signs, a South Loop Road connecting Highway 61 with Fisher Ferry Road, and eventually Highway 27 are all projects from the Comprehensive Plan that have been targeted by the City to be achieved. The City also moved forward with a Community and Economic Development Plan for the Kings community of Vicksburg as recommended by the Comprehensive Plan. A Houston, Texas firm was hired to develop this Plan for the community.



The District received a request from the City to research holding zones and how they might be used. The City also requested the District to research specialty shops for the downtown area.

# REGIONAL PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

## 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 counties.

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.

## CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI MAYORS ASSOCIATION

The Central Mississippi Mayors Association (CMMA) consists of the Mayors from the thirty four (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 2018, 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.

Central Mississippi Mayors Association (CMMA) recently awarded two \$1,000 scholarships. The scholarships are based on academic achievement and community service. The scholarships were presented at Central Mississippi Planning and Development District (CMPDD) by CMMA Secretary-Treasurer Shirley Sandifer, Mayor of Hazlehurst. Secretary-Treasurer Sandifer announced Miss Sarah Beth Smith and Miss Makenzie Downs as the 2018 CMMA Scholarship Recipients. Miss Downs was unable to attend the awards ceremony. Miss Smith was in attendance and was provided a presentation check for the scholarship, which will be mailed directly to the recipients' university/college upon formal registration. Secretary-Treasurer Sandifer then asked Miss Smith to share a little about herself with the members.

Miss Smith thanked the members for the scholarship and the opportunity to continue her education. Miss Smith stated that she attends Clinton High School and will graduate in May 2018. She intends on enrolling at Mississippi College and will likely major in Biology and Spanish. Thirteen (13) of the association's thirty-four members took part in the presentation by giving Miss Smith encouraging words of wisdom, advice, affirmation and support.

Secretary-Treasurer Sandifer announced that eleven applications were received for the Third annual CMMA Scholarship.

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 Sarah Beth Smith: (left to right) Pat Sullivan, Richland; Russ DuBose, Georgetown; Dale Berry, Magee; Alton Shaw, Wesson; Richard White, Byram; Diane Delaware, Yazoo City; Shirley Sandifer, Hazlehurst; Phil Fisher, Clinton; Sarah Smith, 2018 scholarship recipient; Mother of Sarah Smith; Kenneth Broome, Utica; Todd Booth, Mendenhall; Russ Espiritu, Puckett; Les Childress, Flora.

## CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI CITY CLERKS

The District hosts quarterly meetings of the City Clerks representing the thirty-four (34) 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.



Standing (left to right) is Josh Carlisle, Flowood; Russell Wall, Clinton; Angela Richburg, Byram; Pam Wilbert, Hazlehurst; Angela Hester, Wesson; and Paula Tierce, Ridgeland.

Seated (left to right) is, Brenda Hubbard, Raymond and Learned; Pam Coward, Braxton; Karen Jackson, Richland; Kim Vaughn, Crystal Springs.

## 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.

## DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY (DRA) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

In January, the District completed the 2018 Update of the DRA Allocation Funding Model. The DRA is made up of 252 counties and parishes in eight (8) different states. For a number of years, The District has served the DRA with technical assistance to conduct annual data gathering required to reset the allocation model each year which serves as a guide for distributing certain funding. The allocation model includes a measure of poverty, unemployment and per capita income for DRA counties in each state. The end result of our effort is a spreadsheet funding model that allows the DRA to allocate certain funding to states with distressed counties.

## HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING

During Fiscal Year 2018, CMPDD received Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approval of Hazard Mitigation Plans for the City of Pearl, the Town of Terry, and Mississippi Valley State University, which staff developed. CMPDD is currently working with Mississippi State University on the development of their Hazard Mitigation Plan. The *Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000* requires local jurisdictions to maintain an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to maintain grant eligibility for certain pre- and post-disaster grant programs available through the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). In addition, Plans are required to be reviewed and updated every five (5) years to account for any changes that might have occurred that could increase or decrease a communities risk to a particular hazard.

Predicting where the next disaster will occur, and how severe its impact will be on a community is difficult. Given the right conditions natural disasters, such as tornadoes and flash floods, can occur at anytime and anyplace. Their human and financial consequences can be significant. Mitigation planning is intended to assist communities in determining their risks to natural disasters and developing an action plan to address the known risks by lessening the impact of natural disasters when they do take place.

Since 2015, CMPDD developed and received FEMA approval on twenty seven (27) revised Mitigation Plans. CMPDD worked with the following entities Bentonia, Brandon, Byram, Clinton, Eden, Flora, Florence, Flowood, Georgetown, Hazlehurst, Jackson, Pearl, Richland, Ridgeland, Pelahatchie, Satartia, Terry, Vicksburg, Wesson, Yazoo City, Copiah County, Madison County, Rankin County, Warren County, and Yazoo County. CMPDD has also prepared a Mitigation Plan for Jackson State University and Mississippi Valley State University. For more information concerning the mitigation planning process underway or to find out how you can be involved in the process contact CMPDD Planning Staff, at 601-981-1511 or visit the District's mitigation website page <http://www.cmpdd.org/mitigation-planning/>.



## MARKET PROFILE SERVICES

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 locate, 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. If you or someone you know would like to discuss a need for these services please contact the District's Regional Data Analyst, Jay Wadsworth at [jwadsworth@cmpdd.org](mailto:jwadsworth@cmpdd.org).

## REGIONAL DATA CENTER

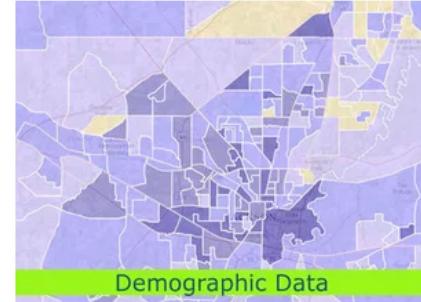
During the past year, the Regional Data Center maintained by the District continued to provide valuable demographic and geographic information to our clients and constituents in an easy to access, easy to use online format on the CMPDD website. This information system incorporates Geographic Information 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

### Data Center



County Maps



Demographic Data

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. The knowledge we gain at these sessions helps us better serve our local leaders when Census related issues or questions arise.

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.

## 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.

## DEMOGRAPHIC AND BUSINESS SUMMARY UPDATES

The District publishes on its website demographic and business summary profiles for the seven (7) counties and numerous cities within our district. We recently updated these profiles using the latest available information and projections for the various data items contained in the profiles. These items include projections out to year 2023 for population, housing, household income, and more. Please take time to browse through the profile for your area at <http://www.cmpdd.org/data-center-2/>. We believe you will find this information very informative and useful as a tool for understanding the demographic makeup of your particular area.

## 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 the City of Clinton, the Town of Terry and Mississippi Valley State University. CMPDD is currently working with Mississippi State University on the development of their Hazard Mitigation Plan. In addition, the District is using GIS to assist land use planners with finalizing Comprehensive Plan and zoning updates for the Town of Braxton, the City of Clinton, the Town of Flora and the Town of Terry. Finally, GIS technology was used in the ongoing planning efforts for the City of Port Gibson, the City of Vicksburg and Yazoo City. The majority of the 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.

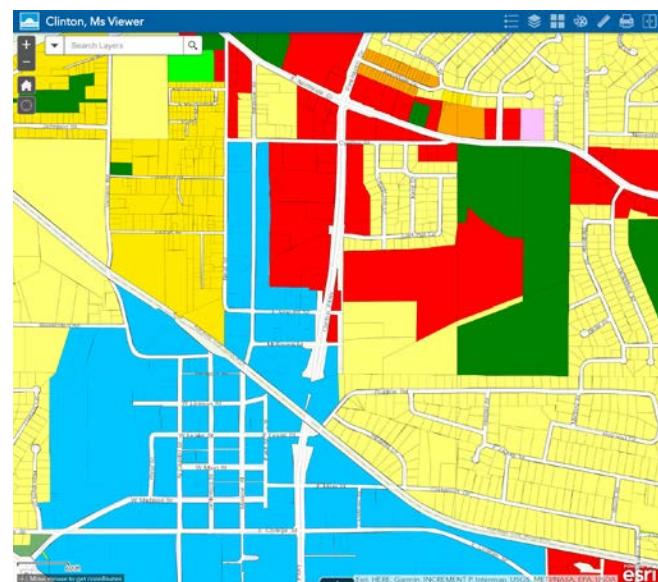
Of particular note, the District used GIS technology to offer additional innovative mobile applications to several member governments. These services consist of three categories of mobile offerings where users are able to collect or view information using mobile devices. These apps include the community 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.

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/bridge 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 res-

olution 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 technicians 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 striving 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 federally-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 Range 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

## PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

Meetings of the Intermodal Technical Committee were held on November 1, 2017, February 7, 2018, May 2, 2018, and August 1, 2018. During the meetings 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; performance targets for safety and transit measures; revisions to the Public Participation Plan and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program Project Submittal Guidelines; project rankings for applications submitted for consideration of Transportation Alternative (TA) program funding; issuing a STBG Call for Projects; and consideration of a new TIP for 2019-2022 and a UPWP for 2019-2020.

Meetings of the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee were held on November 8, 2017, February 14, 2018, May 9, 2018, and August 8, 2018. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Committee held meetings on February 7, and August 1, 2018. Furthermore, meetings were held on November 1, 2017 and May 2, 2018, with the Transit Committee, and a Stakeholder Committee meeting took place July 31, 2018. Meetings were held in June and July with those appointed to the sub-committee to the Intermodal Technical Committee, which addressed establishing funding priorities and revisions to the STBG Project Submittal Guidelines. In addition, TIP update meetings between Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), MS Department of Transportation (MDOT), and Local Public Agencies (LPA) were held at CMPDD January 18, April 4, June 29, July 17, and August 1, 2018.

Performance Measure Planning Agreements meeting FAST ACT requirements were signed in May between the Jackson MPO, MDOT, and the City of Jackson Transit Division.



# TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES (TA) PROJECTS AWARDED

In February, the Jackson MPO approved \$1.7 million in funding for metro-area Transportation Alternatives (TA) projects. The TA program is a federal-aid transportation program that provides funding through the MPO, as part of the 2015 FAST Act Transportation Bill, to local municipalities and counties for transportation alternative improvements in the urbanized area. Transportation alternatives funding is made available for projects which promote accessibility and mobility for non-drivers through the development of on- and off-road bicycle and pedestrian facilities and infrastructure projects which provide additional modal options for accessing schools and public transportation.

In total, the District received 11 applications requesting more than \$3.5 million in TA funding. However, there was only enough TA funding available to fund the top seven (7) rated projects. Combined, jurisdictions receiving the \$1.7 million in transportation funding committed to provide over \$800,000 in local matching funds.

Local jurisdictions submitted applications to the District in November 2017. The applications were graded and evaluated based on multiple scoring criteria approved by the MPO Planning Policy Committee including:

- 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.
- Whether or not the project improves connectivity to schools, transit stop locations or other bicycle and/or pedestrian facilities.

Projects rating the highest in each category were selected by the MPO Planning Policy Committee to receive the available TA funding. Below is a listing of the projects selected by the Planning Policy Committee for funding.

Projects selected for TA funding by the MPO include:

Entity	Project	MPO Funding	Local Matching Funds
<b>Transportation Alternatives</b>			
Clinton	Arrow Dr./Cynthia Rd. Multi-Use Path between Clinton Park Elementary & Traceway Park	\$157,300	\$84,700
Clinton	Arrow Dr. Multi-Use Path between Pinehaven Dr. & Clinton High School	\$315,600	\$105,200
Jackson	Peachtree St. Multi-Use Path between Riverside Dr. & Woodrow Wilson Ave.	\$218,026	\$145,350
Jackson	LeFleur East Multi-Use Path along Eastover Dr. between Eastwood Dr. & Ridgewood Rd.	\$150,000	\$100,000
Jackson	Woodrow Wilson Ave. Multi-Use Path between Peachtree St. & State St.	\$194,337	\$129,558
Madison	Old Canton Rd. Multi-Use Path between S. Calumet Gardens Dr. & Strawberry Patch Park	\$263,320	\$65,830
Madison	St. Augustine Dr. Multi-Use Path between Strawberry Patch Park & Sherbourne South Dr.	\$401,417	\$176,543

In August, the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee issued a Call for Projects for STBG applications after approving changes to the STBG Program Project Submittal Guidelines. The Project Submittal Guidelines outline the process for applying for STBG 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 \$29 million in STBG program funds available through the Call for Projects, and applications were due by October 26, 2018. Eligible STBG categories included: Pavement Management, Congestion Mitigation, Safety Improvements, and Bridge Repair. 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 2019 for review and approval.

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In November, CMPDD presented to the MPO a revised Public Participation Plan. The revised plan provides a list of activities and procedures the Jackson MPO follows to engage the public in the transportation planning process. The document also outlines the methods used by the Jackson MPO to provide a proactive public involvement process aimed at increasing public awareness and understanding. The Jackson MPO established five (5) objectives for creating and maintaining an effective public participation process.

## Objective #1: Educate

The Jackson MPO strives to inform and educate the public about the regional transportation planning process by creating a forum that allows for meaningful participation and involvement by citizens and stakeholders.

## Objective #2: Engage

The Jackson MPO engages the public by providing ample and consistent opportunity for involvement and participation in the transportation planning process.

## Objective #3: Encourage

The Jackson MPO encourages all citizens, stakeholders and transportation users to provide input and participate in the planning process. Hearing from a variety of individuals with diverse transportation experiences and needs is key to the overall success of the transportation planning process.

## Objective #4: Incorporate

The Jackson MPO takes the information and feedback received from the public to the members of the Jackson MPO Committee structure for consideration and incorporation, as appropriate into transportation plans, programs, or projects.



## Objective #5: Evaluate

Furthermore, during Fiscal Year 2018, CMPDD carried out several public participation opportunities including: advertising public comment periods; issuing press releases; 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 CMPDD website and answered questions about the transportation planning process. A 45-day public comment period was held June 15 thru July 31, 2018, regarding the draft 2019-2022 TIP. In addition, County Summit meetings were held July 24, 25, and 26, 2018 regarding the proposed TIP.

# 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 surface 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 pavement management software program which analyzes the data and ranks the roadway segments from worst to best dependent on the extent and severity of the roads surface conditions, roughness and drainage.

During Fiscal Year 2018, District staff began the process of replacing the Road Surface Management System (RSMS) software, which has been used for years by the District to analyze pavement management data, with Deighton's Total Infrastructure Management System (dTIMS). Over the course of the year, District staff worked collaboratively with consultants from Deighton in developing pavement analysis parameters and importing historical pavement management data which was used in the customization of the new software. Once Deighton has completed customization of the software, the District will analyze the pavement management data collected during Fiscal Year 2018 for Rankin County. This analysis will be similar to the analysis performed using the RSMS software by using "weights" assigned by the MPO to determine the prioritization of roadway repairs. The District will collect pavement management data for Madison County in Fiscal Year 2019.

# 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 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, 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 traffic adjustment factors, developed by the MDOT, for each year data is not collected. The District collected traffic count data in Rankin County during Fiscal Year 2018 and will collect data for Madison County in the next fiscal year.

The District also updated its traffic count viewer in Fiscal Year 2018 to include traffic count data for 2017 and to add new traffic count locations as a result of updates to the Jackson MPO's functional classification system. 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/>.

## PLANNING DOCUMENTS

In August, the Metropolitan Planning Policy Committee approved the 2019-2020 UPWP and the 2019-2022 TIP. Both documents have since been reviewed and approved by MDOT, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

The TIP is a regional planning document that provides an overview of how transportation revenues will be invested over a four (4) year period by federal, state, and local agencies responsible for building, operating, and maintaining the multimodal highway, street and public transit system. CMPDD typically updates the TIP every two (2) years. The 2019 – 2022 Jackson Urbanized Area TIP covers the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2022.

The UPWP describes all transportation planning activities to be performed by CMPDD and the designated public transit provider (JATRAN) during fiscal years 2019 and 2020 (October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2020). It includes a listing of major activities and tasks anticipated to be performed including details on who will complete the work, the schedule for completing the work, the resulting products, the proposed funding, and a summary of all sources of federal and local matching funds. The largest work task included in the 2019-2020 UPWP for CMPDD includes completing the 5-year update to the region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The 2019-2020 UPWP contains four (4) major program areas with associated subtasks for each area including:

**Task 1:** Transportation Planning Process Program Administration

**Task 2:** System Planning

**Task 3:** Data Collection and Analysis

**Task 4:** Support Activities

In preparation for the next update to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan to the forecasted year of 2045, CMPDD has made several software upgrades to assist planners in projecting future transportation needs for the region. One of the fundamental tasks of developing the long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan is to analyze data in order to visualize what the future will look like for the region.

In May, staff members participated in staff development training for CommunityViz software. CommunityViz is a GIS-based decision support software that helps users view, analyze, and understand land-use alternatives and the impacts of development. Sketch tools in the software let users "paint" land use types on a map and instantly see associated socioeconomic and environmental impacts. In addition, the Build-Out Wizard calculates the development capacity of available land based on defined parameters and allows users to visually see the allocation of future growth. It is anticipated that CMPDD will utilize CommunityViz planning tools to assist with the allocation or build-out of future population and employment growth estimates to the year 2045 during the next update of the long-range transportation plan. The projected growth will then be used in the region's travel demand model to determine future needs for the region's transportation system.

# PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS

Federal legislation has directed all MPOs and State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to implement a performance-based transportation planning and programming approach. Performance-based planning allows MPOs and State DOTs to examine data, past and present, and evaluate the performance of their transportation investments against a number of federally required measures in order to track progress toward the achievement of national goals.

Working collectively during Fiscal Year 2018, the Jackson MPO was required to establish performance targets for safety and transit assets. In February, the MPO established safety targets for calendar year 2018 by passing a resolution supporting the State of Mississippi's 2018 safety target which included:

Number of fatalities: 677.8

Rate of fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT): 1.668

Number of serious injuries: 574.4

Rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT: 1.425

Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries: 119.8

In August, the MPO adopted transit asset targets which included:

Asset Category	Performance Measure	Asset	MPO 2019 - 2022 Target
Rolling Stock	Age – % of revenue vehicles within a particular asset class that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	Buses	No more than 50%
		Cutaway Buses	No more than 50%
		Minivans	No more than 50%
Equipment	Age – % of non-revenue vehicles that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	Trucks	No more than 50%
		SUV	No more than 50%
		Cars	No more than 50%
Facilities	Condition – % of facilities with a condition rating below 3.0 on the FTA TERM Scale.	Administration	50% rated below 3.0
		Maintenance	0% rated below 3.0
		Service	0% rated below 3.0
		Passenger	0% rated below 3.0



## TRANSPORTATION DATABASE

During Fiscal Year 2018, the District's GIS staff continued preparation/revision of updated base maps for Clinton, Braxton, Flora, Richland, Edwards, Terry, and Madison County 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 TIP and Traffic Counting viewers as needed.

# 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.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA)

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. In early 2018, CMPDD submitted the final version of the 2018-2022 CEDS to EDA.

## COPIAH MEDICAL CENTER

The Central Mississippi Planning and Development District as well as the City of Hazlehurst, Copiah County Board of Supervisors, Copiah Water Association and the Copiah County Medical Center based in Hazlehurst, Mississippi received a 2017 Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) for the Infrastructure Improvements to Support the Copiah County Medical Center.

The total project cost was approximately \$17 million. The Copiah County Medical Center invested \$16 million through private bank loans to construct and equip the new facility. The City of Hazlehurst utilized Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) and Delta Regional Authority (DRA) funds to supply sewer infrastructure to the site, which cost \$400,000. Water infrastructure was supplied to the new facility by the Copiah Water Association. The Association was awarded \$385,000 by the Economic Development Authority (EDA) and provided \$278,000 in private match to complete the necessary work.

NADO is a Washington, DC-based membership association of regional development organizations 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.



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCING

The District approved four (4) new business loans in fiscal year 2018 for a total of \$6,195,480. A summary of each of these loans is listed the following paragraphs.

### CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC. (CDC)

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, twenty or twenty-five years. The following loans were approved:

BUSINESS	COUNTY	LOAN AMT	TOTAL	JOBS	PRODUCT / SERVICE
Barnett's Body Shop	Madison	\$2,304,000	\$5,760,000	25	Auto Body Repair
H & H Shell, LLC	Rankin	\$875,000	\$2,650,000	3	Convenience Store
<b>TOTAL ( 2 )</b>		<b>\$3,179,000</b>	<b>\$8,410,000</b>	<b>28</b>	



## MISSISSIPPI SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE LOAN PROGRAM (MSBALP)

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 following loan was approved:

MSBALP	COUNTY	LOAN AMT	TOTAL	JOBS	PRODUCT / SERVICE
One Hour Cleaners, LLC	Yazoo	\$250,000	\$540,000	3	Dry Cleaners
<b>TOTAL (1 )</b>		<b>\$250,000</b>	<b>\$540,000</b>	<b>3</b>	

## MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE LOAN PROGRAM (MSBELP)

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 District continued to service this loan's portfolio.

## FARISH STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT LOAN PROGRAM (FSHDLDP)

The Farish Street Historic District Loan Program (FSHDLDP) 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.



## 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 following loan was approved:

EDARLF	COUNTY	LOAN AMT	TOTAL	JOBS	PRODUCT / SERVICE
One Hour Cleaners, LLC	Yazoo	\$20,000	\$540,000	3	Dry Cleaners
<b>TOTAL (1 )</b>		<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$540,000</b>	<b>3</b>	

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG)

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.

## CDBG ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

Over the years, CMPDD has assisted local governments with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application and administration services. The 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.

Hinds County recently completed Americans with Disability Act (ADA) renovations to the Raymond Courthouse in May 2018. With the help of a 2015 CDBG Public Facilities grant in the amount of \$227,688.00, the County was able to renovate the courthouse making it ADA accessible. The courthouse was built in 1857 and was not compliant with the ADA. Also, the courthouse was plagued with numerous accessibility issues for individuals with disabilities. The courthouse was in desperate need of an update to bring the facility into ADA compliance. Citizens with disabilities may now access the courthouse with ease since renovations were made to both the inside and outside of the building.



CMPDD also provided grant application and administration services to the City of Vicksburg. The City received a \$600,000 grant from the Mississippi Development Authority through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The City of Vicksburg completed the rehabilitation and reconstruction of two wastewater clarifiers at the treatment plant. The City utilized the grant funds to off-set the cost of the \$2 million project.

The City was notified by Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality that the swift rehabilitation and/or replacement of the equipment was necessary. During the rehabilitation project, one clarifier lifted from its foundation, which forced the City to reconstruct the structure, and delayed the project significantly. Although impacted by delays and unexpected costs, the City can now be confident in its ability to protect the health and welfare of its citizens against raw sewage as a result of this project.

CMPDD is currently providing CDBG administration services to the Towns of Utica, Puckett, and Edwards. These towns were awarded CDBG funds during the 2017 grant year. Although the construction phase has not yet begun, we continue to provide administration services in order to move forward.

For additional information on the CDBG program, please contact Mitzi Stubbs or Jason Larry at 601-981-1511.

## CDBG PUBLIC FACILITIES PROGRAM

The CDBG Public Facility 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 approved four CDBG Public Facilities projects in the CMPDD area. Listed below are the projects that received funding through the CDBG Public Facilities Program.

<b>Community Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>CDBG Funds</b>	<b>Matching Funds</b>
City of Brandon	Unserved Sewer	\$ 372,400	\$374,000
Town of Edwards	Sewer Improvements & Extensions	\$ 450,000	N/A
Town of Puckett	Senior Citizen Center	\$ 418,000	N/A
Town of Utica	Water System Improvements	\$ 431,000	N/A

Over the past several months the District has been assisting local governments with the preparation of CDBG Public Facility Applications. The District submitted six (6) applications to the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) for review. Listed below are the applications that were submitted:

<b>Community Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>CDBG Funds</b>	<b>Matching Funds</b>
Town of Bentonia	Sewer System Improvements	\$450,000.00	\$72,102.00
Town of Braxton	Water System Improvements	\$450,000.00	\$350,000.00
Town of D'Lo	Sewer System Improvements	\$449,233.60	N/A
Village of Eden	Water Extensions and Imp.	\$380,859.00	N/A
Town of Mendenhall	Sewer System Improvements	\$449,965.00	N/A
Town of Wesson	Library ADA Improvements	\$314,489.00	N/A

## SMALL MUNICIPALITIES AND LIMITED POPULATION COUNTIES GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

The Mississippi Small Municipalities and Limited Population Counties Grant Program (SMLPC) is designed for making grants to small municipalities and limited population counties or natural gas districts to finance projects to promote economic growth in the state. Grants are available to municipalities with a population of 10,000 or less, and counties with a population of 30,000 or less. Eligible projects financed with SMLPC must be publicly owned and address at least one of the priorities listed below.

- Priority #1: Economic development-related improvements to include water, sewer, street and drainage improvements for the benefit of site development, industrial parks, business districts, tourism destinations, and projects that improve the competitiveness of a community.
- Priority #2: Downtown improvements to include: sidewalks, lighting, façade improvements, beautification improvements (waste receptacles, stop signs, street signs, landscaping, awnings, etc.), other downtown improvements as approved by MDA.
- Priority #3: Non-economic development related water, sewer, street and drainage improvements.
- Priority #4: Purchase, construction or rehabilitation of public buildings to include: town halls, libraries, police stations, fire stations, community centers, courthouses, other publicly owned buildings as approved by MDA.

The maximum grant amount is **\$150,000**. There is a 10% match requirement for a community with a population of 3,500 or less; and a 20% match requirement for communities with a population greater than 3,500. The match does not have to be cash only.

Central Mississippi Planning and Development District submitted nine (9) SMLPC applications for the following cities/counties:

<b>Community Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>SMLPC Funds</b>	<b>Matching Funds</b>
Village of Eden	New Village Hall	\$150,000	\$15,000
Town of Georgetown	Renovate Town Owned Bldg.	\$150,000	\$15,000
City of Magee	City Park Improvements	\$150,000	\$30,000
City of Mendenhall	City Hall ADA Improvements	\$150,000	\$15,000
Town of Pelahatchie	Milltown Park Improvements	\$45,000	\$5,000
Town of Puckett	Town Park Improvements	\$64,000	\$6,400
Village of Satartia	New Water Well	\$150,000	\$15,000
Town of Utica	Natural Gas Line Improvements	\$150,000	\$15,000
Town of Wesson	Town Park ADA Improvements	\$28,000	\$2,800

## DELTA REGIONAL AUTHORITY (DRA)

DRA is a Federal-State partnership created by Congress, which serves a 240 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.

In Central Mississippi, the State's Economic Development Assistance Program (SEDAP) program 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](http://www.dra.gov). This year approximately \$4.4 million was available for the State of Mississippi.

The City of Vicksburg received a DRA award in the amount of \$545,000 for a basic infrastructure and transportation infrastructure project to fund a support renovation of a 51,000-square-foot building in downtown Vicksburg to develop a Center of Innovation. This investment will strengthen workforce training and infrastructure, and increase community competitiveness. Other public funds in the amount of \$134,621 will be used as well as a private investment of \$5,000,000 for a total DRA investment of \$5,679,621.



# 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 programs, services and activities as Southcentral Mississippi Works, a seventeen county local workforce development area, designated by the Governor in accordance with the WIOA requirements. 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, a Local Elected Officials' 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.

## PROGRAM YEAR 2017-2018 HIGHLIGHTS

### 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 strategic 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 our businesses. As required, the workforce plan has been updated and revised to reflect new and completed activity within the area.

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, which 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 referral to the other workforce partners' programs and services that may benefit them. Southcentral Mississippi Works operates seven 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 five (5) of these WIN Job Centers; Hinds Community College operates one of the Centers; and Copiah-Lincoln Community College operates one of the Centers.

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.

### 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. The workforce area is currently heavily involved in the implementation of programs and activities that serve to meet the skill gaps and objectives identified in the plan. 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 NATIONAL 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 basic 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 National Career Readiness Certificate. The Certificate is an indicator of the type jobs the individual is equipped to successfully perform. During Program Year 2017, 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. The ITA program provides scholarship assistance to individuals needing to attend training in order to obtain job-related skills. Obtaining the Career Readiness Certificate prior to enrolling in 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 for employment. The workforce area continues to work with counties as they strive to meet the goals necessary to achieve a Work Ready Community designation.

## SERVICES TO OUT-OF-SCHOOL 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.



In addition to ITAs and internship opportunities, the workforce area implemented two unique programs to serve the area's Out-of-School Youth population. One of these programs was operated by the Madison County Youth Court. Adjudicated youth were remanded to the "Jobs4Youth" program where they were provided with instruction and testing to obtain their high-school equivalency certificate; basic necessary job skills; and workforce-related training such as financial management, how to function in the work environment, etc. Youth who are deemed to be ready for employment are afforded Internship opportunities. In lieu of wages, funds are then deposited into an account in the name of the youth worker to be used for post-secondary education.

The workforce area also operated a short-term Youth Work Experience program designed to give eligible youth a work opportunity during a four month period. This experience helped to prepare the youth workers for permanent full-time employment.

# 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 area's community colleges' MI-BEST programs to fund ITAs 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





## 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 through the fourth quarter of Program Year 2017:

Performance Indicator	ADULTS	
	Local Negotiated	Local Actual
Employment Rate 2nd qtr. after exit	75.0%	84.5%
Employment Rate 4th qtr. after exit	69.0%	78.3%
Median Earnings 2nd qtr. after exit	\$4,794	\$5,278
Credential Attainment	48.0%	72.7%

Performance Indicator	DISLOCATED WORKERS	
	Local Negotiated	Local Actual
Employment Rate 2nd qtr. after exit	70.0%	82.6%
Employment Rate 4th qtr. after exit	63.9%	90.5%
Median Earnings 2nd qtr. after exit	\$4,673	\$6,658
Credential Attainment	48.0%	81.8%

Performance Indicator	YOUTH	
	Local Negotiated	Local Actual
Employment Rate 2nd qtr. after exit	71.0%	75.6%
Employment Rate 4th qtr. after exit	69.0%	64.7%
Median Earnings 2nd qtr. after exit	Baseline*	Baseline*
Credential Attainment	74.5%	21.4%

*\*There is not yet enough data available to establish this indicator.*

Although the State of Mississippi as a whole and therefore, 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 Mississippi Works is committed to utilizing WIOA funds in the most advantageous manner possible to enhance the employment opportunities of its citizens.

# 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 victims of Alzheimer's disease and their families.



According to population projections from the District's Regional Data Center, using data collected through the U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010 Summary File 1 and projections made by Esri Forecasts for the year 2018 and the Year 2023, concluded this populations in Central Mississippi will continue to grow. Estimates by county are as follows:

COUNTY	Year 2018	Year 2023	% Change
Copiah	6,817	7,519	0.10298
Hinds	47,371	50,964	0.07585
Madison	21,257	25,958	0.22115
Rankin	30,734	35,401	0.15185
Simpson	6,393	6,971	0.09041
Warren	11,321	12,309	0.08727
Yazoo	5,234	5,652	0.07986
<b>Total</b>	<b>129,127</b>	<b>144,774</b>	<b>0.12118</b>



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 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. Without their help, there would be a loss of home-delivered meals, home-maker 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	\$ 11,413
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 77,424</b>

## HIGHLIGHTS OF FISCAL YEAR 2018

- Prepared the Fiscal Year 2019 update to the Fiscal Year 2018-2021 Area Plan on Aging for Central Mississippi.
- Maintained 20 clients with Lifeline Units, which monitor seniors' safety 24 hours a day.
- Sustained an ongoing partnership with the Mississippi Department of Agriculture & Commerce through the Senior Nutrition Farmers Market Program. A total of 635 vouchers were issued to participating Seniors.
- Continued to market the Home-Delivered Meals (Pay As You Go) Program for seniors in Central Mississippi. During Fiscal Year 2018, 852 meals were served through our Pay As You Go Program.
- Collaborated with other community representatives in transitioning one (1) nursing home/institutional residents successfully back into the community through the Bridge to Independence Program.
- 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
  - AAA Director served as a Board Member of the Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging
  - Mississippi State Board of Health/Metro Home Health Advisory Council
  - Mississippi Transportation Coalition Committee
  - Mississippi Caregiver Steering Committee
  - MAC 2.0 Stakeholder Group
  - Mississippi State Mental Health Planning and Advisory Council
  - Central Mississippi Transitional Care Coalition
  - Alzheimer's State Plan Caregiver Support Team
  - Trans-Con Regional Transportation Committee
- 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 "Engaged At Every Age" Conference
  - Other local workshops and seminars
- 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*.
- Conducted four (4) 8-week *Matter of Balance* classes, one (1) *Matter of Balance* Master Trainer class, and four (4) 6-week *Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self-Management* classes.
- Hosted a 2K Walk and community health fair "Seniors Grooving to a Healthy Lifestyle" during Older Americans Month.
- The Area Agency on Aging/State Health Insurance Program reached over 259,000 listeners weekly through a local radio campaign during August - September 2017.
- Implemented a monthly Caregiver Connection a Caregiver Support Group.
- Signed a Memorandum of Agreement with Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District to implement the Veterans Directed Care Program on behalf of eligible veterans.
- Successfully completed the readiness review for the Veterans Directed Care Program.

# FISCAL YEAR 2018 PROVIDERS OF AGING SERVICES

<b>County</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Amount*</b>
Copiah	Copiah County Human Resource Agency	\$488,340
Hinds	Hinds County Human Resource Agency	\$272,789
	City of Jackson	\$819,073
	Clinton Community Christian	\$161,732
	Hinds County Board of Supervisors	\$58,198
	Madison County Citizens Services	\$177,875
	Rankin County Human Resource Agency	\$216,792
	City of Pearl	\$77,378
	South Central Community Action Agency	\$192,484
	Community Council of Warren County, Inc.	\$295,920
	Yazoo County Human Resource Agency	\$404,716
	Help at Home/d.b.a. Oxford HealthCare	\$391,539
	Senior Care Centers of America, Inc.	\$254,423
	MS Center for Legal Services Corp.	<u>16,667</u>
<b>Total Resources</b>		<b>\$ 3,827,926</b>

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

# ADVOCACY SERVICES & ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION

## 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-seven (37) long-term care nursing home facilities with 3,536 beds;



forty-four (44) personal care homes and assisted living facilities with 1,760 beds; and two (2) intermediate care facilities for the intellectually disabled with 152 beds. The District Ombudsman and certified County Ombudsmen conducted 680 facility visits; attended thirty-eight (38) resident council meetings; and participated in twenty-three (23) state surveys.

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

County	Resident Contacts	Contact Complaints
Copiah	533	11
Hinds/Yazoo	6,994	12
Madison	5,825	15
Rankin	3,948	5
Simpson	666	0
Warren	3,161	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,127</b>	<b>47</b>

## LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The District provided legal assistance to 101 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.

## 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) cases of suspected abuse.

## COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES PROGRAM



The District administered the Community Transition Services (CTS) Program, a statewide program funded by the Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM). CTS is 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 Community Transition Services 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 two (2) clients. The Community Navigators provide assistance to clients with different circumstances which affect their transitions. The Community Navigators provided over thirty-eight (38) hours of case management, telephone calls, and face-to-face contact with patients and family members. Additionally, the Community Navigators have attended two (2) trainings this fiscal year.

## MISSISSIPPI ACCESS TO CARE (MAC) CENTER

Through a grant awarded to the District by the Mississippi Department of Human Services to administer the Mississippi Access to Care Center is one portion of a larger "No Wrong Door" (NWD) network in the State of Mississippi. As a part of Medicaid's Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Balancing Incentive Program, there was 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 enables 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 5,510 telephone calls, responded to over 823 email requests, presented information to service providers, consumers, and families at over fifty-four (54) community events/trainings, passed out 13,251 brochures and information packets completed 2,765 follow-ups, assisted 131 individuals through office visits, completed over sixteen (16) home visits, mailed out 1,112 information packets and brochures, and updated over 3,846 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

## INFORMATION, REFERRAL AND OUTREACH

The Outreach and 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 38,690 contacts made by individuals requesting assistance regarding resources and the need for services.

## 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 their needs are met.

More than 1,434 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 come primarily from self-referrals, family members, and various social service agencies. To date, the Director of Aging Programs and the Aging Resource staff continue to successfully meet all the requirements and be awarded recertification by the Alliance of Information & Referral Systems.

## 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, and 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. SHIP Insurance Counselors advised beneficiaries one-on-one with Extra Help assistance, appeals, complaints, and grievances reaching 6,624 seniors. Throughout the fiscal year sixty-six (66) events and health fairs reached an additional 35,800 seniors. Counselors also reached an estimated number of 28,000 eligible beneficiaries with printed material and newspaper articles.



## 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, to the extent feasible, and to assist and promote the transition of program enrollees to private or other unsubsidized employment. Through this project, the District successfully placed one (1) enrollee in unsubsidized employment.

## 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 site)	4,920
Hinds (4 sites)	10,667
Madison (1 site)	4,141
Rankin (1 site)	3,276
Simpson (1 site)	1,501
Yazoo (1 site)	2,681
City of Jackson (9 sites)	41,784
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,970</b>



## 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.

<b>County</b>	<b>Annual Meals</b>
Copiah	19,441
Hinds	40,567
Madison	23,290
Rankin	47,775
Simpson	10,295
Warren	35,050
Yazoo	39,010
City of Jackson	61,080
Private Pay Meals	852
NFCSP Meals	<u>3,135</u>
<b>Total Meals</b>	<b>280,495</b>

## 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.

<b>County</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Copiah	2,244.50
Hinds	5,204.25
Madison	652
Rankin	3,290
Simpson	666
Warren	4,809.50
Yazoo	<u>3,136</u>
<b>Total Homemaker Hours</b>	<b>20,002.25</b>



## 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 3,120 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.



## 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. 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 2018, fifty-four (54) caregivers received 7,806 hours of relief time, fifty-two (52) individuals received assistance with ensure and incontinence supplies, approximately 3,135 meals were served to care recipients, and ten (10) wheelchair ramps were built at homes to assist with mobility. Also, 166 clients received emergency services supplies.

## 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.

County	Trips
Copiah	10,180
Hinds	12,060
Madison	5,833
Rankin	17,554
Simpson	3,927
Warren	4,833
Yazoo	9,225
City of Jackson	<u>36,746</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,358</b>



## EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICE

Living alone can be quite frightening to seniors who feel that if something traumatic happened in their homes, no one would be alerted. They need reassurance that help is just a button away. To address this need, the District has placed twenty (20) Emergency

Response Units in the homes of seniors living alone. The District pays \$24.95 per 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:

County	Units
Copiah	1
Hinds	10
Madison	2
Rankin	3
Simpson	2
Warren	0
Yazoo	<u>2</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>

## PRIVATE SECTOR INITIATIVE

### 27TH ANNUAL SANTA FOR SENIORS

As in past years, the annual "Santa for Seniors" 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. 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, gowns, 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 residents that lived in nursing homes, personal care homes, and recipients of Aging and Medicaid Waiver services. Seniors expressed sincere gratitude to those organizations and they were excited to receive these much needed gifts. All gifts were delivered before Christmas, and for many it was the only gift they would receive.



# 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 above and beyond 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 17,800 beneficiaries per month. Other HCBS waivers number of participants range from 620 to 2,470 beneficiaries serve per month.

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 enrolled 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 at increased risk for permanent 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 Supplemental Security Income (SSI) income eligibility or 300% of SSI income;
  - Must meet all income, resources, and other Mississippi Medicaid eligibility requirements.
- Personal care attendants and in-home respite providers utilize the Medi-Key device 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 Managers are 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 also serves as submission, verification, and payment of claims for personal care attendant (PCA) and in-home respite (IHR) providers.
- CMPDD has received 2,170 OTP devices. The Case Managers have distributed 1,190 OTP devices to Waiver clients. Some clients have chosen to use their home, landline phone for direct care workers to clock in and clock out, instead of being assigned an OTP device. Reserve devices are available for lost, stolen, or malfunctioning devices.

CMPDD reserves the capacity to serve 2400 participants on an annual basis. During Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the District served an average of 2,441 eligible Medicaid recipients providing monthly Case Management services. Additionally, during Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the District provided 299,337 home delivered meals.

The placement of teams and the clients they were serving at the end of Fiscal Year 2017-2018, are listed below by county:

County	# of Teams	Clients Served
Copiah	2 full	216
Hinds	12 full	1,332
Madison	1 full team / 1 half team	183
Rankin	3 full	274
Yazoo	2 full	220
Warren	1 full	115
Simpson	1 full	101
<b>Total</b>	<b>22 full teams / 1 half team</b>	<b>2,441</b>

The number of clients served includes Active clients, and clients pending approval by the Division of Medicaid. The District also maintained an average of 2,240 applicants on waiting lists during the fiscal year. The number of active and pending approval cases includes 10 recipients that were assessed as Transition to Community Referrals (TCR), and approved for the E&D Waiver. Transition to Community Referrals are priority 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.

## 2018 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Mississippi Association of Planning and Development Districts (MAPDD) held its annual conference in Biloxi at the Beau Rivage Hotel April 24-27, 2018. The conference was attended by over 600 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: National Association of Development Organizations Executive Director Joe McKinney, Executive Director of the Mississippi Economic Development Association Glenn McCullough and Mississippi's State Treasurer Lynn Fitch. In addition, featured panel discussions were held on the art of structuring successful projects and 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 2019 conference, which is scheduled for April 23-26 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 2017, 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, 2018

### Assets

#### Current Assets:

Cash & Investments	\$15,310,663
Receivables	\$1,154,604
Prepaid Expenses	<u>\$74,928</u>
Total Current Assets	\$16,540,195

#### Long Term Assets

Fixed Assets (Furniture & Fixtures, Equipment & Building)	\$2,581,816
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>\$1,306,694</u>
Total Long Term Assets	\$1,275,122
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$17,815,317</b>

### Liabilities and Fund Balance

#### Current Liabilities

Accrued Leave & Retirement on Accrued Leave	\$941,919
Accounts Payable (Net)	\$542,528
Payroll Taxes Payable	<u>\$0</u>
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,484,447

Long Term Liabilities	<u>\$0</u>
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,484,447</b>
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#### Fund Balances

Agency Equity-General	\$10,330,870
Agency Equity-Committed	\$4,000,000
Agency Equity-Designated	<u>\$2,000,000</u>

Total Agency Equity	\$16,330,870
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<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$17,815,317</b>
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# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## CENTRAL MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC. UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

### Revenues

Interest	\$43,432
Lease	\$348,194
Federal/State	\$16,669,240
Assessments General and Services	\$309,701
Program Income	\$88,331
Local Contracts	\$564,462
Local Cash/In-Kind	\$988,105
Loan Revenue	\$4,824,624
Miscellaneous	<u>\$84,355</u>
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$23,920,444</b>

### Expenditures:

Services	\$10,280,260
Loans Made	\$168,648
Personnel	\$6,082,203
Overhead	\$1,785,115
Other	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$18,316,226</b>
<b>Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<b>\$5,604,218</b>



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