



Commission in Review

April 2017

Serving local governments in Muscatine and Scott Counties, Iowa;
Henry, Mercer, and Rock Island Counties, Illinois.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING:

Wed., May. 24, 2017
3:30 p.m.

Scott Co. Admin. Bldg.
6th Floor Conf. Room
600 West 4th Street
Davenport, Iowa

APA TRAINING SERIES

"2017 Planning Law
Review"

Wed., Jul. 05, 2017
3-3:30 p.m.

Third Floor Conf. Room
1504 Third Ave., R.I.

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to register.

Please arrive prior to
3:00 p.m. to sign in and
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Mission Statement:

*To serve as a forum
for intergovernmental
cooperation and
delivery of regional
programs and to
assist member local
governments in
planning and project
development.*

Grant Services Offered for Member Governments

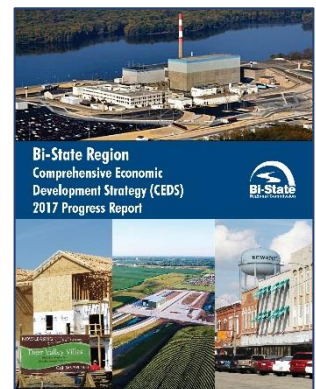
Bi-State Regional Commission offers their member governments a variety of services relating to grant activity. Services include assisting with writing grants, reviewing grant applications, providing adequate resources, developing a "letter of concurrence" providing Bi-State Regional Commission's support for a particular project, and distributing notifications to member governments about upcoming grant opportunities. There are a number of grant opportunities available on the federal, state, and local levels in different fields such as transportation, public health, public safety, environmental planning, public works, economic development, and housing. An updated list of available grants and the maximum amount that may be requested can be found on Bi-State's website at <http://bistateonline.org/2012-11-14-00-29-57/grant-writing-services>.

Grant readiness is also an important component and includes strategically prioritizing projects in the community and aligning goals and feasible projects with available grant cycles. Often times a match from the community is needed to pair with the potential grant, so having an accurate budget and secured leverage source for a match is beneficial. Registering at grants.gov is a must if a community is looking to apply for a federal grant, and also requires the process of acquiring a Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) number. In addition, a System for Award Management (SAM) account is required at the time of a grant submission and throughout the duration of any federal award. Bi-State's website has a grant readiness page to provide further tips and information. This site can be found at <http://bistateonline.org/2012-11-14-00-29-57/grant-readiness-and-administration>.

Lastly, member governments can always contact Bi-State's Planning Department to receive further information on particular grants and how to get started.

Commission Approves CEDS 2017 Progress Report

Laura Berkley, Senior Planner, presented the final draft of the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2017 Progress Report* that had been distributed at the March 22, 2017 meeting to Commissioners for review and provided to the public on the Bi-State website. Minor comments were received through the 30-day review regarding economic development related projects as noted in the projects list. Commissioners approved a resolution to adopt the 2017 CEDS Progress Report, and the report was submitted to the Economic Development Administration.



American Red Cross Centennial Outreach Events

Every two seconds, someone in America needs blood. Amber Wood, Executive Director of the American Red Cross for the Quad Cities and West Central Illinois said the Red Cross must collect 14,000 donations every day for patients in need. While 80 percent of donations are collected at blood drives close to where people work and live, the blood Red Cross collects is distributed throughout the United States. Red Cross blood is part of the National Inventory with a lower loss rate than any blood bank in the United States. All Red Cross units donated find a recipient. Red cross blood has the ability to spread needed units to areas of urgency such as the Florida night club shooting. Red Cross blood is also the official secondary provider to the United States Military.

Ms. Wood also spoke about the American Red Cross - Blue Tie Tag Program that donates blood to Lurie's Children's Hospital to combat Sickle Cell disease. This identifies blood donations from those of African American heritage that is the best match for Sickle Cell patients due to antigens in the blood relevant to ancestry. Because 1 in 500 newborn babies have Sickle Cell and 1 in 12 African American's have Sickle Cell, all babies born after 1989 have been tested for the Sickle Cell trait. Transfusion is the most common form of treatment.



The Home Fire Campaign and the Sound the Alarm effort seek to combat the silent disaster that is a home fire. Every eight minutes, someone in the U.S. is affected by a disaster; the vast majority are home fires. Home fires kill more people in America annually than all natural disasters combined. In fact, seven people are killed by home fires every day. Children, the elderly, and lower-income communities are most adversely affected.

People have only two minutes to get out of a burning building, not ten minutes. As a first responder to home fires, Red Cross wants to change the odds of survival. A working smoke alarm doubles the chance of surviving a home fire, and an escape plan increases the odds even more. Since the 2014 launch of the Red Cross Home Fire Campaign, volunteers and partners have installed more than 700,000 alarms and replaced more than 42,000 batteries. Ms. Wood noted just in this Red Cross region, more than 216 lives had been saved.

A new annual national signature event around Sound the Alarm will be launched this year with the goal of installing 100,000 smoke alarms. The event will occur between September 30 through October 15, 2017 in 100 major cities nationwide including the Bi-State Region.

FOIA and OMA Training for Illinois Member Government Officials

Bi-State will offer training on the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Open Meeting Act (OMA) for Illinois member governments on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Hampton Heritage Center, 251 South State Avenue, Hampton, IL 61256. A brief presentation on Bi-State Regional Commission services will be given followed by a presentation on FOIA and OMA. Each presentation will be 45 minutes long.

Please RSVP by Monday, May 29, 2017 by calling Executive Director Denise Bulat (309) 793-6302 ext. 140 or e-mail at dbulat@bistateonline.org. A light meal will be served.

**BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION
FY 2016-17 Program Budget Status Report
Through Month of March – 75.0% of Year**

ADOPTED BUDGET:	\$2,073,608.00	EXPLANATION:
EXPENDED THROUGH MARCH:	\$1,354,191.83 (65.3%)	
STAFF LEVEL BUDGETED:	25.00 F.T.E.	
STAFF LEVEL MAINTAINED:	21.25 F.T.E.	

MEMBER GOVERNMENTS SERVED DIRECTLY AND ACTIVITIES DURING MARCH:

ALEDO –MMRLF Coord.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Economic Development Plan; Website Support; Rhubarb Festival Map. Census BAS Asst.

ALPHA – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Census BAS Asst.

ANDALUSIA – RICWMA Staffing; MPO Trans. Coord.; Riverfront Council; Website Support; Municipal Code Inquiry; Census BAS Asst.

ANDOVER – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Website Development.

ANNAWAN – Joint Purchasing Council; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Trails Grant Assistance; Census BAS Asst.

ATKINSON – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Website Support; Census BAS Asst.

BETTENDORF – Air Quality Asst.; Drug/Alcohol Testing Consort.; I-74 Bridge Coord.; IAQC Transit Planner Coord. and FTA 5339 Grant Administration; Joint Purchasing; QCICNet; Riverfront Council; RLF Loan Admin.; Scott Co. Housing Council; Solid Waste Coord.; Trail Coord. and Trails Counting; REAP Plan Update; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation.

BLUE GRASS – Reg. 9 Transp. Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Grants Application.

BUFFALO – Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord.; Trail Planning Coordination; IDPH Nutrition Grant.

CAMBRIDGE – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Census BAS Asst.

CARBON CLIFF –Joint Purchasing; RICWMA Staffing; MPO Trans. Coord.; Trail Planning, GRT Coord.

COAL VALLEY – Joint Purch.; MPO Trans. Coord.; MUNICES Coord.; RICWMA Staffing; Floodplain; Business Dev. Brochure; Village Map Asst; Census BAS Asst.

COLONA – Joint Purchasing; Floodplain; MPO Coord.

CORDOVA – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; Website Support.

DAVENPORT – Air Quality Asst.; IAQC Transit Planner Coord.; Trans. Planning; FTA 5339 Grant Admin.; Joint Purchasing; QCICNet; Riverfront Cncl.; RLF Loan Admin.; Scott Co. Housing Cnd.; Solid Waste Coord.; Dav. Schools Haz. Mit. Plan; Trails Planning; PICH-Safe Routes to Schools Planning; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation; Complete Streets Coord.; Grants and Mapping Assistance.

EAST MOLINE – Air Quality Asst.; E9-1-1 Coord.; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; Joint Purchasing; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; RLF Admin.; RMS Coord.; Interop. Proj.; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Solicitation and Inquiry; Trail Planning & GRT Coord.; Zoning Ordinance; Parcel Mapping Asst.; Grants Inquiry Census BAS Asst.

ELDRIDGE – Drug & Alcohol Consort.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Trails Planning; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation.

GALVA – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Census BAS Asst.

GENESEO – HCEDP Part.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Trail Planning.

HAMPTON – MUNICES Coord.; RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; Census BAS Asst.

HENRY COUNTY – HCEDP Part.; Joint Purch.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Plan.; Trail & Greenway Plan./Coord.; Legis. Priorities Asst.; MPO Trans. Coord.; Zoning Review; Census BAS Asst.

HILLSDALE – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning.

KEWANEE – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Census BAS Asst.

LECLAIRE – Joint Purchasing; Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord.; Trails Planning; Zoning/Subdivision Ordinances.

LONG GROVE – Reg. 9 Trans. Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Survey & Grant Assistance.

MCCAUSLAND – Reg. 9 Trans. Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Grant Assistance.

MILAN – E9-1-1 Coord.; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; Joint Purchasing; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; RICWMA Staffing; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Solicitation; US67 Development Access; RLF Admin.; RMS Coord.; Interoperability Project; Cons. Dispatch Study Asst.; Fact Sheet Update; Hennepin Canal Trail Event Map & Logo; Census BAS Asst.

MOLINE – Air Quality Asst.; E9-1-1 Coord.; Joint Purch.; I-74 Bridge Coord.; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Cncl; RLF Adm.; RMS Coord.; Trails Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation; PICH-Safe Routes to Schools Planning; Interop. Proj.; Census BAS Asst.

MUSCATINE CITY – Air Quality Asst.; Joint Purch.; Reg. 9 Transportation Coord.; Complete Streets Planning; MMRLF Coord.; Solid Waste Coord. & SWAP Form E; Trails Planning/ADT Coord.; Trails Use Count Collection; Port Study/Planning Coord.

MUSCATINE COUNTY – Air Quality Asst.; Joint Purch.; Reg. 9 Coord. & Port Study Status; Trails Plan./ADT Coord.; Transit Mobility Coord.; MMRLF Coord.; Cedar River Watershed Planning.

NEW BOSTON – Transit Mobility Coord./HSTP Planning.

OAK GROVE – E9-1-1 Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord.; Census BAS Asst.

ORION – HCEDP Participation; Website Support; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Fact Sheet/Community Profile Development; Census BAS Asst.

PORT BYRON – RICWMA Staffing; MPO Trans. Coord.; Riverfront Council; Census BAS Asst.

PRINCETON – Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord.; Trail Planning.

RAPIDS CITY – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; MPO Trans. Coord.; Census BAS Asst.

RIVERDALE – Riverfront Council; MPO Trans. Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Trails Coord; Website Support.

ROCK ISLAND CITY – Air Quality Asst.; E9-1-1 Coord.; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; Joint Purch.; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; Riverfront Cncl.; RICWMA Stfg.; RLF Loan Admin.; RMS Coord.; Interop. Proj.; PICH-Safe Routes to Schools Planning; Trails Coordination; MPO Trans. Coord. & STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation; Zoning Inquiry; Census BAS Asst.

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY – Air Quality Asst.; E9-1-1 Coord.; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; Joint Purchasing; LEPC Committee; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; RICWMA Stfg & Website Support; RMS Coord.; Trail Coord.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Passenger Rail; Floodplain Coord. Efforts; Haz. Mit. Planning Coord.; QC Health Initiative, PICH-Safe Routes to Schools Planning; Highway Safety Planning; MPO Trans. Coord.; Enterprise Zone App.; Census BAS Asst.; Graphics Asst.– Business Cards

SCOTT COUNTY – Financial Mgmt – Scott Co. KIDS and Scott Co. Hsg. Cncl.; Air Quality Coord.; Joint Purch.; QCICNet, Reg. 9 Transportation Coord. & MPO Trans. Coord.; RLF Admin.; Local Food Systems Coord.; Complete Streets Planning; Trail Planning/ADT Coord.; REAP Plan Update; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Interop. Project; QC Health Initiative; PICH- Safe Routes to Schools Planning; Countywide IT Services/Equipment Coord.; Hazard Mitigation Plan Update; QC & Co EPC Meetings.

SHERRARD – Joint Purchasing; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Website Support.

SILVIS – E9-1-1 Coord.; IL Intergov. Comm. Coord.; Joint Purch.; MUNICES Coord.; QCICNet; RICWMA Stfg.; RMS Coord.; MPO Trans. Coord. STBG/TASA Funding Evaluation; Trails Planning & GRT Coord.; RLF Loan Admin.; Trails Mapping Asst.; Census BAS Asst.; Zoning Inquiry.

VIOLA – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Police Equip. Research; Graphics Asst.; Cemetery Map Inquiry; Grant Inquiry.

WALCOTT – Reg. 9 Transportation Coord.; RLF Admin; Solid Waste Coord.; Trail Coord.

WEST LIBERTY – Air Qual. Coord.; Reg. 9 Transportation Coord.; Trails Plan/ADT Coord. Solid Waste Coord.; Musc. Co. Haz Mit Plan; MMRLF.

WILTON – Air Qual. Coord.; Reg. 9 Transp. Coord.; Traffic Counting Asst.; Solid Waste Coord.; MMRLF.

WINDSOR – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; CDBG Grant Asst.

WOODHULL – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning.

Bi-State Report – March

COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Provided information to Henry County Economic Development Partnership (HCEDP) board. Attended IA RELAT meetings. Attended Iowa Regional Council meeting. Assisted members with legislative priorities. Communicated with Mercer and Muscatine Counties' economic development officials to discuss development efforts and strategies. Held APA webinar on planning. Continued development of the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2017 Progress Report*.

DATA/GRAPHICS/MAPPING/ON-LINE SERVICES

Data Center: Staff responded to 12 data and map requests in March 2017 including 7 from local governments, 1 from an academic institution, 1 from a private citizen, and 3 from non-profits. The data section of the Bi-State website had 27 page views. The data warehouse site (www.greaterqcregion.org) is being updated and had 240 visits and 407 page views. Staff continued to prepare data for the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2017 Progress Report* and the Census Boundary and Annexation Survey.

Graphics/GIS/Mapping: Be Healthy QC (BHQC) – QCTrails.org Website and Safe Routes to Schools Mapping; Census Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS) Program Coordination; *Public Officials Directory for the Bi-State Region, February 2017* Design and Update; QC Chamber Mapping; QC Street Map (Folded & Wall Versions) Distribution; QC Metro Area STBG Data/GIS; QC Metro Area Travel Model Data/GIS; Region-wide Aerial Photo Update Coordination; Update/Maintain GIS Data for Street Centerlines, Traffic Counts, MPA Boundary, Federal Functional Class Routes, Urban Areas, Corporate Limits, Landmarks, Rail, Trails, and other layers.

www.bistateonline.org: Total pages viewed for March 2017 was 2,177 and top pages viewed included: Home Page (662); Documents (194); I-74 Bridge Construction Update (146); Our Staff (89); Search (79); Quad Cities Metro Long Range Transportation Plan (58); Contact Us (51); Careers (46); Joint Purchasing Bid Tabulations (45); and Average Daily Traffic Counts (34).

ENVIRONMENTAL, RECREATION, RIVERFRONT SERVICES: Responded to inquiries & assisted with trail/recreation project funding assistance/grants and trail use counting. Served Rock Island County Waste Management Agency (RICWMA) with coordination of meetings, oversight, and management of waste disposal and recycling programs, including drop-off recycling program, reporting, and overall agency administration. Attended XStream Clean-up and Earth Coalition planning meetings and representation at Putnam Friday Fun Night as solid waste agency resource. Responded to RICWMA telephone inquiries from general public & media concerning solid waste and recycling issues. Continued coordination of issues related to Bi-State Region Clean Air Partnership and strategies for emission reduction. Started developing foundation grant request for alternative fuels/vehicles workshop. Continued multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation planning. Attended River Action meetings. Organized and held bi-monthly meeting of Quad City Riverfront Council.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUMS AND REGIONAL SERVICES: Continued assistance to the Joint Purchasing Council (JPC). Worked on the following bids: food services supplies, janitorial and can liners, copier paper, printer supplies, and turf chemicals and seed. Staffed Quad Cities Area intergovernmental forums and meetings of managers, administrators, and chief elected officials. Continued coordination and planning for the awarded Department of Justice interoperability grant. Assisted with Rock Island Arsenal issues. Participated in QC Emergency Planning Committee meeting.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF): Administered Bi-State RLF Program: Prepared meeting agenda, minutes, and financial summary report. Reviewed Silvis company application and provided to the board. Provided information to potential applicants. Continued receiving job creation information from active companies. Administered Mercer/Muscatine RLF Program (MMRLF): Prepared financial summary report. Provided information to potential applicants. Worked with Aledo, Muscatine City and County, West Liberty, and Wilton to identify potential projects for gap financing.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT: Attended related meetings, presented information, and continued staff coordination of river crossing issues, including I-74 pre-bid meeting. Attended John Deere Road construction staging meeting. Held Iowa interdisciplinary traffic safety meeting. Monitored status of bridge restrictions. Prepared monthly reports of federal transportation programs and coordinated related funding/reporting. Monitored air quality emission issues and exceedances. Worked on connections of American Discovery Trail (ADT)/Grand Illinois Trail and Mississippi River Trail and attended related meetings, as well as other trails planning and grant assistance. Conducted trails counter analysis and research. Facilitated issues related to Bi-State Regional Trails Committee. Continued Complete Streets community policies effort. Participated in Partnership in Community Health (PICH) grant facilitation – Safe Routes to School and QCTrails.org. Coordinated Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium random testing program and meeting. Monitored MPO and Iowa Region 9 FY17 Transportation Planning Work Programs, and drafted FY18 TPWPs. Monitored MPO & Region 9 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017-20 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) including facilitating TIP revisions and maintenance of data entry in Iowa Transportation Project Management System (TPMS) as part of transportation improvement programming. Conducted MPO STBG and TASA funding evaluation process. Participated in ILDOT/FHWA ITEP program review. Administered Iowa Quad Cities (IAQC) and Illinois Region 2 transit coordinator positions, and facilitated budget discussions. Administered Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5339 grant process. Discussed transit congestion reduction opportunities during I-74 reconstruction. Monitored status of implementation of passenger rail service to Chicago. Participated in webinars, workshops, and conferences on various transportation topics related to GATA, traffic safety, safety performance measures, Phase I design planning, freight, walking, and bicycles.