



Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District

2019 Annual Report

A Report to the Board of Directors, Federal, State and Other
Governmental Agencies, Elected Officials, and the General Public
Reflecting the Activities and Achievements of the Northwest Arkansas
Economic Development District, Inc., in 2019.

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Chairman's Comments

Judge Frank Weaver, Chairman, NWAEDD, Inc.



As the Board Chairman for Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District, I am very pleased to reflect on the progress the District made in 2019. Looking back and assessing the work that was completed over the past year provides a wonderful feeling of accomplishment especially as we move forward into a new decade. It is easy to get caught up in the busy day to day routines that we all have so this annual report helps to bring into focus what the District's hard work has achieved.

Areas of Northwest Arkansas continue to be rapidly growing with no expectation of slowing any time soon while other areas in the region are moving at a different pace. NWAEDD plays a key role for all these communities as they have for many years. As the region is evolving, our communities must continue to recognize and address the needs and concerns that arise. The District's support will allow each of them to access the resources they may need for continued development and prosperity.

As you will see outlined throughout this report, the District has been successful in serving the nine-county region due to teamwork and collaboration both internally and with those they serve. The systematic approach that has been taken will allow for increased opportunity for the future.

I am grateful for the dedication and leadership provided by the Board of Directors as well as all the staff who continue to believe in the District's mission to stay committed to helping local governments and citizens by acting as a regional forum to identify issues and opportunities; and to provide leadership in planning and implementing programs to improve the quality of life in our District.

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Past NWAEDD Board Chairmen



George Severson
1967-1981
Marion County



Judge
Al Norwood
1982-1983
Benton County



Mayor
Vero Hall
1984-1985
Norfolk



Judge
Gaylord Farmer
1986
Carroll County



Judge
Charles Johnson
1987-1990
Washington Co.



Judge
Joe Dillard
1991-1992
Baxter County



Mayor
Glen M. Rogers
1993-1994
Lowell



Judge
Kenneth Jefferson
1995-1998
Marion County



Kenton Treat
1999-2011
Baxter County



Wes Fowler
2012-2017
Madison County



Mayor
Joe Dillard
2017-2018
Mountain Home

2019 Programs and Projects

<i>Program</i>	<i>District staffing information</i>	
North Arkansas Transportation Service (NATS)	<i>Number of NATS Staff</i>	53
	<i>Total Salaries and Fringe</i>	\$ 990,570.00
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)	<i>Number of Full-Time Positions</i>	18
	<i>Total Salaries and Fringe</i>	\$ 687,717.63
Community and Economic Development Finance/Human Resources Administrative Services	<i>Number of District Staff</i>	8
	<i>Total Salaries and Fringe</i>	\$ 382,542.00
Totals	<i>Number of District Staff</i>	79
	<i>Total Salaries and Fringe</i>	\$2,060,829.63

Review of District Programs

Program funding sources

<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$	953,762
<i>State Funds</i>		136,292
<i>Fares</i>		78,165
<i>Contract</i>		574,430
<i>Volunteer In-Kind</i>		35,886
<i>Local Funds</i>		11,455
Total	\$	1,789,990

<i>Federal Funds</i>		
<i>WIOA—Adult</i>	\$	721,681
<i>WIOA—DLW</i>		321,237
<i>WIOA—Youth</i>		568,147
<i>WIOA—Regional Planning</i>		9,900
<i>WIOA—Sector Strategies</i>		10,182
<i>WIOA—NEG-AR 29</i>		137,039
<i>High Youth Concentration</i>		15,786
<i>AREA FY17</i>		20,321
<i>AREA PY17</i>		2,239
<i>AAPI</i>		29,568
Total	\$	1,836,100

<i>Federal Funds (EDA/DRA)</i>	\$	76,000
<i>Act 118</i>		45,000
<i>Locality Dues</i>		60,490
Total	\$	181,490

<i>Federal Funds</i>	\$	2,865,862
<i>State Funds/Act 118</i>		181,292
<i>Locality Dues</i>		60,490
<i>Fares/Contracts</i>		652,595
<i>In-Kind and Other Funds</i>		47,341
Total	\$	3,807,580

Program services

<i>Total Trips for Commuters to Worksites</i>	4,560
<i>Total Trips for Elderly and Handicapped</i>	3,606
<i>Total Trips for Education/Personal Shopping</i>	91,497
<i>Miles Driven</i>	734,945
<i>Number of Buses in Service</i>	56

<i>Adult WIOA Participants Served</i>	158
<i>DLW WIOA Participants Served</i>	58
<i>Youth WIOA Participants Served</i>	148
<i>AR 27 National Emergency Grant</i>	1
<i>AR 28 National Emergency Grant</i>	2
<i>AR 29 National Emergency Grant</i>	27

Community and Economic Development

2019 was another successful year for the Community and Economic Development Division. In all, NWAEDD was responsible for writing and administering \$4,639,953.00 in grant awards throughout the region in 2019. These projects come about in a variety of different ways, but all successful endeavors are a result of collaboration with and the perseverance of our wonderful member cities & counties. It is our pleasure to serve each of our 81 member entities and it's the relationships with the people involved that make sharing these success stories such a pleasure. The following paragraphs detail some of our successes.



NWAEDD continued its strong partnership with the Economic Development Administration in 2019 through two major grant awards for the cities of Harrison and Berryville. Harrison was awarded \$1,660,000.00 for its Goblin Drive project. The improvements include a new bridge crossing Dry Jordan Creek, widening Goblin Drive, and reconfiguring the intersection of Goblin Drive & Industrial Park Road. Berryville received a \$1.5 million grant for infrastructure improvements to its new industrial park including streets, drainage, and wastewater.

2019 was a very active year working with our counterparts at the Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC) through the efforts of Catherine Baker, the District's new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administrator. The City of Leslie was awarded \$147,500.00 for drainage and sidewalk improvements and Eureka Springs was awarded \$221,500.00 for a wastewater rehabilitation effort. Six (6) new CDBG projects were started in 2019 as well with the cities of Elkins, Gentry, Flippin, Lincoln, Mountain Home, and Yellville. Those applications will be submitted in the Spring of 2020. NWAEDD also remained active with AEDC's Rural Services Division by totaling \$316,463.00 in grant awards. Grantees included the communities of Briarcliff, Compton, Elm Springs, Evansville, Garfield, Lakeview, Maysville, Mount Judea, St. Paul, Yellville, and the South Carroll County Fire District. These grants helped renovate community centers, purchase firefighting equipment, and make various other improvements.



Garfield
\$15,000.00



Mount Judea VFD
Fire Truck \$75,000.00



Elm Springs Tractor
\$10,994.50

Community and Economic Development



Tina M. Cole, Community and Economic Development Coordinator, continued her strong efforts in promoting the Outdoor Grant Program offered by the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism. Tina worked with the City of Mountain Home to secure a \$96,500.00 grant for playground and ballpark improvements, along with a \$50,000.00 grant for the City of Cotter to construct a playground. She also leads our efforts in pursuing and administering a variety of ongoing FEMA grants.

Other exciting happenings included the City of Marshall's \$231,770.00 Delta Regional Authority Grant for wastewater improvements, a \$132,500.00 award from Arkansas Department of Emergency Management (ADEM) for the Osage Creek Bridge in Carroll County, securing USDA-Community Facility Grants for Berryville and Yellville, continued work on multiple FEMA hazard mitigation plans, and participating in a variety of conferences that benefit our members. All in all, 2019 was another great year and special thanks go to all our members that helped make it such a success. We hope to continue to build on these successes and further strengthen our communities in 2020!



Lakeview
\$6,842.50



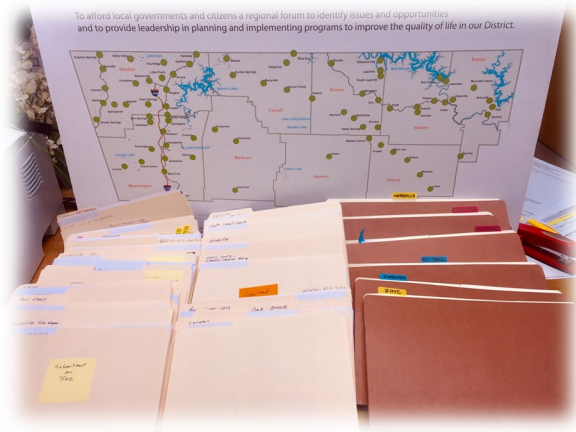
St. Paul
\$75,000.00



Maysville
\$8,387.50



Evansville
\$75,000.00



August 8th was the deadline for two (2) AEDC Division of Rural Services grant programs and we are proud to say that we submitted 23 applications on behalf of communities across all nine of our counties in Northwest Arkansas.



Workforce Development Success Stories

Success Story by Beverly Taylor, Harrison Career Advisor

The In-School Youth program has always been my passion during my years of working with all our programs. I could go on and on listing the many participants that come to mind when talking about success. Conducting Job Clubs, teaching them good work ethics, leadership and citizenship skills, financial literacy and many other life skills that have helped to make them successful.



Austin Wilson enrolled in the In-School Youth program at the beginning of his 10th grade year at Bruno Pyatt. He worked at the school as a janitor assistant in the afternoons and during the summer. His desire to work and please his supervisors were traits that I noticed early. Due to having gained valuable work experience through our program, Austin was able to obtain a job on his own at McDonald's in Harrison at the end of 11th grade. He continued to work for McDonald's during his senior year and after graduation, receiving many promotions and becoming a department manager, during the 4 years he worked there.

In 2015, Austin was hired as a teller by Arvest Bank in Harrison. Once again, his work ethic and people pleasing personality have brought him much success. His promotions have been to the positions of senior teller, CPU processor and recently Assistant Branch Manager.

Austin is active in many civic organizations including Rotary, Music on the Square Board in Yellville, Marion County Young Republicans and has also worked as an intern for Congressman Steve Womack.

Did the opportunity that the Workforce program gave Austin make a difference? "Sure, it did! The work experience, the guidance and encouragement when I was in school helped me make better decisions about my future. My parents also were a huge influence, they never had to force me to work, I wanted to work" says Austin. As a career advisor for this young man I can say it has been a privilege to work with him and even better to sit back now and watch him grow in a career in which he excels.

Success Story by Michelle Ryan, Harrison Career Advisor

Heather Blackwell came to the workforce center in Harrison after her place of employment went out of business and left her without a job and income. Her husband's job was the only stable income they had. They had a hobby of taking old items and flipping them into something new and then selling those items or custom make items to sell that would aid in financial help. Heather and her husband would plan a strict budget and stick to it weekly and monthly to support them after the loss of her job.

Heather decided that it was time to go back to college and start a new career. She contacted financial aid and was referred to the local workforce office to ask about assistance for dislocated workers. She was provided with all the necessary paperwork and was walked through the application process. She was placed in a program that paid for a huge portion of her degree and allowed her family to manage financially so that she could focus on her studies.



She completed two years at North Arkansas College and then transferred to Arkansas Tech University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Early Elementary Education with a 4.0 GPA on May 12, 2018. She was able to gain employment as a second-grade teacher at Bergman School District. With this education she was given the opportunity to move into yet another new challenge, teaching gifted and talented students. This new role required specific certifications and she is now half-way through her master's degree program with a projected completions date in December of 2020.



Workforce Development Success Stories

Dawning of a new day



Dawn Bissell became a displaced worker on May 31, 2019, when her previous employer, Sister's Health Boutique of Mercy Health, permanently closed. Dawn loved helping women as a Certified Mastectomy Fitter. She was very disappointed when notice was given the company would be closing. Dawn began job searching all over Northwest Arkansas and the surrounding cities to find an employer who needed her skills and expertise but found none.

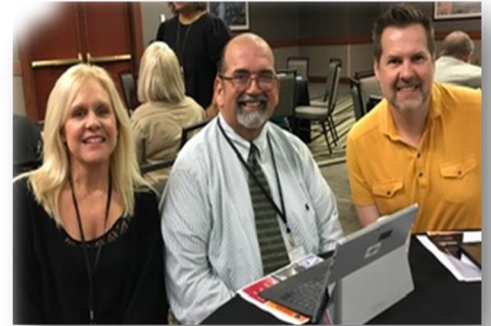
She realized that she needed a plan of action to gain employment using a new set of work skills. Dawn believed going back to school to receive training and education in a demand occupation would help her be more marketable in the workplace and get a job with comparable wages she was making in her previous position.

After meeting and discussing training options available with WIOA Career Advisor, Ms. Wilkinson, Dawn was encouraged to find it was very possible for her to get a job close to her previous wages earned in a 9-week short term program. Dawn and Ms. Wilkinson developed an Individual Employment Plan for Dawn to reach her employment goal. The plan of action was Dawn pursuing an Administrative Assistant Certificate through the U of a Global Campus, update her resume and apply for jobs. The Administrative Assistant Program was a perfect fit for Dawn because it was a short term-9-week program and she already possessed some administrative skills. The course would afford Dawn an opportunity to refresh and upskill her knowledge in business administration and find a great paying job right away.

Thanks to WIOA support, Dawn completed the program and was able to achieve her employment goal and obtain a job with self-sufficient wages as a Help Desk Representative for National Cash Registers. Dawn was very pleased with the WIOA program and thanked Ms. Wilkinson for going above and beyond as a Career Advisor.

Teaching Skills that Matter

Arkansas was one of 5 states chosen for a national pilot program with a goal of improving the effectiveness of adult education instruction in the areas of civics education, digital literacy, financial literacy, health literacy and workforce preparation. Cherie Connor, Director of Adult Education at North Arkansas College (NAC), Ben Aldama, Dean of Adult Education at Northwest Arkansas Community College (NWACC) and Robbie Cornelius, Director of Adult Education from the Fayetteville School District were three of the four teachers selected to participate in Arkansas.



Bi-Annual State Partners Meeting

The Northwest Core Four Partners participated in the Bi-annual State Partners meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas in September. During the two-day conference participants attended breakout sessions, heard speakers on various programs and had a great time networking with partners from all over the state. Partners from each area met and created an update to their SWOT analysis. Each area then presented a report to the conference attendees about the results of their meeting.

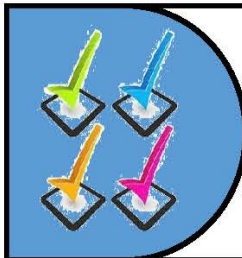


Workforce Development Highlights

**148
Youth
Participants
Served**



**158
Adult
Participants
Served**



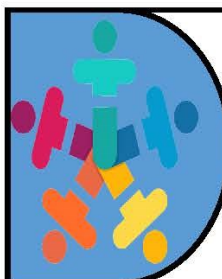
**58
Dislocated
Worker
Participants
Served**



**\$1,836,100
Investment
in the 9
County
Area**



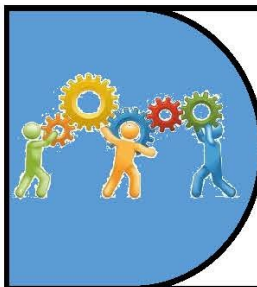
**30
National
Emergency
Grant
Participants
Served**



**118
Apprenticeship
Participants
Served**



**323
Apprenticeships
by
March 2021**



Industry Sector Employment

Accounting Technology/
Bookkeeping

Administrative Assistant

Adult Health Nurse

Audiology/Speech-Language Pathology

Business Administration

Business/Commercial

Clinical/Medical Laboratory Assistant

Commercial and Advertising Art

Computer and Information Sciences

Computer Programming

Construction Engineering Technology/
Technician

Dental Assisting/Assistant

Diesel Mechanics Technology

Early Childhood Education and
Teaching

Health Information/Medical Records
Technology (EMT)

Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation
and Refrigeration Maintenance
Technology Technician

Industrial Electronics Technology/
Technician

Legal Assistant/Paralegal

Licensed Practical Nurse Training

Mechanic and Repair Technicians

Mechatronics, Robotics and
Automation Engineering

Medical Insurance Coding Specialist

Medical/Clinical Assistant

Medical Radiology Technology

Nursing Assistant/Aide

Patient Case Assistant/Aide

Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist

Physical Therapy Technician

Public Health

Registered Nursing

Nursing Administration

Special Education/Teaching

Surgical Technology/Technologist

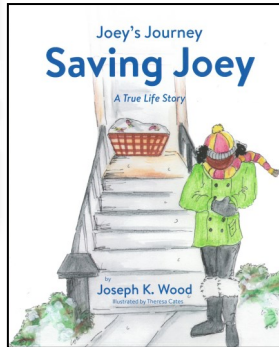
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2019 Annual Meeting



***Judge Joseph K. Wood
Washington County***



***John Thurston
Arkansas
Secretary of State***



***Judge Frank Weaver, Chairman
Madison County***



***Joe Willis
Executive Director***



North Arkansas Transportation Services



North Arkansas Transportation Service (NATS) is the public transportation division of Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District.

This program is funded through the Federal Transit Administration's 5311 program and those funds are administered through the Arkansas Department of Transportation. NATS has both interstate and intrastate route authority and serves the counties of Baxter, Boone, Carroll, Fulton, Izard, Madison, Marion, Newton, and Searcy Counties.

Mountain Home Drivers—Michael Deppe, Marcus Wooldridge, & J.W. Igleheart

NATS has been in operation since March of 1981. NATS started primarily as an affordable transportation service to help rural citizens get to and from work. The program's operation has dramatically expanded over the years. During 2019 NATS' fleet of 56 vehicles traveled a total of 734,945 miles. Over time, the expansion of services has led to a broad range of routes provided which include:

- **Deviated Fixed Routes**—Harrison and Mountain Home routes that run on a daily schedule with designated stops.
- **Demand Response Routes**—Through the demand response service, clients can be transported to their desired destination by scheduling rides 24 hours in advance.
- **Partnered Routes**—The Learning Center of North Arkansas, Boone County Special Services, and Medicaid brokers (Southeastrans) transportation for Medicaid recipients.
- **Commuter Routes**—Partnership with area manufacturers and businesses that offers transportation to employees. In 2019 there were 4,560 trips provided to worksites.



Andy Carboni & Carl Hudson, Client



The division did experience some staff changes in 2019. JoAnna Cartwright, who was the NATS Director for nearly 34 years, retired in June of 2019. Her years of dedicated service did not go unnoticed, and she will be missed by many. The new NATS Director, Jack Chisum, was welcomed, and he has been a great asset to the team. Jack has been able to transition into the role and pick up where she left off.





Rick Bray
Lead Mechanic



Corey Dart
Mechanic



**Harrison Drivers—Larry Simmons,
James Macy, Rocky Carter,
Debra Akins & Andy Carboni**



Damian Cordova
Harrison Driver



**The Learning Center of North Arkansas
Drivers—Kathy Agdeppa & Misty Briley**

History of Economic Development

Project	Year Approved	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Total Grant
BAXTER COUNTY				
Baxter County	1967/2014	Various Projects	\$11,783,495.00	\$5,381,910.00
Baxter County	2016	Baxter Labs	12,111,100.00	2,311,100.00
Cotter	2016	Demo Spring House	30,000.00	15,000.00
Mountain Home	2017	American Epoxy	2,658,000.00	458,000.00
Gassville	2017	Wastewater System Expansion	1,450,000.00	848,000.00
City of Cotter	2018	Community Center Construction	125,000.00	15,000.00
City of Briardcliff	2019	Dump Truck	30,000.00	15,000.00
City of Cotter	2019	Playground Improvements	50,000.00	50,000.00
City of Lakeview	2019	Purchase of RTV	13,685.00	6,842.50
City of Mountain Home	2019	Playground Improvements	193,000.00	96,500.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1980/2004	Sixteen (16) Revolving Loans	990,144.00	-
BENTON COUNTY				
Benton County	1967/2014	Various Projects	26,584,930.00	10,706,143.00
Benton County	2016	Septic System Replacements II	185,000.00	185,000.00
Benton County	2016	Siloam Springs Child Care Facility	1,000,000.00	500,000.00
Benton County	2016	Spanker Creek Bridge	1,102,027.00	551,013.50
Gentry	2016	Flint Creek Nature Trail	45,000.00	15,000.00
Siloam Springs	2017	Simmons Foods	27,009,100.00	1,009,100.00
City of Garfield	2019	Pave Walking Trail	33,540.70	15,000.00
Benton County	2019	Maysville Community Center	16,775.00	8,387.50
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1980/1992	Eight (8) Revolving Loans	5,223,400.00	-
BOONE COUNTY				
Boone County	1967/2014	Various Projects	10,945,835.00	6,312,543.00
Harrison	2015	House of Hope (Washers & Dryers)	3,000.00	3,000.00
Boone County	2016	Repair stairs in Court House	14,998.00	14,998.00
Everton	2017	Community Center Improvements	49,500.00	45,000.00
Harrison	2017	House of Hope Cottages	394,600.00	99,600.00
Boone County	2017	Hazard Mitigation Plan	40,000.00	30,000.00
House of Hope/Mercy Mall	2017	Hunger Relief	70,000.00	70,000.00
Boone County	2018	Renovations to Old Federal Building	56,510.00	56,510.00
City of South Lead Hill	2018	Community Center Renovation	60,668.00	54,601.00
City of Harrison	2019	Goblin Drive	2,075,000.00	1,660,000.00
City of Harrison	2019	Barrier Free Playground	402,440.00	201,220.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1979/2010	Thirty (30) Revolving Loans	2,911,850.00	-

Fostering Economic Growth

Amount of Grant by Agency

EDA	Other	Agency	State	Agency	Federal/ State Loan	Agency	Other Local Funds	Est. Jobs Created or Saved
\$3,185,700.00	\$30,000.00	-	\$2,166,210.00	Various	\$4,697,725.00	Various	\$1,703,860.00	2,491
-	-	-	2,311,100.00	AEDC	-	-	9,800,000.00	227
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	15,000.00	-
-	-	-	458,000.00	AEDC	-	-	2,200,000.00	87
-	-	-	848,000.00	ANRC	-	-	602,000.00	-
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	110,000.00	-
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	15,000.00	-
-	-	-	50,000.00	Parks/Tourism	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	6,842.50	ADRS	-	-	6,842.50	-
-	-	-	96,500.00	Parks/Tourism	-	-	96,500.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	582,650.00	NWAEDD	407,494.00	130
1,048,528.00	3,035,901.00	Various	6,621,714.00	Various	1,749,500.00	Various	14,129,287.00	3,609
-	-	-	185,000.00	AEDC	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	500,000.00	AEDC	-	-	500,000.00	-
551,013.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	551,013.50	-
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	30,000.00	-
-	-	-	1,009,100.00	AEDC	-	-	26,000,000.00	78
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	18,540.70	-
-	-	-	8,387.50	ADRS	-	-	8,387.50	-
-	-	-	-	-	592,400.00	NWAEDD	4,631,000.00	189
1,431,000.00	2,721,349.00	Various	2,160,194.00	Various	2,340,800.00	Various	2,292,492.00	1,914
-	3,000.00	Walmart	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	14,998.00	AHPP	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	45,000.00	ARDS	-	-	4,500.00	-
-	-	-	99,600.00	AEDC	-	-	295,000.00	-
-	30,000.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-	10,000.00	-
-	70,000.00	Walmart	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	56,510.00	AHPP	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	54,601.00	ARDS	-	-	6,067.00	-
1,660,000.00	-	EDA	-	-	-	-	415,000.00	54
-	-	-	201,220.00	Parks/Tourism	-	-	201,220.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	1,717,325.00	NWAEDD	1,194,525.00	262

History of Economic Development

Project	Year Approved	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Total Grant
CARROLL COUNTY				
Carroll County	1967/2014	Various Projects	\$15,455,902.00	\$9,926,043.00
Eureka Springs	2015	Underground Drainage Project	220,000.00	220,000.00
Green Forest	2017	New Community Center	85,000.00	75,000.00
Carroll County	2019	Hazard Mitigation Plan	25,000.00	17,500.00
City of Berryville	2019	Industrial Park Infrastructure Improvement	1,901,100.00	1,500,000.00
City of Berryville	2019	Two Police Vehicles	89,730.00	49,000.00
Carroll County	2019	Osage Creek Bridge	265,000.00	132,500.00
City of Eureka Springs	2019	Wastewater Improvements	263,470.00	221,500.00
Carroll County	2019	SCC Fire District - Jaws of Life	29,977.00	14,988.50
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1979/2004	Eight (8) Revolving Loans	4,537,000.00	158,000.00
MADISON COUNTY				
Madison County	1967/2014	Various Projects	12,474,155.00	4,831,961.00
Kingston	2016	Fire Equipment	15,000.00	15,000.00
City of St. Paul	2019	Community Center Improvements	93,960.00	75,000.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1987/2009	Two (2) Revolving Loan	307,000.00	-
MARION COUNTY				
Marion County	1967/2014	Various Projects	19,811,392.00	11,348,434.00
Yellville	2015	Rail Spur Revitalization	171,696.00	146,696.00
Bull Shoals	2016	Wastewater Treatment Facility	9,000,000.00	500,000.00
Yellville	2017	Fencing/Dugouts at T-Ball Park	47,120.00	15,000.00
Marion County	2017	SemahTronix ED	2,610,300.00	610,300.00
Flippin	2017	Farmers Market	25,000.00	25,000.00
Bull Shoals	2017	Wastewater Treatment Facility	1,685,853.00	1,348,683.00
Marion County	2017	Hazard Mitigation Plan - Update	25,000.00	17,500.00
City of Yellville	2018	Splash Pad	305,005.00	152,502.50
City of Yellville	2019	Tractor with Bush Hog	30,330.00	16,000.00
City of Yellville	2019	Fence for Splash Pad	10,500.00	5,250.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1982/2016	Nine (9) Revolving Loans	852,000.00	-
NEWTON COUNTY				
Newton County	1967/2014	Various Projects	12,173,617.00	8,606,081.00
Newton County	2019	Mount Judea VFD Fire Truck	82,500.00	75,000.00
Newton County	2019	Compton VFD Fire Station	39,800.00	15,000.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	2003/2006	Two (2) Revolving Loan	66,489.00	-

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Amount of Grant by Agency

EDA	Other	Agency	State	Agency	Federal/State Loan	Agency	Other Local Funds	Est. Jobs Created or Saved
\$1,433,800.00	\$2,406,900.00	Various	\$6,085,343.00	Various	\$3,889,500.00	Various	\$1,640,359.00	2,436
-	-	-	220,000.00	AEDC	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	75,000.00	ADRS	-	-	10,000.00	-
-	-	-	17,500.00	FEMA	-	-	7,500.00	-
1,500,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	401,100.00	320
-	-	-	49,000.00	USDA	-	-	40,730.00	-
-	-	-	132,500.00	ADEM	-	-	132,500.00	-
-	-	-	221,500.00	AEDC	-	-	41,970.00	-
-	-	-	14,988.50	ADRS	-	-	14,988.50	-
-	-	-	158,000.00	AHPP/AIDC	364,500.00	NWAEDD	4,014,500.00	121
255,500.00	85,300.00	Various	4,491,161.00	Various	1,161,866.00	Various	6,480,328.00	1,377
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	75,000.00	ADRS	-	-	18,960.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	140,000.00	NWAEDD	167,000.00	8
1,588,000.00	2,510,880.00	Various	7,249,554.00	Various	2,087,800.00	Various	6,375,158.00	1,496
-	126,696.00	DRA	20,000.00	GIF	-	-	25,000.00	1
-	500,000.00	DRA	-	-	-	-	8,500,000.00	6
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	32,120.00	-
-	-	-	610,300.00	AEDC	-	-	2,000,000.00	75
-	25,000.00	DRA	-	-	-	-	-	-
1,348,683.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	337,170.00	-
-	17,500.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-	7,500.00	-
-	-	-	152,502.50	Parks/Tourism	-	-	152,502.50	-
-	-	-	16,000.00	USDA	-	-	14,330.00	-
-	-	-	5,250.00	ADRS	-	-	5,250.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	382,500.00	NWAEDD	469,500.00	40
503,000.00	1,168,370.00	Various	6,934,711.00	Various	3,369,423.00	Various	198,113.00	100
-	-	-	75,000.00	ADRS	-	-	7,500.00	-
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	24,800.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	47,344.00	NWAEDD	19,145.00	5

History of Economic Development

Project	Year Approved	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Total Grant
SEARCY COUNTY				
Searcy County	1967/2016	Various Projects	\$21,907,772.00	\$17,425,552.00
Marshall	2017	Backhoe	35,360.00	15,000.00
Marshall	2017	Tractor with Snowplow	51,341.00	32,969.35
Searcy County	2017	Hazard Mitigation Plan	40,000.00	30,000.00
Leslie	2017	Trails for Life	35,000.00	35,000.00
Searcy County	2018	Ozarks BBQ Products	1,659,600.00	234,600.00
City of Marshall	2018	Zero-Turn & Boom Lawnmowers	33,892.52	26,862.50
Searcy County	2018	Ceiling Tiles/Painting Civic Center	17,755.00	8,877.50
Searcy County	2018	Rock Creek Community Center	11,761.12	5,441.12
City of Leslie	2018	Tractor with Snowplow	27,991.00	13,995.50
City of Leslie	2019	Sidewalks/Drainage	147,500.00	147,500.00
City of Marshall	2019	Wastewater Extension	231,770.00	231,770.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1979/2014	Eight (8) Revolving Loans	373,500.00	-
WASHINGTON COUNTY				
Washington County	1967/2014	Various Projects	46,132,780.00	30,278,912.00
Springdale	2015	Cambridge Street	2,800,000.00	1,000,000.00
Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce	2016	Robotics Training Center	450,000.00	450,000.00
Greenland	2017	Lighting at City Park	37,740.00	15,000.00
Washington County	2017	Storm Shelter	36,500.00	27,375.00
Elkins School District	2017	Safe Room	1,237,813.66	928,360.24
City of Elm Springs	2019	Purchase of Tractor with Mower	21,989.00	10,994.50
Washington County	2019	Evansville VFD Fire Truck	90,000.00	75,000.00
NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund	1980/2011	Twenty (20) Revolving Loans	2,500,632.00	-
AREAWIDE				
Areawide	1967/2013	Various Projects	14,777,043.00	3,685,093.00
NWAEDD	1967/2019	Annual Planning Grant	5,457,626.00	4,070,663.00
NWAEDD	2015	Short Term Planning Grant	150,000.00	150,000.00
Madison/Newton County	2016	Hazard Mitigation Plan	40,000.00	30,000.00
NWAEDD	2018	Regional HVA Assessment	3,600.00	3,600.00
TOTAL			\$288,666,460.00	\$129,784,973.21

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Amount of Grant by Agency

								Est. Jobs Created or Saved
EDA	Other	Agency	State	Agency	Federal/State Loan	Agency	Other Local Funds	
\$415,072.00	\$5,607,102.00	Various	\$11,403,378.00	Various	\$4,230,480.00	Various	\$251,740.00	350
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	20,360.00	-
-	17,969.35	USDA	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	18,371.65	-
-	30,000.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-	10,000.00	-
-	-	-	35,000.00	Parks/Tourism	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	234,600.00	AEDC	-	-	1,425,000.00	16
-	-	-	26,862.50	ADRS/USDA	-	-	7,030.02	-
-	-	-	8,877.50	ADRS	-	-	8,877.50	-
-	-	-	5,441.12	ADRS	-	-	6,320.00	-
-	-	-	13,995.50	ADRS	-	-	13,995.50	-
-	-	-	147,500.00	AEDC	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	231,770.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	204,000.00	NWAEDD	169,500.00	71
964,000.00	9,399,387.00	Various	19,915,525.00	Various	14,453,786.00	Various	1,400,082.00	3,076
1,000,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800,000.00	15
450,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	15,000.00	ADRS	-	-	22,740.00	-
-	27,375.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-	9,125.00	-
-	928,360.24	FEMA	-	-	-	-	309,453.42	-
-	-	-	10,994.50	ADRS	-	-	10,994.50	-
-	-	-	75,000.00	ADRS	-	-	15,000.00	-
-	-	-	-	-	1,285,832.00	NWAEDD	1,214,800.00	266
15,194.00	1,786,284.00	-	1,883,615.00	Various	11,085,616.00	Various	6,334.00	3,101
3,008,153.00	-	-	1,062,510.00	DFA	-	-	1,386,963.00	-
150,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	30,000.00	FEMA	-	-	-	-	10,000.00	-
-	-	-	3,600.00	ADH	-	-	-	-
\$20,507,643.50	\$30,557,373.59		\$78,719,956.12		\$54,383,047.00		\$104,498,439.79	21,925

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