

Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District

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2022 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 2022.

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Chairman's Comments

Mayor Doug Sprouse, Chairman

Greetings from Northwest Arkansas to all reading this annual report. Whether you hail from a state or federal agency, are an elected official, represent local governments, or are a member of the private sector; please know that we value our partnerships with each of you. In December of

with each of you. In December of 2022 I was honored to be elected as the 13th Chairman of the NWAEDD Board of Directors, succeeding Judge Frank Weaver from Madison County. In fact, December 2022 marked the end of tenures for many long serving NWAEDD board members. However, with every end there is a new beginning, and new faces often bring fresh ideas. We will certainly miss our previous colleagues; but we look forward to working with our new ones to continue to move the region forward.

Since the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District was established in 1967, change has been one constant throughout the decades. Regardless of the times, whether it was the tumultuous world of the 1970s, the American comeback of the 1980s, the economic boom of the 1990s, the great recession of the mid 2000s, or being in the clutches of a global pandemic, NWAEDD has had the insight to adapt to the changing circumstances of the day. This ability has enabled NWAEDD to better address the needs of its communities and is the primary reason for the successes we have been able to share with our communities over the last half century. I have no doubt that NWAEDD will continue to be adaptable, will continue to be the conduit that unites the public and private sectors, and will continue to be the organization that provides a comprehensive vision for Northwest Arkansas through the changing times to come.

In the following pages you will find descriptions of our programs, success stories, and information identifying the local, state, and federal agencies, along with the private organizations, that played a role in the accomplishments of 2022. I hope you find it both informative and enjoyable.

NWAEDD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mayor Doug Sprouse, Chairman
Mayor Shawn Lane, Vice Chairman
Mayor Tim McKinney, Secretary
Bill Witty, Treasurer
Judge Barry Moehring, Benton County
Judge Warren Campbell, Newton County
Woodie Methvin, Searcy County

Baxter County

Judge Kevin Litty Mayor Hillrey Adams Danielle Pugsley

Benton County

Judge Barry Moehring Mayor Stephanie Orman Mayor Nathan See Mayor Chris Moore

Boone County

Judge Robert Hathaway Mayor Jerry Jackson Bill Witty

Carroll County

Judge David Writer Mayor Tim McKinney Mayor Butch Berry

Madison County

Judge Larry Garrett Mayor Travis Dotson Brandi Holt

Marion County

Judge Jason Stumph Mayor Shawn Lane Layton Lee

Newton County

Judge Warren Campbell Mayor Mike Thomas Neal Gibson

Searcy County

Judge Tony Horton Mayor Kevin Elliott Woodie Methvin

Washington County

Judge Patrick Deakins Mayor Doug Sprouse Mayor Lioneld Jordan Steve Clark

Review of District Programs

| Program | Staff and Participant Information | | |
|---|---|-------------|-----------|
| North Arkansas Transportation Service | Number of NATS Staff | | 42 |
| (NATS) | Total Salaries and Fringe | \$ | 914,656 |
| | Total Trips for Commuters to Worksites | | 1,848 |
| | Total Trips for Elderly and Handicapped | | 5,879 |
| | Total Trips for Education | | 58,042 |
| | Personal Shopping | | 13,120 |
| | Miles Driven | | 664,390 |
| | Number of Buses in Service | | 68 |
| Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act | Number of Full-Time Positions | | 19 |
| (WIOA) | Total Salaries and Fringe | \$ | 937,146 |
| | Adult WIOA Participants Served | | 138 |
| | DLW WIOA Participants Served | | 36 |
| | Youth WIOA Participants Served | | 108 |
| Community and Economic Development | Number of District Staff | | 9 |
| Finance/Human Resources Administrative Services | Total Salaries and Fringe | \$ | 701,087 |
| Totalo | Number of District Staff | | 70 |
| Totals | | ¢7 | |
| | Total Salaries and Fringe | \$ 2 | 2,552,889 |

Financial Report

| MAJOR PROGRAMS | REVENUE |
|--|------------------------------------|
| WORKFORCE (WIOA) U.S. Department of Labor | <i>\$</i> 705 272 |
| Youth Adult | <i>\$ 705,273</i> |
| | <i>852,249</i> |
| Dislocated Worker | \$ 1,971,781 |
| TOTAL MAJOR PROGRAMS | \$ 1,971,781 |
| NONMAJOR PROGRAMS WORKFORCE (WIOA) U.S. Department of Labor NEG-AR31 | \$ 4,704 |
| High Concentration Youth | , |
| Regional Planning | <i>20,043</i> <i>17,103</i> |
| Sector Partnership | 10,655 \$ 52,505 |
| U.S. Department of Commerce EDA Planning Grant EDA CARES Act Grant | \$ 70,000 124,696 \$ 194,696 |
| NATS U.S. Department of Transportation | |
| Federal Transit Formula Grants Operating Administration Formula Grants for Rural Areas | \$ 1,190,003 457,429 |
| Capital | 373,911 \$ 2,021,343 |
| Delta Regional Authority Delta Local Development District Assistance | \$ 6,000 |
| TOTAL NONMAJOR PROGRAMS | <i>\$ 2,274,544</i> |
| TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS | \$ 4,246,325 |

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT

Since the beginning of operations in 1967, the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District, Inc. has been involved in a broad spectrum of economic and community development activities. The Community & Economic Development division of NWAEDD is responsible for the development and implementation of a wide variety of federal, state and locally funded programs designed to improve the quality of life for its citizens. This division is made up of three certified grant administrators who assist members by assessing community needs, determining project eligibility for funding sources, facilitating public meetings for citizen input, providing environmental assessments of projects, monitoring financial accountability, and ensuring program compliance.



2022 AT A GLANCE

2022 proved to be another exceptional year for the Community & Economic Development Division. NWAEDD staff had the privilege to serve the community members, and worked diligently to deliver successful outcomes . NWAEDD was responsible for writing and administering approximately 20 new community development projects for a total investment of roughly \$7.5 million. This would not have been possible without the collaboration of citizens and the servant leaders that make up the local governments throughout Northwest Arkansas. The following sections will highlight a few of those notable projects.

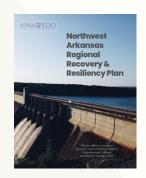
Learning Center of North Arkansas

The City of Harrison Received a grant for \$300,000.00 from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission through the Community Development Block Grant Program. This project was a partnership between the City and the Learning Center of North Arkansas to expand the existing facility and increase capacity to serve more children and families while supporting our local workforce. In the near future, they will construct a new adjoining building with four classrooms, an office, and ADA accessibility for all restrooms.

Center for Robotics & Manufacturing Innovation

NWAEDD continued its long standing partnership with the Economic Development Administration (EDA) and was successful in securing two grants for the region last year. The City of Springdale was awarded \$2,000,000.00 to aid in the expansion of Dixieland Road, and the North Arkansas College was selected to receive \$2,000,000.00 for the Center for Robotics & Manufacturing Innovation.





Arkansas EDA COVID-19 Recovery and Resiliency Initiative

In 2022, the District finalized the Northwest Arkansas Recovery & Resiliency Plan after two years of combined efforts from the partnership between AADO, AEDI, Delta Center, EDA & NWAEDD. Through the process we came to a better understanding of the impacts of COVID-19 at a regional level which will allow for better positioning for future areas of improvement.



DENTON FERRY BRIDGE

Baxter County made tremendous gains on the construction of the Denton Ferry Bridge. This project was funded in 2020 in part by the Arkansas Hazard Mitigation Grant Program through Arkansas Department of Emergency Management and Baxter County. Newly awarded State Mitigation Grants included both Carroll County receiving \$300,000.00 for the replacement of a low water slab, and the City of Marshall was awarded \$13,372.50 for ditch and culvert repairs.

Serving Rural Arkansas

NWAEDD grants administration staff worked with many members to provide grant compliance, reporting, and technical assistance for projects underway through the Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received in 2021 through the American Rescue Plan Act.

Keeping with tradition, the District remained active in supporting our rural communities. NWAEDD staff collaborated with the Town of Lead Hill and the Lead Hill Volunteer Fire Department to pursue a grant from the Arkansas Economic Development Commission's Division of Rural Services in which they were awarded \$75,000.00 to purchase a pumper truck.



OUTDOOR RECREATION

The District continued to promote the Outdoor Recreation Grant though the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism because we understand it is a significant driver in supporting quality of life in Northwest Arkansas.

NWAEDD hosted the Outdoor Recreation Grant Program staff in the spring of 2022 to educate both grant administrators and community members about the program.



2022 IMPACT



7.5M

GRANT AWARDS

NWAEDD assisted communities throughout Northwest Arkansas with applying for and receiving a total of \$7,524,729.00 in 2022.

261%

INCREASE FROM 2021

Total annual grant awards since 2019.

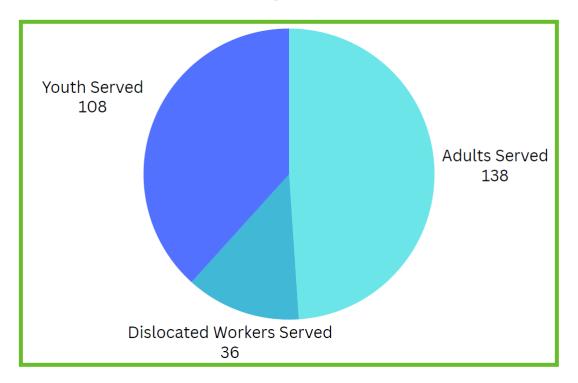


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ACTIVE PROJECTS

- Economic Development Administration
- Arkansas Economic Development Commission
- Arkansas Division of Rural Services
- USDA Rural Development
- FEMA/ADEM
- ARPA
- Arkansas Department of Parks Heritage & Tourism
- U.S. Department of Defense
- U.S. Department of Justice
- Arkansas Department of Transportation
- · Arkansas Department of Public Safety

Northwest Workforce Development 2022



\$2,095,655 Investment

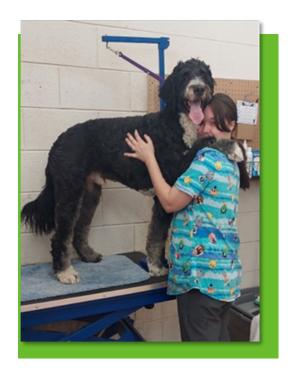
NWAEDD Outreach - Circle of Success



NWAEDD hosted the first ever Circle of Success networking event at the Walmart Auditorium on the campus of Northwest Arkansas Community College on March 29, 2022. Although this event provided a platform for professionals to gain knowledge of regional programs, the primary goal focused on developing a referral strategy between service providers. Northwest Arkansas is blessed to have abundant resources for its citizens, and making these connections allows organizations to improve access to services. The event had a great turnout with nearly 60 organizations represented.

NWAEDD was pleased to partner with NWACC which provided wonderful accommodations for the event. NWAEDD staff hopes to continue to grow this event in the future.

NORTHWEST WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT SUCCESS STORIES 2022



Out of School Youth Success Story—Ardella Benefield

Ardella Benefield entered the Out of School WIOA program in late October 2021. She started taking adult education classes at North Arkansas College to obtain her GED. The WIOA program helped her find a work experience job at the Berryville Community Center. She did well at the community center while finishing her GED. She continued to gain work experience at Kayla's Dog Grooming, which was closer to her home. Ardella fell in love with her work caring for animals. She reported that she loves her position at Kayla's. On May 7, 2022, she successfully passed all her tests and earned her GED diploma from the college. Directly thereafter, she was offered a full-time position at Kayla's Dog grooming, where she still works today. Ardella says she has no plans to leave the dog grooming business, and wants to do this work for a long time. Ardella is a great example of how WIOA works in our communities.

Adult Success Story—Stephanie Patrick

Stephanie Patrick came into the Arkansas Workforce Center at Harrison and spoke with a Career Advisor, requesting assistance with the LPN training program and was approved for the Adult WIOA program.

She is a single mother of one child. She worked parttime as a CNA until she started training and then had to switch to PRN (when needed) while in LPN training. In 2015, WIOA assisted her in obtaining her CNA and again in 2022 WIOA assisted her in career pathing through the LPN training. Her long-term goal is to get her RN license.

Stephanie completed the LPN training in July of 2022 and is now working at Harrison Family Practice and loving it!



NORTHWEST WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT SUCCESS STORIES 2022



Rebuilding Bridges to a Brighter Future— Shannon Harris

Shannon Harris was working at a high-risk exposure job when the COVID-19 Pandemic hit. He made the decision to start his own company to limit the risk of COVID-exposure to himself and his family. Due to the economic conditions at the time, the ongoing pandemic, and many business closures, his business activity was slow. Unfortunately, the business did not make it, so he was forced to close it.

Shannon was searching diligently for a job that would enable him to continue to support his family but found it exceedingly difficult to find full-time employment

paying enough to cover his expenses. Shannon had often thought about working for the Madison County Road Department since he lives in the area. He contacted them and found out about an opportunity with the National Dislocated Workers Grant Program (NDWG), which was offering dislocated workers employment opportunities to help county road departments clean up and repair things such as rebuilding bridges and roads after damages from severe storms and flooding. Madison County applied for the grant program after the severe storms and flooding from the previous rainy season.

After Shannon heard about the program, he contacted a Career Advisor in the Fayetteville Workforce Center office to find out if he could qualify to go to work. After discussing the program and his employment and career goals, he was enrolled in the NDWG program. He was approved to go to work at the county road department and officially started working on the road crew. Shannon did very well on the bridge crew, he was an adaptive person and always showed up on time, worked hard every day and maintained a cheerful outlook.

In addition to securing full-time employment with the county, one of Shannon's goals was to obtain his CDL, and he was given the opportunity to obtain it while he was working through the NDWG program. He studied and passed the test. Shannon worked in the NDWG program until he was officially hired by Madison County Road Department and added to their payroll.

Shannon says thanks to WIOA, and the National Dislocated Worker Grant Program, he has a steady job as a full-time employee with benefits and is earning a higher income. Shannon now has new skills, an occupational license, and additional job experience that will provide him with employment opportunities in the future.

NORTHWEST WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT SUCCESS STORIES 2022



Dislocated Workers (DLW) Success Story—Reynaldo & Angela Reyes

Reynaldo Reyes was laid off from Ball Metalpack after 20 plus years of employment when the plant in Springdale closed. His wife Angela was laid off from the U.S. Census Bureau. They both participated in the Dislocated Workers program and graduated from the Industrial Maintenance program at the Northwest Technical Institute (NWTI) in June. Reynaldo completed his 120-hour internship with Conagra Foods in Fayetteville and accepted a full-time position as a Powerhouse Ammonia Tech. Angela is currently seeking employment.

Arkansas Workforce Center At Rogers

The Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District (NWAEDD) hosted the morning Coffee Connection in partnership with the Rogers-Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce. Events like this allow the NWAEDD staff to actively stay engaged with communities throughout Northwest Arkansas.



Arkansas Workforce Center at Fayetteville Open House

The partners of the Fayetteville Arkansas Workforce Center and Arkansas Rehabilitation Services had an Open House and Ribbon Cutting at their new location, followed by tours of the offices. A Mobile Workforce Center was also on site for tours throughout the event.



NORTHWEST WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT **SUCCESS STORIES 2022**

Small Business Success Story – Becky Parmelee

Parmelee Homestead Creations is a small family business, based in Bella Vista, that sells jam, jelly, sauce, and salsas. The business is growing rapidly, selling nearly 600 jars per week.

Becky Parmelee has taken advantage of our human resource consultation services and has received assistance with:

- crafting a job description
- developing a confidentiality agreement in alignment with the Arkansas Trade Secret Act that will protect her recipes
- writing a food safety/sanitation policy and company car policy
- onboarding protocol and standard operating procedures
- interview question development and applicant screening
- completing the AWCC application to be recognized as a drug-free workplace
- hiring her first employee

She was featured in the "employer spotlight" at Brightwater, NWACC's culinary school. Her products are now being sold in Akins Natural Foods. When you support a small business, you are supporting a dream. Check out her website below.

Jam, Jelly, Sauce, & Salsa - Parmelee Homestead Creations

Adult Success Story—Brittany Malone

Brittany Malone inquired about the WIOA program after being out of work for a few years. She worked on temporary assignments, but nothing full-time and permanent. After an initial assessment, the Fayetteville Workforce Center staff deemed Brittany eligible for services under the WIOA Adult program. She received her CDL certification at Northwest Technical Institute (NWTI) in Springdale, Arkansas and obtained her CDL.



She now has her own truck and works for Western Express Trucking Company as an over-the-road driver. Brittany stated "That's when my life changed for the best. My career advisor understood my struggle, listened to my story, and did whatever was allowed to help me to get back on my feet. Now, I am working full-time, learning a new trade every day and I can start planning a brighter future for myself and my family."

North Arkansas Transportation Service

2022

664,390

MILES DRIVEN

North Arkansas Transportation Service (NATS) is the regional public transportation service operated under the 5311 program funded by the Federal Transit Administration.

NATS has remained dedicated to its mission to provide safe, reliable and accessible transportation, while maintaining affordability along with continued growth, and a superior standard of courtesy and professionalism towards clients and employees.

Transportation services offered include private pay, Medicaid transportation, Medicare transport, early intervention and adult day treatment, as well as commuter service routes to job sites throughout Baxter, Boone, Fulton, Izard, Marion, Newton, and part of eastern Carroll & Madison County.

NATS is always striving to improve operations to better serve its passengers and the communities that make up the service area. One example of achievement is the new partnership formed with the City of Mountain Home in the fall of 2022.

The City of Mountain Home and NATS entered into a three month trial period that was very successful and later led to a long-term partnership in which NATS provides no cost transportation to individuals within the city limits of Mountain Home. The Mountain Home City Council approved a payment of \$1,250 a month for NATS to offer this service. Passengers must call in advance to schedule a ride and rides are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.

TOTAL FLEET OF VEHICLES



68

NATS has provided a vital service to thousands of Arkansans since beginning operation in 1981.



NATS partnered with the several organizations in 2022 to provide safe and reliable transportation for community events.

Thank you to ASU Mountain Home, North Arkansas College, Harrison Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, and the City of Jasper for their donations.

2022 Impact Snapshot: Number of Trips by Category



It was another great year updating the fleet with 14 new vehicles added.

History of Economic Development

| | Year | | Total | |
|----------------------------|-----------|---|-----------------|----------------|
| Project | Approved | Project Description | Project Cost | Total Grant |
| SAXTER COUNTY | | | | |
| Baxter County | 1967/2018 | Various Projects | \$28,157,595.00 | \$9,029,010.00 |
| City of Briarcliff | 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 |
| Baxter County | 2020 | Baxter Regional Medical Center | 500,000.00 | 500,000.00 |
| Baxter County | 2020 | Denton Ferry Road Bridge | 1,200,000.00 | 900,000.00 |
| Baxter County | 2021 | Community Center Renovation | 30,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
| City of Cotter | 2021 | ARPA Administration | 195,700.00 | 195,700.00 |
| City of Gassville | 2021 | ARPA Administration | 450,000.00 | 450,000.00 |
| City of Mountain Home | 2021 | Park Improvements | 775,195.00 | 225,000.00 |
| Baxter County | 2022 | Veterans Drug Treatment Program | 550,000.00 | 550,000.00 |
| City of Mountain Home | 2022 | Wastewater Expansion - Sharp Annexation | 414,394.00 | 307,000.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund | 1980/2004 | Sixteen (16) Revolving Loans | 990,144.00 | - |
| | | | | |
| ENTON COUNTY | | | | |
| Benton County | 1967/2017 | Various Projects | 55,926,057.00 | 12,966,256.50 |
| 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 |
| Benton County | 2020 | Ozark Community Hospital | 250,000.00 | 250,000.00 |
| Benton County | 2020 | Siloam Springs Regional Hospital | 500,000.00 | 500,000.00 |
| City of Garfield | 2021 | ARPA Administration | 60,000.00 | 60,000.00 |
| City of Gravette | 2021 | Turnout Gear for Fire Department | 30,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
| City of Gentry | 2022 | Drainage Project | 214,150.00 | 214,150.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund | 1980/1992 | Eight (8) Revolving Loans | 5,223,400.00 | - |
| | | | | |
| OONE COUNTY | | | | |
| Boone County | 1967/2018 | Various Projects | 11,635,111.00 | 6,686,252.00 |
| 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 |
| Boone County | 2020 | North Arkansas Regional Medical Center | 500,000.00 | 500,000.00 |
| Boone County | 2021 | Bergman VFD Equipment - Turnout Gear | 25,256.00 | 12,728.00 |
| City of Harrison | 2021 | Street Sweeper | 249,690.00 | 37,000.00 |
| City of Valley Springs | 2021 | ARPA Administration | 34,922.18 | 34,922.18 |
| City of Valley Springs | 2021 | Park Improvements | 182,770.87 | 91,385.43 |
| City of Harrison | 2022 | The Learning Center of North AR Expansion | 1,286,216.89 | 300,000.00 |
| City of Lead Hill | 2022 | Brush Truck for Volunteer Fire Department | 83,500.00 | 75,000.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund | 1979/2010 | Thirty (30) Revolving Loans | 2,911,850.00 | |

Fostering Economic Growth

| Amo | unt of Grant | by Agency | | | | | | |
|----------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | Federal/State | | Local | Est. Jobs Created or |
| EDA | Other | Agency | State | Agency | Loan | Agency | Funds | Saved |
| \$3,185,700.00 | \$30,000.00 | | \$5,813,310.00 | Various | \$4,697,725.00 | Various | 14,430,860.00 | 2,805 |
| \$3,163,700.00 | \$30,000.00 | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | \$4,097,725.00 | various | 15,000.00 | 2,603 |
| - | - | - | 50,000.00 | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 13,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 6,842.50 | ADRS | - | - | 6,842.50 | - |
| - | - | - | 96,500.00 | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 96,500.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 500,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | 90,300.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 900,000.00 | FEMA | - | - | 300,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | | | - | - | | - |
| - | - | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 15,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 195,700.00 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 450,000.00 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 225,000.00 | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 550,195.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 550,000.00 | DOJ | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 307,000.00 | DRA | - | - | 107,394.00 | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | 582,650.00 | NWAEDD | 407,494.00 | 130 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 4 500 544 50 | 0.005.004.00 | | | | 4 7 40 700 00 | | 44.040.000.50 | |
| 1,599,541.50 | 3,035,901.00 | Various | 8,330,814.00 | Various | 1,749,500.00 | Various | 41,210,300.50 | 3,687 |
| - | - | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 18,540.70 | - |
| - | - | - | 8,387.50 | ADRS | - | - | 8,387.50 | - |
| - | - | - | 250,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 500,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 60,000.00 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 15,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 214,150.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | 592,400.00 | NWAEDD | 4,631,000.00 | 189 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 1,431,000.00 | 2,824,349.00 | Various | 2,430,903.00 | Various | 2,340,800.00 | Various | 2,608,059.00 | 1,914 |
| 1,660,000.00 | - | EDA | - | - | - | - | 415,000.00 | 54 |
| - | - | - | 201,220.00 | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 201,220.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 500,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 12,728.00 | ADRS | - | - | 12,528.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 37,000.00 | USDA | - | - | 212,690.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 34,922.18 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 91,385.43 | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 91,385.44 | - |
| - | - | - | 300,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | 986,216.89 | - |
| - | - | - | 75,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 8,500.00 | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | 1,717,325.00 | NWAEDD | 1,194,525.00 | 262 |

History of Economic Development

| Year Project Approved Project Description | Total | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Total | |
| roject Approved Project Description | | |
| | Project Cost | Total Grant |
| ARROLL COUNTY | | |
| Carroll County 1967/2014 Various Projects | \$15,760,902.00 | \$10,221,043.00 |
| 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 |
| City of Oak Grove 2020 Walking Trail/Playground Equipment | 43,281.95 | 15,000.00 |
| Carroll County 2022 Replacing Low Water Slab | 400,000.00 | 300,000.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund 1979/2004 Eight (8) Revolving Loans | 4,537,000.00 | 158,000.00 |
| | | |
| ADISON COUNTY | | |
| Madison County 1967/2014 Various Projects | 12,489,155.00 | 4,846,961.00 |
| City of St. Paul 2019 Community Center Improvements | 93,960.00 | 75,000.00 |
| City of Hindsville 2020 Walking Trail | 20,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| City of Hindsville 2020 Fire Equipment for Hindsville VFD | 75,765.70 | 68,877.00 |
| City of St. Paul 2021 ARPA Administration | 23,000.00 | 23,000.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund 1987/2009 Two (2) Revolving Loan | 307,000.00 | - |
| | | |
| ARION COUNTY | | |
| Marion County 1967/2014 Various Projects | 33,681,366.00 | 14,164,115.50 |
| City of Yellville 2019 Tractor with Bushhog | 30,330.00 | 16,000.00 |
| City of Yellville 2019 Fence for Splash Pad | 10,500.00 | 5,250.00 |
| City of Flippin 2021 ARPA Administration | 136,947.34 | 136,947.34 |
| City of Yellville 2021 Wastewater Rehabilitation | 227,590.00 | 227,590.00 |
| Marion County 2021 Vexus Boats ED Project | 3,410,800.00 | 200,000.00 |
| City of Summit 2022 Booster Pump Station/Water Improvements | 494,831.00 | 300,000.00 |
| City of Yellville 2022 ARPA Administration | 238,876.00 | 238,876.00 |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund 1982/2016 Nine (9) Revolving Loans | 852,000.00 | - |
| | | |
| EWTON 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 |
| Newton County 2020 Old Newton County Jail Roof | 26,667.00 | 26,667.00 |
| City of Jasper 2022 Water System Improvements | 306,960.00 | 300,000.00 |
| City of Jasper 2022 Officer Safety Equipment | 18,000.00 | 18,000.00 |
| | 62,673.51 | 62,673.51 |
| Newton County 2022 Tasers | | |

Fostering Economic Growth

| Amou | ınt of Grant b | y Agency | / | | _ | | | |
|----------------|----------------|----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| | | | | | | | | Est. Jobs |
| | | | | | Federal/State | | Local | Created or |
| EDA | Other | Agency | State | Agency | Loan | Agency | Funds | Saved |
| | | | | | | | | |
| \$1,433,800.00 | \$2,406,900.00 | Various | \$6,380,343.00 | Various | \$3,889,500.00 | Various | \$1,650,359.00 | 2,438 |
| - | - | - | 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 | - |
| - | - | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 28,281.95 | - |
| - | - | - | 300,000.00 | ADEM | - | - | 100,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 158,000.00 | AHPP/AIDC | 364,500.00 | NWAEDD | 4,014,500.00 | 121 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 255,500.00 | 85,300.00 | Various | 4,506,161.00 | Various | 1,161,866.00 | Various | 6,480,328.00 | 1,377 |
| - | - | | - 75,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 18,960.00 | - |
| - | - | | - 10,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 10,000.00 | - |
| - | - | | - 68,877.00 | ADRS | - | - | 6,888.70 | - |
| - | - | - | 23,000.00 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | 140,000.00 | NWAEDD | 167,000.00 | 8 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 2,936,683.00 | 3,180,076.00 | Various | 8,047,356.50 | Various | 2,087,800.00 | Various | 17,429,450.50 | 1,578 |
| 2,900,000.00 | 3,100,070.00 | various | - 16,000.00 | USDA | 2,007,000.00 | vanous - | 14,330.00 | - |
| | | | - 5,250.00 | ADRS | | _ | 5,250.00 | _ |
| - | - | | 136,947.34 | ARPA | - | - | 3,230.00 | - |
| | | | 227,590.00 | AEDC | | _ | | - |
| _ | _ | _ | 200,000.00 | AEDC | _ | - | 3,210,800.00 | 50 |
| - | 194,831.00 | DRA | 300,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | 3,210,000.00 | - |
| - | 194,031.00 | DIVA | 238,876.00 | ARPA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 230,070.00 | - | 382,500.00 | NWAEDD - | 469,500.00 | 40 |
| - | - | - | - | - | 362,300.00 | NWALDD | 409,300.00 | 40 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 503,000.00 | 1,168,370.00 | Various | 6,934,711.00 | Various | 3,369,423.00 | Various | 198,113.00 | 100 |
| 303,000.00 | -, 100,070.00 | - | 75,000.00 | ADRS | - | vanous - | 7,500.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 15,000.00 | ADRS | - | _ | 24,800.00 | - |
| - | - | _ | 26,667.00 | AHPP | - | _ | 2-7,000.00 | - |
| - | - | _ | 300,000.00 | AEDC | - | _ | 6,960.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 18,000.00 | DPS | - | _ | 0,300.00 | - |
| - | - | _ | 62,673.51 | DPS | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 02,073.31 | | - 47 244 00 | - NWAEDD | 19,145.00 | 5 |
| - | - | - | - | - | 41,344.00 | INVVEDD | 19, 145.00 | 5 |

History of Economic Development

| | Year | | Total | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Project | Approved | Project Description | Project Cost | Total Grant | |
| SEARCY COUNTY | | | | | |
| Searcy County | 1967/2016 | Various Projects | \$23,820,472.64 | \$17,828,297.97 | |
| City of Leslie | 2019 | Sidewalks/Drainage | 147,500.00 | 147,500.00 | |
| City of Marshall | 2019 | Wastewater Extension | 231,770.00 | 231,770.00 | |
| City of Gilbert | 2020 | Fire Station Renovation | 18,000.00 | 9,000.00 | |
| City of Marshall | 2020 | Police/Fire Equipment | 50,000.00 | 50,000.00 | |
| City of Pindall | 2021 | Fire Truck and ATV | 68,442.21 | 61,598.26 | |
| City of Leslie | 2022 | Drainage Project | 300,000.00 | 300,000.00 | |
| City of Marshall | 2022 | Culvert/Ditch Rehab | 17,830.00 | 13,372.50 | |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund | 1979/2014 | Eight (8) Revolving Loans | 373,500.00 | - | |
| | | | | | |
| VASHINGTON COUNTY | | | | | |
| Washington County | 1967/2014 | Various Projects | 50,694,833.66 | 32,699,647.24 | |
| 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 | |
| City of Elkins | 2020 | Pavilion at City Park | 87,358.00 | 15,000.00 | |
| City of Springdale | 2020 | Kendrick Avenue | 17,131,789.00 | 1,500,000.00 | |
| City of Goshen | 2021 | FUN Park Grant | 75,000.00 | 75,000.00 | |
| City of Johnson | 2021 | Park Improvements | 1,467,163.97 | 225,000.00 | |
| City of Lincoln | 2021 | Wastewater Rehabilitation | 361,785.00 | 307,285.00 | |
| City of Winslow | 2021 | Community Center Renovation | 65,140.00 | 58,626.00 | |
| Washington County | 2021 | Hazard Mitigation Plan | 50,000.00 | 37,500.00 | |
| City of Farmington | 2022 | Senior Center Improvements | 200,000.00 | 200,000.00 | |
| City of Prairie Grove | 2022 | Senior Center Improvements | 200,000.00 | 200,000.00 | |
| City of Springdale | 2022 | Dixieland Road Extension | 6,982,000.00 | 2,000,000.00 | |
| NWAEDD Revolving Loan Fund | 1980/2011 | Twenty (20) Revolving Loans | 2,500,632.00 | - | |
| | | | | | |
| AREAWIDE | | | | | |
| Areawide | 1967/2013 | Various Projects | 14,970,643.00 | 3,868,693.00 | |
| NWAEDD | 1967/2022 | Annual Planning Grant | 5,642,626.00 | 4,255,633.00 | |
| NWAEDD | 2020 | Retail Academy | 70,000.00 | 70,000.00 | |
| North Arkansas College | 2022 | Center for Robotics | 7,408,940.00 | 2,000,000.00 | |
| rotal . | | | \$336,422,095.62 | \$144,252,841.43 | |
| | | | \$550, 1 22,555.02 | ψ111,202,0±1. 4 0 | |

Fostering Economic Growth

| Amo | unt of Grant k | oy Agency | | | – Federal/State | | Local | Est. Jobs Created or |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|---------|------------------|----------------------------|
| EDA | Other | Agency | State | Agency | Loan | Agency | Funds | Saved |
| | | | | | | | | |
| \$415,072.00 | \$5,655,071.35 | Various | \$11,758,154.62 | Various | \$4,230,480.00 | Various | \$1,761,694.67 | 366 |
| - | - | - | 147,500.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 231,770.00 | FEMA | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 9,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | 9,000.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 50,000.00 | CAG | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 61,598.26 | ADRS | - | - | 6,843.95 | - |
| - | - | - | 300,000.00 | ADRS | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 13,372.50 | ADEM | - | - | 4,457.50 | - |
| - | - | - | - | - | 204,000.00 | NWAEDD | 169,500.00 | 71 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 2,414,000.00 | 10,355,122.24 | Various | 19,930,525.00 | Various | 14,453,786.00 | Various | 3,541,400.42 | 3,091 |
| _ | _ | _ | 10,994.50 | ADRS | _ | - | 10,994.50 | |
| _ | _ | _ | 75,000.00 | ADRS | _ | _ | 15,000.00 | _ |
| _ | _ | _ | 15,000.00 | ADRS | _ | _ | 72,358.00 | |
| 1,500,000.00 | | _ | - | - | | | 15,631,789.00 | |
| 1,000,000.00 | | _ | 75,000.00 | Parks/Tourism | _ | | 10,001,700.00 | |
| - | - | - | | Parks/Tourism | - | - | 1 242 162 07 | • |
| - | - | - | 225,000.00 | | - | - | 1,242,163.97 | - |
| - | - | - | 307,285.00 | AEDC | - | - | 54,500.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 58,626.00 | ADRS | - | - | 6,514.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 37,500.00 | FEMA | - | - | 12,500.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 200,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| - | - | - | 200,000.00 | AEDC | - | - | - | - |
| 2,000,000.00 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4,982,000.00 | 1,000 |
| - | - | - | - | - | 1,285,832.00 | NWAEDD | 1,214,800.00 | 266 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 165,194.00 | 1,816,284.00 | - | 1,887,215.00 | Various | 11,085,616.00 | Various | 16,334.00 | 3,103 |
| 3,193,153.00 | - | - | 1,062,510.00 | DFA | - | - | 1,386,963.00 | - |
| - | - | - | 70,000.00 | USDA | - | - | - | - |
| 2,000,000.00 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5,408,940.00 | - |
| \$26 192 643 50 | \$30,372,204.59 | | \$87,502,854.34 | | \$54,383,047.00 | | \$137,591,346.19 | 22,975 |



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Federal & State

- Arkansas Association of Development Organizations (AADO)
- Arkansas Department of Parks & Tourism
- Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT)
- Arkansas Division of Workforce Services (ADWS)
- Arkansas Economic Developers & Chamber Executives (AEDCE)
- Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC)
- Arkansas Economic Development Institute (AEDI)
- Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP)
- Arkansas Municipal League
- Association of Arkansas Counties (AAC)
- Delta Regional Authority (DRA)
- Economic Development Administration (EDA)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA)
- National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)
- Northwest Arkansas Council
- Southeast Region Executive Directors Institute (SERDI)
- Southwest Region Executive Directors Association (SWREDA)
- USDA Rural Development