

City Administrator Report to Mayor & City Council

August 8, 2014, Edition No. 139

WEEKLY UPDATE:

1. MPW: Please be informed that Muscatine Power & Water intends to initiate the Fall Hydrant Flushing Program on September 22nd thru October 10th.
2. Dredging: Harbor dredging will begin with set up today and dredging next week along the harbor and riverfront.
3. CSO: We are expecting a significant change order on the CSO project related to two items - the type of pipe used in the area (ravine) between Locust and 8th Street (ductile instead of composite pipe was needed to allow for this ravine to be used in the future for the deposit of material (versus hauling offsite at a higher cost) and per the contract, the hauling was a price TBD through change order once a site was determined. DPW is working with the contractor, inspectors, and will be preparing a report. More details to follow.
4. MCSA: Attached please find the summer 2014 newsletter for MCSA.
5. Bi-State: Attached please find a copy of the *Commission in Review* for July 2014. The Commission in Review is intended to assist the over 400 elected officials from our member governments in being better informed of their Commission's activities. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the content or format of this report, please do not hesitate to contact Sarah Grabowski, Bi-State Regional Commission, Phone: (309) 793-6302, Ext. 136
6. Public Works: Projects identified as priorities for August 2014:
 1. Sign Reflectivity Study
 - a. Working in Zone 3
 - b. Future In-Depth Meeting
 - c. Take to Traffic Committee
 2. Flusher Truck
 - a. Will use when hydrants are not available
 - b. Some CBD uses
 3. Firing Range - 100 Yard Slab (Priority)
 - a. Coordinate with Lt. Jirak - August 11th - 15th
 - b. Complete by end of august
 4. Cleveland Street Blowup
 - a. Estimated Cost = \$56,100
 - b. Need additional quotes
 5. #2 Fire Station Crack Sealing
 - a. To be completed by the end of August

6. Sidewalks
 - a. August Specifications and Plans
 - b. September Bid Letting
 - c. Wellmark Grant notification in mid-August
 - d. Project List:
 - i. CBD
 - ii. Walking School Bus
 - (a) Need to coordinate Weed Park Sidewalk
 - iii. North End of Riverfront
 - iv. WPCP work (lab)
7. 2014 Street Reconstruction Projects (priority)
 - a. Asphalt Overlay - council action 8/7/14 meeting
 - b. Full Depth Patch - Forest Parkway
 - i. Jon Lutz - Specifications after August 15th
 - ii. September Bid Letting
8. 2014 Alley Reconstruction Project (priority)
 - a. Seal Coating (\$25K) List:
 - i. Monroe/Jackson-Lincoln/Grand
 - ii. Monroe/Jackson-Grand/Park
 - iii. Division/League-Oneida/Breese
 - iv. Lake Park/McArthur-2nd Ave./Lincoln
 - v. 1st Ave./Howard-Monroe/Adam St.
 - b. Quotes needed
 - c. Rock Alley to Millings Surface
 - i. Palm St./River Road
 - ii. 5th/6th-Cypress/Poplar
 - iii. 6th/7th-Cypress/Poplar
 - d. Work done In-House
9. Fall Work
 - a. River Road Ditch Work
 - b. Repair Lower Lot Entrance
 - c. Warren Street Crossing Repair
10. Salt Arrival

Muscatine Center for Social Action



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SUMMER 2014

“MCSA provides emergency and temporary shelter, basic health care, educational and vocational support services for those in need in Muscatine County.”



Since March, we have been giving tours of MCSA’s facilities, sending letters and

emails, making telephone calls and presentations.

The goal was simple: Ask Muscatine-area businesses, churches and other groups to donate enough money to operate MCSA in August, which meant raising \$1,500 for each of the month’s 31 days, or \$46,500.

As of Aug. 1, as we rolled out to the entire community this second annual fundraiser, which we call Adopt-A-Day at MCSA, a total of 50 businesses, churches, other organizations and some individuals had helped us raise a little more than \$50,000. Their individual gifts ranged from \$100 to \$3,500.

“We are so fortunate to have such great support from our community again this year,” said Maggie Curry, MCSA executive director. She pointed out that 16 new donors – including eight churches – participated in the campaign for the first time this year and three others made increased contributions over their gifts from last year.

As the month progresses, we will recognize our sponsors each day on the Muscatine Center for Social Action Facebook page and in the @mcsaiowa Twitter feed. Also, we will recognize our partners in this fundraiser with a sign that we will keep outside and change daily in August at the main entrance to MCSA at 312 Iowa Ave.

According to our mission statement, “MCSA provides emergency and temporary shelter, basic health care, educational and support services for those in need in Muscatine County.”

The money raised through this fundraiser is an important component in helping MCSA help those who need help the most. Please “like” our Facebook page, follow it in August to see who are our partners are each day and share these postings to help us spread the good news about the many partners who are helping MCSA achieve its goals.

Board Members

Charla Schafer
Cory Garvin
Jeff Frye
Jeff Jarrett
Jerry Riibe
Pam Collins
Pastor Bruce Ursin
Paula Durham
Randy Beimer
Tanya Howard
Thresa VanWey
Travis Sheets
Vivian Jardim
Wayne Shoultz
Vince Motto

Executive Director
Maggie Curry

Deputy Director
Chris Steinbach



Adopt-A-Day 2014



Ss. Mary / Mathias Catholic Church was one of eight churches that partnered this year with MCSA in the Adopt-A-Day MCSA fundraiser.

MCSA Board of Directors

Front row: (L-R) Randy Beimer, Travis Sheets, Paula Durham

Back row: (L-R) Jerry Riibe, Jeff Jarrett, Vivian Jardim, Sgt. Vince Motto, Thresa VanWey, Charla Schafer, Wayne Shoultz, Cory Garvin



Absent: Pam Collins, Rev. Bruce Ursin, Jeff Frye, Tanya Howard

Team MCSA—RAGBRAI XLII



The members of Team MCSA posed for a group photo before leaving from Rock Valley, Iowa, for the first day of RAGBRAI on July 20.



Students, from the left, Collin Campbell, Justin Dwyer, Ishaaq Rangel and Dereck Elliott were among the 22 riders who joined Team MCSA in July on RAGBRAI XLII, which went from Rock Valley to Guttenberg, Iowa.



Macy Morrow and Caleb Hoffman – who are a junior and senior, respectively, at Muscatine High School – panhandled at a different spot on the RAGBRAI route each day in an attempt to raise money for MCSA, raising \$805 over the course of five of the ride's seven days.

There was an air of newness to the 12th annual New Beginnings fundraiser that was held May 17, at Geneva Golf and Country Club. While the annual event itself is far from new, it was held for the first time as a fundraiser for MCSA, which assumed leadership in February of what is now known as the MCSA Domestic Violence Shelter. Previously, the shelter had been a program of Family Resources, a nonprofit organization that has its headquarters in the Quad Cities.

The change in leadership happened after officials for Family Resources said last year they would have to close Muscatine shelter because of changes in state funding. The community responded by forming the Save Our Shelter committee, which was given the goal of raising enough money to keep the DV Shelter open in Muscatine for at least two more years. That committee also helped in transferring the DV Shelter from the leadership of Family Resources to MCSA.

In the meantime, the group of volunteers that has planned the New Beginnings fundraiser for many years moved ahead with plans for this year's event. It was a smaller group than it has been in the past. And its members had a much shorter timeframe in which to work.

But the fundraiser – including dinner, a silent and a live auction, a 50/50 raffle, door prizes and some local guest speakers – was held. All money raised will be used to help the victims of domestic violence in Muscatine. The New Beginnings program helps women and children leaving the shelter to pay their rent deposits and utility bills and to buy furniture and other items they will need to start their lives over.

New Beginnings Fundraiser



"Most of the women and children that come to the shelter have very little that they come to the shelter with," said Rachel Riley-Smock, program supervisor for the MCSA Domestic Violence Shelter.





MCSA Shelter Statistics

April 1 - June 30, 2014

MCSA

- The MCSA family shelter housed 31 individuals. Of that number 6 were single ladies, 9 were women in families and 16 were children.
- The MCSA overnight emergency shelter housed 45 men.
- The MCSA men's dorm rented to 30 different men.
- The Gateway/Pathway project housed 3 single adults, 5 adults with families, and 4 children.
- Veterans housed totaled 7.
- Permanent housing was secured by individuals; mental health counseling pursued by some; and temp and permanent jobs were obtained by 5 residents.
- Classes on basic health and parenting at the Y continue.

MCSA Domestic Violence Shelter

- Clients served: 13 women, 11 children. There were 155 crisis calls.
- There was a total of 594 shelter nights.
- Service to these clients included: group counseling and support, follow-up, financial assistance, victim advocacy, registration, and compensation.

MCSA Homeless Prevention

- Clients served during this period: 31 households, 43 adults, 52 children
- Barb Fick worked with MCSA Vision Care Clinic, MCSA Domestic Violence Shelter, Community Action, Salvation Army, Robert Young Mental Health, Muscatine Parks and Recreation, YMCA, MCC, and Muscatine Municipal Housing.
- A client and Barb assisted with packaging 3,000 macaroni and cheese dinner packets to be distributed throughout the community.

University of Iowa Pediatric Dental Clinic

- 401 visits were made to the U of I Pediatric Dental Clinic by 324 unique patients.

MCSA Vision Care Clinic

- A total of 7 adults were seen this quarter in the MCSA Vision Care Clinic.
- Three people received their first pair of glasses, and 4 received their second pair.
- DHS referred 5 individuals, Community Action - 1, and Muscatine County Community Services - 1.

*Access for the physically handicapped
is available through both
the Iowa Avenue and 4th Street entrances.*

MCSA is here for those who are left out in the cold - figuratively and literally. We are here to offer help, hope, and a resting place to regroup.

Activities Around MCSA



Friends of MCSA, Emma and Abigail Yerington, received the 2014 Youth Initiative Awards for their efforts in founding the Coins for Christmas charity. The sisters started the project at their school 3 years ago and have since raised over \$7,000 for MCSA.



The slogan says it all:

Eat wings. Raise funds. It pays.

According to the company, which opened a restaurant in Muscatine in November, Buffalo Wild Wings “strives to be a proud supporter of our community and the people and organizations within it.”

At Buffalo Wild Wings, employees and customers believe “every day is game day.” And the company says it has created a way “to help turn our Game Day experience into revenue for (MCSA’s) fundraising needs.”

For all of August, all anyone who wants to support MCSA has to do is:

- Go to Buffalo Wild Wings
- Tell your waiter or waitress you’re with the B Team
- Order your meal and enjoy yourself knowing that 10% of your check will go to MCSA.

We ask you to, please, do this as often as possible in August. The more you go, the more you will be helping MCSA. And please ask all of your friends to do the same thing.



Chris Boar, left, and Shawn Schrader, right, both from the Monsanto plant in Muscatine, present a check for \$12,808 in July to MCSA Deputy Director Chris Steinbach on behalf of the Monsanto Fund. MCSA requested \$12,808 from the St. Louis- based fund earlier this year order to buy 30 new refrigerators. Because of sales and discounts, MCSA was able to use the grant to buy 33 refrigerators for its men's dorms.

Social Action Radio

MCSA will take to the airwaves on August 21 to launch a twice-monthly radio program that will be broadcast from 8:30 to 9 a.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month on KWPC radio in Muscatine. The program, tentatively titled, “Social Action Radio,” will be co-hosted by MCSA Executive Director Maggie Curry and Deputy Director Chris Steinbach.

For each show, they will discuss the events and activities going on at MCSA, while also taking calls from listeners and featuring the people who live at MCSA, the staff who works at Muscatine County’s only homeless shelter and the volunteers who serve on its Board of Directors or help in hundreds of other ways.

Please listen to this new program at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 21, on AM-860 in Muscatine.



Current Needs

Due to health concerns, MCSA no longer accepts mattresses and box springs.

- Garbage bags of all sizes
- Laundry detergent
- Postage stamps
- All occasion and blank cards
- Styrofoam bowls
- Plastic forks and spoons
- Paper plates
- Paper towels
- XL white socks for men and women
- Gently-used towels
- Gently-used bedspreads (no queen or king)
- Disinfectant sprays and wipes
- Meal-in-a-Can

MCSA can no longer accept any tv's.



Commission in Review

July 2014

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

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING:

Wed., Aug. 27, 2014
3:30 p.m.

LOCATION CHANGE

LeClaire City Hall
325 Wisconsin Street
LeClaire, Iowa

CENTENNIAL BRIDGE CLOSURES

The Centennial Bridge will be closed to traffic beginning August 3 and continuing until September 6.

Please plan your river crossing trips accordingly using the Government, I-74, I-80, and I-280 Bridges.

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Let us know at info@bistateonline.org

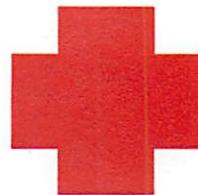
Mission Statement:

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

American Red Cross "Ready when the time comes"

American Red Cross representative, Betsy Pratt, provided a summary of the flood relief efforts occurring within the region since the first flooding event beginning June 30, 2014.

The Red Cross identifies its key disaster efforts as: Prepare. Respond. Recover. On the preparation side, media releases and communications technology assist in providing tools when a disaster strikes.



Regionally, Red Cross responded with its partners by distributing 800 relief items, deploying 80 volunteers, assisting 300 people, housing 17 people over night, and serving more than 530 meals.

In large part, relief was in the Quad Cities Area. The biggest Red Cross response area this summer was in the Watertown Area in East Moline due to flash flooding.

The Red Cross Midwest River Region encompasses 28 counties along the Mississippi River with 1.5 million people. In addition to relief supplies, food, and shelter, Red Cross also assists with emotional support and health services, such as providing eye glasses, access to prescriptions, and other items damaged by flooding or other disasters. Partnerships were noted as a key aspect of response and recovery through work with other non-profits, local government, and private businesses.

Following the presentation, Commissioners asked questions on prior flooding relief efforts and flood insurance. It was noted that 40% of the disaster victims do have some form of insurance of those served, but the figure was not specific for flood insurance.

Bridge Restrictions Update

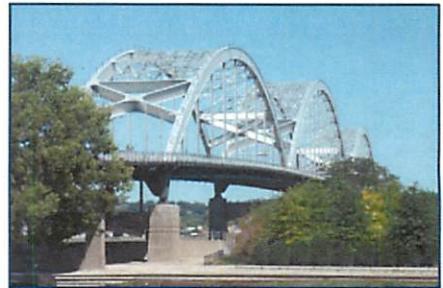
Commissioners received an update on the status of Quad Cities bridge restrictions for the current construction season. A report for the Mississippi and Rock River bridges was provided. The largest bridge construction concern is on the Centennial Bridge.

Two public open house meetings were held on June 11th, hosted by the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Centennial Bridge construction. To address concerns on both sides of the river, meetings were held at the Rock Island County Building and the Scott County Administration Building.

See Bridge, Page 2

Bridge, from Page 1

To date, Centennial Bridge closure began August 3 and runs through September 6. Prior and post closure, one lane restrictions off peak hour are possible through October 2014. Work on Fort Armstrong Avenue is expected to start after the Centennial Bridge closure. This project will affect cross river travel. Staff has been working with CitiBus and River Bend Transit and the Arsenal representatives to determine whether early notification of the Government Bridge swing span openings can be conveyed to the transit operators. Radio and internet options were made available.



During the Centennial Bridge closure, area residents are encouraged to:

- Postpone meetings around the closure period or using teleconferences or webinars to reduce trips to meeting locations, or use internet 511ia.org to check traffic
- Hold meetings at the north and south ends of the Quad Cities, taking I-280 and I-80
- Give extra time to get to work, meetings and other events/activities
- Travel off peak hour times by avoiding 6:30 - 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 - 5:30 p.m.
- Allow more flexible schedules during the closure period for employees
- Check daycare/childcare options for extended hours if parents/family runs behind due to bridge travel
- Consider walking or bicycling. Park nearby and take the last leg of your trip by walking or bicycling via the Government Bridge or Centennial Bridge (anticipating access by pedestrians and bicyclists).

Location Change for August BSRC Meeting

Please note that on August 27, the Bi-State Regional Commission monthly meeting will be held at the LeClaire City Hall, 325 Wisconsin Street, due to the closure of the Centennial Bridge. The meeting will be held at the regular time of 3:30 p.m. Please plan your cross-river travels using the Government, I-74, I-80, and I-280 from August 3 to September 6.



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BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION
FY 2013-14 Program Budget Status Report
Through Month of June – 100% of Year

ADOPTED BUDGET:	\$2,143,511.00	EXPLANATION:
EXPENDED THROUGH JUNE:	\$2,033,023.63 (94.8%)	
STAFF LEVEL BUDGETED:	25.25 F.T.E.	
STAFF LEVEL STAFF LEVEL MAINTAINED:	22.75 F.T.E.	

MEMBER GOVERNMENTS SERVED DIRECTLY AND ACTIVITIES DURING JUNE

ALDO – Website Support; RLF Coord.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Plng; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Economic Development Plan and Fact Sheet Development Proposal.

ALPHA – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Ent. Zone.

ANDALUSIA – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; Website Support; Grant Assistance.

ANDOVER – HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Ent. Zone.; OSLAD Grant Asst.

ATKINSON – HCEDP Participation; Website Support; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Ent. Zone.

BETTENDORF – Joint Purchasing; Scott Co. Housing Council; IAQC Transit Planner Coord. & Transit Support; Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; I-74 Bridge Coord.; Drug/Alcohol Testing Consort.; RLF Loan Admin./Marketing; Trail Coord.; Air Quality Asst.; QCICNet; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; RISE Application follow-up.

BLUE GRASS – Reg. 9 Transportation Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

BUFFALO – Trail Planning Asst.; Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Brochure Inquiry.

CAMBRIDGE – HCEDP Participation; Website Support; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Ent. Zone.

CARBON CLIFF – RICWMA Staffing; Joint Purchasing; Trail Planning; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; OSLAD Grant Asst.

COAL VALLEY – Joint Purchasing; RICWMA Staffing; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Floodplain.

COLONA – Joint Purchasing; OSLAD Grant Inquiry; Floodplain; Ent. Zone.

CORDOVA – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council & Riverfront Planning; Website Support.

DAVENPORT – Joint Purchasing; Riverfront Council; RiverVision; Scott Co. Housing Council; Solid Waste Coord.; RLF Loan Admin.; Transit Funding & NTD Asst.; IAQC Transit Planner Coord.; QCICNet; Air Quality Asst.; Davenport Schools Haz. Mit. Plan; IMCP/EDA Grant with QC Chamber; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Trail counting.

EAST MOLINE – IL QC Intergov. Comm.; E9-1-1 Coord.; Joint Purch.; RICWMA Staffing; RMS Coord.; Riverfront Cncl.; Interoperability Proj.; RLF Admin.; MUNICES; Air Quality Asst.; Trail Plng; Consol. Disp. Study Asst.; QCICNet; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

ELDRIDGE – Solid Waste Coord.; Drug & Alcohol Consort.; Website Support; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

GALVA – Broadband Coord.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; HCEDP Participation.

GENESEO – HCEDP Participation; Website Support; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning.

HAMPTON – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; Website Support.

HENRY COUNTY – Joint Purch.; HCEDP Participation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Plan; Trail Coord.; Legislative Priorities Asst.; Comprehensive Plan; EDA/USDA Grant; Evacuation Plan; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Floodplain Coord. Efforts; Ent. Zone.

HILSDALE – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Floodplain.

KEWANEE – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning.

LECLAIRE – Joint Purchasing; Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; Trail Planning; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

LONG GROVE – Reg. 9 Trans. Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

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

MILAN – Joint Purchasing; RICWMA Staffing; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; E9-1-1 Coord.; RMS Coord.; RLF Admin.; Interoperability Project; MUNICES Coord.; Cons. Dispatch Study Asst.; QCICNet; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

MOLINE – MUNICES Coord.; IL QC Intergv. Comm.; E9-1-1 Coord.; Joint Purch.; I-74 Bridge Coord.; RICWMA Staff.; RMS Coord.; Riverfront Cncl.; RLF Adm.; Trails Coord.; Interop. Proj.; Rail Coord.; Air Qual. Asst.; Park/Rec Plan; Cons. Disp. Study Asst.; QCICNet; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

MUSCATINE CITY – Trail Planning and Trail Counting; Reg. 9 Transportation Coord. and Transit Summit; Solid Waste Coord.; Joint Purchasing; Air Quality Asst.; RLF Coord.; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Fact Sheet Update; Sidewalk Policy.

MUSCATINE COUNTY – Trails Planning; Website Support; Reg. 9 Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Joint Purch.; Transit Mobility Coord.; Hazard Mitigation Plan; Air Quality Asst.; EDA RLF Coord.; Comprehensive Plan; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.

NEW BOSTON – Website Support; OSLAD Grant Application, City Map Update.

OAK GROVE – E9-1-1 Coord.

ORION – HCEDP Participation; Website Support; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Ent. Zone.

PORT BYRON – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council; Zoning Ordinance Update Request.

PRINCETON – Riverfront Council; Solid Waste Coord.; Trail Planning; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Zoning Map Update.

RAPIDS CITY – RICWMA Staffing; Riverfront Council.

RIVERDALE – Riverfront Council; Trail Coord. and TAP Funds; TEAP Study Follow-up; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support.

ROCK ISLAND CITY – IL QC Intgy. Comm.; E9-1-1 Coord.; Joint Purch.; Riverfront Cncl.; RiverVision; RICWMA Stfg.; MUNICES Coord.; RMS Coord.; RLF Loan Adm.; Interop. Proj.; Air Quality Asst.; Consol. Dispatch Study App.; QCICNet; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Trail Counting; Ent. Zone.

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY – E9-1-1 Coord.; LEPC Committee; IL QC Intergov. Comm.; RICWMA Stfg & Website Support; Joint Purchasing; Trail Coord.; RMS Coord.; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Passenger Rail; Floodplain Coord. Efforts; Air Quality Asst.; QCIC NET; Evacuation Plan; Hazard Mitigation Plng. Coord.; QC Health Initiative; Highway Safety Plng.

SCOTT COUNTY – Financial Management – Scott Co. KIDS; Scott Co. Hsg. Cncl.; Joint Purchasing; I-74 Bridge Coord.; Trail Plng.; RLF Admin.; Reg. 9 Transportation; Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; Interop. Project; Air Quality Coord.; Solid Waste Coord.; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; QC Health Initiative; QCIC NET.

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

SILVIS – E9-1-1 Coord.; Joint Purchasing; IL Intergov. Comm. Coord.; RICWMA Stfg.; RMS Coord.; Trail Planning; QCIC NET; Aerial Photo Coord. Asst.; Utilities GIS/Mapping.

VIOLA – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; CDAP Grant Asst.

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

WEST LIBERTY – Reg. 9 Transp.; Solid Waste Coord.; Website Support; Muscatine Co. Haz Mit Plan; Air Quality Coord.; Fact Sheet Update; MMRLF Business Application Review.; Annexation Info.

WILTON – Reg. 9 Transportation; Solid Waste Coord.; Muscatine Co. Haz Mit Plan; Air Quality Coord.; Fact Sheet Development Proposal; MMRLF Marketing Asst.

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

WOODHULL – Transit Mobility/HSTP Planning; HECDP Asst.; Ent. Zone.

Bi-State Report – June

COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Attended Henry County Economic Development Partnership (HCEDP) meetings. Continued administration of Economic Development Administration/United States Department of Agriculture Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Grant Program on behalf of multiple member governments in Henry, Mercer, and Rock Island Counties. Attended IA RELAT meetings. Attended Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Training in Ames. Attended Iowa Regional Council, Illinois Regional Council, and Northwest Municipal Association meetings. Assisted members with legislative priorities. Participated in steering committee and task force meetings for the Regional Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership Program in partnership with the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce. Finalized the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2014 Progress Report*. Met with Mercer and Muscatine Counties economic development officials to discuss development efforts and strategies. Held APA audio-conference on planning issues for planning and zoning officials.

DATA/GRAFICS/MAPPING/ON-LINE SERVICES:

Data Center: Staff responded to approximately 6 data and map requests in June 2014 including 2 from businesses, 2 from local governments, and 2 from non-profits. The data section of the Bi-State website had 41 page views. The data warehouse site (www.greaterqcregion.org) had 259 visits and 412 page views. Staff continued work on the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2014 Progress Report* for the region and the *2045 Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan*.

Graphics/GIS/Mapping: 2014 Aerial Photo Flyover Coordination; *2045 Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan* Coordination; Certified Sites Mapping assistance to QC Chamber; Graphics and Mapping for the *Bi-State Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2014 Progress Report*; Update of QC Street Map (Folded & Wall Versions); IL Counties Evacuation Plan Mapping; Region 9 and Urban Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Mapping; Urban Travel Model Data and GIS Assistance; 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 June 2014 was 2,938, and top pages viewed included: Home Page (950); Site Search (155); Our Staff (139); Centennial Bridge Closures (79); Documents (77); Who We Are (62); Careers (60); Quad Cities Metro LRTP (Long Range Transportation Plan) (54); All Maps (53); Contact Us (51).

ENVIRONMENTAL, RECREATION, RIVERFRONT SERVICES: Responded to inquiries & assisted with trail/recreation project funding assistance/grants. Served RICWMA with coordination of meetings, oversight and management of waste disposal and recycling programs, reporting, and overall agency administration. Responded to Rock Island County Waste Management Agency telephone inquiries from general public & media concerning solid waste and recycling issues. Attended River Action meetings. Continued coordination of issues related to Bi-State Region Clean Air Partnership and strategies for emission reduction. Completed "Make Air Quality Visible" strategic plan update process and developed promotional materials. Continued multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation planning. Organized 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: Ice Melt, Fall Printer Supplies; Calendars; and Fall Copier/Plotter Paper. Staffed Quad Cities Area intergovernmental forums and meetings of area recreation directors, managers and administrators, and chief elected officials. Continued coordination and planning for the awarded Department of Justice interoperability grant. Assisted with Rock Island Arsenal issues.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF): Administered Bi-State RLF Program: Prepared meeting cancellation notice and financial summary report. Provided information to potential applicants. Continued receiving job creation information from active companies. Administered Mercer/Muscatine RLF Program (MMRLF): Provided information to potential applicants. Continued work with West Liberty business applicant and city for matching. Received approval to extend MMRLF EDA award to March 8, 2015.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT: Attended related meetings, presented information, and continued staff coordination of river crossing issues. Provided information on Mississippi/Rock Rivers bridge restrictions and attended Centennial Bridge construction open houses. Continued travel model enhancements project with consultant team. Worked on urban *2045 Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan* travel model development, employment projections, and captured results of public involvement online engagement tool, MindMixer. Served traffic analysis and trail counting requests. Coordinated MPO TAP Funds solicitation process. Continued IL Region evacuation planning effort. 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 trail planning and grant assistance. Coordinated Bi-State Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium, selected vendor, developed new contract, and continued random testing program. Monitored MPO and Iowa Region 9 FY14 Transportation Planning Work Program and published FY15 TPWPs. Monitored FFY14-17 TIPs including facilitating TIP revisions, and maintenance of data entry in Iowa TPMS as part of transportation improvement programming. Finalized RPA9 and MPO FY15 Transportation Planning Work Programs. Prepared MPO and Iowa Region 9 FFY15-18 TIP documents. Administered IAQC and Illinois Region 2 transit coordinator positions. Participated in Quad Cities Air Service Committee. Monitored status of implementation of passenger rail service to Chicago. Participated in transportation webinars on various topics and attended ITS Architecture Workshop, ILDOT Traffic Safety Summit, Iowa Trails Summit, and Iowa Public Transit Annual Meeting.