MARC
MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Budget and Personnel Committee Meeting

August 25, 2026
Meeting begins at 11:00 a.m.
Attend in-person at the MARC Offices 801 Pennsylvania Ave. Ste 400, Kansas City, MO 64105 or with a remote option via Zoom.
Members of the public who wish to participate in this meeting please email marcinfo@marc.org by 9:00 a.m. the day of the meeting for instructions to join the teleconference.

AGENDA

1. **Approve contracts, grants, and other major expenditures**

Exemplary Core Capacities

a) VOTE: Review Fiscal Year 2026 Year-to-Date Financial Reports through June.
b) VOTE: Review and accept the 2025 Uniform Guidance Single Audit Report

Safe and Secure Communities

c) VOTE: Approve application for an Assistant Secretary Preparedness and Response grant for fiscal year 2026-2027 to continue support of the region's health care coalition.
d) VOTE: Authorize contract with Porsena Solutions, LLC to provide support services for the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee 2027-2029 strategic plan.
e) VOTE: Authorize application for the FY 2026 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant and associated subaward agreements to enhance regional emergency response preparedness.
f) VOTE: Approve a five-year agreement with Segra to renew existing Ethernet Local Area Network services supporting five regional Public Safety Answering Point locations.

Quality Early Learning

g) VOTE: Approve contract renewal with Learning Genie to support children's progress in the classroom and electronic portfolio reporting of child outcomes
h) VOTE: Approve a contract with Futures First for MARC to provide quality assessment services of classrooms for their Start Young Program.

Thriving Older Adults and Communities

i) VOTE: Authorize increase in monthly fee to ARIS Solutions to provide fiscal oversight for the Veteran Directed Care program.
j) VOTE: Approve a grant with OASIS Institute to facilitate and support falls prevention evidence-based programs.
k) VOTE: Approve a grant with ma4 Network to support the Alzheimer's Disease Programs Initiative: Dementia-Capable Community Health Workers.
l) VOTE: Approve contract with ES Advisors, LLC to support the Administration of Community Living Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Cooperative Agreement award and program.
m) VOTE: Approve amendment increase to the SFY 2027 agreement with Legal Aid of Western Missouri to provide access to legal services for eligible clients.
n) VOTE: Authorize the purchase and distribution costs of caregiver consumable supplies for older adults on fixed incomes receiving caregiver support.

Healthy Environment

o) VOTE: Authorize contract with Sustainable Investment Group LLC to provide project management support for the US Department of Energy's Renew America's Nonprofits Grant Program.

2. **VOTE: Approve Consent Agenda (Administrative Matter and Minor Expenditures)**
   a) Approve the minutes of June 23, 2026, meeting
3. **Other business**
4. **Adjournment**

UPCOMING MEETING

Monday, September 22, 2026

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

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AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1a
Exemplary Core Capacities

REPORT: Review Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Year-to-Date (YTD) Financial Reports through June.

BACKGROUND:
Based upon prior discussion, financial reports will be provided and presented quarterly to the B&P Committee (January, April, August, October).

EXHIBITS:
The FY26 YTD June Financial Package is included, and highlights will be reviewed during the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:
None. Information only.

STAFF CONTACT:
Carol Gonzales, Director of Finance and Administration
Lisa Santa Maria, Accountant III

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Financial Package
Fiscal Year 2026
January 1 – June 30, 2026

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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES BY FUND

	BUDGETED 2026	ACTUAL 2026 YTD	%
General Fund	1,469,115	1,510,885	103%
Special Revenue & Capital Projects	96,786,654	38,607,865	40%
Enterprise Fund	1,837,547	1,353,528	74%
Indirect Costs and Fringe Benefits	13,017,518	6,094,826	47%
Total Agency Wide	**113,110,834**	**47,567,104**	**42%**

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCIAL USES BY FUND

	BUDGETED 2026	ACTUAL 2026 YTD	%
General Fund	1,855,250	814,894	44%
Special Revenue & Capital Projects	96,501,455	38,563,698	40%
Enterprise Fund	1,676,475	878,090	52%
Indirect Costs and Fringe Benefits	12,601,336	5,935,918	47%
Total Agency Wide	**112,634,516**	**46,192,600**	**41%**

CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE

	1/1/26 FUND BALANCE	FY26 YTD INCREASE (DECREASE)	6/30/26 FUND BALANCE
General Fund	7,206,436	695,991	7,902,427
Special Revenue & Capital Projects	12,879,115	44,167	12,923,281
Enterprise Fund	3,214,086	475,438	3,689,524
Indirect Costs and Fringe Benefits	(200,748)	158,908	(41,840)
Governmental & Proprietary Funds	**23,098,888**	**1,374,504**	**24,473,393**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Please note that financial activity at MARC in the early parts of a fiscal year historically lags budget due to a hard cutoff of expenditures (booking in the period in which incurred) during the prior fiscal year-end close. Due to “soft” closes the other 11 months of the year, expenditures of a given month can represent items from prior month(s) activity. Due to this timing, MARC only performs a hard close (ensuring all FY expenditures are matched in the correct period) once a year, at December 31.

FY26 YTD June agency-wide revenues & other financial sources of $47.6M are 42% of budgeted FY26 inflows. We’d expect FY26 YTD June actuals to approximate 50% of budget, however year-end timing (as noted above) is the main driver in the variance compared to budget.

FY26 YTD June agency-wide expenditures & other financial uses of $46.2M are 41% of budgeted FY26 outflows. We expect FY26 YTD June actuals to approximate 50% of budget, however year-end timing is the main driver in the variance compared to budget.

FY26 YTD June agency-wide revenues & other financial sources of $47.6M exceed agency-wide expenditures & other financial uses of $46.2M which creates a $1.4M increase in fund balance for the year. MARC’s governmental & proprietary fund balance totals $24.5M at 6/30/26. The majority of this fund balance is assigned or committed to various programs and initiatives. See schedules 1-5 for fund balance categories across the General Fund, Indirect Costs and Fringe Benefits Fund, Special Revenue and Capital Projects Fund and Enterprise Fund.

June 30, 2026, cash and investments were strong with a balance of $28.1M. This is ($253K) or 0.90% higher than the May 31, 2026, balance of $27.8M. This increase from the previous month is timing largely due to payment of expenditures. Fluctuations in cash balance are normal for MARC and management is monitoring cash flow very closely.

June 30, 2026, accounts receivable totals $11.4M which is a decrease of ($0.2M) or 2% compared to May 31, 2026’s balance of $11.6M. Of the $11.6M, $7.3M has been billed and awaiting payment while $3.6M will be billed in July related to the June financial close. $0.5M is miscellaneous in nature. Management frequently reviews the aging of outstanding receivables and works with program staff to follow up to ensure a timely conversion of cash.

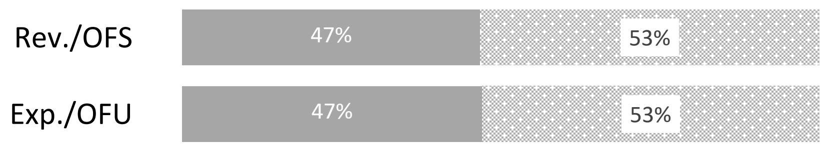
REVENUES/OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES & EXPENDITURES/OTHER FINANCIAL USES BY FUND

Actual vs. Budget (50% Complete)

Schedule 1:
General Fund

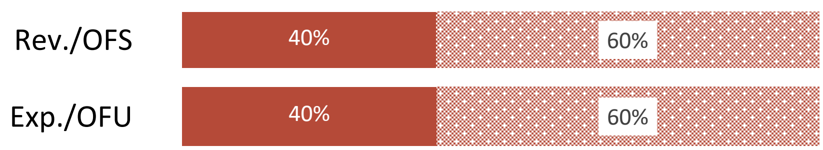
General fund revenues include member & voluntary local dues which are used for general expenditures and matching purposes for grants (dues billed in the spring). Revenues also include investment income. Variance from budget is largely related to the timing of local dues billings.

Schedules 2 and 3:
Indirect & Fringes



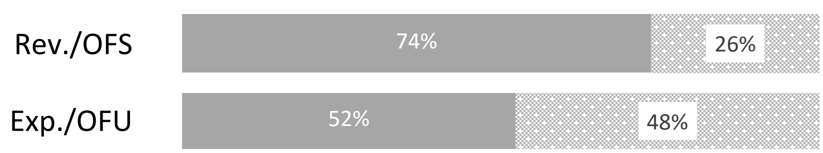
Indirect Costs and Fringe Benefits are charged to grants based on a cost allocation formula approved by MARC's cognizant federal agency, HHS. MARC has not received the approved FY26 rate as of this report. MARC's provisional fringe benefit rate is 53.65% (charged based upon direct & indirect salaries) and the provisional indirect cost rate is 35.7% (charged based upon direct salaries + direct allocated fringes).

Schedule 4:
Special Revenue &
Capital Projects Funds



MARC's Special Revenue and Capital Projects funds house designated grant funded and fee for service programs across MARC's policy goal areas. Variance from budget is largely related to timing based on the 2025 year-end financial close.

Schedule 5:
Enterprise Fund



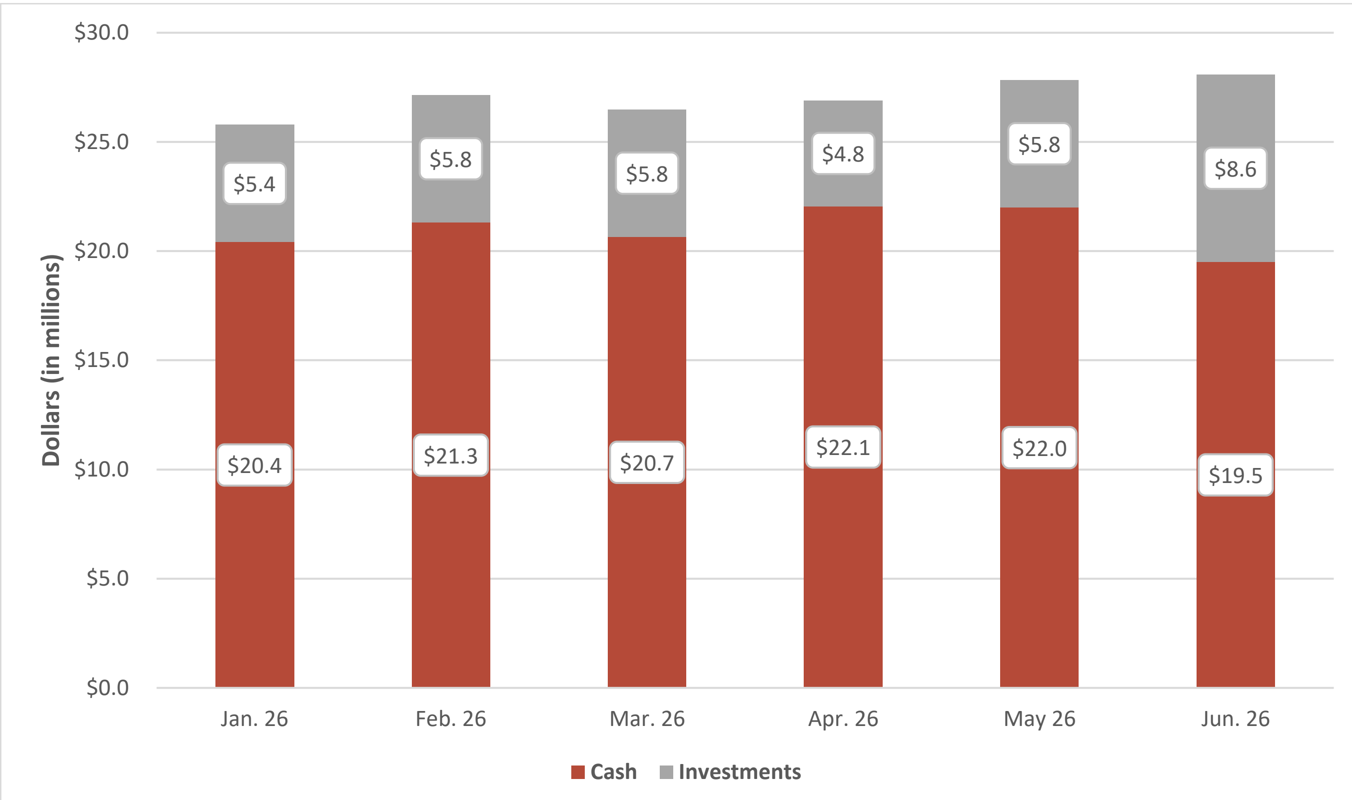
MARC's enterprise fund accounts for activities that operate much like those in the private sector (business-type activities) and includes several programs across MARC's policy goal areas. Variance from budget is largely related to better-than-expected performance compared to budget.

- Note – for additional details of the above activity, please see Schedules 1 – 5 on pages 7 – 11.

CASH AND INVESTMENTS, INTEREST INCOME, ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Schedule 6: Cash and Investments

Cash on Hand	$20,136,239
Net Outstanding Checks and Deposits	(629,057)
Investments	8,575,000
Total Cash and Investments	**$28,082,182**



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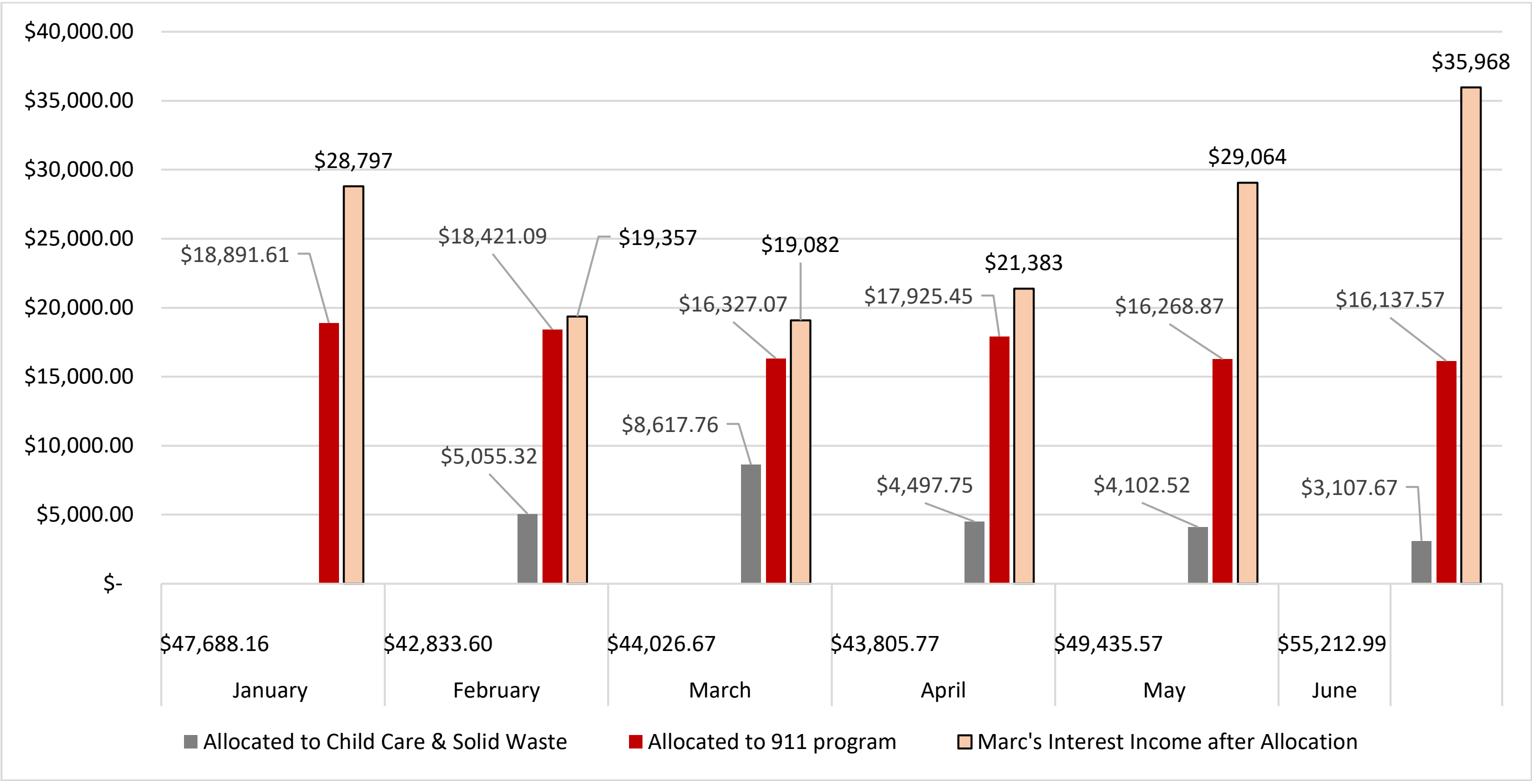
MARC's repurchase account annual percentage yield is 1.89% for 2026. There were two investment purchases in June and no maturities.

- June 9, 2026, $1,500,000 @ 3.875%
- June 9, 2026, $1,250,000 @ 4.000%

For additional details of MARC’s cash and investments, please see Schedule 6 on page 12.

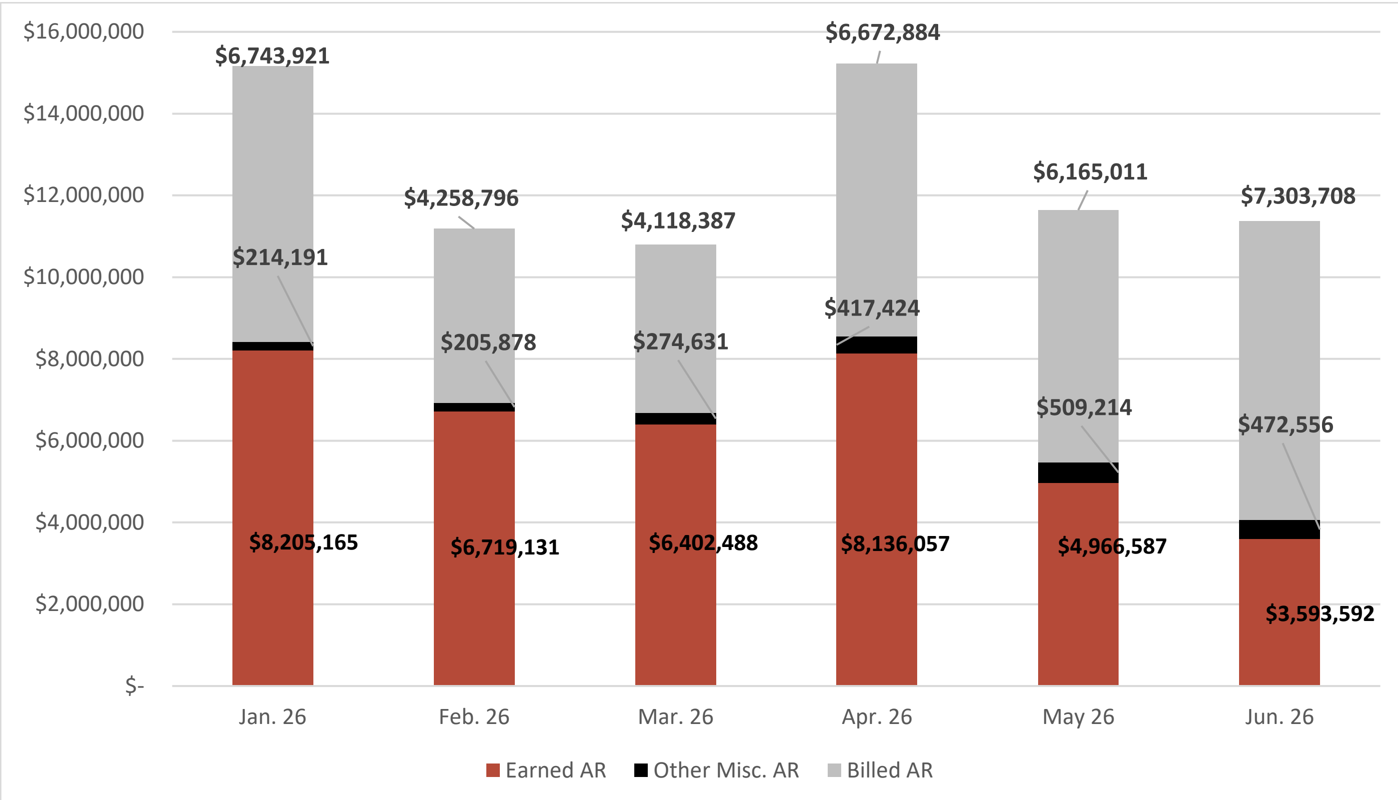
Schedule 7: Interest Income Allocation



MARC's general fund interest income of $154K in FY26 YTD is tracking favorably compared to budgeted projections ($215K annually). Note that February's program interest allocation included two months (January and February) due to year-end close, however is accurate on a YTD basis. MARC's general fund earns interest on cash and investment securities held and currently allocates interest to three programs (two programs where MARC serves as a fiduciary: SWMD and a Child Care scholarship, and one MARC program: 911).

- For additional details of MARC's interest income activity, please see Schedule 7 on page 13.

Accounts Receivable



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MARC's aging of billed accounts receivable on June 30, 2026, is as follows:

Less than 30 days outstanding	$2.2M
30 – 60 days outstanding	0.5M
60 – 90 days outstanding	0.5M
Greater than 90 days outstanding	1.2M
Total billed accounts receivable	$4.4M

Greater than 90 days' outstanding accounts receivable are mainly comprised of transportation local match invoices. Management is aware and working with finance to expedite payment.

Schedule 1

General Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

	2026 Budget	Actual: Unrestricted	Actual: Property & Equipment	Actual: Long-Term Contingency	Actual: Transportation Planning	Actual: Emergency Services Program	Actual: Aging	Actual: Accumulated Vacation and Sick Leave	**Total**	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent
REVENUES											
Local Dues & Fees	$ 1,111,765	$ 552,459	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 612,100	$ 86,410	$ -	**$ 1,250,969**	$ 139,204	113%
Fees for Services	30,150	8,987	-	-	-	(62)	-	-	**8,925**	(21,225)	30%
Miscellaneous Income	112,200	28,502	-	-	-	78,839	-	-	**107,341**	(4,859)	NA
Investment Income	215,000	153,650	-	-	-	-	-	-	**153,650**	(61,350)	71%
Total Revenues	1,469,115	743,597	-	-	-	690,878	86,410	-	**1,520,885**	51,770	104%
EXPENDITURES											
Direct Program Expenditures	270,686	66,558	-	-	7,237	51,650	17,535	-	**142,980**	127,706	53%
Contractual Services	129,960	61,443	14,738	-	-	13,025	-	-	**89,206**	40,754	69%
Personnel	728,159	162,847	-	-	-	207,805	-	-	**370,652**	357,507	51%
Total Expenditures	1,128,805	290,848	14,738	-	7,237	272,480	17,535	-	**602,838**	525,967	53%
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	340,310	452,749	(14,738)	-	(7,237)	418,398	68,875	-	**918,047**	577,737	270%
Other Financial Sources (Uses)	(726,445)	(69,535)	52,371	-	(208,125)	-	(86,410)	99,643	**(212,055)**	514,390	29%
Change in Fund Balance	(386,135)	383,214	37,633	-	(215,362)	418,398	(17,535)	99,643	**705,991**	1,092,126	183%
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	7,442,704	204,442	237,517	2,129,921	1,914,519	1,268,607	97,465	1,353,965	**7,206,436**	236,268	97%
Transfers In (Out)	-	(65,246)	-	-	55,246	-	-	-	**(10,000)**	10,000	0%
Fund Balance, End of Year	$ 7,056,569	$ 522,411	$ 275,150	$ 2,129,921	$ 1,754,403	$ 1,687,004	$ 79,930	$ 1,453,608	**$ 7,902,427**	$ 1,338,395	112%

ENDING BALANCE **General Fund Balance Recap:**	Budget	Current Actual
Unrestricted	$ 62,964	$ 522,411
Long-Term Contingency	2,192,466	2,129,921
Property & Equipment	361,987	275,150
Transportation Planning	1,213,059	1,754,403
Emergency Services Program	1,660,528	1,687,004
Accumulated Vacation and Sick Leave Benefits	1,456,310	1,453,608
Aging Program	109,255	79,930
Total	$ 7,056,569	$ 7,902,427

Schedule 2

Indirect Costs

January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

	2026 Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent
FUNDING SOURCE				
Amount Allocated to Grants	$ 5,911,143	$ 2,762,629	$ (3,148,514)	47%
Prior Year's Surplus/(Deficit)	(502,568)	(502,568)	-	100%
Subtotal	5,408,575	2,260,061	(3,148,514)	42%
EXPENDITURES				
Accounting/Audit	229,547	88,306	141,241	38%
Automobile	42,368	20,124	22,244	47%
Contractual Services	415,658	233,240	182,418	56%
Depreciation	126,059	52,371	73,688	42%
Equipment Rental	8,283	4,126	4,157	50%
Fringe Benefits Allocated	1,349,163	642,048	707,115	48%
Insurance	218,728	101,359	117,369	46%
Meeting/Travel	26,400	10,786	15,614	41%
Memberships/Periodicals	29,238	7,609	21,629	26%
Other	87,315	89,496	(2,181)	102%
Postage	11,200	1,213	9,987	11%
Printing/Reproduction	33,270	14,671	18,599	44%
Rent/Utilities/Maintenance	486,435	291,572	194,863	60%
Salaries	2,549,112	1,222,161	1,326,951	48%
Supplies	330,706	76,860	253,846	23%
Training	34,300	14,527	19,773	42%
Subtotal	5,977,782	2,870,470	3,107,312	48%
Less: Fees for Handling Pass-through Grants	-	-	-	--%
Net Indirect Costs	5,977,782	2,870,470	3,107,312	48%
Surplus/(Deficit) of Allocation to Grants, Cumulative to Date	$ (569,207)	$ (610,408)	$ (41,201)	107%
Agency-Wide				
Direct Salaries		5,047,649		
Direct Fringes		2,690,901		
Total Indirect Base		7,738,550		
Current Year Indirect Expenses - Actual		2,870,470		
Run Rate - Current Year Indirect %		37.1%		
Negotiated Rate		35.7%		
Difference		-1.4%		

Schedule 3

Fringe Benefits

January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

	2026 Budget	Regular Actual	Intern/ Seasonal Actual	Total Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent
FUNDING SOURCE						
Amount Allocated to Grants	$ 7,106,375	$ 3,326,886	$ 5,311	$ 3,332,197	$ (3,774,178)	47%
Prior Year's Surplus/(Deficit)	301,820	301,820	-	301,820	-	100%
Subtotal	7,408,195	3,628,706	5,311	3,634,017	(3,774,178)	49%
EXPENDITURES						
FICA Taxes	1,120,374	537,852	5,310	543,162	577,212	48%
Pension	977,320	407,296	-	407,296	570,024	42%
401k Employer Match	299,645	144,550	-	144,550	155,095	48%
Health Insurance Subsidy	1,438,501	672,225	-	672,225	766,276	47%
Cafeteria Allowance	464,640	217,470	-	217,470	247,170	47%
Disability Insurance	46,356	21,874	-	21,874	24,482	47%
Unemployment Compensation	2,500	1,754	-	1,754	746	70%
Educational Assistance	16,000	0	-	-	16,000	0%
Other Fringe Benefits	26,175	0	-	-	26,175	0%
Vacation	961,123	479,113	-	479,113	482,010	50%
Sick Leave	607,042	294,463		294,463	312,579	49%
Holidays	634,378	275,111	-	275,111	359,268	43%
Other Leave	29,500	8,430	-	8,430	21,070	29%
Total Fringe Benefit Expenditures	6,623,554	3,060,138	5,310	3,065,448	3,558,106	46%
Surplus/(Deficit) of Allocation to Grants, Cumulative to Date	$ 784,641	$ 568,569	$ 0	$ 568,569	$ (216,072)	-72%
Agency-Wide						
Salaries		6,202,502	67,308			
Current Year Fringe Expenses - Actual		3,060,138	5,310			
Run Rate - Current Year Fringe %		49.34%	7.89%			
Negotiated Rate		53.65%	7.65%			
Difference		4.3%	0.2%			

Schedule 4

Special Revenue & Capital Projects Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

	2026 Budget	Actual								Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Used
		Aging	Emergency Services	Public Safety	Community Development	Transportation Planning	Early Learning & Head Start	Planning	Total		
REVENUES											
Federal and State Funds	$ 65,190,191	$ 3,928,931	$ 97,905	$ -	$ 907,572	$ 5,646,833	$ 14,601,470	$ 497,810	$ 25,680,521	$ (39,509,670)	39%
Private Funds	4,054,468	271,050	26,765	-	352,005	5,000	218,244	20,417	893,481	(3,160,987)	22%
Other Local Funds	13,610,347	-	-	5,465,299	-	-	-		5,465,299	(8,145,048)	40%
Fees for Services	2,463,621	1,460,775	14,961		8,753	208,869	15,145	62,351	1,770,854	(692,767)	72%
Investment Income	-	-	-	103,972	-	-	-	-	103,972	103,972	---
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	---
Contributed Services	10,399,582	1,918,076	-	-	71,676	180,192	2,498,360	25,434	4,693,738	(5,705,844)	45%
Total Revenues	95,718,209	7,578,831	139,631	5,569,271	1,340,006	6,040,894	17,333,219	606,013	38,607,865	(57,110,344)	40%
EXPENDITURES											
Direct Program Expenditure	17,538,770	4,731,011	(610,035)	2,357,975	33,264	324,896	181,764	33,354	7,052,228	10,486,542	40%
Contractual Services	48,008,688	1,362,856	(389,435)	1,972,762	877,465	3,004,562	11,972,025	230,259	19,030,495	28,978,193	40%
Personnel	20,383,415	1,447,953	1,212,998	767,596	506,524	2,882,644	2,681,069	206,528	9,705,312	10,678,103	48%
Contributed Services	10,399,582	-	-		71,676	180,192	2,498,360	25,434	2,775,662	7,623,920	27%
Total Expenditures	96,330,455	7,541,820	213,528	5,098,333	1,488,929	6,392,294	17,333,219	495,575	38,563,698	57,766,757	40%
Excess of Revenues Over (	(612,246)	37,011	(73,898)	470,938	(148,923)	(351,400)	-	110,438	44,167	656,413	7%
Other Financial Sources (Use	897,445	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(897,445)	0%
Change in Fund Balance	285,199	37,011	(73,898)	470,938	(148,923)	(351,400)	-	110,438	44,167	(241,032)	-15%
Fund Balance, Beginning of Y	12,879,115	323,112	810,483	11,145,232	217,083	300,000	-	83,205	12,879,115	-	100%
Fund Balance, End of Year	$ 13,164,314	$ 360,123	$ 736,586	$ 11,616,169	$ 68,160	$ (51,400)	$ -	$ 193,643	$ 12,923,281	$ (241,032)	98%

Schedule 5

Enterprise Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

	Actual								
	GTI	Small Cities	Cooperative Purchasing	Regional Aerial Photography	Research Services	IBTS	Government Survey	KC Community for All Ages	Special Projects
REVENUES									
Federal and State Funds	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 130,000
Private Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Local Dues and Fees	98,672	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Local Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fees for Services	52,973	38,007	-	81,946	72,625	16,152	1,863	98,213	-
Program Income	-	-	71,716	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues	151,645	38,007	71,716	81,946	72,625	16,152	1,863	98,213	130,000
EXPENSES	149,861	23,413	65,924	661	79,795	2,850	-	32,610	42,222
Operating Income (Loss)	1,784	14,594	5,792	81,285	(7,170)	13,302	1,863	65,603	87,778
Transfers In (Out)	-	-	-	10,909	-	-	-	-	1,969
Change in Net Position	1,784	14,594	5,792	92,194	(7,170)	13,302	1,863	65,603	89,747
Net Position, Beginning of Year	307,662	(23,118)	1,034,662	(10,909)	33,874	64,543	11,094	38,599	(1,969)
Fund Balance, End of Year	$ 309,447	$ (8,524)	$ 1,040,454	$ 81,285	$ 26,704	$ 77,844	$ 12,957	$ 104,201	$ 87,778
Budgeted Net Position, End of Year	$ 531,799	$ 20,876	$ 1,083,154	$ 10,471	$ 48,254	$ 82,211	$ 52,808	$ 134,849	$ 36,507

		Actual									
	2026 Budget	Veteran's Services VD-HCBS	Managed Services Network	Workforce Development	Early Learning Services	Core Communities	GIF	KC Meal Link	Total	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Used
REVENUES											
Federal and State Funds	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 61,201	$ -	$ -	$ 191,201	$ 191,201	---
Private Funds	49,164	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(49,164)	0%
Local Dues and Fees	293,977	-		-	-	-	200,917	-	299,589	5,612	102%
Other Local Funds	61,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,435	31,435	(29,765)	51%
Fees for Services	1,266,475	263,157	82,041	-	-	-	1,500	-	708,477	(557,998)	56%
Program Income	166,731	3,788	300	-	-	-	-	-	75,804	(90,927)	45%
Total Revenues	1,837,547	266,945	82,341	-	-	61,201	202,417	31,435	1,306,505	(531,042)	71%
EXPENSES	1,676,475	230,287	126,673	-	3,481	35,810	84,503	-	878,090	(798,385)	52%
Operating Income (Loss)	161,072	36,658	(44,332)	-	(3,481)	25,391	117,914	31,435	428,415	267,343	266%
Transfers In (Out)	-	-	-	34,144	-	-	-	-	47,023	47,023	---
Change in Net Position	161,072	36,658	(44,332)	34,144	(3,481)	25,391	117,914	31,435	475,438	314,366	295%
Net Position, Beginning of Year	3,641,542	850,628	125,372	(34,144)	18,731	231,571	567,490	-	3,214,086	(427,456)	88%
Net Position, End of Year	$ 3,802,614	$ 887,285	$ 81,040	$ 0	$ 15,251	$ 256,963	$ 685,404	$ 31,435	$ 3,689,524	$ (113,090)	97%
Budgeted Net Position, End of Year		$ 865,210	$ 110,781	$ (51,899)	$ 56,225	$ 238,846	$ 581,758	$ -	$ 3,801,850		

Schedule 6

Cash and Investments

January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

Month	Security Bank Net Outstanding Checks & Deposits	Security Bank Overnight Sweep Account	Security Bank Checking Accounts	Aging Bank Checking Accounts	Country Club Bank Money Market Account	Government Securities Investments	Total
January 31, 2026	$ (3,258,096)	$ 22,567,374	$ 500,021	$ 62,853	$ 542,123	$ 5,375,000	$ 25,789,273
February 28, 2026	(1,486,188)	22,106,589	500,013	79,887	116,896	5,825,000	$ 27,142,197
March 31, 2026	500,455	19,438,066	500,018	99,004	119,314	5,825,000	$ 26,481,857
April 30, 2026	(257,600)	20,558,939	500,019	120,262	1,137,238	4,825,000	$ 26,883,857
May 31, 2026	(1,145,844)	22,462,285	500,014	56,107	131,984	5,825,000	27,829,547
June 30, 2026	(629,057)	19,451,856	500,017	73,656	110,710	8,575,000	28,082,182
July 31, 2026	-						-
August 31, 2026	-						-
September 30, 2026	-						-
October 31, 2026	-						-
November 30, 2026							-
December 31, 2026							-
Current Interest Rates		1.89%	0.05%	Various	3.50%	See Below	

Investments (at Cost)	Yield Rate	Purchase Date	Amount	Maturity Date
Covantage Credit Union CD	4.150%	August 23, 2024	125,000	August 24, 2026
Federal Home Loan Bank	1.625%	October 26, 2021	500,000	October 26, 2026
Oklahoma Educators CU CD	3.750%	November 7, 2025	250,000	November 6, 2026
U.S. Treasury Notes	3.875%	June 9, 2026	1,500,000	July 31, 2027
Morgan Stanley Bank CD	3.650%	November 5, 2025	250,000	November 5, 2027
Goldman Sachs Bank CD	3.700%	January 6, 2026	250,000	January 6, 2028
State Bank of India CD	3.800%	February 13, 2026	200,000	February 11, 2028
Federal Home Loan Bank	4.000%	September 4, 2024	500,000	May 26, 2028
Connexus Credit Union CD	3.900%	September 16, 2024	250,000	June 16, 2028
Federal Home Loan Bank	2.000%	July 7, 2021	1,250,000	July 7, 2028
Federal Home Loan Bank	4.450%	February 15, 2024	500,000	February 12, 2029
Toyota Financial SGS BK CD	4.000%	April 16, 2026	250,000	April 16, 2029
U.S. Treasury Notes	4.000%	June 9, 2026	1,250,000	July 31, 2029
Morgan Stanley Bank CD	3.850%	December 31, 2025	250,000	December 31, 2029
USB Bank CD	3.900%	February 11, 2026	250,000	February 11, 2030
U.S. Treasury Notes	4.000%	May 1, 2026	500,000	July 31, 2030
USB Bank CD	4.125%	May 1, 2026	500,000	July 31, 2031
Total			$ 8,575,000	

Schedule 7

Investment Income
January 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

Month	Checking Accounts	Overnight Sweep Account	Money Market Accounts	Interest From Checking Accounts	Interest From Investments	Total	Allocated to Child Care & Solid Waste District	Allocated to 911 Program	Marc's Interest Income after Allocation
January	21.44	33,841.71	917.36	34,780.51	12,907.65	47,688.16	-	(18,891.61)	28,796.55
February	19.51	28,731.54	726.40	29,477.45	13,356.15	42,833.60	(5,055.32)	(18,421.09)	19,357.19
March	37.70	30,058.58	336.90	30,433.18	13,593.49	44,026.67	(8,617.76)	(16,327.07)	19,081.84
April	42.07	28,877.34	536.38	29,455.79	14,349.98	43,805.77	(4,497.75)	(17,925.45)	21,382.57
May	14.99	32,587.06	333.19	32,935.24	16,500.33	49,435.57	(4,102.52)	(16,268.87)	29,064.18
June	20.46	29,521.07	1,301.97	30,843.50	24,369.49	55,212.99	(3,107.67)	(16,137.57)	35,967.75
July				-		-			-
August				-		-			-
September				-		-			-
October				-		-			-
November				-		-			-
December				-		-			-
Total	156.17	$183,617	$4,152	$187,926	$95,077	$283,003	($25,381)	(103,971.66)	153,650.08

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1b
Exemplary Core Capacities

VOTE: Review and accept the 2025 Uniform Guidance Single Audit Report

BACKGROUND:
As the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) annually expends more than $1,000,000 of Federal Financial Assistance, a “Single Audit” is required to ensure that grant funds received were used in compliance with the federal government’s requirements. The engagement is referred to as a Single Audit because it consolidates multiple individual compliance audits into a single audit covering all an organization’s federal awards. The Single Audit is performed parallel to the financial audit that culminates in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report; however, the Single Audit takes slightly longer to complete.

The 2025 Uniform Guidance Single Audit engagement has gone well and is wrapping up with finalization expected this month. Management believes MARC has complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on our major federal programs.

The report identifies one finding. The Compliance Supplement requires us to verify that all vendors receiving covered contracts are not suspended or debarred. There was one renewal of a contract where we did not have documentation that the vendor’s status was checked before entering into the agreement. A subsequent review determined the vendor was not listed as debarred or suspended and therefore no questioned costs were identified.

In 2025, MARC expended $55.3M of federal funds of which $19.6M was passed through to Sub-Recipients. The $55.3M expenditure is a decrease of $12.5M or 18% compared to 2024 and is the first decrease since 2020.

The Draft 2025 Uniform Guidance Single Audit Report is available for review on the MARC website at:

https://www.marc.org/about-marc/financial-information

If there are any questions about the draft report, please contact Carol Gonzales, Darlene Pickett or Erika Benitez at MARC, or Kaleb Lilly at (913) 499-4417.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:
The Board approved the agreement with Rubin Brown for continuation of Audit Services at the January 2026 board meeting. The estimated cost for the 2025 audits is $89,000. Funds for the audit are budgeted in the Indirect Costs Fund in the 2026 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:
Accept the 2025 Uniform Guidance Single Audit Report.

STAFF CONTACT:
Carol Gonzales, Director of Finance and Administration
Erika Benitez, Finance Director
Darlene Pickett, Accountant III

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1c
Safe and Secure Communities

VOTE: Approve application for an Assistant Secretary Preparedness and Response grant for fiscal year 2026-2027 to continue support of the region's health care coalition.

BACKGROUND
The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) has received funding from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) under the Hospital Preparedness Program since 2003. The funding anticipated to be available for FY26/27 is $380,567 for continued support of the region's health care coalition (HCC) of hospitals, public health, emergency management, and emergency medical services in Missouri's Highway Patrol Region A.

This grant will be used to strengthen the readiness of the public health and health care delivery system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the emergency response systems. The grant will allow MARC to coordinate assessments and planning, conduct training and exercises and coordinate information and resource sharing during and following incidents and disasters. The grant performance period is July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027. Funding is primarily for personnel and contractual support to execute the approved work plan.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

REVENUES	
Amount	$380,567
Source	FY26/27 ASPR Grant from Missouri DHSS
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, indirect)	$313,532
Contractual	$35,000
Other (supplies, printing, travel, etc.)	$32,035

COMMITTEE ACTION
The Healthcare Coalition (HCC) Steering Committee met on February 24, 2026. New workplan items for the next 5-year budget period were reviewed along with the budget.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
In addition to the 17 Missouri Metro Hospitals, there are 8 Region-A hospitals: Carroll County Memorial Hospital, Lafayette Regional Health Center, Ray County Memorial Hospital, Fitzgibbon Hospital, Bates County Memorial Hospital, Bothwell Regional Health Center, Golden Valley Memorial Hospital, and Western Missouri Medical Center.

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize application and acceptance of an Assistant Secretary Preparedness and Response (ASPR) grant from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services in the amount of $380,567 for FY26/27.

STAFF CONTACTS
- Erin Lynch, Emergency Services Director
- John Davis, Emergency Services Fiscal Administrator

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1d
Safe and Secure Communities

VOTE: Authorize contract with Porsena Solutions, LLC to provide support services for the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee 2027-2029 strategic plan.

BACKGROUND
The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Emergency Services and Homeland Security Department seeks approval to enter into a professional services agreement with Porsena Solutions, LLC to conduct a regional World Cup safety and security preparedness and operations review, develop an After-Action Report/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP), and facilitate development of the 2027-2029 Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee (RHSCC) Strategic Plan. The contract amount will not exceed $56,800 and the contract period pending board approval is anticipated to begin on August 25, 2026, and conclude by November 19, 2026.

MARC conducted a competitive procurement process to identify a qualified consultant with expertise in homeland security planning, stakeholder engagement, after-action reporting, and strategic planning. Following evaluation of proposals, Porsena Solutions was selected based on its extensive experience supporting regional, state, and federal preparedness initiatives and its demonstrated expertise in facilitating collaborative planning efforts.

Porsena's approach is designed to capture lessons learned from regional World Cup preparedness and operations activities and translate those findings into actionable recommendations and long-term strategic priorities. The effort will engage public safety, emergency management, healthcare, transportation, public information, government, and private-sector partners throughout the region.

The scope of work includes:

- Conducting a comprehensive review of World Cup preparedness and operational activities.
- Administering stakeholder surveys, interviews, and facilitated discussion sessions to validate findings and identify opportunities for improvement.
- Developing a regional After-Action Report/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP) with recommendations, capability assessments, and implementation actions.
- Evaluating the current RHSCC Strategic Plan and developing a strategic planning foundation for future priorities.
- Facilitating an in-person RHSCC Strategic Planning Session and preparing the 2027-2029 RHSCC Strategic Plan.

This work will help the region capture and validate lessons learned from one of the largest special events in its history, strengthen regional preparedness and coordination capabilities, and establish a strategic framework to guide homeland security investments and initiatives through 2029.

Approval of this contract will support MARC's ongoing efforts to improve regional preparedness, enhance cross-discipline collaboration, and provide a strategic roadmap for future homeland security planning and investment decisions.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

REVENUES	
Amount	$56,800
Source	Emergency Services Local Funding

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	$56,800

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
Leavenworth, Wyandotte, Johnson counties in Kansas and Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray counties in Missouri, as represented through the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee (RHSCC) and its partner organizations.

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize a contract between MARC and Porsena Solutions, LLC for after-action review, stakeholder engagement, and strategic planning services supporting regional homeland security preparedness and development of the 2027-2029 Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee (RHSCC) Strategic Plan in an amount not to exceed $56,800.

STAFF CONTACTS
- Erin Lynch, Emergency Services Director
- John Davis, Emergency Services Fiscal Administrator

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1e
Safe and Secure Communities

VOTE: Authorize application for the FY 2026 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant and associated subaward agreements to enhance regional emergency response preparedness.

BACKGROUND
The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program originated following the attacks of September 11, 2001. The UASI program provides funding to enhance regional preparedness and capabilities in designated high-threat, high-density areas to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, prepare for, protect against, and respond to acts of terrorism. Eligibility is determined yearly through an analysis of the relative risk of terrorism faced by the 100 most populous Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the United States, in accordance with the *Homeland Security Act of 2002*, as amended.

The Notification of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) was released with the following timelines:
- NOFO/Application Opens: June 24, 2026
- Application Due: July 24, 2026, 11:59 p.m. ET
- Anticipated Awards: No later than September 30, 2026

The Kansas City Urban area was eligible to apply for $3,523,097.80 in Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding. Our application was due to the State of Missouri by July 21, 2026. Due to the short notice and deadline, this action is asking the Board for affirmation of the submitted application.

The Kansas City Urban Area is comprised of jurisdictions in Jackson, Platte, Clay, Cass and Ray counties in Missouri and Wyandotte, Johnson and Leavenworth in Kansas. It is one of forty-one urban areas across the nation eligible for this funding. The following are projects approved by the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee (RHSCC) to include in the application:

Investment Justifications	Project Name	Application Amount
Enduring Needs - Training, Exercise, and Awareness	MEMC Community Education – Weather Radios and Printing	$11,000
	T&E- Sustaining Regional Exercise Program Capacity	$141,343
	T&E- Sustaining Regional Training Program Capacity	$272,822
Enhancing Communication and Information Sharing	HCC- Mesh Core	$10,521.11
	MEMC SIAS- Common Operating Picture	$35,000
Enhancing Regional Cybersecurity	Cyber Security	$24,843
	Cyber Security Resilience and Penetration Testing	$7,500

	LE- End-of-Life Switch Replacement (Kansas City, MO Police Dept)	$17,443.18
Enhancing Regional Election Security	LE- Election Security Enhancements	$122,680
Enhancing the Protection of Soft Target and Crowded Places – Enhancing Law Enforcement Capabilities	LE - Bomb and Arson Expired Bomb Suit Replacement (Kansas City, MO Police Dept.)	$83,886
	LE- Annual Continuation Training (Kansas City, MO Police Dept)	$19,660
	LE- Discipline Specific Training and Exercises	$29,500
	LE- EOD Bomb Suits and Helmets (Independence Police Dept.)	$83,886
	LE- Explosive Breaching Readiness (Kansas City, Kansas Police Dept.)	$18,019.24
	LE- Joint Hazard Robot Upgrade (Lee's Summit Police Dept.)	$78,070
	LE- Open Space Security Surveillance Platform (MOSSP) (Leawood Police Dept. and Kansas City, MO Police Dept.)	$130,000
	LE Robot (Olathe Police Dept.)	$116,815
	LE- XRAY System Replacement (Olathe Fire Dept.)	$70,450
	Hazmat	$387,625.70
	HCC- Decontamination Tent Replacement (Menorah Medical Center)	$45,000
Management and Administration	Management and Administration	$176,154.89
Preserving and Strengthening Effective Regional Planning	MEMC ERAPIO- Planning and Exercise	$30,000
	MEMC Resource Management- Sustaining Regional Badging and Accountability	$32,920
	MEMC-Planning	$10,000
	Regional Collaboration and Advancing Readiness through Effective Planning	$411,434.36
Supporting Border Crisis Response and Enforcement	LE- Night Vision Googles (Regional Teams)	$567,578.02
Supporting Homeland Security Task Forces and Fusion Centers	LE - KCRFC	$189,165

Sustaining Regional Mass Fatality Capabilities	KCRMORG	$4,632
Sustaining Regional Tech Rescue Capabilities	Tech Rescue	$395,149.30
	Total	**$3,523,097.80**

Subaward agreements are issued to each entity receiving funds/goods/services through the UASI FY26 grant. The subaward agreement identifies the funding amount and types of items being provided, as well as requirements to be met as a condition to receive the funds or goods. It also serves as a mechanism to transfer ownership to the end user agency from MARC.

The following subawards are a part of the above $3,523,097.80 total grant and require board approval because they are above the $50,000 approval limit.

Agency	Project	Subaward Amount
Central Jackson County Fire Protection District	Tech Rescue	$80,339.30
Independence Police Department	EOD Bomb Suits and Helmets	$83,886
Kansas City KS Fire Department	Tech Rescue	$72,950
Kansas City MO Fire Department	Tech Rescue	$148,850
Kansas City MO Police Department	Annual Continuation Training	$19,660
	Bomb and Arson Expired Bomb Suit Replacement	$83,886
	Fusion Center	$114,185
	Open Space Security Surveillance Platform	$65,000
Leawood Police Department	Open Space Security Surveillance Platform	$65,000
Lee's Summit Police Department	Joint Hazard Robot Upgrade	$78,070
Olathe Fire Department	Tech Rescue	$72,950
	XRAY System Replacement	$70,450
Olathe Police Department	Robot	$116,815
	Total	**$1,072,041.30**

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

This action item includes the anticipated award and the known subaward that exceeds $50,000 and requires approval from the MARC Board of Directors.

REVENUES	
Amount	$3,523,097.80
Source	FY 2026 UASI Grant

PROJECTED EXPENSES – SUBAWARDS >$50,000	
Pass-Through	$1,072,041.30

COMMITTEE ACTIONS:
The Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee (RHSCC) has approved all projects.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS:
Agencies receiving specialized equipment have agreed to training and to respond anywhere within the region or beyond if available through mutual aid processes.

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize the application for and acceptance of the FY 2026 Urban Area Security Initiative grant. Authorize the Executive Director to execute the subaward agreement as noted herein.

CONTACT
- Erin Lynch, Director Emergency Services
- John Davis, Emergency Services Fiscal Administrator

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1f
Safe and Secure Communities

VOTE: Approve a five-year agreement with Segra to renew existing Ethernet Local Area Network services supporting five regional Public Safety Answering Point locations.

BACKGROUND

The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) regional public safety communications network relies on dedicated Ethernet Local Area Network (ELAN) services to provide secure, reliable connectivity for mission-critical voice and data communications serving regional Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs).

Segra (formerly Unite Private Networks) has offered MARC the opportunity to renew existing service agreements early in exchange for reduced monthly rates. Staff determined the proposal provides significant cost savings while maintaining current bandwidth, service levels, and network reliability.The proposed 60-month agreement consolidates and renews existing ELAN services under a single agreement, ensuring uninterrupted service to participating PSAP locations. The renewal maintains the current configuration of four 300 Mbps ELAN circuits and one 100 Mbps ELAN circuit, with no installation or transition costs.

Monthly recurring costs will decrease from $4,800 to $4,320, resulting in annual savings of $5,760 and total projected savings of $28,800 over the five-year term.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports Connected KC 2050 by maintaining resilient, reliable, and secure public safety communications infrastructure while reducing long-term operating costs through proactive contract management.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

The total agreement amount is $259,200, representing monthly recurring charges of $4,320 over a 60-month term. Funding is provided through the 911 Allocation – Network budget previously approved for regional network operations.

The proposed early renewal reduces ongoing operating expenses while maintaining existing service levels and avoids higher monthly recurring charges under the current agreements.

REVENUES	
Amount	$259,200
Source	911 Allocation Budget (Networks)

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	$259,200

COMMITTEE ACTION

The Public Safety Communications Board approved funding for these network services as part of the Regional 911 Network Budget previously approved on November 19, 2025.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
This agreement supports connectivity for the following regional public safety agencies:

- Grandview Police Department
- Shawnee Police Department
- Kansas City, Missouri Police Department—South Patrol Division
- Platte County Sheriff's Office Backup
- Jackson County Sheriff's Office

RECOMMENDATION
Approve the five-year agreement with Segra in an amount not to exceed $259,200 to renew existing ELAN services supporting regional public safety communications while reducing recurring network costs by an estimated $28,800 over the agreement term.

STAFF CONTACTS

- Eric Winebrenner, Public Safety Program Director

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1g
Quality Early Learning

VOTE: Approve contract renewal with Learning Genie to support children's progress in the classroom and electronic portfolio reporting of child outcomes.

BACKGROUND

The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Head Start classrooms use the Desired Results Developmental Profile (DRDP) early childhood assessment system to track children's progress throughout the school year. This assessment of children's progress and reporting of child outcomes is required for Head Start grantees.

The Learning Genie application supports implementation of these assessments by providing an electronic portfolio for each child in Head Start. Evidence of the children's learning and development can be entered into portfolios by educators, who are able to connect the evidence to DRDP measures. Educators can also rate children's progress on each measure three times each year and run child outcomes reports for individuals and groups. Learning Genie has customized the application to meet the needs of MARC Head Start providers and has provided effective technical support to educators since the contract began in 2017.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

REVENUES	
Amount	$60,480
Source	Administration for Children and Families

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	$60,480

RELATED JURISDICTIONS:

Clay, Jackson and Platte counties in Missouri are impacted by this item.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Learning Genie contract from July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 in the amount of $60,480.

STAFF CONTACT:

- Kasey Lawson, Head Start Director
- Dr. Toni Sturdivant, Early Learning Director

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1h
Quality Early Learning

VOTE: Approve a contract with Futures First for MARC to provide quality assessment services of classrooms for their Start Young Program.

BACKGROUND

Futures First (formerly The Family Conservancy) wishes to contract with the Mid-America Regional Council's (MARC) Early Learning Department to provide quality assessments for the Start Young Program. The Start Young initiative is a public-private collaborative designed to improve childcare in Wyandotte County, KS by increasing access to high quality, full-day, full-year childcare for working families. In addition to certified MARC staff, MARC contracts with Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) certified assessors to conduct observations in all Start Young participating classrooms to measure classroom quality. This work is estimated to support 75 classrooms and 9 home-based providers. The contract period is July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Funding will be used to support existing MARC staff time in the management and oversight of the project subcontractors, data entry, coordination of program supports and classroom assessments as well for contract assessor time, training and supplies.

REVENUES	
Amount	$52,919
Source	Futures First

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	$30,051
Contractual	$6,660
Staff Training	$5,500
Other (supplies, printing, etc.)	$10,708

RELATED JURISDICTIONS

This item impacts Wyandotte County, KS

RECOMMENDATION

Approve contract between Futures First and MARC Early Learning for $52,919 for assessment services.

STAFF CONTACTS

- Toni Sturdivant, Ph.D., Director of Early Learning

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1i
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Authorize increase in monthly fee to ARIS Solutions to provide fiscal oversight for the Veteran Directed Care program.

BACKGROUND

In Missouri and nationally, Area Agencies on Aging have contracted with local VA Medical Centers to manage the Veteran Directed Care (VDC) program. In this program, the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) primarily manages referrals made by the Kansas City VA Medical Center for veterans who opt to receive care in the community rather than in a skilled nursing facility. It is possible for MARC to receive referrals from other VA Medical Centers in which patients reside in the Kansas City region. Veterans choose a care provider(s), and MARC provides assessment, care plan development, and management of the care relationship between the chosen provider(s) and the veteran.

A financial management services firm, ARIS Solutions, is contracted to provide fiscal oversight of the care provider/veteran as well as review activities and expenditures according to the established budget. ARIS Solutions is increasing their monthly fee, effective October 1, 2026.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Under the VDC program, MARC is reimbursed approximately $796 per veteran each month for coordination and program management. An elevated reimbursement of approximately $1,125 is made for the first veteran assessment. MARC's total enrollment is currently 80 veterans, with increases expected in the coming years.

REVENUES (Annual at estimated enrollment of 80 veterans)	
Source	VA MISSION Act
Total	$790,480

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	$157,248

COMMITTEE ACTION

The Commission on Aging considered this at its August meeting and recommended board approval.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS

This item impacts all counties in the MARC region.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend contract amendment between MARC Aging and Adult Services and ARIS Financial Management Services with the increase of per-Veteran monthly rate from $156 to $163.80 effective October 1, 2026.

STAFF CONTACTS

- Shannon Halvorsen, Program Manager
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

August 2026
Item No. 1j
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Approve a grant with OASIS Institute to facilitate and support falls prevention evidence-based programs.

BACKGROUND

The Oasis Institute requested support from the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) for their proposal for an upcoming Administration for Community Living (ACL) grant opportunity focused on scaling evidence-based falls prevention programs. The title of Oasis' grant proposal is Falls Free Missouri: Scaling Up STEADI and Stepping On. The CDC's Stopping Elderly Accidents, Deaths & Injuries (STEADI) Initiative comprises three core elements: Screen, Assess, and Intervene. Oasis and partners propose to scale up adoption of the STEADI screening tool in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs). Stepping On is a seven-week program designed for people who are living at home and have experienced a fall or are concerned about falling.

Oasis is a nonprofit based in St. Louis that provides programs for older adults on a variety of topics in community settings. Oasis has delivered evidence-based programs (EBP) for nearly 20 years. Historically, Oasis and MARC partnered for previous statewide applications for ACL Falls Prevention in 2014 and 2018. In addition, Oasis was a subcontractor for the AAA Aging Ahead throughout two statewide ACL Chronic Disease Self-Management Education grants for which MARC served as the network lead entity from 2018 to 2025.

Oasis offered MARC a subaward of approximately $215,132 ($72,000 each year) over the three-year period of the grant if awarded. The subaward includes a $40 per hour reimbursement rate to trained leaders of the Stepping On program for 18 workshops in year one and 20 workshops in both years two and three. It also includes total compensation costs for two MARC employees who would provide project administration, monitor referrals, and manage EBP scheduling for the MARC Area Agency on Aging coverage region.

MARC supports EBP and has a strong network of contracted community-based organizations (CBOs) that facilitate EBP. Stepping On is instructor-led, group-based, and focuses on improving balance, functional movement, safe mobility, understanding home hazards, safe footwear, recognizing the influence of vision on the risk of falling and bone health to reduce injury when falls occur. Classes are adapted to accommodate varying functional abilities while maintaining safety and inclusivity, and group formats are intentionally used to foster social connection, accountability, and sustained engagement.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

The following budget identified for the grant period.

REVENUES	
Amount	$215,132 ($72,000 each year)
Source	The Oasis Institute

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	$33,556 (approx. $11,185 each year)
Contractual	$181,576 (approx. $60,525 each year)

AGENDA REPORT

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COMMITTEE ACTION
The Commission on Aging considered this at its August meeting and recommended board approval.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
This item impacts Clay, Cass, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties in Misouri.

RECOMMENDATION
Ratify approval to submit and accept subaward from the Oasis Institute through their ACL grant, if awarded.

STAFF CONTACTS
- Tane Lewis, Program Manager
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1k
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Approve a grant with ma4 Network to support the Alzheimer's Disease Programs Initiative: Dementia-Capable Community Health Workers.

BACKGROUND

The Missouri Association of Area Agencies on Aging (ma4) requested a letter of commitment from the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) for the ma4 Network proposal for an Administration for Community Living (ACL) grant opportunity focused on building a person-centered workforce within area agencies on aging (AAAs) that improves access to dementia services and helps more people live well in their communities. The program will increase early detection and care linkage while expanding engagement in supportive services for people living with dementia and their caregivers. Through these efforts, recipients will work to improve participant well-being and achieve measurable outcomes over time.

MARC's letter of commitment outlines full participation as a core collaborating partner in the proposed statewide Dementia-Capable Community Health Worker program, actively engaging, if awarded, during year 1 and throughout the three-year project period in the following ways:

- Formalizing MARC's participation in the ma4 Network through a Memorandum of Understanding or consortium agreement that defines shared governance, HIPAA-compliant data-sharing protocols, referral pathways, and roles in Medicare-eligible service delivery.
- Contributing to the CHW workforce plan, including identification of hiring needs, integrating pathways with LCSWs and Registered Dietitians, and support for recruitment and training of dementia-capable CHWs.
- Establishing billing infrastructure and protocols to enable Medicare reimbursement for Community Health Integration (CHI), SDoH screenings and whole person risk assessments, Principal Illness Navigation (PIN), and Chronic Care Management (CCM) services.
- Evaluating shared services options.
- Embedding CHWs into our existing aCCH care coordination teams, standardized intake processes, and client management platforms.
- Participating in monthly partnership convenings, joint training initiatives, and continuous quality improvement activities.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

If the ma4 Network is successful and awarded, they may receive up to a total of $750,000 for the three-year project. Sub-awardee budgets would be based on the overall grant budget.

COMMITTEE ACTION

The Commission on Aging considered this at its August meeting and recommended board approval.

RELATED JURISDICTIONS

This item impacts Clay, Cass, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties in Misouri.

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

RECOMMENDATION
Ratify approval to submit a letter of commitment and accept subaward from the ma4 Network through their ACL grant, if awarded.

STAFF CONTACTS

- Tane Lewis, Program Manager
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1l
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Approve contract with ES Advisors, LLC to support the Administration of Community Living Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Cooperative Agreement award and program.

BACKGROUND
The Administration for Community Living (ACL) notified the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) on August 7, 2026 that we were selected as one of seven grant recipients for Advancing Strategies to Deliver and Sustain Evidence-Based Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Programs (CDSME) to Support Older Adult Behavioral Health.

This funding will allow MARC in partnership with participating Missouri Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), over 35 service providers and six behavioral health providers to develop and implement strategies for the sustainability of CDSME, connecting participants with behavioral health service providers when appropriate. This funding aims to expand CDSME programs to older adults with behavioral health conditions, improve health outcomes, reduce healthcare costs, and share successful strategies nationwide that enhance access and care. Awardees will focus on serving those with behavioral health conditions such as depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, substance use disorder, and those with behavioral health stressors such as a recent diagnosis of a chronic condition, loss of a loved one, or being a caregiver.

This grant award builds on the previous ACL grants MARC held as lead entity for the Missouri Association of Area Agencies on Aging (ma4) Network. Erika Saleski, owner and Principal of ES Advisors LLC, served as the project director for the previous ACL grants. Due to her extensive experience and policy expertise, MARC included ES Advisors LLC in the grant application to serve as the project director for this cohort.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS
The following budget is identified for the contract with ES Advisors LLC for the grant period.

REVENUES	
Amount	$1,249,979 over three years
Source	Administration for Community Living

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	$277,500 ($92,500 each year)

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
This item is statewide in Missouri and impacts all counties.

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize a contract with ES Advisors, LLC to serve as Program Director for the ACL CDSME grant at MARC.

STAFF CONTACTS
- Tane Lewis, Program Manager
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

AGENDA REPORT

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August 2026
Item No. 1m
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Approve amendment increase to the SFY 2027 agreement with Legal Aid of Western Missouri to provide access to legal services for eligible clients.

BACKGROUND
The Mid-America Regional Council's (MARC) Aging and Adult Services department contracts with Legal Aid of Western Missouri to provide legal services, including Family Caregiver legal services, funded through the Older Americans Act (OAA). At this time additional funding is needed to increase services provided to caregivers needing this service through SFY 2027.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS
In order to continue services to existing participants, we need to increase the amount with available funds within this agreement as follows:

REVENUES	
Amount	$ 805,602
Source	Older Americans Act Title III E

	Current	Increase	Total
Legal Services $75.00/hour	$57,440	$71,280	$128,720

RELATED JURISDICTIONS
This item impacts Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray counties in Missouri.

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize amendment to the current legal services SFY 2027 agreement between MARC and the Legal Aid of Western Missouri to reflect an increase of $71,280 and new not to exceed total of $128,720.

STAFF CONTACTS
- Lauren Schaumburg, Program Manager
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

AGENDA REPORT

MARC Budget and Personnel

August 2026
Item No. 1n
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

VOTE: Authorize the purchase and distribution costs of caregiver consumable supplies for older adults on fixed incomes receiving caregiver support.

BACKGROUND

The Older Americans Act Title III E funding supports caregiver programs and services. Products such as incontinence supplies and nutritional supplements are costly and difficult to find for older adults receiving caregiver support who are on fixed incomes. With the KC Meal Link location and distribution processes in place, Title III E carryover funds can be used to stock and support distribution of such supplies.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Title III E carryover funds in the amount of $150,000 expire at the end of September 2026.

REVENUES	
Amount	$150,000
Source	Older Americans Act Title III E carryover

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Purchase of consumable supplies	Not to exceed $120,000

RELATED JURISDICTIONS

Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray Counties in Missouri

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the use of Older Americans Act Title III E funding for the purchase and cost to distribute caregiver consumable supplies.

STAFF CONTACTS

- Bethany Reyna, Program Director
- Kristi Bohling-DaMetz, Director of Aging and Adult Services

August 2026
Item No. 6o
Healthy Environment

VOTE: Authorize contract with Sustainable Investment Group LLC to provide project management support for the US Department of Energy's Renew America's Nonprofits Grant Program.

BACKGROUND

In June 2026, the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) Board heard a report on the status of the US Department of Energy (DOE) Renew America's Nonprofits grant program and authorized agreements with selected nonprofit organizations for energy improvements to their buildings. The agenda report included modest funds for a construction project management firm to support MARC in working with the 28 selected nonprofit organizations.

In early August, the DOE approved MARC's request to move the project forward to construction, starting with the first 11 buildings. MARC issued a request for qualifications and received four proposals. After interviews, one firm, Sustainable Investment Group, LLC, a subsidiary of TUV SUD America Inc., has been identified as the best company to support the work. Given the number of nonprofit organizations that will require project management support and the retirement of MARC personnel, the revised budget submitted recently to the DOE includes up to $235,000 for this project management contractor to support the program through mid-2028.

The program implementation will begin with 11 nonprofit buildings needing work on HVAC replacements and controls, LED lighting, building envelope sealing and other repairs. The board authorized amounts for each of the first 11 nonprofit buildings and subrecipient agreements are being finalized for signature.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

REVENUES
Amount 3-Year Grant - $4,734,755 Federal; $1,500,000 from local foundations

PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, indirect) Office rent	$867,066 $30,500
Contractual	$924,591
Pass-Through	Nonprofit organizations: $4,395,806*
Other (supplies, mileage, stipends)	$16,792

***** *Some projects may have higher bid estimates; no one building will receive more than $200,000. If additional funds remain, there are 3 other nonprofits that have been selected as backup for support.*

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize MARC to negotiate and execute an agreement with Sustainable Investment Group, LLC, as the selected contract project manager to support the construction work in an amount not to exceed $235,000 as described above.

STAFF CONTACT:

- Beth Dawson, Planning Sustainable Places Program Manager
- Ron Achelpohl, Director of Transportation and Environment

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MARC Budget & Personnel Meeting Summary

June 23, 2026

BOARD MEMBER AND ALTERNATE ATTENDANCE

Eric Mikkelson, Prairie Village, KS – B&P Committee Chair
Mayor Damien Boley, Smithville, MO
Commissioner Julie Brewer, Johnson County, KS
Councilmember Jeff Creighton, Olathe, KS
Council member Jackie Dorman, Independence, MO
Councilmember Holly Grummert, Overland Park, KS
Commissioner Janeé Hanzlick, Johnson County, KS
Councilmember Logan Heley, Overland Park, KS
Victor Hurlbert, Auditor, Clay County, MO
Mayor Pro Tem Beto Lopez, Lee's Summit, MO
Mayor Christal Watson, The Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, KS

STAFF PRESENT

Executive Director David Warm and other MARC staff
Mayor Kris Turnbow, Raymore, MO

AGENDA

Call to order

Mayor Eric Mikkelson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Due to the meeting being conducted remotely and in-person Mayor Mikkelson provided instructions for participation. He reported that staff would present on all the agenda items, provide an opportunity for comments and questions after each item, and ask for approval of all agenda items with one vote at the end of the meeting. Members would have an opportunity to abstain or object to any items necessary during the final vote.

Item 1 Recess into executive session to discuss recommendations for appointment of a new Executive Director.

Mayor Mikkelson entertained a motion to enter into an executive session to discuss recommendations for appointment of a new Executive Director, pursuant to the personnel matters of nonelected personnel exception in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), and subsection (3) of Missouri Revised Statutes Section 610.021, with the open meeting to resume at 11 a.m. Those present in the executive session will be: all B&P members and alternates, all members of the Search Committee, the MARC Director of Finance and Administration, and Michelle Anderson and Stacey Cowan from OMNI.

Mayor Beto Lopez motioned and Commissioner Julie Brewer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

No binding action was taken in the executive session.

Item 2a VOTE: Review and accept the 2025 MARC Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the Solid Waste Management District 2025 Financial Report.

Kaleb Lilly, Auditor with RubinBrown, provided an update and request committee approval of the 2025 MARC Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the Solid Waste Management

District 2025 Financial Report. The audit found no accounting-policy changes, unsupported or out-of-period transactions, inappropriate practices, or significant unusual transactions. No sensitive estimates were identified, and disclosures were considered neutral, consistent, and clear, with five areas highlighted as particularly sensitive.

Management deemed the identified uncorrected misstatements immaterial individually and collectively, although they affected certain fiduciary-fund and governmental-activity measures; other identified adjustments were corrected. The auditors reported no difficulties, disagreements, outside consultations, reporting issues, or other audit findings. Their review of other annual-report information also found no material inconsistencies with the financial statements.

Commissioner Brewer asked if the $471,000 were cumulative or if it was one invoice. Mr. Lilly said that it was a number of invoices / contracts and she clarified that once this misstatement is corrected, the formula will be correct as well. Mr. Lilly confirmed.

Mr. Hurlbert asked what the disposition of the Bi-State fund will be now that it's no longer fiduciary and he also asked if there was a threshold of the technology arrangements that were corrected in the misstatement. Mr. Lilly said that if the relationship is less than 12 months those arrangements would not be capitalized but the audit firm does look at new relationships to make sure that they need to be booked or not. Mr. Warm answered the Bi-State part of the question by explaining that Bi-State is a separate entity from MARC however, MARC has agreed to convene the group once per year and mange their books. The group remains open in the event that the community would choose to reactivate the Commission for public good.

Item 2b VOTE: Approve renewal of Property, Liability, Vehicle, Cyber and Work Comp Coverages with Midwest Public Risk effective July 1, 2026.

Carol Gonzales, Director of Finance and Administration, requested approval to renew MARC's property, liability, vehicle, workers' compensation and cyber-liability insurance coverages effective July 1, 2026, through Midwest Public Risk and Gallagher. The 2026–2027 total premium is $262,433.26, representing a 2.5% decrease from the prior year's cost of $269,147, with most costs budgeted through the Indirect Fund unless tied directly to specific programs or grants. MARC staff recommend authorizing renewal of the Midwest Public Risk coverages and the cyber-liability coverage through Gallagher.

Item 2c VOTE: Approve application to the Civic Council for a Rural Companion to the KC Investment Playbook.

Frank Lenk, Director of Economic Research, requested authorization to apply to the Civic Council for up to $155,000 in funding to develop a Rural Companion to the KC Investment Playbook, an effort intended to extend the region's economic development strategy into surrounding rural counties with populations under 50,000. Building on the original playbook created by the Civic Council and Kauffman Foundation, the proposed work would focus on the Energy and National Security sectors, identifying rural assets and economic development opportunities that align with regional growth priorities and metro-area supply chain needs.

The project would be completed within six months and include substantial engagement with rural counties, research on successful rural economic development models, and collaboration with partners who bring expertise in rural communities and the targeted industry sectors. The total proposed budget includes $150,000 plus $5,000 for engagement activities, with funds expected to be split between MARC and partner organizations for personnel, contractual services and related project costs.

Item 2d VOTE: Authorize grant application to the Health Forward Foundation's Affordable Housing and Homeownership funding opportunity to support the Regional Housing Partnership.

Hannah Mitchell, Regional Housing Program Manager, requested retroactive authorization for a $75,000 invite-only grant application and receipt of funds from the Health Forward Foundation's Affordable Housing and Homeownership funding opportunity to support the Regional Housing Partnership. The funding is part of a three-year Health Forward commitment to the RHP, following a $200,000 award in 2025 and preceding another installment expected in 2027. The grant will provide general operating support, including personnel and special projects such as the Housing Policy Innovation Series, to advance MARC's regional housing goals and strengthen cross-sector collaboration to expand access to attainable housing across the Kansas City region.

Commissioner Brewer asked if the grant was renewable after this award. Ms. Mitchell replied that this was a 3-year grant but we do not know the final year's funding amount.

Item 2e VOTE: Approve subaward agreement with KC2026 for planning and operational support related to regional safety, security and communications planning for the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

Carol Gonzales, Director of Finance and Administration, provided background context of the relationship with MARC and KC2026 for services provided during the World Cup. John Davis, Fiscal Administrator, requested authorization to enter into a subaward agreement with KC2026 for up to $100,000 to support regional safety, security and communications planning for the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The funding, provided through a federal World Cup FEMA grant, will cover MARC staff time for planning and operational support, with 75% dedicated to regional coordination and special event planning and 25% dedicated to communications and technical coordination. The work will build on ongoing regional preparedness efforts by convening public safety, emergency management, homeland security, communications and other partners to identify gaps, update plans, support training and exercises, and coordinate local, state and federal engagement before and during the tournament.

Mayor Mikkelson asked if staff know the expected timeline of MARC to receive the funds for reimbursement. Ms. Gonzales said that the process is getting close to being complete. Some jurisdictions still need to sign and approve contracts before funding can be reimbursed.

Council member Heley asked if the funding will fully compensate for all costs. Mr. Davis said no it will not.

Item 2f VOTE: Approve Mid-America Regional Council Head Start FY 2026 Cost of Living Adjustment for partner program staff salary increases.

Kasey Lawson, Head Start Director, requested approval to expend $206,539 in FY 2026 Cost of Living Adjustment funding from the Administration for Children and Families for Head Start and Early Head Start services. The funding includes $153,285 for Head Start and $53,254 for Early Head Start and will be used primarily to provide partner program staff with a minimum .635% hourly wage increase, with remaining funds used to offset higher operating costs, including printing costs associated with an upgraded Head Start assessment tool. The funds will be added to the base amount in future grant years, directly allocated to participating partner agencies. The Policy Council and Advisory Committee approved the item in June 2026, and recommend Board approval to expend the funds.

Council member Heley commented that the SSA COLA percentage in 2025 was higher than the rate that will be distributed through these funds, is this normal to have such a low rate of increase? Ms. Lawson said that typically they follow the same scale but funding for this year has been lower.

Item 2g VOTE: Authorize grant submission to the Administration for Children and Families for the continued support of the Mid-America Regional Council Head Start program.

Kasey Lawson, Head Start Director, requested authorization for MARC Head Start to submit, accept, and expend a non-competitive continuation grant from the Administration for Children and Families for the 2026–2027 program year. The grant totals $33,125,391 and will support continued Head Start programming, including pass-through funding to 17 direct service providers in Clay, Jackson and Platte Missouri counties, as well as program operations, training, technical assistance and specialized services for children, families and staff. The funding reflects COLA adjustments and a previously approved scope change reducing overall enrollment from 2,350 to 2,331 children to support more full-time child care slots. The Policy Council and Advisory Committee approved the item in June 2026, and recommended board approval.

Item 2h VOTE: Approve contracts for program year 2026 – 2027 Head Start Preschool and Early Head Start support services.

Kasey Lawson, Head Start Director, requested approval of individual and agency contracts for the 2026–2027 program year to continue providing support services for MARC Head Start Preschool and Early Head Start programs. Since 2018, MARC Head Start has contracted with qualified providers to deliver services such as mental health support, therapeutic services for children and families, early intervention for children with special needs and diagnosed disabilities, and translation and interpretation services. The contracts will support 14 Tier 1 and Tier 2 programs serving 1,207 children in Clay, Jackson and Platte counties from Nov. 1, 2026, through Oct. 31, 2027, with total contractual expenses not to exceed $349,357. The item was approved by the Policy Council and Advisory Committee in June 2026, and recommended board approval.

Item 2i VOTE: Approve agreement with Kids Win Missouri to support the Child Care Works program.

Toni Sturdivant, Director of Early Learning and Head Start, requested approval of a $624,790.33 agreement with Kids Win Missouri to support implementation of the Child Care Works program in the Kansas City region. Kids Win Missouri received a three-year, $1.52 million grant from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation to scale Child Care Works, a childcare cost-sharing model designed to expand access to affordable, quality childcare for modest- and middle-income families while supporting workforce participation and economic mobility. MARC's Early Learning department will lead local implementation efforts, with funding available through June 30, 2029, to support personnel, operations and meeting costs. The item impacts Missouri counties in the MARC region.

Commissioner Brewer asked if the recipients of this program needed to live in Missouri. Dr. Sturdivant answered yes this program is for MO employers, childcare programs, and residents but that a regional funding solution is being prepared that Kansas residents and businesses could take advantage of.

Item 2j VOTE: Approve a contract with High Street Consulting to develop a data-driven transportation resilience plan and decision-support tool.

Tom Jacobs, Environmental Programs Director, requested approval of a contract with High Street Consulting, not to exceed $450,000, to develop Phase 2 of MARC's Transportation

Resiliency KC study, including a data-driven regional transportation resilience improvement plan and decision-support tool. The work will build on Phase 1 by assessing current and future extreme weather risks, identifying vulnerable multimodal transportation assets, evaluating the economic, operational and social impacts of disruptions, and recommending strategies to improve infrastructure resilience, emergency preparedness and long-term planning. The effort aligns with Connected KC and the Kansas City Regional Climate Action Plan and will inform future investment decisions through regional and local planning processes. Funding will come from Kansas PROTECT, transportation planning funds and transportation reserves.

Item 2k VOTE: Authorize contracts with nonprofit organizations to implement the US Department of Energy's Renew America's Nonprofits Grant Program.

Beth Dawson, Planning Sustainable Places Program Manager, requested authorization for MARC to negotiate and execute agreements with nonprofit organizations and a construction project manager to implement the U.S. Department of Energy's Renew America's Nonprofits Grant Program. MARC received a $4.7 million federal grant, matched with $1.5 million in local foundation funding, to support energy efficiency improvements for nonprofit facilities across the region through Sept. 30, 2028. Following a competitive application and review process, 30 nonprofit organizations were selected for building improvements such as HVAC replacement and controls, LED lighting, weatherization, insulation, window and roof repairs, and related upgrades, with no single building receiving more than $200,000. Initial work will begin with 11 nonprofit buildings, with remaining projects expected to move forward later this summer. The program budget includes $4.4 million in pass-through funding to nonprofit organizations, and approval is recommended to support implementation and construction management of the selected projects.

Ms. Dawson noted that David Warm, MARC's Executive Director, is a board member of LAMP which is a recipient of this funding and has recused himself from this decision.

Item 2l VOTE: Authorize a contract with consulting firm Vireo to develop a streamside restoration best practices manual.

Tom Jacobs, Environmental Programs Director, requested authorization to execute a $55,000 service contract with consulting firm Vireo to develop a riparian restoration best practices manual for the Kansas City region. The project is funded through a portion of Kansas City, Missouri's $5 million ARPA grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Following an RFP process, Vireo submitted a proposal with a consulting team that includes Habitat Architects, Heartland Conservation Alliance and the University of Kansas. The manual will provide best practices for streambank types and conditions common in the region and support professional development for restoration and management professionals in local government public works and parks departments.

Item 3 Approve Consent Agenda: minutes of the May 26, 2026 meeting

Commissioner Brewer moved for the approval of all agenda items and Council member Grummert seconded the motion.

Council member Heley abstained from item 2l: Authorize a contract with consulting firm Vireo to develop a streamside restoration best practices manual

Mayor Lopez abstained from items 2f: Approve Mid-America Regional Council Head Start FY 2026 Cost of Living Adjustment for partner program staff salary increase, 2g: Authorize grant submission to the Administration for Children and Families for the continued support of the Mid-America Regional Council Head Start program, and 2k: Authorize contracts with *nonprofit organizations to implement the US Department of Energy's Renew America's Nonprofits Grant Program.*

The motion passed.

Item 4 Other Business

There was no other business.

Item 5 Adjournment

Mayor Mikkelson adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

NEXT/UPCOMING MEETING

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 | MARC Offices 801 Pennsylvania Ave. Ste 400, Kansas City, MO 64105