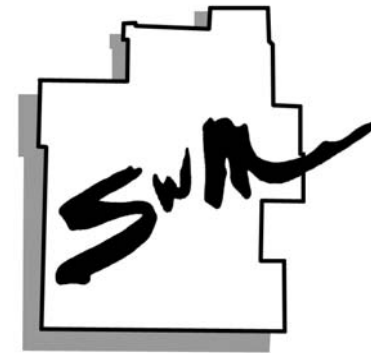


- **Comprehensive Planning.** Prepare comprehensive plans for local governments.
- **Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and Information.** Prepare zoning and subdivision regulations for local governments. Provide general information on planning, zoning and subdivision regulations, statutory requirements for cities and counties, and assist in interpretation of questions on local zoning regulations.
- **Transportation Planning.** Provide transportation planning services to local governments and advisory services to area transportation advisory boards and coalitions, providing coordination with the Missouri Department of Transportation. Provide other transportation related services to MoDOT as a part of annual planning grant, including a model access management ordinance, long range transportation plan, and feedback on a variety of MoDOT projects.
- **Specialized Planning Studies and Consulting Services.** Conduct specialized planning studies on topics of local interest, such as parks and recreation planning, land use studies, housing planning, and parking facilities needs and feasibility studies. Consulting services on a variety of community development planning topics provided on-site at local government council meetings and advisory board meetings.
- **Economic Development Planning.** The SMCOG is a federally designated economic development district. Provide technical services, advisory services and project development services to District members on economic development programs and plans.
- **Funding Searches.** Funding searches for community facilities, infrastructure development, housing, parks and recreation facilities, including grants, loans, lease-purchase, tax credit programs, private foundation funding, etc. Provide information on program and funding available, program requirements, financial packaging.
- **Grant Writing and Grant Administration.** Grant writing services for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Rural Communities Economic Assistance Program, Neighborhood Assistance Program, Transportation Enhancement Fund Program, and various other state and federal programs. Grant Administration for the CDBG program.
- **Census Data Center.** Provide census information and data from other federal and state agencies, including basic information and customized data on request basis. Conduct training workshops on using various Census tools.
- **Data Gathering and Specialized Research, Planning Library.** Research and information services provided on a request basis on a variety of local government concerns or questions. Planning library materials available for member use, including variety of technical reports on specialized planning from the American Planning Association, Planners Advisory Service, Planning Commissioners Journal, and other journals and books.
- **Workshops and Seminars.** Conduct or host seminars and workshops on topics of interest to local governments.
- **Planning and Zoning Commissioners Seminars.** Conduct specialized training and educational seminars for planning and zoning commissions on a request basis.
- **Mapping Services.** Provide computerized mapping services utilizing GIS Arc/Info software.
- **Community Surveys.** Conduct community assessment and community opinion surveys. Facilitate community visioning meetings and other public forums.

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