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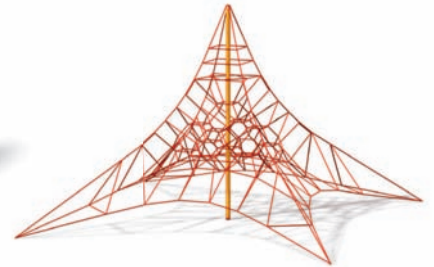
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Dear Friends:

The 2009 National League of Cities Congressional City Conference was held on March 14-18 in Washington, D.C. For those of you who attended, I know you were enlightened and encouraged. I could not attend this conference, but I want to give a heartfelt "thank you" to Vice Mayor Gary Campbell of Fort Smith, League First Vice President, who stepped in and attended in my absence.



After Vice Mayor Campbell's return, I visited briefly with him. He is very excited that there is a new spirit of cooperation between city hall and Washington, D.C. He said it was the best conference he has attended in approximately 10 years and feels the new administration is making a concerted effort to work with cities. I understand that Wednesday morning "on the hill" was a very successful day. Our delegation began the morning with breakfast sponsored by Congressman Mike Ross. Congressman Ross was so very generous to host this event. The day concluded with a Congressional luncheon. The luncheon was unique in that every member of Arkansas's Congressional delegation attended the event.

We had a record-breaking attendance of 55 delegates plus 35 participants in the youth council. I commend each of you for attending, learning and returning to your homes to share with city officials what you gleaned from attending. Everyone can't attend each meeting, but we can utilize our resources by sharing with others what we've learned. Thank you!

On March 3, the city of Lake Village said farewell to Lynette Graham, my assistant for the past seven years, as she went to her hometown of Crossett to start new beginnings there. I have been very blessed to work with Lynette through these years, and I know she has done an outstanding job for our city and will be greatly missed by all. We wish her the best!

The 75th Arkansas Municipal League Convention is June 17-19 at the Hot Springs Convention Center. The time will be here soon and I want to encourage everyone to make plans to attend. You won't be sorry because special things are planned.

In closing, let me ask you to never forget that we are placed in our elective positions to serve those who have entrusted us with running the cities and towns that make up our great state. If we can end each day by helping or enriching the life of just one of those individuals, whom we have publicly declared to serve, then we have accomplished that which we set out to do.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JoAnne H. Bush". The signature is written in a cursive style.

JoAnne H. Bush  
Mayor of Lake Village  
President, Arkansas Municipal League



# Federal-local cooperation the message in D.C.

A new spirit of cooperation exists between municipalities and the federal government, and members of the administration were on hand during March's Congressional Cities Conference to encourage city and town leaders to keep communication lines open.

By Andrew Morgan



PHOTOS BY ANDREW MORGAN, LEAGUE STAFF

Members of President Barack Obama's administration came before the thousands of municipal leaders gathered from across the nation at the National League of Cities 2009 Congressional City Conference, held March 14-18 in Washington, D.C., and pledged to work closely with cities and towns to speed economic recovery and improve the quality of life of citizens.

The new spirit of cooperation coming from Capitol Hill is a refreshing change for city leaders, who during the previous administration's term felt out of the loop on many issues. In the first months of Obama's presidency, the new administration has made several attempts to reconnect with America's cities and towns, including hosting in February a delegation of 80 mayors to discuss the specifics of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. That delegation included two Arkansans, Little Rock Mayor Mark Stodola and North Little Rock Mayor Pat Hays.

High-ranking officials, including U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder, HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, consistently shared two key messages with delegates to the Congressional Cities Conference: cooperation between local and federal government and transparency in government.

Energy efficiency, renewable energy and environmental management are priorities of the Recovery and Reinvestment Act, U.S. Secretary of Energy

Steven Chu told city leaders. With \$3 billion slated for state and local energy programs and \$5 billion authorized for weatherization assistance programs, local leaders have many opportunities to be environmental innovators and create green jobs to boost local economies, Chu said. The weatherization program in particular is a great place for municipal leaders to stay involved, he said.

Funding for renewable energy sources is a major goal of the Act and a priority for the administration. Increasing our nation's efforts in that area is not just an environmental issue, Chu said, but also a national security



Chu

issue. Our dependence on foreign oil has steadily increased over the last 30 years. A new push for clean, American-produced energy would accomplish much, including create jobs and lift the economy, help to mitigate environmental damage brought on by climate change and help free us from our dependence on foreign oil.

To help reach these goals, Chu said, the federal government over the next 10 years will double its financial investment in science.

To prosper in this century, "the answer is simple: We have to grow and nurture our intellectual talent," Chu said.

Cities “should be leading our work on these issues,” EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson told conference goers. Climate change, she said, is not merely an academic issue but one that affects us directly and requires immediate action.

The administration denounces the notion that we must make a choice between green energy and the economy. Pursuing sustainable projects is actually a key to widespread economic recovery. Cities, Jackson said, are “incubators” of energy efficiency innovation and green jobs creation, and the EPA is ready to work with them and build on their successes.

When it comes to national security, U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder said, his office has a larger role now, but it cannot come at the expense of local and state crime fighting. The first defense against terrorism is on the local level. Local police are absolutely critical in fighting crime both at home and abroad.

“In a sense, all crime is local,” Holder said.

Holder pledged to work with local law enforcement to share successful strategies.

“Successful local strategies can become valuable national models,” he said. “Under my watch, the Justice Department will work with you—day in and day out—to keep our cities safe.”



Holder

It will be tough, he admitted, in a time when two-thirds of police departments across the nation have budget cuts, a loss of resources and officer losses. One way the federal government is combating through the newly revitalized C.O.P.S. (Community Oriented Police Services) program. Holder worked directly on the program in the 1990s under Attorney General Janet Reno.

C.O.P.S. has begun a \$1 billion hiring recovery program to put officers back to work. The grant program requires no local match to make it even easier

for cities to take advantage of the funds.

“This program is a win-win,” Holder said.

Info on C.O.P.S. is available online at [www.cops.usdoj.gov](http://www.cops.usdoj.gov).

At six years old, the Department of Homeland Security is the newest federal department. It is also now the third largest department, new Secretary Janet Napolitano said. As we move forward, she said, it can’t just be a federal entity.

“Everybody has a role to play in the safety of our nation.”

One early priority of the new administration is to find new and better ways to share intelligence, i.e. “useful information,” among federal, state and local governments. The current methods are not as robust as they should be, she said, and should integrate local government earlier in the process.

“From the vantage point of the city, we are all one government, in a way,” Napolitano said.



Napolitano

One focus of the department is to put grant money and other funding to its best use, such as the creation of more “fusion centers,” or places where agencies at all levels of government can share training and information and approach national safety in a more holistic way, one that

also includes efforts to increase the public’s health and well-being. Such efforts will help the department make decisions on a real-time basis, she said, “not in an annual report.”

FEMA is on the turnaround, Napolitano said. The agency has made improvements since its failures during the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. They’ve been cutting back the red tape to make it easier for local governments to get the help they need during disaster recovery efforts. FEMA will also work closer with other agencies, such as HUD, DHS and the Small Business Administration.

Cities can help with their efforts in several ways, Napolitano said. Local governments should educate the people on what FEMA is and isn’t, she said. They should know that the first response is local. Local governments should learn how the FEMA money is spent when disaster is declared. It’s not simply a blank



check, she said.

Napolitano encouraged city leaders to not allow a local problem to “fester” once discovered, but to contact FEMA for assistance.



Fort Smith Vice Mayor and League First Vice President Gary Campbell, left, and North Little Rock Alderman Murry Witcher chat between general sessions.

From left, Jacksonville Mayor Tommy Swaim, Cabot Mayor Eddie Joe Williams, Camden Mayor Chris Claybaker and Conway Mayor Tab Townsell meet in the Lobby of Washington, D.C.'s, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel.



From left, Little Rock Mayor Mark Stodola, Fort Smith Vice Mayor Gary Campbell, League Executive Director Don Zimmerman, and consultant and former Sister Cities International President Sherman Banks.

**Conference coverage continues on page 51**

# Historic downtowns named to National Register

**F**ourteen Arkansas properties have been named to the National Register of Historic Places in 2009, including two historic municipal downtown commercial districts, the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) has announced.

The Dardanelle Commercial Historic District and the West Seventh Street Historic District in Little Rock were named to the register as part of the AHPP's Commercial District initiative. The program gives



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Dardanelle Commercial Historic District

property owners and city governments a tool for economic and downtown revitalization. Once listed, a property becomes eligible for federal tax credit programs and, after the passage of Act 498 of 2009, a state historic preservation tax credit.

The Dardanelle Historic District contains buildings dating as far back as 1880.

"Dardanelle is one of the oldest cities in the state of Arkansas steeped in history as evidenced by the numerous historic trees, sites, homes and buildings in and around the city," the National Register nomination says. "Dardanelle has been a river town since its establishment with the commercial center serving as a hub for activity since the late 1800s. The downtown no longer looks as it did in the late 1800s, but it does reflect its 20th century heritage through the many existing brick buildings located in downtown Dardanelle along Front Street overlooking the Arkansas River."

The West Seventh Street Historic District in Little Rock features buildings dating from 1906.

"The types of buildings and businesses in the 800-1100 blocks of Little Rock's West Seventh Street are a reflection of the city's growth and changes to its

business center," according to the National Register nomination. "Located nearly 10 blocks west of Little Rock's retail corridor, Main Street, the portion of West Seventh Street included in the historic district represents the change of these blocks from residential to mixed commercial and residential use, to its current all commercial use. By the mid-1920s, most all of the buildings in the 800-1100 blocks of West Seventh Street were commercial, some with second-floor residential. As Little Rock spread to the west, the businesses on West Seventh Street were less geared toward providing goods and services to nearby resi-



PHOTO BY ANDREW MORGAN, LEAGUE STAFF

West Seventh Street Historic District, Little Rock

dents, and its buildings were filled with electric contractors, clothing cleaners, auto parts, restaurants and a bottling company."

Through the AHPP's Commercial District initiative, historic districts in Clarksville, Hamburg, Heber Springs, Paris, Tyronza, Mena, Hartford, Rector and Pocahontas should be listed by June. Another six cities will be nominated in August.

Seven other properties within municipalities listed on the 2009 National Register include the Mike Meyer Disfarmer Gravesite in Heber Springs; the Earl Building in Morrilton; the Ridgeway Hotel Historic District in Monticello; the Little Rock to Cantonment Gibson Road, Fourth Street segment, in Atkins; Block 35 Cobblestone Alley in Little Rock; and the Concord School House at Eureka Springs.



*Information for this article was provided by AHPP National Register Historian Van Zbinden.*



# Cabot named Arkansas's boomtown

According to a recent survey published at BusinessWeek.com of the nation's fastest-growing cities, Cabot ranks as a certified boomtown, and with all the city has to offer its residents, Mayor Eddie Joe Williams is not surprised.

By Sherman Banks, contributing writer

Cabot Mayor Eddie Joe Williams attributes the steady growth of Cabot—even in an uncertain national economy—to the high quality of life in the city. He credits an excellent school system, where the children continue to test above average; the city's low crime rate; and fact that Cabot is only 20 minutes by car from Little Rock. People can easily commute to the Little Rock metro area to work and return home to the sanctuary of Cabot.

The 2000 census listed Cabot's population at 15,000. A 2006 special census showed a growth of 7,000, or about 1,200 new residents per year since 2000. Despite the slow economy, Williams says they are continuing to build a new house every month. Cabot in the last several years has constructed two new elementary schools, and the city just broke ground for a third. The city is also in the process of rebuilding a middle school that was destroyed by fire.

The quality of education in Cabot has brought 10,000 students into the local school system, which is larger than many Arkansas cities. Williams pointed out that Cabot has eight elementary schools, two middle schools, two junior high schools and one high school to accommodate that growth.

The city's population increase is also the foundation for the economic development of Cabot.

"Last year, we had 47 ribbon cuttings," Williams told the Arkansas News Bureau in response to BusinessWeek.com naming Cabot a boomtown. "Most of these businesses were retail, they're building where the people are. We're bringing a lot of people in because of the neighborhood atmosphere that Cabot provides."

Of the 15,000 military and civilian employees at the nearby Little Rock Air Force Base, 40 percent of them live in Cabot. Williams said that unemployment rate in Cabot is only four percent and that the three largest industries in Cabot are the schools, the

Air Force Base and small- to mid-size construction companies. The construction companies are feeling the economic crunch, but so far it has not greatly affected the steady growth of the city.

Billye Everett, executive director of the Cabot Chamber of Commerce, told the Arkansas News Bureau that "Cabot is certainly booming, but the effects of the national recession are being felt, primarily in the housing and building business."

Real estate values are rising in Cabot, according to Mayor Williams, while home values are flat or depreciating elsewhere in the state. Home values in Cabot average \$136,000 according to the BusinessWeek.com survey.

Williams is also proud to announce that Cabot will soon break ground on a new \$10.4 million Cabot Army National Guard Readiness Center. The new National Guard Center will continue to add to the economic boom in Cabot.



Mayor Eddie Joe Williams stands with artist's rendering of the city's new readiness center.



# Arkansas Cities and towns reach milestones

Eleven Arkansas cities and towns in 2009 celebrate their centennials, while two communities—Jonesboro and West Point—celebrate 150 years of incorporation.

By Cathy Moran and Andrew Morgan, League staff

## Sesquicentennial cities

### Jonesboro

Located among the rolling hills of Crowley's Ridge in Craighead County in northeast Arkansas, Jonesboro has remained one of the state's most progressive cities since its 1859 incorporation. Like many early Arkansas settlements, Jonesboro thrived with the coming of the railroad,

and the city's first college, Woodland College, was founded in 1904. Today, Arkansas State University has a student population of more than 11,000. The school offers one of the mid-south's finest museums, a fine arts center and an indoor sports/entertainment complex.

Downtown Jonesboro is filled with shops, restau-

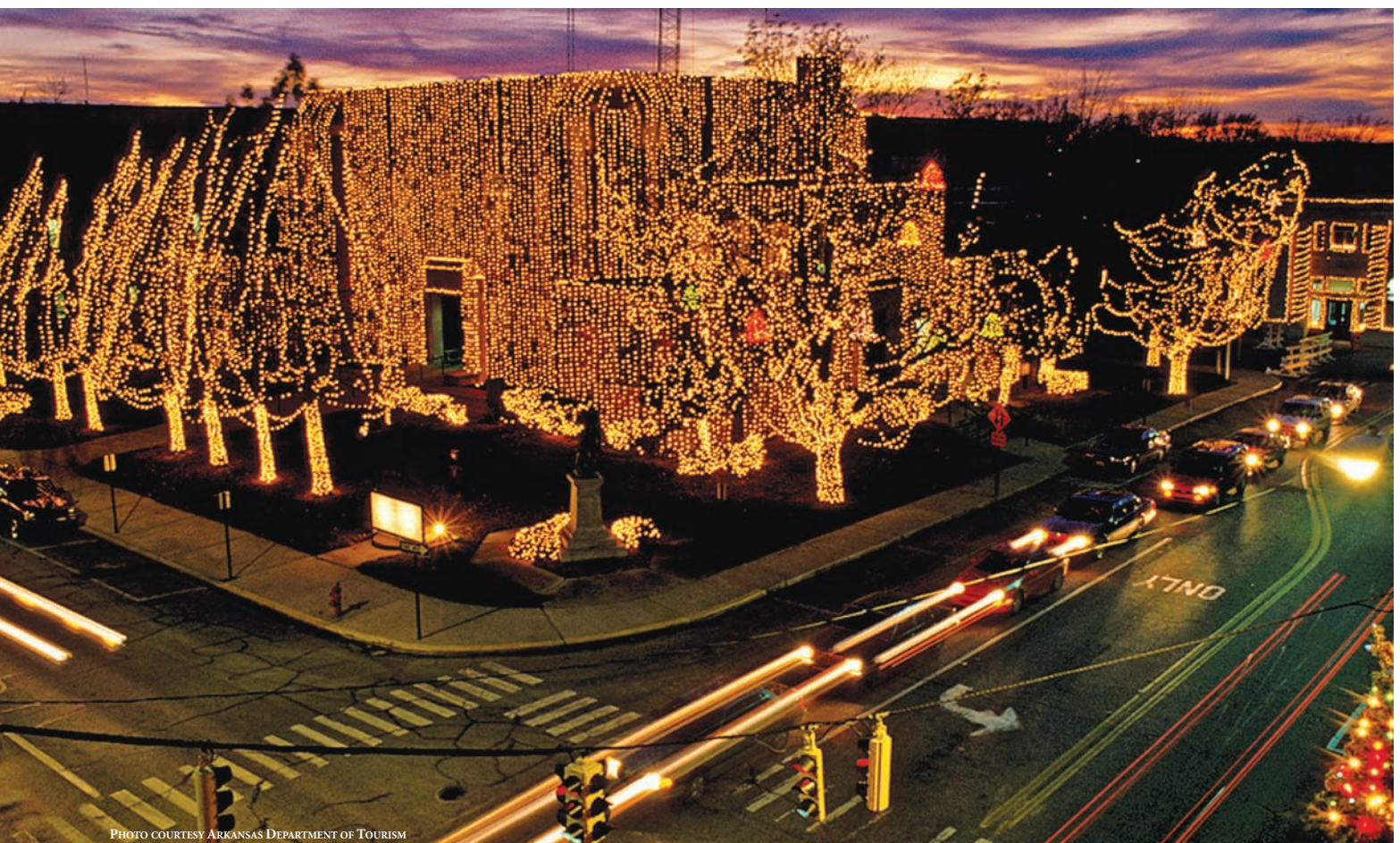


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Downtown Jonesboro is a sight to behold at Christmas time.

and many of the smaller nearby settlements folded into the new city named after state Sen. William A. Jones.

As time passed, sawmills, grist mills and cotton gins gave way to manufacturing in Jonesboro, such as a brick plant, an ice plant and a handle plant. A center for edu-

cation in the region, the city's first college, Woodland College, was founded in 1904. Today, Arkansas State University has a student population of more than 11,000. The school offers one of the mid-south's finest museums, a fine arts center and an indoor sports/entertainment complex.

Harrold Perrin is mayor of this city of more than



55,000, which this year celebrates its sesquicentennial.

### **West Point**

Located on a scenic bluff on the Little Red River just a few miles southeast of Searcy, the White County town of West Point was a hub for the busy river trade in the pre-railroad days. West Point was a center of commerce and communication among Arkansas communities and a trade stop for mercantile steamers moving between St. Louis and New Orleans. The town's growth subsided when the Iron Mountain Railroad established lines just four miles away.

This town of 208 turns 150 this year, and David Hamilton has been West Point's mayor since 1972, except for two years he missed for cancer surgery.

"My great-grandfather landed at West Point in 1865 from a steamboat and homesteaded 160 acres of land by building a log house," Hamilton told Searcy's *The Daily Citizen* in 2007.

## **Centennial cities**

### **Biscoe**

The city of Biscoe in the heart of Prairie County in east central Arkansas was named for a Mr. Biscoe, though locals also may know the community as Fredonia. Originally settled in the early 1800s by several thousand Cherokee settlers from Tennessee, local stories connect the alternate city name to the Republic of Fredonia movement of Mexican Texans at that time.

Teddy Dooley is mayor in Biscoe, an agricultural community with a population of 476, which this year celebrates 100 years.

### **Glenwood**

Located on the Caddo River at the northern edge of Pike County, Glenwood saw its first lumber mill open in 1906. With the advent of the railroad and the building in 1910 of a high bridge spanning the Caddo, the market flourished in the early days.

Ron Martin is mayor in this city of 2,107, which sits amid beautiful and rugged trails and sparkling lakes of the lower Ouachita Mountain region.

### **Grubbs**

Named for James Grubbs, a local political figure, the city of Grubbs is another of Arkansas's historic lumber communities. Located in Jackson County in northeast Arkansas, the city's lumber businesses thrived in the early

1900s when the Bonneville and Southwestern Railroad came through.

Anthony Ivy is mayor in this city of 438 that has a history of strong community spirit. When the local school in 1935 needed a gymnasium, the city received \$175 from the school district for the project. That \$175 ended up being the total cost for the gym. The rest of the materials and labor were volunteered completely by the community.

### **Higden**

Higden in Cleburne County has a history of picking up and moving. When the M&NA Railroad came in 1906, the community moved to be closer to the trains. In 1957 the town council voted to move the town to higher ground before the Greer's Ferry Dam was completed. What's left of old Higden is now under water.

Grady Brown is the mayor in this small town of 101.

### **Lepanto**

Named after the Grecian city of Lepanto, Arkansas's Lepanto is the only city in the United States with that name. Located on the St. Francis River in Poinsett County, Lepanto was a hub for cotton and timber in the early days.

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, the entire Lepanto football team volunteered for military service.

Between the active river life and the railroad connecting the city to nearby Memphis and St. Louis, agribusiness was good in the city. Today, the crops may have changed, but life marches on in this agricultural city of more than 2,000. Kevin Wright is mayor.

### **Tontitown**

This city in Washington County in northwest Arkansas is famous for its Italian heritage, which means wonderful grapes and delicious food. Father Pietro Bandini and 40 families established the community in 1898, bringing grapes and other crops to the area. Bandini became the city's first mayor when it incorporated in 1909. Tontitown's annual Grape Festival is a popular event, drawing folks together from across the region to celebrate the city's heritage and, of course, eat lots of spaghetti.

Joe Edgmon is mayor in this city of 2,030.

Other Arkansas cities and towns turning 100 this year include Branch, in Franklin County; Springtown, in Benton County; Tinsman, in Calhoun County; Widener, in St. Francis County; and Ulm, in Prairie County.



# Retention without a raise

Even during tough economic times, employee retention is vital, and there are many ways to keep morale and productivity high without draining the coffers.

By Melanie Kennon, Ed.D.

**Y**ou may wonder why I would write about employee retention in such an unstable economy. After all, will employees really entertain leaving a “stable” job, especially when every other news story is about lay-offs, bankruptcies and job cuts? Are retention efforts really necessary in a down economy?

The answer is a resounding yes. Statistics show that the majority of people who leave their employers do not leave due to pay issues. Unhappy employees and AWOL employees (Absent With Out actually Leaving) affect not only the culture and productivity of your organization, but they affect your bottom line in a big way. Productivity suffers. Tasks aren't accomplished in a timely manner. Customer service is lacking. Morale is low. It's an infection that can spread throughout your workforce if you're not careful.

In a down economy, employee retention and job satisfaction become even more important than ever, but when funds for raises and monetary incentives have dried up, what's an employer to do to keep the best and brightest employees on board and productive? Let me offer a few key strategies for retaining employees, in good times and bad.

**R**espect for employees is shown through your words and actions. Keep your promises. Honor your commitments. Show employees that they can trust your words and intentions. Fair and consistent treatment of others is a must. Employees want to be treated like people—people with talents, contributions and skills that are valued by the organization.

**E**mploy the right people and put them in the right positions. Hire wisely. Turnover occurs when employees either don't fit into your culture or aren't placed in the right jobs to match their skills in the first place. Some employees find ways to work harder and smarter when the business climate is challenging, but others might respond by protecting their interests, blaming others for their problems or engaging in even more unsavory behavior. These are the em-

ployees, along with those who have never performed up to expectations, that you may have to consider cutting from the payroll. When considering budget cutbacks, broad sweeping scalpel decisions rarely are effective and often cut out good healthy employees, as well as negatively impact existing employee morale. Make hiring and firing decisions carefully.

**T**ell employees you recognize and appreciate their contributions. Show them your appreciation with your words and actions. Recognize and celebrate achievement of important goals. Small tokens such as movie tickets, gift cards, tickets to sporting events, a parking place close to the building, and popcorn or pizza days are inexpensive ways to reward performance and initiative. Handwritten notes of appreciation from the boss sent to the employee's home with a restaurant gift card can make a huge positive impact on that employee's level of loyalty and attitude. Rewards don't have to be expensive, but they should always be personal.

**E**nlist employees in problem-solving and get employee buy-in for organizational changes. Someone once said that the only person who ever really likes change is a wet baby. Change is difficult for most folks, but it is most difficult when employees do not understand or agree with the change. Involve employees in decisions that affect their jobs and the overall direction of the organization whenever possible. People generally support what they help to create, and countless studies warn that disengaged employees won't deliver peak performance. Employers are increasingly asking their employees to do more with less. Make it safe for them to offer suggestions and submit ideas. Get employees involved in the early stages of change. Strong leaders will acknowledge the challenges they face and enlist the assistance of their employees to solve the problems in question.

**N**egotiate flexible work schedules when possible. Help employees balance work and personal life. When work begins to put stress on one's rela-



tionships, no amount of money will keep an employee around and fully engaged. Sometimes small gestures like allowing a parent an extended lunch to attend his or her child's school program or baseball game will strengthen employee loyalty and help retain good employees. Be flexible in working with employees who want to take a class, volunteer or spend more time with their families. Compressed scheduling (where employees work their allotted hours in a work week or pay period in a compressed time frame); working from home when a child is sick; and flexible, family-friendly scheduling so workers can attend their children's activities or their aging parents are just a few of the many options you might employ to retain workers.

**T**alk with employees about clear expectations. Communicate openly, honestly and often. When workers are afraid of losing their jobs, they tend to be less productive. A lack of communication leads to speculation, which leads to fear and distrust. Fear and distrust lead to employees dusting off their resumes and looking for greener pastures. Clear communication regarding what it will take to survive in shaky economic times will rally employees to creative solutions and increased enthusiasm and energy behind the cause. Unclear or changing expectations can affect an employee's sense of security and create unhealthy stress. Offer frequent performance feedback. Praise good efforts and results. Work with employees on opportunities for improvement.

**I**nspire loyalty by demonstrating loyalty to your employees. Workers will stay in an organization even through the tough times if they believe their employer is doing everything they can to help them make it through. Remember, people don't leave organizations; they leave poor managers and leaders.

**O**pportunities for growth and development are important aspects of retention. Provide opportunities for cross-training and career progression within the organization. When a star employee cannot continue to advance in an organization, they will frequently seek out those opportunities elsewhere. People like to know that they can learn new skills and grow with an organization. Most professional associations offer professional development opportunities during lunchtime for only the cost of the meal. Take advantage of this training opportunity. Some offer professional advancement series at a nominal cost. Keep your ear to the ground for these low cost, high value training opportunities. Send a representa-

tive and ask them to share the information learned. This can be done in the form of a lunch-and-learn session, a newsletter or a formal presentation. Either way, you've invested in your employees and gotten the most bang for your buck.

**N**ever slash health benefits (if you can help it). Health benefits are critical retention tools to employees. Shop around for the best options for coverage each year. Healthcare costs go up every year, but you can keep from passing along huge increases to your employees by offering tiered coverage or higher deductible coverage to them as options. Health savings accounts (HSAs) are another health-care benefit option that may help to avoid slashing benefits altogether in lean economic times. Help workers and your organization control their health care costs by starting employee wellness programs. It doesn't cost a dime to start a walking club at lunchtime or after work. A Weight Watchers representative will often come to your building once a week at no charge for the convenience of meetings for your employees wanting to shed extra pounds. Provide water bottles and pedometers to support wellness efforts. Have a contest for the most miles walked in a month and give the winner a month free at the local gym. Negotiate employee discounts at a gym convenient to the workplace. Wellness perks can pay off in healthy, less stressed employees and long term benefit savings.

As you can see, retention efforts don't have to be expensive. Some don't cost anything at all. Let your employees know you value their contributions and that you care about them. Remember: They are worried about their personal budgets, just as you are worried about your organization's coffers. Enlist your employees' help in problem-solving. Leadership during these tough economic times is about not panicking. It's about careful execution of sound strategies for retaining your top talent and shoring up your most important resources—your human resources. After all, once the economy improves, it's full speed ahead again.

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# ACCRTA seeks nominations for Clerk of the Year

The Municipal Clerk of the Year Award each year recognizes a member of the Arkansas City Clerks, Recorders, Treasurers Association (ACCRTA) who has made significant contributions to the objectives of the municipal clerks' profession and to the improvement of municipal government in Arkansas and the clerk's own community.

Qualities are length of service, good relationship with other clerks, interest in education, furthering of the association, attendance at national and regional conferences, community service and furthering the municipal clerks' association.

Any municipal official or ACCRTA member may nominate a candidate for Municipal Clerk of the Year for 2009. **The deadline for nominations is May 1.** The finalist will be honored at the 75th Arkansas Municipal League Convention, June 17-19, in Hot Springs.

## Requirements for nominees:

- A municipal clerk who has been an active ACCRTA member at least five years
- Provided service to other municipal clerks in the state as the opportunity existed
- Exhibited leadership
- A Certified Municipal Clerk or Certified Arkansas Municipal Clerk
- Holds a city clerk/recorder/treasurer or deputy position

Complete the nomination form below and mail to:

Donna Jones, City Clerk  
P.O. Box 730  
DeQueen, AR 71832

## Municipal Clerk of the Year 2009

Nominee's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years as Municipal Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Certification \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Recertification \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years as ACCRTA Member \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Membership \_\_\_\_\_

Municipal Clerk of what city \_\_\_\_\_ Appointed/Elected Yr. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

ACCRTA Offices held \_\_\_\_\_

Committee service \_\_\_\_\_

Other activities IIMC participation \_\_\_\_\_

Education program participation (instructor, panel member, moderator): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Individual submitting nomination \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator: Please briefly summarize the reasons why you believe your nominee should be selected as the 2009 Municipal Clerk of the Year. (Attach separate pages as needed.)





## **It's Convention time again.**

June 17-19—Hot Springs, Ark.  
See next page for more information.  
Register online at [www.arml.org](http://www.arml.org).

Exhibitors, contact the League immediately to reserve space for your display. Contact Whitnee Bullerwell at 501-374-3484, ext. 206. Cost for the exhibit space is \$400.



# 75th CONVENTION

Hot Springs Convention Center

June 17-19, 2009

REGISTRATION

**Registration and payment must be received in League office by Monday, June 1, 2009, to qualify for advance registration.**

Advance registration for municipal officials . . . . .	\$150
Registration fee after <b>June 1, 2009</b> , and on-site registration for municipal officials . . . . .	\$175
Spouse/guest registration . . . . .	\$75
Child registration . . . . .	\$75
Other registrants . . . . .	\$200

- Registration will be processed **ONLY** with accompanying payment in full. Make checks payable to the Arkansas Municipal League.
- Registration includes meals, activities and copies of the **2007-'08 Handbook for Arkansas Municipal Officials** and the 2009 **General Acts Affecting Arkansas Municipalities**.
- No daily registration is available.
- Registration must come through the League office. No telephone registrations will be accepted.
- **No refunds after June 1, 2009.**
- Cancellation letters must be postmarked by **June 1, 2009**.

HOTEL RESERVATION

## Hotel Room Rates

Embassy Suites Hotel (headquarters hotel)		
Single/ Double . . . . .	\$134	Check-in . . . . . 3 p.m.
Austin Hotel		
Single/ Double . . . . .	\$75	Check-in . . . . . 3 p.m.
Arlington Hotel		
Single . . . . . \$80	Double . . . . . \$90	Check-in . . . . . 3 p.m.

Sold Out

- Cut-off date for hotel reservations is **June 1, 2009**.
- Rooms in Hot Springs are subject to a 13.5 percent tax.
- Rooms will be held until 6 p.m. and then released unless guaranteed by credit card.
- Contact the hotel directly to make changes or cancellations in hotel accommodations.
- Hotel confirmation number will come directly from the hotel.
- Please check on cancellation policy for your hotel.



# TWO WAYS TO REGISTER

**1** Register online at [www.arml.org](http://www.arml.org) and pay by credit card.

OR

**2**

Complete the steps and **mail with payment** to:  
ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE  
Attn: 75th Convention  
P.O. Box 38  
North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038

## Step 1: Delegate Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_ City of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Guest will attend:  Yes  No Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Children will attend:  Yes  No Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 2: Payment Information

### • WHAT IS YOUR TOTAL? (see opposite page for fees)

<input type="checkbox"/> Advance Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse/Guest	<input type="checkbox"/> Child	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Registrants	Total
\$150	\$175	\$75	\$75	\$200	\$

### • HOW ARE YOU PAYING?

**Check** Mail payment and form to: Arkansas Municipal League  
75th Convention  
P.O. Box 38  
North Little Rock, AR 72115

**Credit Card** Complete information below and send to address above.

Credit Card:  Visa  MasterCard

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_/20\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (required for credit card payment): \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 3: Hotel Reservations

To obtain hotel reservations, registered delegates must directly contact participating hotels listed below:

**Arlington Hotel** Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ 800-643-1502 or 501-609-2533

**Austin Hotel** Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ 877-623-6697

**Embassy Suites Hotel** Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ 501-321-4430  
Emily Parker, Lead Reservationist

## Step 4: Hotel Payment

Payment Options: Credit Card or Direct Bill Note: only two payment options.

To obtain direct billing as a payment option, registered delegates must directly contact hotel accounting offices listed below:

**Arlington Hotel** Accounting \_\_\_\_\_ 800-643-1502 or 501-609-2533

**Austin Hotel** Accounting \_\_\_\_\_ 800-844-7275

**Embassy Suites Hotel** Accounting \_\_\_\_\_ 501-321-4413 (ask for Paula Burke)

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM IN BRIEF

To see an expanded tentative schedule, visit [www.arml.org](http://www.arml.org).

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

2 p.m.-7 p.m.  
5:30 p.m.  
7 p.m.

REGISTRATION AND EXHIBIT HALL OPEN  
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING  
OPENING NIGHT BANQUET

### THURSDAY JUNE 18

7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.  
7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
7:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m.  
9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.  
1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  
5:30 p.m.-9 p.m.

REGISTRATION OPEN  
EXHIBITS OPEN  
HOST CITY BREAKFAST  
GENERAL SESSIONS  
LUNCHEON  
CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS  
EVENING OPEN—ENTERTAINMENT OPTIONS

### FRIDAY JUNE 19

7:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
7:30 a.m.-8:45 a.m.  
9 a.m.-10 a.m.  
10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION OPEN  
BREAKFAST  
OFFICIALS' EXCHANGE  
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETINGS  
AWARDS AND NEW OFFICERS' LUNCHEON

## RESOLUTIONS

Suggested Convention Resolutions for consideration at the 75th Annual Convention should be mailed to:

75th Convention Resolutions  
Arkansas Municipal League  
P.O. Box 38  
North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038

**The deadline for Resolution submission is May 18.** Resolutions submitted by April 27 will be reviewed for possible endorsement by the Advisory Councils and the Executive Committee.

Resolutions may be drafted by an official of any member city or town and can relate to any matter of municipal concern. See your **2008-2009 Policies and Goals** for resolutions adopted at the 74th Convention.

## WANTED: City officials or employees with 25 years of service

Did you begin serving your city or town in 1984? The League would like to know!

The League will give special recognition to city and town officials who are in their 25th year of municipal service at the 75th League Convention, June 17-19, in Hot Springs.

**Names must be submitted to the League by May 18.**

Call Ken Wasson at 501-374-3484, ext. 211; Sheila Boyd, ext. 218; or write to P.O. Box 38, North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038.

## NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

At the 75th Convention, a special Exhibit Hall is available for businesses, companies and manufacturers to display their products and services that are available to Arkansas municipalities.

To guarantee your firm's exhibit area, contact the League immediately to reserve space for your display. Your name will be added to the list of exhibitors, and we will reserve a space for your exhibit when you arrive.

The cost this year for exhibit space is \$400. We cannot guarantee space for companies that do not register before June 1.

Call Whitnee Bullerwell at 501-374-3484, ext. 206, or write to Arkansas Municipal League, P.O. Box 38, North Little Rock, AR 72115-0038.



# Maumelle hosts ACCRTA district meeting

City Clerk Joshua Clausen, district one director for the Arkansas City Clerks, Records and Treasurers Association, and the city of Maumelle will be hosting a district meeting on April 23-24. All city clerks, recorders and treasurers are invited and encouraged to attend.

Topics of discussion will include the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act, community safety, records management and the current legislative session. Attendees will also have the opportunity to take a tour of Maumelle.


Registration begins at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 23. The meeting will conclude at 3:45 p.m. Friday, April 24. Dinner and dessert will be served on Thursday evening, and a hot breakfast and lunch will be provided on Friday.

Registration for the district meeting will be \$25, excluding any hotel accommodations.

To register, please contact Joshua Clausen at 501-851-2500, or e-mail [joshua@maumelle.org](mailto:joshua@maumelle.org).

## 2009 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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Nominated cities must be members of NLC.
- Nominations must be postmarked by **May 1, 2009**.



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# Alpena mayor pushes town forward

League District 3 Vice President and Alpena Mayor Bobbie Bailey has played a crucial role in improving the quality of life in her scenic north Arkansas community.

By Andrew Morgan

League District 3 Vice President Bobbie Bailey has seen many changes in her town since she first became mayor in 1994. She's not speaking of the population, which at about 400 hasn't changed much over the years. As a longtime resident and town leader, she's experienced first hand the struggles inherent in modern, small-town north Arkansas.

Bailey spent her childhood moving from place to place across the United States as the daughter of migrant farmers. She met her husband, Kenneth, in Texas and decided the migrant life was no longer for her. Together they fell in love with the beautiful land in Boone County and in the 1950s made it their home.

Bailey is proud to be a part of many of the improvements in the quality of life in Alpena, which sits right on the line separating Boone and Carroll counties, and improvements don't have to be huge to make a difference. For example, a few years ago the town successfully landed a grant from the highway department to build a sidewalk leading to the public school, giving children a safe path to walk to and from school.

"I'm more proud of this than a lot of other things here," Bailey says as we pass the school, which, with more than 600 students from the area, has a larger population than Alpena itself.

Community spirit and cooperation among the local government and businesses help get things done in a community in which resources are limited. On the day we visited, the town—with the help of area tree trimmers and wood chippers—was completing the cleanup of fallen trees and debris caused by the devastating February ice storm in the region. The resulting 12-foot pile of wood chips from the cleanup won't go to waste. Bailey plans to use it to help prevent erosion and control weeds on the steep hillside that leads down to the city's park.

Law enforcement is another area that has improved greatly in recent years. In fact, Alpena didn't have its own police department until the 1990s. Armed with information from the League and the help of a law professor at nearby University of Arkansas, Bailey helped establish the Alpena Police Department. With more than 8,000 vehicles passing through Alpena on a daily basis on that busy stretch of Hwy. 62, the local police help keep their town safe.



Mayor Bobbie Bailey continues to look for ways to help Alpena flourish.

See **Alpena** page 35



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# Municipal Notes

## Hope mayor named citizen of the year

The Hope-Hempstead County Chamber of Commerce has named Hope Mayor Dennis Ramsey its 2008 Citizen of the Year, the Hope Star reported March 17. Ramsey was honored at a recent banquet hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Examples of Ramsey's service to his city and county include:

- Economic and Development Corporation, 1987-1988 and 1993 to the present
- Southwest Mental Health Board
- School of Hope Board of Directors
- University of Arkansas Community College at Hope Board of Visitors
- Hope Mayor, 1987-1988 and 1993 to present
- Rose Hill Cemetery Treasurer, 1986 to present
- Kiwanis Club
- Hope Baseball Association Board member
- Arkansas National Guard officer

"Dennis sincerely cares about our community and works tirelessly toward its good," Steve Lance, president of the Chamber said of Ramsey. "He is actively involved in every aspect of the betterment of Hope and Hempstead County. He cares for people in general and demonstrates this through his church activities in the same way he does his community efforts."

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## State to share stimulus for energy efficiency with local governments

The state will share \$20.1 million of federal stimulus money with several Arkansas cities and counties to enhance energy efficiency, *Arkansas Business* has reported.

According to a news release from the five Democrats in Arkansas's congressional delegation, the money is to be used "for projects that reduce total energy use and fossil-fuel emissions and improve energy efficiency statewide."

The largest grant, \$9.6 million, will go to the state Energy Office. The remaining \$10.5 million will go to 10 cities and 10 counties. The recipients and amounts are:

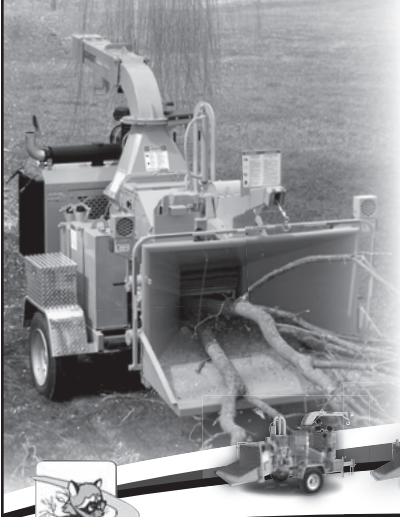
- Little Rock, \$1,972,700
- Fort Smith, \$878,200
- Fayetteville, \$724,900
- Springdale, \$657,100
- Jonesboro, \$634,500
- North Little Rock, \$599,200
- Conway, \$564,600
- Rogers, \$549,700
- Pine Bluff, \$502,000
- Hot Springs, \$180,000
- Benton County, \$609,300
- Pulaski County, \$521,000
- Saline County, \$384,000
- White County, \$309,500
- Pope County, \$254,700
- Lonoke County, \$252,100
- Crawford County, \$242,900
- Washington County, \$237,900
- Garland County, \$232,600
- Crittenden County, \$217,000

According to the federal Energy Department's Web site, the money "will support energy audits and energy efficiency retrofits in residential and commercial buildings, the development and implementation of advanced building codes and inspections, and the creation of financial incentive programs for energy efficiency improvements."

The agency says grant funds could also be used for transportation programs that conserve energy, projects to reduce and capture methane

(see **BRIEFS**, page 44)

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## Obituaries

**Jesse Walter Donaldson**, 68, died March 20. Donaldson served as a Clarksville alderman for more than 20 years and was a member of the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department for 41 years.

**Rodney Williams**, 45, died Feb. 13. Williams, elected mayor of Waldo in 2006, was the first African-American to serve the city in that position.



## Support a family on \$20 a week?

Volunteer firefighters who are injured in their firefighter duties receive only \$20 a week for a compensable injury.

**Solution:** The Arkansas Municipal League's Volunteer Firefighters Supplemental Income Program protects the earnings of volunteer firefighters who are injured in their duties.

**What they get:** Weekly temporary total disability benefits payable up to a MAXIMUM of \$550 allowed under Arkansas Workers' Compensation Law; weekly benefits go for 52 weeks; \$10,000 death benefit.

**How?** Cost is only \$20 a firefighter a year. All volunteer and part-paid firefighters in the department must be covered. The minimum premium for each city or town is \$240.

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at 501-374-3484, ext. 234,  
or Andrea Ross, ext. 237.

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Arkansas Municipal League's Volunteer  
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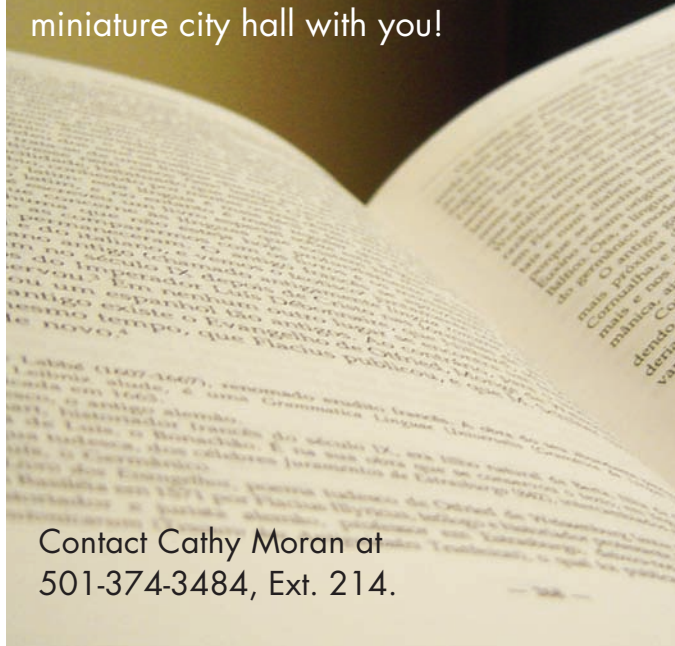
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In a 1994 letter saluting Municipal Clerks Week, President Bill Clinton said, "Municipal clerks play a vital role in our democracy. Offering their finely tuned skills to the process of American government, clerks help to administer the laws and services

that directly affect the daily lives of our citizens. More than that, these dedicated professionals play an instrumental role in maintaining the efficiency and effectiveness of the entire public sector. It is fitting that we pause to recognize those who work every day to keep every level of government running smoothly."

Clerks prepare agendas, take minutes, maintain ordinance and resolution files, keep historical records, process permits and serve as the clearinghouse for information about the local government. Many clerks serve as financial officers or treasurers and, in small municipalities, may act as chief administrative officers.





# Summaries of attorney general opinions

Recent opinions that affect municipal government in Arkansas

From the Office of Attorney General Dustin McDaniel

## Visual inspection sufficient to cite vehicle noise violation

Opinion: 2009-015  
Requestor: Webb, Kathy—State Representative

What is the requirement for enforcement of ACA 27-37-601 (prohibition of noise or smoke producing devices/mufflers)? Q2) Must a law enforcement officer hear the illegal modification, or may an officer write a ticket on visual inspection alone? **RESPONSE:** Q1) As noted in the opinion, enforcement of ACA 27-37-601 is by misdemeanor citation by a law enforcement officer. Q2) ACA 27-37-101 classifies as a misdemeanor “for any person to drive, or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven or moved, on any highway” any vehicle equipped in violation of title 17, chapter 37 of the Code. In theory, it is possible that a vehicle out of compliance with the Code is not being and is not contemplated to be used for the purpose of driving. However, although I am unaware of any authority that has addressed the issue, assuming a vehicle is apparently operative and being used for transportation, to the extent that a visual inspection might reveal a violation of ACA 27-37-601, I believe a law enforcement officer would be justified in issuing a citation based upon such an inspection. The question of whether a visual inspection might actually suffice to establish an infraction is one of fact that I am neither authorized nor equipped to address.

## Mayor’s salary can’t be reduced except by his or her request

Opinion: 2009-025  
Requestor: Hall, Clark—State Representative

Can the salary of an elected official be reduced during his or her term? Q2) Is education pay considered salary? Q3) Is there a difference between salary and compensation for an elected official? Q4) If there is a difference between salary and compensation, what forms of compensation are considered salary for an elected official? Q5) Is there a difference in the analysis concerning the treatment of an alderman’s salary and the salary of other elected officials, including the mayor, city attorney, city treasurer and city clerk? **RESPONSE:** In response to your first question, the salary of a city official cannot be reduced during the official’s term unless he or she “requests” the reduction. ACA 14-42-113(a) (Supp. 2007). In response to your second question, it is my opinion that the “education pay” that you describe may properly be considered salary. In response to your third question, compensation is a broad category of remuneration that includes, but is not limited to, salary. In response to your fourth question, those forms of compensation that meet the definition of salary, as set forth in my response to your second question, would be considered salary. In response to your fifth question, my research has not uncovered anything to suggest that there is any difference between an alderman’s salary and the salary of other elected officials for purposes of the present analysis.

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# Density: What are we talking about?

Misconceptions about and prejudices against high density living in our cities and towns can overshadow the positive aspects of such developments.

By Jim von Tungeln

Many of the poor public officials faced with making decisions regarding higher housing densities in our communities. Urban planners—most but not all—support them. Neighborhood groups—excepting a few souls—feel they are the greatest scourge of the planet. Resolution usually depends upon who yells the loudest.

Planners, who are neither allowed nor disposed to yell, support higher densities for a number of reasons. The one most often mentioned is that higher densities fight that urban monster known as sprawl. Another reason, and one supported by at least one reputable study, is that higher densities reduce the cost of providing municipal services. There is also the issue that some services, such as mass transit or neighborhood shopping outlets, are simply not feasible below certain levels of density.

Opponents equate higher densities with congestion. They also claim that higher-density developments will lower the market values of adjacent lower-density neighborhoods. They offer no defensible proof of this beyond a gut feeling, but sometimes that can sound pretty convincing. It is difficult to overcome these arguments even with visual proof, such as those included here, that perfectly healthy, mixed-density communities exist and have always existed.

Opponents used to claim that higher densities caused all sorts of urban problems, from crime to disease to general social deterioration. The claim was based on the behavior of mice placed in overcrowded conditions. For humans, the claim gradually faded. It seems that no one could ever explain why the Park Avenue neighborhood in New York, with one of the highest densities in the United States, didn't evidence any of those problems internally.

Sometimes the opponents of high-density developments are honest. They simply don't think they would like the sort of people that they think would live in such areas.

We aren't going to settle this argument in one short column. As a recent speaker at our state planners' conference observed, "The only thing most cities in America hate more than sprawl is density." So it's not an argument confined to our state, nor is it one easily addressed with logic.

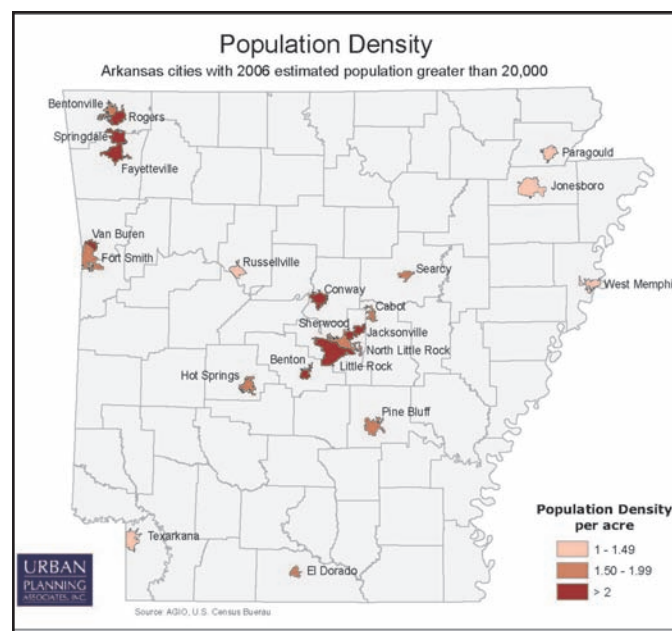
Maybe we can shed some light on the matter by looking at what it is exactly that we are talking about. What is high density? Further, what constitutes high density in our state?

Density for individual developments is usually stated in terms of housing units per acre. For example, new subdivisions constructed in our state over the last 20 years or so contain between two and three units per acre. A high-rise district in New York might contain as many as 120 units per

acre. The newly developing urban center south of the River Market in Little Rock is approaching 70 units per acre in places. A tightly designed park for single-wide manufactured homes might reach nine units per acre. For years, many cities in our state set a limit of around 12 units per acre as a maximum—a typical garden apartment development. That gives us a little basis for comparison.

Among cities, it is easier to make comparisons on the basis of persons per square mile or per acre. Anyone want to guess which city over 20,000 in population in Arkansas is most compact according to that measurement? It is the central Arkansas community of Sherwood, with a density of 1,675 persons per square mile (2.64 persons per acre.) It is a nice, livable and popular community, I might also add.

The map below indicates the relative densities of cities in our state with populations in excess of 20,000 as of the most recent estimates. Again, it is dangerous to make casual conclusions, but one may notice that higher densities are



Relative densities of major Arkansas cities.

apparent in many growing communities.

What does this all mean for your community? It means that if a 40-acre subdivision in your community is developed at three units per acre instead of two:

- An additional 40 housing units can be constructed with negligible increases to either the main water distribution or wastewater collection systems in the community.
- An additional 40 families receive fire and police protection.





PHOTOS BY JIM VON TUNGELN

This neighborhood achieves a density bonus by mixing multi-family and single-family units.



This older neighborhood in Little Rock's Quapaw Quarter has a density of 3.5 units per acre.



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- tion at greatly reduced costs to the taxpayers of your community.
- An additional 100 people are added to your community without the need for additional annexation (assuming the property is already in the city).
- It is very likely that the existing system of collector and arterial streets will handle the additional 40 homes without the need for expansion.
- The development could be redesigned for the original 80 units, saving 13.7 acres of land, a definite plus for sustainability.
- Assuming savings would be passed along, reduced development expenses resulting from more compact development could lower housing costs in the city.

The benefits go up with each incremental increase in the number of units per acre. Granted, these are broad assumptions. They should, however, prod us to think about development densities.

One of the questions we should ask is whether the benefits to the community gained by allowing higher densities outweigh the—often misguided—prejudices of a few property owners. The final decision rests upon our planning commissions and elected officials, and it is not an easy one.

It is, however, an important one.



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# Stories too often have sad endings

By sterilizing pets and adhering to local breed specific ordinances, responsible pet owners can help lower the numbers of unwanted animals in their communities.

By Hedy Limke, supervisor, Jacksonville Animal Shelter

Imagine those faces—six beautiful puppy faces belonging to a six-week-old litter of pit bulls found abandoned in a box behind a local grocery store. Now imagine a litter of 11—yes, 11—lab puppies running loose down a busy city street.

These are just two examples of cases that our animal control team and others across the state handle on a daily basis. Irresponsible pet owners not sterilizing or caring for their animals are a problem that every city faces. Unfortunately, the pit bull puppies were unclaimed and euthanized, as too many other unwanted animals end up in shelters until they are either adopted or humanely put to sleep.

In both cases, the momma dogs are likely still out there making more puppies, and the problem continues. In our city of about 30,000 residents, the number of unwanted dogs really adds up.

I have a wonderful team here with Animal Control Officers Cheryl Wood, Angela Ellerbee and Jared Green. Kerrie Henderson is our kennel assistant and she maintains our new shelter software program. We are all proud to provide service and safety for the city of Jacksonville.

Presently, the city does not have a low-income spay and neuter clinic. Many people call the shelter asking, but it's not possible to get a local sterilization for \$50 or less. Though some rescue groups may offer occasional low-cost programs and vets offer payment plans, it's still

our hope that one day we'll have a low-cost clinic. We pick up so many dogs under the age of four months and know the number could be reduced by more public awareness and animal sterilization.

Public awareness is also a factor when people who move to Jacksonville don't know about the city's ban on pit bulls, which began in July 2007. Many responsible pit bull owners truly interested in keeping their dogs and complying with the law have registered their pit bulls with the city, had them sterilized, micro chipped and vaccinated for rabies.

We recommend that pet owners moving to any city contact city hall and ask about ordinances rather than risk losing their dogs by having them removed from the city limits later.

Since the beginning of the year, we've picked up 34 pit bulls and pit bull mixes. Nine were returned to their owners, and 25 were never claimed and humanely euthanized.

No matter what the breed or the law, euthanizing unwanted animals is one of the most difficult parts of working in a city's animal control department. While there are many rewards and happy endings, so many sad stories could have been prevented.

*Hedy Limke is supervisor of the Jacksonville Animal Shelter.*



Bailey, left, and Alpena Police Chief Mark Bailey, right, chat about the city's new police cruiser. Mark, who is the mayor's

cousin, has worked hard to keep Alpena safe, Bailey says. "He does more volunteer work than all of us put together."

One major improvement the town has been working toward for several years is the construction of a municipal sewer system. All homes, the school and the few businesses in town have septic systems, which limits Alpena's ability to grow, Bailey feels. The town is having trouble recruiting a grocery store because of the lack of a proper sewer system, she says. Residents can grab items at high prices at the local convenience store, but they must travel to neighboring communities, like Harrison, for most of their shopping.

The town passed a one-cent sales tax for the sewer three years ago and has amassed \$100,000 for the project. More funds are needed, however. The town

is awaiting word on a grant application, Bailey says. She is also hoping to convince the state to share some of the federal stimulus money with Alpena to help finish the project.



A few businesses, like this craft shop, manage to operate along the stretch of Hwy. 62 through Alpena. Bailey hopes the construction of a sewer system will attract more business in the town.



# Arkansas ReLeaf cleans up after storms

With help from a partnership dedicated to replacing lost trees, communities across the state continue to recover from winter storms that in February devastated trees across the northern half of Arkansas.

By John Slater

When storms have damaged homes and property in our state, Arkansas ReLeaf projects have assisted communities damaged by storms by offering tree seedlings, tree planting and tree care information. Two articles from the fall 2008 issue of the Arkansas Urban Forestry Council's newsletter—reprinted here—cover recent work done through Arkansas ReLeaf and discuss storm damage and demonstrate that partnerships can make a project successful.

## Clinton Releaf

The Arkansas Urban Forestry Council in partnership with the city of Clinton, the Van Buren Conservation District and the Arkansas Forestry Commission participated in a tree give-away at Archey Fork Park on Nov. 7, 2008. The project was funded by a generous donation from the Chesapeake Energy Corporation. This Arkansas ReLeaf Project was created to assist Clinton and surrounding communities in recovering from tree loss caused by the Feb. 5, 2008, tornado. Past projects include disaster tree restorations in Arkadelphia and suburban Little Rock, Haskell, Cherry Hill and Dumas. These communities all lost trees due to tornadoes.

The project was kicked off by an Arbor Day Ceremony with Mayor Roger Rorie reading an Arbor Day proclamation declaring November 7 as Arbor Day.

"Chesapeake is proud to sponsor the Arkansas ReLeaf project here in Van Buren County and help restore the beauty of the area," said Robert Zeiler, community affairs manager for Chesapeake Energy.

Celebrating Arbor Day is a requirement to becoming a Tree City USA, and hopefully Clinton will become Arkansas's 54th Tree City. A large willow oak donated by Shaw's Landscaping and Nursery was planted in the park as part of the ceremony.

Representatives from all the agencies along with Chesapeake Energy Corp. gave out more than 100 trees to citizens from across the county. Citizens who were impacted by the tornado were eligible to receive free trees and lunch at Archey Fork Park. Arkansas Forestry Commission employees Scottie Youngblood and Mike Curtis cooked over 100

hamburgers, which were handed out along with the trees.

The stories were the same as individuals picked up their trees. Many people had lost their beloved trees that helped cool their homes in the summertime, provided habitat for wildlife and brought beauty to their surroundings. Research shows that trees growing on the east and west side of the home can reduce energy costs by up to 30 percent.

In Arkansas, fall is the best time to plant trees because they have all winter to make new roots. Fall-planted trees are better established for the following summer drought. For more information about caring for trees go to [www.arkansastrees.org](http://www.arkansastrees.org).

Additional free trees were available on Dec. 6, 2008, for those who could not come on November 7. John Slater of the Arkansas Forestry Commission presented a tree planting workshop. The event took place at the Fresh Air Art Gallery, located at 652 Main Street in Clinton. Chesapeake Energy funded the trees and a free lunch as well.

—Patti Erwin

## Arkansas Releaf Project in Dumas

The Arkansas Urban Forestry Council (AUFC) sponsors Arkansas Releaf projects each year for communities whose trees were damaged or destroyed by storms. The AUFC and the Arkansas Forestry Commission donated several hundred trees to Dumas homeowners over the past year. These trees will help to enhance the community, cool the air, trap pollutants, provide oxygen and reduce soil erosion.

The AUFC received a grant from the Delta Area Community Foundation (part of the Arkansas Community Foundation, Inc.) to purchase 50 trees ready for planting in Memorial Park in Dumas. The trees were grown by Bemis Tree Farm near Little Rock and were transplanted to Memorial Park on Oct. 28, 2008. These trees, which are various shapes and sizes, will provide shade, aesthetic enhancements with spring flowers and fall leaf colors, and the other environmental benefits listed above.

For more information about Arkansas Releaf, call Cathy Slater, Arkansas Urban Forestry Council, at 800-958-5865 or 501-625-3710, or e-mail [info@arkansastrees.org](mailto:info@arkansastrees.org).





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Behind the table on the left is Sandy Davies, Arkansas Urban Forestry Council Board Member and on the right is Carol Corning, Van Buren Conservation District. The other folks were participants in the event.



From left to right for the Dumas Releaf are Jerry Lynn, Arkansas Forestry Commission, Sammye Owen, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, and the Honorable Marion Gill, Mayor of Dumas.



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# UAMS program helps state gain by losing

The dramatic weight loss of former Arkansas governor and presidential candidate Mike Huckabee is just one of many success stories of the UAMS Program for Weight Loss, which strives to make our state healthier, person by person.

By Betsy Day

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Program for Weight Loss and Metabolic Control was a key factor behind former Gov. Mike Huckabee's life-changing decision to get healthy. Books, marathons and national television interviews followed the former governor's transformation.

But what sometimes goes unreported are the hundreds of ordinary Arkansans who have bucked the state's trend as one of the nation's leaders in obesity rates to learn a healthier way to live and sustain their new lifestyle.

With state budgets already stretched thin in an uncertain economy, healthcare expenses can eat up nearly one-third of many state budgets. Obesity can cost states almost as much in medical expenditures as tobacco-related diseases, and UAMS has found a way to address these needs.

## Having a plan

By making a commitment to participate in the UAMS weight control program, participants begin a journey that not only includes steady weight loss and improved health, but also provides them a concise road map and tools for maintaining.

For Chuck Lange, director of the Arkansas Sheriff's Association, it was a life-changing event.

Already at 250 pounds, Lange was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, a cancer of the blood, in 2003. An ongoing heart problem coupled with his cancer kept him from being active. When he topped out at 317 pounds, he decided to give the UAMS program a try.

After the program helped him drop 120 pounds, Lange's heart problem was suddenly under control and his cancer went into remission.

"Like magic," Lange said. "It's unbelievable how much your life is affected by unhealthy eating and excess weight."

## Fad-free

While most trendy "fad" diets and weight loss programs might offer a quick fix, the program aims to permanently change unhealthy lifestyles and eating habits.

Getting participants to reach their ideal weight is reached through a documented, medically proven program. Many people don't realize the dangers of fad diets and drugs that are sometimes more risky than being overweight or obese. In addition, part of any rational diet should include behavior modification to avoid resuming previous eating habits and regaining the lost weight.

## Weight and see

At UAMS, a team of medical professionals has been helping Arkansans reach their weight-loss goals with this approach since 1996.

Although maintaining an appropriate weight can't guarantee perfect health, it is good protection against heart disease, hypertension, diabetes, arthritis, gall bladder disease and vascular disease. Such disorders are aggravated by obesity and can be minimized or even reversed with proper diet and weight control.

## Much to gain by losing

The rate of weight loss is contingent upon sticking with the program and varies depending on age, weight and the amount of exercise.

Upon each visit, participants are required to weigh in and attend classes. Regular laboratory tests are performed, and medical staff visits are required by the program. This regimen is designed to guard physical and emotional health while assuring long-term weight maintenance.

The goal of the program is to help Arkansans successfully complete the commitment and get them on the right path toward a healthier lifestyle. And by doing so, the state's standing in a number of health-related categories is sure to improve.



*Betsy Day is clinic coordinator, Program for Weight Loss and Metabolic Control, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.*





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# Cities must prepare for stimulus dollars

With funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act on their way, make sure your community is ready to make full use of the stimulus.

By Chad Gallagher

It only seems appropriate that we again devote this space to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, commonly referred to as the stimulus package. Municipalities should follow every detail closely. The funds have started to flow from Washington, D.C., and municipalities must be fully engaged in order to seize every opportunity. The League has been hard at work in unlocking the details of every program as they emerge to determine municipal interest and eligibility. This is an ongoing project because many of the funding mechanisms have yet to be fully defined.

An estimated \$2.9 billion is expected in Arkansas, and an additional \$11 billion will come directly to municipalities across the country. It is important for Arkansas municipalities to work with the various state and federal agencies that will manage the funds. While much of the funding is set by formula to go primarily to larger urban areas, a significant amount will be awarded competitively. Municipalities should closely monitor all funding opportunities. These funds will be available for the next two years. Half of the funds must be obligated within 120 days after being awarded to the states. The remaining funds will mostly be distributed over the course of the next year and a half.

Half of the funds awarded through grants must be spent within the first 12 months. This is why the government has focused on “shovel ready” projects. Washington hopes that this effort will give the economy a needed jump start.

Out of the funds designated for municipalities, the areas of emphasis include public housing, distance learning and telemedicine programs, rural water and waste disposal systems, rural community facilities programs and energy efficiency block grants. These competitive grants cover funding opportunities ranging from renovating city hall, purchasing surveillance equipment and garbage trucks to modernizing public housing and connecting medical professional and patients in remote areas.

Arkansas has offered an initial prompt response to the stimulus package. The Highway Department has already begun to allocate some of the more than \$379 million dollars in transportation funds due to arrive in Arkansas. These funds will go primarily to highway projects, but there are also funds for enhancement projects, airports and other trans-

portation interest. Every dollar spent on an Arkansas highway is a boost to the cities through which it runs. Municipal leaders should contact their highway commissioner regarding these funds and potential projects.

Of the other funds allotted to Arkansas, nearly half are designated for Medicaid and human services. Another \$900 million will be spent on education and fiscal stabilization, but that still leaves hundreds of millions of dollars in Arkansas alone for housing, labor, energy, water, environment and community programs. Out of these categories, municipalities can expect that a myriad of projects will be funded. These include building and repairing community facilities, new water and wastewater projects, housing developments and much more. Individual citizens will also be eligible to apply for a host of programs, such as increased services through the Department of Health and Human Services and weatherization assistance for existing homes.

Governor Beebe’s office has established a state Web site, [www.recovery.arkansas.gov](http://www.recovery.arkansas.gov), for announcing programs and tracking recovery funds. The site should be saved in the favorites of every municipal leader’s Internet browser. The site provides an in-depth look at the types of programs currently in place to distribute these funds, and it promises to stay up to date and relevant with new information added continually. Municipal leaders are encouraged to stay abreast of the developments that emerge as each program is crafted for Arkansas. In addition, municipal officials should open dialogue with state and federal agency contacts for the programs described above. Arkansas municipalities can also turn to Legacy Consulting and The Arkansas Grant Book for guidance and assistance with the stimulus program. Above all we recommend that each municipality organize and prioritize its needs and compare them to the list of programs to be funded. Use the time that these programs are being finalized to make certain your project is ready for consideration.



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April 16-19, **LITTLE ROCK**, 6th Arkansas Literary Festival, 501-918-3098, bmooy@cals.org, www.arkansasliteraryfestival.org

April 17-18, **COTTER**, 8th Great Cotter Trout Festival, 870-453-4885, terryjim@suddenlink.net; **STAR CITY**, 6th StarDaze Festival, 870-628-6400, akallen@centurytel.net, www.stardazefestival.com

April 17-19, **MOUNTAIN VIEW**, 47th Folk Festival, 870-269-8068, mvchamber@mvtel.net, www.YourPlaceintheMountains.com

April 18, **HORSESHOE BEND**, 41st Dogwood Days, 870-670-6397, pacesettingtimes@yahoo.com, www.horseshoebendar.info

April 20-25, **FORDYCE**, 28th Fordyce on the Cotton Belt Festival, 870-352-2055, dandgran@yahoo.com

April 24-26, **FULTON**, 8th Twin Rivers Festival, 870-722-4154, james.conway@cmcsg.com; **SILOAM SPRINGS**, 35th Dogwood Festival, 479-524-6466, info@siloamchamber.com, www.siloamchamber.com

April 25, **CALICO ROCK**, Calico Rock Homecoming, 870-297-4129, calicorock@centurytel.net, www.calicorock.us

April 25-26, **HEBER SPRINGS**, Springfest, 501-362-2444, chamber@heber-springs.com, www.heber-springs.com

May 1-2, **POCAHONTAS**, Founders Days, 870-892-4426

May 1-3, **CONWAY**, 28th Toad Suck Daze, 501-327-7788, toadsuck@conwayarkcc.org, www.toadsuck.org; **HAMBURG**, 39th Armadillo Festival, 870-853-8345, info@hamburgareachamber.org, www.hamburgareachamber.org

May 2, **ALTUS**, 31st Altus Springtime Gala, 479-468-4684, www.altusar.com; **NASHVILLE**, 4th Peach Blossom Festival, 870-845-1262, nashvillecc@sbcglobal.net, nashvillear.com

May 7-9, **BALD KNOB**, 22nd Bald Knob Home Fest, 501-724-3140, baldknobchamber@centurytel.net, baldknobchamber.com

May 8-9, **DARDANELLE**, 20th Yell Fest, 479-229-3328, vsdardchamber@hotmail.com, www.dardanellechamber.com; **MONTICELLO**, 13th Rough & Ready Days, 870-367-6741, monticellochamber@sbcglobal.net, montdrewchamber.com

May 9, **ASHDOWN**, Whistlestop Festival, 870-898-9080, ccastleman@arkansas.net, www.littlerivercounty.org; **HOPE**, 13th Hope Chamber of Commerce Free Bluegrass Festival, 870-777-3640, hopemelonfest@yahoo.com, www.hopemelonfest.com; **KINGSTON**, 27th Fair on the Square, 870-420-3731; **MONTROSE**, 4th Montrose Heritage Festival, 870-737-2936, montrose@seark.net

May 14-16, **PARAGOULD**, Loose Caboose Festival XX, 870-240-0544, mainstr@paragould.net, www.loosecaboose.net

May 15-16, **ATKINS**, 18th Picklefest, 479-641-7060, johnsunde@yahoo.com; **DERMOTT**, 25th Dermott Crawfish Festival, 870-538-5656, dermottcoc@sbcglobal.net, dermottcrawfishfestival.com; **HARRISON**, 19th Crowdad Days Music Festival, 870-741-2659, cocinfo@harrison-chamber.com, www.harrison-chamber.com; **MAGNOLIA**, 21st Magnolia Blossom Festival and World Championship Steak Cook-off, 870-234-4352, ea@ccalliance.us, www.blossomfestival.org

May 16, **NORFORK**, Pioneer Days, 870-499-5225





# Maximize Your Benefit.

## Join the Municipal Health Benefit Fund

Approximately 90 percent of the municipalities across Arkansas that offer employees and officials medical benefits have joined the Municipal Health Benefit Fund and receive \$2,000,000 major medical coverage with stop-loss, employee life, accidental death and dismemberment, dependent life, dental and vision coverages.

For 2009, new additions to the Municipal Health Benefit Fund are:

- Wellness benefits for all covered adults
- Well baby care
- Increases or eliminations of caps on organ transplants, pharmaceuticals, newborn babies and annual benefits
- Additional dental and orthodontic benefits

The Municipal Health Benefit Fund provides quality health protection for your officials and employees at a reasonable rate.

For further information, please call 501-374-3484, ext. 111.



## Municipal Property Program

Your Municipal Property Program offers broad coverage for your municipal property. The limits of coverage are \$50 million per occurrence per member for damages from fire, windstorm and other incidents in excess of \$5,000.

Coverage is \$15 million per occurrence per member for losses exceeding \$100,000 on earthquakes and flooding.

The Municipal Property Program's 2008 annual meeting in November adopted rates according to the following scale for 2009. See the new reduced rates below.



FIRE CLASS I	—	.0012	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS II	—	.00135	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS III	—	.0015	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS IV	—	.00165	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS V	—	.0018	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS VI	—	.002	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS VII	—	.0022	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS VIII	—	.0024	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS IX	—	.0027	X	covered value	=	Premium
FIRE CLASS X	—	.003	X	covered value	=	Premium

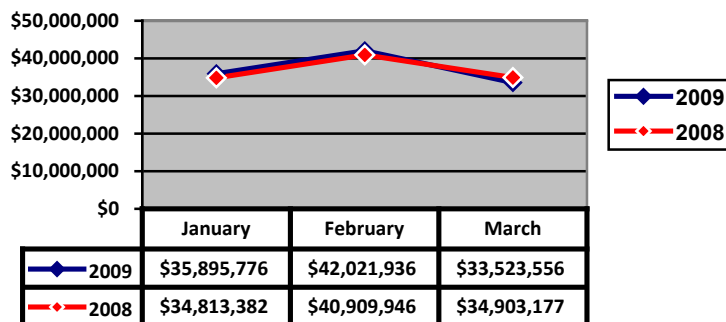
For more information, call Linda Montgomery at League headquarters, 501-978-6123 or 501-374-3484, Ext. 233.

# Sales tax watch

The new Streamline Sales Tax has many cities and towns concerned about its effect on local sales tax revenues. Keeping in mind that the new tax system is one of many factors that affect local tax revenues,

the League each month will provide a comparison of 2008 and 2009 revenues.

## 2008-2009 Municipal Sales and Use Tax Comparison



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emissions from landfills, renewable energy installations on government buildings, energy-efficient traffic signals and street lights, combined heat and power systems and district heating and cooling systems.

### Walton gift funds Siloam Springs trail

The Walton Family Foundation has given a \$313,775 check to Siloam Springs for the con-

struction of a walking trail around John Brown University, the Benton County Daily Record reported March 31.

The money will pay for all the materials needed for the 1.74-mile, six-foot-wide asphalt path. John Brown University will donate the land for the trail, and the city will build it.

The new trail will extend from where the existing Dogwood Springs Trail now ends. Siloam Springs has more than six miles of paths that make up its trail system.



# Local Option Sales and Use Tax in Arkansas



Source: Debbie Rogers, Office of State Treasurer  
See also: [www.arkansas.gov/dfa](http://www.arkansas.gov/dfa)

## 2009 Elections

**BLYTHEVILLE**, Jan. 10  
Passed. 0.25% for police, fire  
For: 674 Against: 175

**PYATT**, Jan. 10  
Passed. 0.5%  
For: 44 Against: 4

**BATESVILLE**, March 10  
Passed. 1¢ for wastewater  
For: 1,019 Against: 78

**GREENLAND**, March 10  
Passed. 1% 2-yr. ext.  
For: 134 Against: 28

**CROSS COUNTY**, March 10  
Failed. 1¢ temp.  
For: 678 Against: 807

Sales and Use Tax Year-to-Date 2009 with 2008 Comparison (shaded gray)

Month	Municipal Tax		County Tax		Total Tax		Interest	
Jan.	\$35,895,776	\$34,813,382	\$38,497,274	\$35,667,309	\$74,393,050	\$70,480,691	\$92,482	\$100,697
Feb.	\$42,021,936	\$40,909,946	\$43,359,038	\$41,931,827	\$85,380,974	\$82,841,773	\$103,317	\$372,742
March	\$33,523,556	\$34,903,177	\$35,926,755	\$35,942,013	\$69,450,311	\$70,845,190	\$102,348	\$95,225
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$111,441,268</b>	<b>\$110,626,505</b>	<b>\$117,783,067</b>	<b>\$113,541,149</b>	<b>\$229,224,335</b>	<b>\$224,167,654</b>	<b>\$297,946</b>	<b>\$568,664</b>
Averages	\$37,147,089	\$36,875,501	\$39,261,022	\$37,847,049	\$76,408,112	\$74,722,551	\$99,315	\$189,555

### March 2009 Municipal Levy Receipts and March 2008 Municipal/County Levy Receipts with 2008 Comparison (shaded gray)

Alexander	26,887.94	42,454.91	Green Forest	29,169.56	27,496.11	Piggott	27,196.65	27,027.93	Gravette	29,079.50	31,118.88
Alma	168,738.68	162,806.48	Greenbrier	130,947.83	97,477.50	Pine Bluff	591,067.69	607,751.59	Highfill	10,051.79	10,756.74
Almyra	1,628.57	1,138.79	Greenland	15,951.73	15,389.32	Pineville	1,499.13	6,052.28	Little Flock	39,730.72	42,517.07
Alpena	2,267.03	2,201.61	Greenwood	148,897.37	142,816.70	Plainview	3,160.06	3,042.00	Lovell	82,719.81	88,521.04
Alzheimer	2,392.65	2,196.31	Guion	1,629.69	2,477.61	Plumerville	5,516.48	5,812.66	Pea Ridge	36,057.36	38,586.09
Altus	5,695.37	5,721.00	Gurdon	33,915.77	46,736.02	Pocahontas	102,071.58	101,987.66	Rogers	608,579.30	651,259.58
Amity	8,862.97	8,337.56	Guy	5,984.42	4,528.12	Portia	3,137.72	2,157.70	Siloam Springs	166,653.84	178,341.44
Arkadelphia	148,880.27	141,467.03	Hackett	3,707.41	4,083.04	Pottsville	9,965.04	12,829.78	Springdale	30,908.50	33,076.14
Ash Flat	72,056.34	68,519.27	Hamburg	25,693.14	25,884.44	Prairie Grove	62,425.85	64,723.44	Springtown	1,752.15	1,875.03
Ashdown	104,995.77	97,189.99	Hardy	13,379.13	12,526.86	Prescott	93,179.24	109,052.22	Sulphur Springs	10,313.07	11,036.35
Atkins	41,392.29	42,497.39	Harrisburg	24,504.72	22,753.13	Quitman	19,547.90	21,072.62	Benton County		
Augusta	21,050.61	17,184.15	Harrison	209,899.95	215,633.50	Ravenden	2,517.61	2,319.46	Special Aviation	8,115.75	16,417.95
Austin	4,855.07		Hatfield	2,686.36	2,409.29	Rector	23,336.60	23,064.46	Boone County	292,674.95	302,369.95
Avoca	3,190.93	4,808.28	Havana	2,785.01	2,816.38	Redfield	16,011.61	12,818.61	Alpena	3,064.55	3,166.06
Bald Knob	103,029.32	94,817.99	Hazen	29,244.00	28,257.67	Rison	10,872.30	8,012.29	Bellefonte	4,256.32	4,397.31
Barling	23,146.29	22,323.64	Heber Springs	128,799.73	115,555.43	Rockport	3,293.72	3,202.29	Bergman	4,330.80	4,474.26
Batesville	32,628.94	29,210.82	Helena-West Helena	238,822.06	206,471.38	Roe	385.45	376.82	Diamond City	7,767.78	8,025.09
Bauxite	6,062.84	8,871.64	Hermitage	3,034.43	3,392.60	Rogers	1,624,895.35	1,758,456.87	Everton	1,808.93	1,868.85
Bearden	9,360.72	9,176.75	Highfill	50,686.68	66,425.87	Rose Bud	17,028.30	6,638.69	Hamilton	129,306.89	133,590.24
Beebe	72,479.25	64,850.37	Higdon			Russellville	771,454.86	852,671.65	Lead Hill	3,053.91	3,155.07
Beedeville	140.61	392.44	Special Aviation	16,331.73	32,867.95	Salem	19,323.82	18,368.46	Omaha	1,755.73	1,813.89
Bellevue	3,155.22	2,546.81	Highland	21,530.00	25,297.20	Searcy	176,464.57	242,113.66	South Lead Hill	936.39	967.41
Benton	583,929.83	578,465.70	Holly Grove	5,097.09	5,374.53	Shannon Hills	9,973.49	7,200.70	Valley Springs	1,777.01	1,835.88
Bentonville	1,244,991.04	1,507,196.63	Hope	149,645.57	149,374.26	Sheridan	158,637.87	159,189.53	Zinc	808.70	835.49
Berryville	148,134.29	158,947.50	Horseshoe Bend	19,360.23	20,009.18	Sherrill	633.22	747.02	Bradley County	73,983.81	109,536.96
Bethel Heights	5,385.07	52,435.43	Hot Springs	1,224,414.59	1,227,539.98	Sherwood	345,046.16	296,139.91	Banks	767.40	735.60
Black Rock	2,758.34	4,070.93	Hoxie	12,042.24	13,015.97	Shirley	3,665.39	3,340.53	Hermitage	4,917.76	4,713.97
Blevins	1,616.15		Hughes	10,066.83	7,688.31	Siloam Springs	427,116.10	462,565.21	Warren	41,196.61	39,489.46
Blue Mountain	141.1	169.99	Humphrey	1,907.33	2,091.89	Sparkman	3,238.18	3,646.81	Calhoun County	46,363.77	53,629.89
Blytheville	292,201.12	285,825.41	Huntington	2,829.50	2,652.10	Springdale	1,465,299.68	1,673,282.27	Hampton	11,899.93	13,781.06
Bonanza	1,729.11	2,586.61	Huntsville	21,525.32	50,619.29	Springtown	639.02	203.01	Harrell	2,208.16	2,557.22
Booneville	89,892.31	95,598.13	Jacksonville	550,795.81	566,823.54	St. Charles	2,807.06	2,112.22	Thornton	3,896.31	4,512.23
Bradley	5,525.93	5,490.03	Jasper	20,197.87	20,158.29	Stamps	13,709.83	12,410.08	Tinsman	565.22	654.57
Branch	2,315.81	1,866.88	Jennette	194.30	162.22	Star City	63,945.54	59,756.39	Carroll County	108,289.77	122,146.00
Briarcliff	717.42		Johnson	51,203.83	43,110.74	Stephens	5,843.82	3,380.32	Beaver	407.81	460.00
Brinkley	95,381.61	92,726.76	Joiner	2,055.17	589.13	Stuttgart	370,409.07	342,847.00	Blue Eye	154.54	174.31
Bryant	757,114.02	749,127.30	Jonesboro	1,103,820.52	1,088,198.05	Sulphur Springs	1,584.85	1,455.38	Chicot County	168,730.30	96,653.98
Bull Shoals	10,749.82	9,578.86	Keiser	2,979.59	2,675.45	Summit	2,383.57	2,283.12	Dermott	19,100.87	19,131.95
Cabot	563,326.47	574,773.73	Keo	1,048.99	1,133.70	Sunset	1,418.97	952.39	Eudora	14,424.15	14,447.62
Caddo Valley	12,864.94	27,544.67	Kibler	2,058.00	2,888.24	Swifton	3,040.28	2,818.00	Lake Village	14,444.61	14,468.12
Calico Rock	17,017.58	17,504.47	Kingsland	1,526.46	1,257.89	Taylor	5,590.00	4,760.94	Clark County	325,095.80	330,045.36
Camden	254,249.44	228,389.76	Lake City	85.63	4,145.65	Texarkana	321,461.72	305,259.65	Clay County	42,285.64	43,528.20
Carlisle	28,396.88	24,257.75	Lake Village	62,171.85	54,609.17	Texarkana Special	160,357.72	163,198.77	Datto	260.43	268.28
Cave Springs	6,921.69	6,344.11	Lakeview	3,860.24	3,659.10	Thornton	1,020.06	3,088.62	Greenway	655.09	674.34
Centerton	61,523.79	56,741.19	Lamar	6,213.04	7,009.57	Tontitown	58,599.26	73,378.04	Knobel	961.16	989.40
Charleston	22,667.91	22,557.39	Lepanto	20,758.15	18,285.68	Trumann	66,419.91	64,545.01	McDougal	523.54	538.92
Cherry Valley		2,740.53	Leslie	4,417.66	2,527.37	Tuckerman	13,357.50	16,529.60	Nimmons	268.48	276.37
Chidester	2,812.00	2,906.54	Lewisville	7,725.65	8,115.53	Turrell	6,330.60	6,133.12	Peach Orchard	523.54	538.92
Clarendon	12,404.64	15,108.96	Lincoln	15,155.88	15,530.01	Twin Groves	921.36	691.65	Pollard	644.35	663.29
Clarks Summit	168,235.50	153,986.34	Little Flock	6,102.05	5,469.56	Tyronza	2,429.22	1,829.74	St. Francis	671.20	690.92
Clinton	96,623.00	82,888.53	Little Rock	1,799,560.20	1,828,817.89	Van Buren	289,534.61	438,135.41	Success	483.26	497.47
Conway	1,543,724.71	1,626,975.01	Lonoke	99,411.67	92,497.39	Vandervoort	360.36	206.89	Cleburne County	406,912.49	299,689.07
Corning	67,708.82	83,795.38	Lowell	163,778.93	183,967.16	Vilonia	49,594.28	50,617.34	Concord	3,399.07	2,503.40
Cotter	8,423.78	7,489.09	Luxora	3,230.99	2,949.40	Viola	2,072.91	1,916.05	Fairfield Bay	1,946.14	1,433.32
Cotton Plant	1,929.66	1,794.24	Madison	1,547.24	1,205.74	Wabbaseka	987.64	694.89	Greene Ferry	12,396.62	9,130.05
Cove	3,616.00	4,139.56	Magazine	7,216.77	2,839.43	Waldenburg	6,657.62	5,650.14	Heber Springs	85,736.64	63,146.62
Crossett	385,935.45	456,350.89	Magnolia	382,374.65	381,554.99	Waldron	40,515.82	41,940.02	Higden	1,346.30	991.54
Danville	36,914.10	39,682.57	Malvern	241,834.17	313,523.35	Walnut Ridge	54,968.36	56,311.69	Quitman	9,117.52	6,715.01
Dardanelle	140,517.82	139,977.79	Mammoth Spring	10,492.75	7,073.23	Ward	13,320.66	12,781.58	Cleveland County	34,117.00	30,433.42
Decatur	16,487.25	14,004.41	Manila	19,509.97	19,862.21	Warren	58,689.13	57,455.16	Kingsland	1,703.24	1,519.35
DeQueen	84,508.97	80,473.78	Mansfield	25,211.82	27,746.95	Washington	488.25	1,300.63	Rison	4,821.43	4,300.86
Dermott	28,608.51	39,878.48	Marianna	70,452.35	65,971.43	Weiner	6,712.61	5,222.29	Columbia County	354,954.29	370,998.16
Des Arc	15,791.35	14,416.30	Marion	149,858.45	161,264.77	West Fork	23,136.38	21,259.30	Emerson	591.37	618.10
DeValls Bluff	4,005.49	3,757.35	Marked Tree	50,467.02	42,037.63	West Memphis	509,820.11	533,526.28	Magnolia	19,381.79	20,257.84
DeWitt	117,008.69	126,295.45	Marshall	12,204.55	10,564.76	Wheatley	2,629.47	3,740.97	McNeil	1,090.49	1,139.78
Diamond City	1,527.83	1,839.30	Marvell	16,937.63	16,937.63	White Hall	45,272.99	48,957.94	Taylor	932.36	974.50
Dierks	10,815.64	12,035.81	Maumelle	138,758.08	136,373.31	Wickes	2,644.47	2,715.65	Waldo	2,625.74	2,744.44
Dover	16,661.89	15,264.32	Mayflower	46,413.70	21,044.18	Wiederkehr Village	2,860.86	482.35	Conway County	267,164.30	375,380.75
Dumas	116,179.75	107,444.30	McCrary	16,834.50	13,726.05	Wilton	1,537.81	1,564.50	Menifee	3,060.56	4,300.26
Dyer	1,437.03	1,629.53	McGehee	140,148.52	136,437.91	Wynne		12.30	Morrilton	64,458.75	90,568.14
Earle	27,234.83	27,398.82	McIntosh	28,816.59	26,980.93	Yellville	19,726.04	17,450.33	Oppelo	7,134.75	10,024.72
East Camden	4,369.77	4,545.70	Mena	118,236.20	116,292.95				Plumerville	8,404.23	11,808.43
El Dorado	482,436.06	488,436.13	Menifee	6,470.33	4,018.04	<b>COUNTY SALES AND USE</b>			Craighead County	244,253.91	265,834.84
Elkins	30,152.78	14,565.62	Mineral Springs	4,089.94	4,472.21	Arkansas County	270,865.82	254,020.42	Bay	26,123.73	28,441.67
Elm Springs	3,719.35	4,830.82	Monticello	148,922.97	149,011.05	Ashley County	271,029.69	305,218.45	Black Oak	4,152.20	4,519.07
England	59,981.77	60,124.24	Moro	2,239.97	2,576.71	Crossett	53,599.79	60,361.08	Bono	21,951.49	23,891.01
Etowah	505.53	345.77	Morrilton	126,660.23	143,726.88	Fountain Hill	1,397.80	1,574.12	Brookland	19,338.22	21,046.84
Eudora	28,792.43	31,988.85	Mount Ida	15,409.52	15,804.87	Hamburg	26,716.38	30,086.49	Caraway	19,585.03	21,315.45
Eureka Springs	88,395.23	91,800.15	Mountain Home	319,933.17	284,936.93	Montrose	4,624.16	5,207.47	Cash	4,268.35	4,645.47
Fairfield Bay	22,486.43	20,944.38	Mountain Pine	1.07		Parkdale	3,314.27	3,732.35	Egypt	1,466.34	1,595.89
Farmington	53,603.90	52,935.65	Mountain View	136,324.17	129,922.98	Portland	4,852.73	5,464.87	Jonesboro	805,976.91	877,188.61
Fayetteville	2,378,601.57	2,448,764.74	Mountainburg	5,140.82	11,209.62	Wilmot	6,909.85	7,781.49	Lake City	28,397.57	30,906.62
Flippin	41,477.48	39,709.61	Mulberry	21,338.36	24,364.34	Baxter County	260,056.30	242,485.82	Monette	17,116.92	18,629.30
Fordeyce	79,873.95	83,708.05	Murfreesboro	19,920.58	21,159.18	Big Flat	1,190.45	1,110.02	Crawford County	225,423.28	235,140.15
Foreman	14,501.06	14,040.22	Nashville	88,299.06	89,674.34	Briarcliff	2,747.19	2,561.59	Alma	37,609.72	39,230.89
Forrest City	164,879.98	151,514.76	Newport	153,892.12	146,246.53	Cotter	10,542.36	9,830.07	Cedarvale	10,243.23	10,684.76
Fort Smith	2,890,616.93	3,047,081.75	Norfolk	3,358.21	3,316.95	Gassville	19,527.97	18,208.5			



Marion	48,124.85	50,525.41	Tupelo	1,375.52	1,316.48	Osceola	89,973.48	96,947.98	Barling	60,761.90	64,087.31
Sunset	1,693.37	1,777.84	Weldon	777.12	743.78	Victoria	598.13	644.50	Bonanza	7,478.84	7,888.14
Turrell	4,656.77	4,889.06	Jefferson County	560,303.43	575,033.00	Wilson	9,519.46	10,257.38	Central City	7,726.19	8,149.03
West Memphis	149,581.18	157,042.58	Altheimer	10,542.23	10,819.37	Montgomery County	35,219.05	32,150.21	Fort Smith	1,167,920.58	1,231,839.21
Cross County	212,721.70	200,523.18	Humphrey	3,528.82	3,621.58	Black Springs	534.83	488.23	Greenwood	103,481.48	109,144.87
Cherry Valley	5,397.20	5,087.70	Pine Bluff	487,622.21	500,441.09	Mount Ida	4,602.36	4,201.33	Hackett	10,097.88	10,650.53
Hickory Ridge	2,943.93	2,775.11	Redfield	10,232.68	10,501.68	Norman	1,984.50	1,811.58	Hartford	11,232.80	11,847.56
Parkin	12,281.70	11,577.40	Sherrill	11,547.36	1,143.65	Oden	1,032.13	942.19	Huntington	10,010.58	10,558.45
Wynne	66,046.71	62,259.23	Wabbaseka	2,856.66	2,931.76	Nevada County	27,563.28	30,468.70	Lavaca	26,554.23	28,007.51
Dallas County	144,036.91	153,692.08	White Hall	41,850.51	42,950.71	Bluff City	879.98	972.73	Mansfield	10,272.49	10,834.68
Desha County	84,968.88	86,140.66	Johnson County	95,860.38	105,131.59	Bodcaw	857.70	948.11	Midland	3,681.22	3,882.68
Arkansas City	4,343.76	4,403.67	Clarksville	64,125.68	70,327.65	Cale	417.71	461.74	Sevier County	227,452.20	227,205.57
Dumas	38,629.26	39,161.98	Coal Hill	8,315.82	9,120.09	Emmet	2,818.15	2,955.14	Ben Lomond	967.04	957.27
McGehee	33,702.88	34,167.67	Hartman	4,951.28	5,430.14	Prescott	20,529.05	22,693.00	DeQueen	44,245.77	43,798.90
Mitchellville	3,665.28	3,715.83	Knoxville	4,245.14	4,655.71	Rosston	1,475.91	1,631.48	Gillham	1,442.88	1,428.31
Reed	2,028.07	2,056.04	Lamar	11,755.12	12,892.03	Willisville	1,047.05	1,157.43	Horatio	7,657.87	7,574.59
Tillar	243.37	246.72	Lafayette County	79,229.31	74,859.43	Newtown County	24,001.47	25,959.93	Lockesburg	5,456.85	5,401.74
Watson	2,123.95	2,153.24	Bradley	2,997.17	2,831.86	Jasper	1,551.70	1,678.31	Sharp County	59,136.36	58,263.03
Drew County	253,648.08	252,968.50	Buckner	2,108.13	1,991.86	Western Grove	1,268.15	1,371.64	Ash Flat	7,300.33	7,190.94
Jerome	427.63	426.48	Lewisville	6,840.78	6,840.78	Ouachita County	304,374.69	87,939.89	Cave City	14,106.48	13,895.10
Monticello	85,023.47	84,795.67	Stamps	11,344.52	10,718.82	Bearden	8,414.96	8,312.25	Cherokee Village	28,744.57	28,313.86
Tillar	1,919.17	1,919.17	Lawrence County	111,939.92	108,495.75	Camden	98,391.45	97,190.50	Evening Shade	3,481.69	3,429.52
Wilmar	5,308.16	5,293.93	Alicia	705.83	684.11	Chidester	2,692.79	2,659.92	Hardy	5,443.42	5,361.86
Winchester	1,775.58	1,770.83	Black Rock	3,490.21	3,382.83	East Camden	6,746.93	6,664.58	Highland	7,382.69	7,272.06
Faulkner County	555,299.63	581,709.42	College City	1,309.44	1,269.15	Louann	1,458.59	1,440.79	Horseshoe Bend	37.44	36.88
Damascus	775.71	812.61	Hoxie	13,712.59	13,290.68	Stephens	8,616.92	8,511.74	Sidney	2,059.07	2,028.21
Enola	1,235.88	1,294.66	Imboden	3,329.58	3,227.13	Perry County	91,701.40	86,419.84	Willford	471.70	464.65
Holland	3,793.11	3,973.51	Lynn	1,533.36	1,486.18	Adona	751.86	708.56	St. Francis County	145,103.12	130,325.70
Mount Vernon	946.63	991.66	Minturn	554.93	537.86	Bigelow	1,322.80	1,246.61	Caldwell	7,162.74	6,433.28
Wooster	3,392.12	3,553.43	Portia	2,351.15	2,278.71	Casa	840.32	791.92	Colt	5,668.58	5,091.28
Franklin County	150,640.97	147,218.39	Powhatan	243.39	235.90	Fourche	237.22	223.56	Forrest City	227,574.67	204,398.30
Altus	6,637.74	6,486.93	Ravenden	2,487.45	2,410.91	Houston	639.29	602.47	Hughes	28,758.76	25,829.94
Branch	2,900.46	2,834.56	Sedgwick	545.19	528.42	Perry	1,262.49	1,189.78	Madison	15,203.48	13,655.14
Charleston	24,089.23	23,541.92	Smithville	355.35	344.42	Perryville	5,862.13	5,524.50	Palentine	11,414.16	10,251.74
Denning	3,290.43	3,215.67	Strawberry	1,377.59	1,335.20	Phillips County	139,756.16	132,947.68	Wheatley	5,730.18	5,146.62
Ozark	28,638.97	27,988.29	Walnut Ridge	23,973.91	23,236.28	Elaine	10,746.33	10,222.81	Widener	5,160.24	4,634.74
Wiederkehr Village	373.72	365.24	Lee County	27,520.45	24,868.25	Helena-West Helena	177,415.90	186,501.65	Stone County	67,549.21	72,539.21
Fulton County	85,043.20	78,813.28	Aubrey	955.69	863.59	Lake View	6,596.88	6,275.50	Fifty Six	1,301.34	1,397.62
Ash Flat	8.80	8.16	Haynes	925.42	836.24	Lexa	4,112.18	3,911.85	Mountain View	22,961.15	24,659.91
Cherokee Village	3,561.07	3,300.19	LaGrange	527.58	476.73	Marvell	17,330.79	16,486.49	Union County	409,949.09	448,178.12
Hardy	118.85	110.14	Marianna	22,404.69	20,245.50	Pike County	145,290.05	143,230.14	Caion	11,947.49	13,061.62
Horseshoe Bend	30.81	28.56	Moro	1,042.18	941.74	Antoine	1,012.36	998.00	El Dorado	531,189.80	580,724.87
Mammoth Spring	5,048.89	4,679.03	Rondo	1,024.88	926.11	Daisy	765.76	754.90	Felsenthal	2,855.16	3,121.41
Salem	7,003.30	6,490.27	Lincoln County	39,792.25	45,287.03	Delight	2,018.22	1,989.61	Huttig	17,684.31	19,333.42
Viola	1,677.11	1,554.24	Gould	5,094.56	5,798.06	Glenwood	13,673.29	13,479.43	Junction City	15,960.27	17,448.61
Garland County	571,218.41	570,233.22	Grady	2,041.73	2,323.66	Murreesboro	11,447.40	11,285.10	Norphet	17,681.28	19,330.11
Fountain Lake	2,692.53	2,687.89	Star City	9,646.49	10,978.54	Poinsett County	107,876.22	100,438.64	Smackover	49,239.66	53,831.41
Lonsdale	776.82	775.48	Little River County	237,444.82	187,307.68	Fisher	1,788.88	1,665.54	Strong	14,603.11	15,964.90
Mountain Pine	5,082.24	5,073.47	Ashdown	47,463.15	37,441.17	Harrisburg	14,797.08	13,776.88	Van Buren County	302,078.94	378,663.34
Grant County	142,410.04	115,635.03	Foreman	11,168.38	8,810.15	Lepanto	14,398.80	13,406.06	Clinton	25,296.98	31,710.38
Greene County	306,104.25	302,637.59	Ogden	2,124.47	1,675.89	Marked Tree	18,901.38	17,598.21	Damascus	2,083.15	2,611.28
Delaplaine	1,230.91	1,216.97	Wilton	4,358.15	3,437.91	Trumann	46,504.13	43,297.88	Fairfield Bay	25,640.48	32,140.96
Lafe	3,731.50	3,689.24	Winthrop	1,846.52	1,456.61	Tyrone	6,196.95	5,769.70	Shirley	3,734.16	4,680.86
Marmaduke	11,223.58	11,096.47	Logan County	80,526.99	95,972.21	Waldenburg	5,404.00	5,028.82	Washington County	1,062,549.43	1,103,201.19
Oak Grove Heights	7,046.24	6,966.44	Blue Mountain	853.37	1,017.05	Weiner	5,130.37	4,776.66	Elkins	17,346.39	18,010.04
Paragould	213,393.41	210,976.72	Booneville	26,616.06	31,721.07	Polk County	217,600.92	212,205.43	Elm Springs	14,295.86	14,842.80
Hempstead County	458,793.25	264,227.01	Cauksville	1,596.33	1,795.24	Cove	6,701.06	6,534.91	Farmington	49,986.99	51,899.43
Blevins	3,168.33	3,295.25	Magazine	5,915.40	7,049.98	Granis	10,060.34	9,810.90	Fayetteville	804,880.70	835,674.39
Emmet	225.69	234.73	Morrison Bluff	478.40	570.16	Hatfield	7,033.50	6,859.10	Goshen	10,427.24	10,624.19
Fulton	2,126.69	2,211.88	Paris	23,965.44	28,562.06	Mena	98,626.38	96,180.91	Greenland	12,576.48	13,057.64
Hope	92,150.57	95,842.08	Ratcliff	1,234.80	1,471.64	Vandervoort	2,099.56	2,047.48	Johnson	32,155.29	33,385.51
McCaskill	729.15	758.36	Scranton	1,435.21	1,710.49	Wickes	11,809.98	11,517.14	Lincoln	25,014.29	25,971.31
McNab	651.03	677.11	Subiaco	2,838.09	3,382.44	Pope County	269,406.35	307,595.46	Prairie Grove	35,219.68	36,567.14
Oakhaven	468.74	487.52	Lonoke County	723,779.97	216,788.73	Atkins	32,471.37	37,074.28	Springdale	607,151.29	630,380.12
Ozan	703.11	731.27	Allport	1,196.17	1,146.36	Dover	14,994.60	17,120.13	Tontitown	28,148.01	29,224.92
Patmos	529.50	550.71	Austin	5,698.31	5,461.01	Hector	5,709.00	6,518.27	West Fork	28,314.41	29,397.68
Perrytown	2,213.49	2,302.16	Cabot	143,738.77	137,752.96	London	10,436.42	11,915.81	Winslow	5,352.56	5,744.22
Washington	1,284.67	1,336.16	Carlisle	21,700.68	20,796.99	Pottsville	14,340.21	16,372.98	White County	854,357.47	811,020.89
Hot Spring County	278,682.58	220,474.97	Coy	1,092.57	1,047.07	Russellville	267,194.97	305,070.60	Bald Knob	41,758.15	39,640.00
Donaldson	2,650.67	3,763.47	England	28,406.80	27,223.83	Prairie County	23,573.56	22,820.71	Beebe	64,133.24	60,880.13
Friendship	1,674.97	2,378.15	Humnoke	2,637.24	2,527.41	Biscoe	2,490.79	2,411.25	Bradford	10,407.02	9,879.13
Magnet Cove	3,683.30	5,229.61	Keo	2,213.39	2,121.23	Des Arc	10,114.92	9,791.88	Garner	3,694.49	3,507.09
Malvern	73,348.86	104,142.04	Lonoke	40,377.96	38,696.48	DeValls Bluff	4,097.25	3,966.40	Georgetown	1,639.11	1,555.96
Midway	2,780.77	3,948.19	Ward	24,300.26	23,288.29	Hazen	8,566.02	8,292.45	Griffithville	3,408.30	3,235.41
Perla	935.05	1,327.61	Madison County	115,624.73	189,090.95	Ulm	1,072.71	1,038.46	Higginson	4,917.32	4,667.89
Rockport	6,439.88	9,143.17	Hindsville	330.96	541.25	Pulaski County	862,239.90	879,754.58	Judsonia	25,783.38	24,475.54
Howard County	257,578.66	284,845.81	Huntsville	9,028.63	14,765.29	Alexander	2,769.32	2,825.57	Kensett	23,298.71	22,116.90
Dierks	12,758.22	14,168.65	St. Paul	719.29	1,176.31	Cammack Village	13,379.67	13,651.45	Letona	2,614.76	2,482.13
Mineral Springs	13,110.89	14,560.30	Marion County	68,627.62	64,699.40	Jacksonville	481,668.05	491,452.17	McRae	8,598.80	8,162.63
Nashville	50,597.22	56,190.80	Bull Shoals	12,909.64	12,170.69	Little Rock	2,948,566.47	3,008,460.68	Pangburn	8,507.74	8,076.19
Tollette	3,360.71	3,732.22	Flippin	8,759.19	8,257.81	Maumelle	169,974.92	173,427.61	Rose Bud	5,580.76	5,297.68
Independence County	329,955.40	345,616.80	Pyatt	1,633.07	1,539.61	North Little Rock	973,012.61	992,777.40	Russell	2,966.00	2,815.55
Batesville	107,566.61	102,692.30	Summit	3,782.52	3,566.01	Sherwood	346,341.80	353,377.04	Searcy	246,230.00	233,740.18
Cave City	706.10	674.11	Yellville	8,468.72	7,983.97	Wrightsville	22,025.73	22,153.14	West Point	2,705.82	2,568.59
Cushman	5,250.21	5,012.30	Miller County	370,153.86	355,304.51	Randolph County	100,357.61	108,957.08	Woodruff County	15,121.49	13,131.28
Magness	2,175.25	2,076.68	Fouke	7,329.78	7,035.73	Biggers	2,428.93	2,637.06	Augusta	15,224.33	13,220.57
Moorefield	1,822.20	1,739.63	Garland	7,329.78	7,035.73	Maynard	2,606.82	2,830.20	Cotton Plant	5,484.19	4,762.38
Newark	13,882.87	13,253.78	Texarkana	164,920.04	158,303.98	O'Keane	1,375.25	1,493.10			





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CHANGES TO THE 2009 MHBF DIRECTORY, AS OF APRIL 1, 2009

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	CLINIC/SPECIALTY	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	PHONE
<b>IN-STATE ADDITIONS</b>							
LITTLE RIVER MEDICAL SUPPLY ADAIR, OT	JENNIFER	DURABLE MED. EQUIP. & SUPPLIES BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1360 S CONSTITUTION AVE 1310 SIDNEY ST	ASHDOWN BATESVILLE	AR	71822 72501	870-898-3838 870-612-7200
BENISON, PT	BOBBY G	BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1310 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-612-7200
GALACIA, MD	EDGAR	WHITE RIVER MED. PHYS GROUP	1710 HARRISON ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-262-1235
HARTNESS, NP	BIRTHA	SHERWOOD URGENT CARE	1547 E HARRISON ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-5800
HOSKINDS, PT	EMILY	BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1310 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-612-7200
HOSKINDS, PT	JUSTIN	BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1310 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-612-7200
ROULIER, MD	JULIA	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
STRICKLAND, MD	N.E.	BATESVILLE SURGERY CENTER	501 VIRGINIA DR	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-1846
LEASE, PA	JASMIN A.	SALINE ORTHOPEDIC GROUP	105 MCNEIL	BENTON	AR	72015	501-315-0984
SLEEP MANAGEMENT SERVICES ALL HOME MEDICAL & DIABETIC SUPPLIES		SLEEP DISORDERS DURABLE MED. EQUIP. & SUPPLIES SA PHYSICIAN SERVICES	#5 MEDICAL LANE #C&D 2700 VINE ST 700 W GROVE	CONWAY EL DORADO EL DORADO	AR	72034 71730 71730	501-450-7886 870-864-8882 870-862-4555
PROCTOR, MD	EVA G.				AR	71730	
ADVANCED AMBULATORY SURGERY CTR.		OUTPATIENT SURGERY CTR.	2594 E JOYCE BLVD #1	FAYETTEVILLE	AR	72703	479-718-7546
ARZOUAMANIAN, PA	AIMEE	SMF HOSPITAL ASSOCIATES	1001 TOWSON AVE	FORT SMITH	AR	72901	479-441-3396
SEVEMS, MD	CYRIL	THE DERMATOLOGY CENTER	1500 DODSON AVE #270	FORT SMITH	AR	72901	479-709-7340
ARKANSAS ONCOLOGY ASSOCIATES		ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY	1800 BYPASS RD	HEBER SPRINGS	AR	72543	501-661-0060
EICHHORN, DDS	SCOTT	GENERAL DENTISTRY	309D S RIDGE BLVD	HEBER SPRINGS	AR	72543	501-362-0550
PARHAM, LPEI	THEORTRES	FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES	302 CHERRY ST #508	HELENA	AR	72342	870-338-7299
ARKANSAS ONCOLOGY ASSOCIATES		ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY	180 MEDICAL PARK ST #202	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71901	501-625-3334
MEANS, APN	NAN	ST JOSEPHS MERCY CLINIC	100 MCGOWAN COURT	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71913	501-627-1800
LICHTOR, MD	TERENCE R.	JONESBORO NEUROSURGERY CLINIC	800 S CHURCH #203	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-934-1462
WRIGHT, DO	JAMES	LAKE VILLAGE CLINIC	2918 LOUIS SESSIONS ST	LAKE VILLAGE	AR	71653	870-265-5343
ALQAISI, MD	ABEER	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
CARPENTER, ANP	CYNTHIA	CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	#1 CHILDRENS WAY	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72202	501-364-1100
CATHEY, DC	CHRISTOPHER	CENTRAL ARK. CHIROPRACTIC	6801 W 12TH #E	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72204	501-716-9999
DIOKNO, MD	ROSANA	AR. CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	#1 CHILDRENS WAY	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72202	501-364-1202
GARRARD, RNFA	COURTNEY	SURGICAL CLINIC OF CENTRAL AR	9500 KANIS RD #501	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-9080
GATHRIGHT, MD	KENNETH	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
GLOVER, MD	FORREST	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
HICKS, RNFA	REBECCA	SURGICAL CLINIC OF CENTRAL AR	9500 KANIS RD #501	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-9080
KELLEY, MD	MORRIS	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
KELLY, CRNA	KAREY	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
LEBLANC, ANP	DONNA	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
WILSON, RNFA	TERESA	SURGICAL CLINIC OF CENTRAL AR	9500 KANIS RD #501	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-227-9080
GODFREY, DO	LINCOLN	BRMC TRANSITIONAL CARE	624 HOSPITAL DR	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-508-7590
ARKANSAS ONCOLOGY ASSOCIATES		ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY	1808 W MAIN ST #200	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	72801	479-967-6565
SPRING RIVER HOME HEALTH		HOME HEALTH	507 N MAIN	SALEM	AR	72576	870-895-2627
SPARKMAN COMMUNITY CLINIC WR SPRINGDALE CTR. FOR HEALTH		FAMILY PRACTICE GENERAL PRACTICE	104 W TAYLOR ST 813 FOUNDERS PARK DR	SPARKMAN SPRINGDALE	AR	71763 72762	870-678-2226 479-463-6000
STEPHENS COMMUNITY CLINIC PULLIAM, DDS	DENNIS	FAMILY PRACTICE GENERAL DENTISTRY	113 W RUBY ST 413 SW THIRD ST	STEPHENS WALNUT RIDGE	AR	71764 72476	870-786-9114 870-886-6761
SLEEP MANAGEMENT SERVICES		SLEEP DISORDERS	7500 DOLLARWAY RD #201	WHITE HALL	AR	71302	877-989-9919
CALDWELL DISCOUNT DRUG		DURABLE MED. EQUIP. & SUPPLIES	804 S FALLS BLVD	WYNNE	AR	72396	870-238-7085
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BISHOP, MD	ROBERT	CORNERSTONE MEDICAL GROUP	605 HEATHER LANE	ALMA	AR	72921	479-632-6688
RANA, MD	JAVED	CORNERSTONE MEDICAL GROUP	605 HEATHER LANE	ALMA	AR	72921	479-632-6688
LITTLE RIVER HOSPITAL HOME HEALTH		HOME HEALTH	111 W MAIN	ASHDOWN	AR	71822	870-898-4120
WALLACE, DC	DENVER R.	WALLACE CHIROPRACTIC	430 S. ELM ST.	BALD KNOB	AR	72010	501-724-5614
ABOU-ELSAAD, MD	TAMER	BATESVILLE NEUROLOGY	BATESVILLE HARRISON ST #D	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-5200
ALEXANDER, MD	WILLIAM S.	GENERAL SURGERY	501 VIRGINIA DR.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-1846
ALLEN, MD	JULIA L.	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
APPROVE HOME MEDICAL		HOME HEALTH	2000 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-1123
BAKER, MD	ROBERT V.	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
BELLER, DDS	WILLIAM C.	GENERAL DENTISTRY	635 BOSWELL ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-1837
BROWN, MD	HUNTER L.	UROLOGY	501 VIRGINIA DR #A	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-1846
CUMMINS, MD	THOMAS	WHITE RIVER MED. PHYS. GROUP	1710 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-262-1235
DAVIDSON, MD	ANDY M.	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
FIELDER, MD	DAVID G.	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
FREDRICKS, OT	SCOTT	BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1310 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-612-7200
FULLER, OT	SCOTT	BATESVILLE THERAPY CLINIC	1310 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-612-7200
HOLT, DC	TANYA	FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC CARE	60 ALLEN CHAPPEL RD	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-251-2560
ISAAC, DC	TIMOTHY O.	HARRISON STREET CHIROPRACTIC	2201 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72503	870-793-1135
MOODY, MD	MELODY	CHILDRENS CLINIC	1700 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-262-2200

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SPIERS, MD	JON P.	AR. CARDIOVASCULAR & THORACIC SURG.	1215 SIDNEY ST	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-3788
VANGROUW, MD	RICHARD	BATESVILLE CARDIOLOGY	1695 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-7519
WALDRIP, MD	WILLIAM J.	BATESVILLE FAMILY PRACTICE	1215 SIDNEY ST #300	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-1126
ELLIS, MD	MARGARET	INFECTIOUS DISEASE	2790 BELLA VISTA WAY	BELLA VISTA	AR	72714	479-876-5496
JOHNSON, MD	MILES	AGILITY CENTER SPORTS MEDICINE	1500 SE 28TH ST	BENTONVILLE	AR	72712	479-251-8055
JOHNSON, MD	MILES	ORTHO & SPORTS MED. CLINIC	408 ORCHARD DR.	BERRYVILLE	AR	72616	479-251-8055
MARTINSON, MD	ALICE	ORTHO & SPORTS MED. CLINIC	408 ORCHARD DR.	BERRYVILLE	AR	72616	870-423-3774
MCNEAL, DC	CHARLES	MCNEAL CHIROPRACTIC CTR.	601 ORCHARD DR.	BERRYVILLE	AR	72616	870-423-6969
SWOGER, CRNA	KAREN	ST JOHNS HOSPITAL	214 CARTER ST	BERRYVILLE	AR	72616	870-423-3355
ABRAMSON, MD	LAWRENCE	DERMATOLOGY	514 CHICKASAWBA	BLYTHEVILLE	AR	72315	870-763-3330
FREEDOM SLEEP CENTER		SLEEP DISORDERS	606 N 5TH ST #A	BLYTHEVILLE	AR	72315	870-239-2033
BRYANT, DC	TIM C.	BRYANT NECK & BACK PAIN CTR.	1014 W. MAIN ST.	CABOT	AR	72023	501-843-7247
JONES, DC	PHILIP	BACK IN ACTION CHIROPRACTIC	906 S. PINE ST. #4	CABOT	AR	72023	501-843-2222
FISHER, MD	HERBERT	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	209 N COURT	CARLISLE	AR	72024	870-552-3791
WARD, MD	JOSEPH	FAMILY PRACTICE	300 EAST MAIN #A	CLARKSVILLE	AR	72830	479-705-2539
HENDRICKSON, MD	RICHARD O.	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	#8 ROGERS HEIGHTS	CLINTON	AR	72031	501-745-5885
CONWAY ENDOSCOPY CTR.		ENDOSCOPIC CTR.	455 HOGAN LN.	CONWAY	AR	72034	501-764-1960
CRAIG, MD	JEFFERY	CENTRAL ARKANSAS PEDIATRICS	2425 DAVE WARD DR. #601	CONWAY	AR	72032	501-328-0055
GARDNER, DC	ROGER L.	GARDNER CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC	813 OAK ST. #7	CONWAY	AR	72032	501-329-2700
HENDRICKSON, MD	RICHARD O.	OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	701 LOCUST ST.	CONWAY	AR	72032	501-329-1151
MURPHY, MD	KEN	MURPHY SURGICAL CLINIC	525 WESTERN AVE. #301	CONWAY	AR	72034	501-327-3000
YOUNG, MD	KAREN	PSYCHIATRY	420 WELLESLEY	CONWAY	AR	72034	800-355-3512
HERRING, DDS	JASON	GENERAL DENTISTRY	909A UNITY RD	CROSSETT	AR	71635	870-364-3313
JOHNSTON, DDS	CARL	GENERAL DENTISTRY	909A UNITY RD	CROSSETT	AR	71635	870-364-3313
MILTON, DDS	ROBERT	GENERAL DENTISTRY	909A UNITY RD	CROSSETT	AR	71635	870-364-3313
JOHNSON, DC	JAMES	CORNERSTONE CHIRO. & WELLNESS	120 N COLLEGE AVE	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-862-8862
SMART, MD	GREG	FAMILY PRACTICE	209 THOMPSON #2	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-864-0333
SMART, MD	GREG	SA PHYSICIANS SERVICES	700 W GROVE	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-863-4157
SMITH, MD	GEORGE	SA PHYSICIANS SERVICES	700 W GROVE	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-863-4157
SMITH, MD	GEORGE	FAMILY PRACTICE	704 W GROVE #2	EL DORADO	AR	71730	870-862-7661
JOHNSON, MD	MILES	NWA EMG CLINIC	350 E. MILLSAP	FAYETTEVILLE	AR	72703	479-251-8055
BARTON, CRNA	EMILY	EAC ANESTHESIA	3002 ROGERS AVE	FORT SMITH	AR	72901	479-785-2555
RODRIGUEZ, MD	MONICA	COOPER CLINIC	6801 ROGERS AVE	FORT SMITH	AR	72913	479-452-2077
RUSSELL, MD	ROY JR.	SPARKS PREFERRED MALL	5111 ROGERS #40M	FORT SMITH	AR	72903	479-709-7440
STITES, MD	PHILLIP	THE DERMATOLOGY CENTER	1500 DODSON AVE. #270	FORT SMITH	AR	72901	479-709-7340
TAIT, MD	STACY	ANESTHESIOLOGY	3312 SOUTH 70TH ST	FORT SMITH	AR	72903	479-785-2555
BELL, MD	THOMAS	LESLIE CLINIC	306 N. CHESTNUT	HARRISON	AR	72601	870-741-8559
LESLIE, MD	JOHN T	LESLIE CLINIC	306 N. CHESTNUT	HARRISON	AR	72601	870-741-8559
LESLIE, MD	THOMAS	LESLIE CLINIC	306 N. CHESTNUT	HARRISON	AR	72601	870-741-8559
TAYLOR, DDS	STEPHEN	GENERAL DENTISTRY	309D S. RIDGE BLVD	HEBER SPRINGS	AR	72543	501-362-0550
PETERS, APN	BETTY	ST JOSEPHS MERCY CLINIC	903 DESOTO BLVD	HOT SPRINGS VLG.	AR	71909	501-922-6266
COOK, MD	JOHN	JONESBORO SURGICAL ASSOCIATES	1005 E. MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-935-1242
FAIRCHILD, APN	DEBORAH	NEA CLINIC	3100 APACHE DR #B4	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-972-8030
HOLDER, MD	KASEY	AHEC FAMILY CLINIC	223 E JACKSON AVE	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-972-1054
MCALEXANDER, MD	WILLIAM	JONESBORO SURGICAL ASSOCIATES	1005 E. MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-935-1242
PHILLIPS, MD	DAVID	NEA CLINIC	800 S CHURCH #104	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-932-4875
SNODGRASS, MD	SCOTT	ALLERGY CLINIC	311 E MONROE	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-972-1667
WARNER, MD	ROBERT L.	JONESBORO SURGICAL ASSOCIATES	1005 E. MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-935-1242
WIGGINS, MD	LYNN	JONESBORO SURGICAL ASSOCIATES	1005 E. MATTHEWS	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-935-1242
ALBERTY, MD	BRETT LANE	CENTRAL ARK VASCULAR ASSOC	9601 LILE DR #700	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-219-1970
CARTER, MD	JERRY L	BH FAMILY CLINIC PLEASANT VALLEY	11719 HINSON DR	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72212	501-224-2875
EVANS, PHD	LISA	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
FLETCHER, MD	TERRY G	AR CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	#1 CHILDRENS WAY	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72202	501-364-3933
GLOVER, MD	FORREST	HEART CLINIC ARKANSAS	10100 KANIS RD	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-255-6000
LANDERS, PT	JOSH	DI SPORTS TRAINING & THERAPY	10 VIEWPOINTE COVE	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72223	501-588-3910
PRADO, DDS	LILLIAM	FAITH DENTAL CLINIC	8211 GEYER SPRINGS #P4	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72209	501-562-1665
SMITHEE, LCSW	LISA	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
STUDDARD, MD	JAMES D.	LITTLE ROCK GYN	9600 LILE DR. #250	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-225-9905
TIDWELL, LCSW	BENJAMIN	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
TRANUM, MD	BILL	AR. ONCOLOGY ASSOC.	1000 N UNIVERSITY	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72207	501-661-0060
URETSKY, MD	BARRY	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
WALISKI, LPC	ANGELA	UAMS	4301 W MARKHAM	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72205	501-686-8000
RANGASWAMI, MD	NARAYANASWAMI	MID-SOUTH PEDIATRICS	2921 HIGHWAY 77 #20	MARION	AR	72364	870-739-5311
JACKSON, MD	ALLEN C.	MTN. HOME EMERGENCY GROUP	624 HOSPITAL DR	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-424-7070
SCHMIDT, MD	RICHARD	BRMC TRANSITIONAL CARE	624 HOSPITAL DR	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-508-7590
SCHMIDT, MD	RICHARD	LINCOLN ALEXANDER GODFREY PA	628 HOSPITAL DR #A	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-425-4402
WILBER, MD	STEPHEN	BRMC TRANSITIONAL CARE	624 HOSPITAL DR	MTN. HOME	AR	72653	870-508-7590
BROWN, DC	DARVIN	BROWN CHIROPRACTIC	503 W MAIN ST	MTN. VIEW	AR	72560	870-269-8020
WILHITE, APN	DEBRA	NEA CLINIC	616 W KEISER	OSCEOLA	AR	72370	870-563-5888
MALIK, MD	M. BILAL	SO. AR. HEMATOLOGY & ONCOLOGY	1716 DOCTORS DR	PINE BLUFF	AR	71603	870-534-1188
HARRISON, MD	RICK	MILLARD-HENRY CLINIC	101 SKYLINE DR	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	72801	479-968-2345
KAUFFMAN, MD	PAUL	INTERNAL MED.	673 N MAIN	SALEM	AR	72576	870-895-4253
MCCORD, MD	STACIE L.	WHITE COUNTY ONCOLOGY	3130 E RACE AVE #200	SEARCY	AR	72143	501-380-4870
TAYLOR, DDS	STEPHEN	GENERAL DENTISTRY	2915 E MOORE #1	SEARCY	AR	72143	501-268-5115
WORNOCK, MD	JOHN P.	PRIMECARE MEDICAL CLINIC	205 E RACE ST	SEARCY	AR	72143	501-279-9000
JOHNSON, MD	MILES	PHYSICAL MED.	451 S HOLLY ST	SILVAM SPRINGS	AR	72761	479-251-8055
TEJADA, MD	RUBEN	INTERNAL MED.	601 W MAPLE #401A	SPRINGDALE	AR	72764	479-751-8881
JOHNSON, MD	MILES	PHYSICAL REHAB	2010 CHESTNUT DR #I	VAN BUREN	AR	72956	479-251-8055
BROWN, MD	MARK C.	FAMILY PRACTICE	1033 OLD BURR RD	WARM SPRINGS	AR	72478	870-647-8598

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ANESTHESIA ASSOC.		ANESTHESIOLOGY	PO BOX 117	ARKADELPHIA	AR	71923	870-384-5578
BEHAVIORAL MGMT. CONSULTANTS		PSYCHOLOGY	355 BROAD ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-6268

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JOHNSON, MD	DEBORAH	AR. ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY LAB	1710 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72503	870-793-1200
LYTLE, MD	JIM E.	FAMILY PRACTICE	1700 HARRISON ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-793-6663
THACKER, LCSW	CAROL E.	PSYCHOLOGY	927 BROAD ST.	BATESVILLE	AR	72501	870-698-2267
GARRETT, DDS	G. BYRNE	GENERAL DENTISTRY	PO BOX A	BEEBE	AR	72012	501-882-5491
LOCASCIO, MD	PAUL A.	GENERAL SURGERY	1521 N. 10TH ST. #F	BLYTHEVILLE	AR	72315	870-762-1223
WAYMACK OPTICAL, INC.		OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	611 N. 2ND ST.	CABOT	AR	72023	501-941-5964
NUTT, DC	CURTIS D.	NUTT CHIROPRACTIC	439 CALIFORNIA DR.	CAMDEN	AR	71701	870-836-6880
ARKANSAS MEDICAL CO.		DURABLE MED. EQUIP. & SUPPLIES	1422 CALDWELL ST.	CONWAY	AR	72032	888-887-2621
MURPHY, MD	KENNETH	GENERAL SURGERY	525 WESTERN AVE. #301	CONWAY	AR	72032	501-327-3000
BURROW, MD	JAMES D	FAMILY MEDICAL CTR	2907 E JOYCE	FAYETTEVILLE	AR	72703	479-521-8260
SANDERS, MD	ROBERT III	FAYETTEVILLE DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC	3344 N FUTRALL DR	FAYETTEVILLE	AR	72703	479-521-8200
STEWART, MD	RODNEY JR.	ANESTHESIOLOGY	3312 S 70TH ST	FORT SMITH	AR	72903	479-424-2744
TOTH, APN	LISA	RVPCS NORTHSIDE CLINIC	4900 KELLEY HWY	FORT SMITH	AR	72904	479-785-5700
ARMSTRONG, DO	STACY	EAGLE HEIGHTS CLINIC	306 N CHESTNUT	HARRISON	AR	72601	870-741-8559
ARMSTRONG, DO	VICTOR	EAGLE HEIGHTS CLINIC	306 N CHESTNUT	HARRISON	AR	72601	870-741-8559
KAUFMAN, MD	MITCHELL	ST JOSEPHS MERCY CLINIC	ONE MERCY LANE #507	HOT SPRINGS	AR	71913	501-609-2229
TOMLINSON, MD	MICHAEL	EMERGENCY MED.	3024 STADIUM BLVD	JONESBORO	AR	72401	870-972-7000
HAREA, MD	JUDITH	CHILDRENS MEDICAL GROUP	800 MARSHALL	LITTLE ROCK	AR	72202	501-320-1100
JACKSON, DC	COREY	CHIROPRACTIC	1518 S POPLAR ST	PINE BLUFF	AR	71601	870-535-4878
TOTH, APN	LISA	RIVER VALLEY PRIMARY CARE SRVS	9755 W STATE HWY 22	RATCLIFF	AR	72951	479-635-5300
MANN, MD	RANDEEP S.	SKYLINE MEDICAL CLINIC	111 SKYLINE DR.	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	72801	479-880-8828
BURROW, MD	JAMES D	NW FAMILY MEDICAL CTR	601 W MAPLE #102	SPRINGDALE	AR	72764	479-750-6585

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EZZELL, PT	TRENT	PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES	112 W SPENCER #C	GUNNISON	CO	81230	970-641-2266
POPPE, PT	TIM	PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES	112 W SPENCER #C	GUNNISON	CO	81230	970-641-2266
ROSE, PT	GABIRELLE	PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES	112 W SPENCER #C	GUNNISON	CO	81230	970-641-2266
FIRST CALL PHARMACY		INFUSION SERVICES	1500 VETERANS BLVD	KENNER	LA	70062	800-877-5705
ARKLAMISS SURGERY CENTER		OUTPATIENT SURGERY CTR.	2100 LAYTON AVE #10	MONROE	LA	71201	318-807-0206
SJ LEBANON OPTICAL SHOP		OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	331 HOSPITAL DR	LEBANON	MO	65536	417-533-6542
SJ NIXA OPTICAL SHOP		OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	940 W MT. VERNON #120	NIXA	MO	65714	417-724-5336
COLDWELL, MD	DOUGLAS	ST. JOHNS REG. HEALTH CTR	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-2000
OLIVI, MD	JOE	ST. JOHNS REG. HEALTH CENTER	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-2000
SJ SMITH-GLYNN-CALLAWAY OPTICAL SHOP		OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	3231 S NATIONAL AVE #166	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65807	417-888-5642
SJ SURGERY CENTER OPTICAL SHOP		OPHTHALMOLOGY/OPTOMETRY	1229 E SEMINOLE #110	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-9730
OSWALT, CFNP	LISA	DELTA HEART & VASCULAR CENTER	1421 E UNION AVE	GREENVILLE	MS	38701	662-335-0183
WRIGHT, DO	JAMES	DELTA REG. WOUND HEALING CTR.	300 S WASHINGTON AVE	GREENVILLE	MS	38701	662-378-3783
METHODIST MINOR MEDICAL		GENERAL PRACTICE	1803 UNION AVE #2	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-722-3136
SHEA ENT SURGERY CTR.		OUTPATIENT SURGERY CTR.	6133 POPLAR PIKE	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-761-9720
OXYGEN RICH		DURABLE MED. EQUIP. & SUPPLIES	805 KINGS WAY	WAKE VILLAGE	TX	75501	903-831-7424

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MIRZA, MD	RUBINA	POPLAR BLUFF MANAGEMENT GROUP	2360 KATY LANE	POPLAR BLUFF	MO	63901	573-785-0080
COHEN, MD	REUBEN	ST. JOHNS PHYS & CLINICS	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-2000
REDFERN, MD	DAVID	SJC HOSPITALISTS	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-887-5500
SCARROW, MD	MEERA	SJC HOSPITALISTS	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-2000
WHITE, LCSW	LINDA	ST JOHNS REGIONAL HEALTH CTR	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-3464
PHIPPEN-GESUALDI, MD	SHERRY L	ST JOHNS PHYSICIANS & CLINICS	608 CITY ROUTE 66	ST ROBERT	MO	65584	573-336-8990
ROAM, DOP	FRANK D	ST JOHNS PHYSICIANS & CLINICS	608 CITY ROUTE 66	ST ROBERT	MO	65584	573-336-8990
HADIDI, MD	MOHAMAD	DELTA NEUROLOGY CLINIC	785 OHIO AVE #2C	CLARKSDALE	MS	38614	662-627-2544
OSWALT, CFNP	LISA JULIUS	DELTA HEART & VASCULAR	810 E SUNFLOWER RD #100-E	CLEVELAND	MS	38732	662-846-6034
AUSTIN, MD	SUSAN	THE AUSTIN CENTER	1500 W POPLAR AVE #312	COLLIERVILLE	TN	38017	901-850-9543
BISHOP, PHD	GERALDINE	PSYCHOLOGY	1540 APPLING CARE LN. #100	CORDOVA	TN	38016	901-388-1893
ATIQU, MD	SHEHLA J.	UT MEDICAL GROUP	7945 WOLF RIVER BLVD	GERMANTOWN	TN	38103	901-448-7260
PATEL, MD	PURVISHA	ADVANCED DERM. & SKIN CANCER ASSOC.	7658 POPLAR PIKE	GERMANTOWN	TN	38138	901-759-2322
ALERE WOMENS & CHILDRENS HEALTH		HOME HEALTH	1355 LYNNFIELD DR #277	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-767-8802
ATIQU, MD	SHEHLA J.	UT MEDICAL GROUP	880 MADISON AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38103	901-545-7093
BRIGHT, PHD	JEAN	MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES	1037 CRESTHAVEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-6136
COOPER, PHD	JOHN	PSYCHOLOGY	5668 REX RD S #102	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-681-0851
DILAWARI, MD	ASMA	BOSTON CANCER GROUP	1331 UNION AVE #800	MEMPHIS	TN	38104	901-683-7916
FLEMING, MD	MARTIN	MEMPHIS SURGERY ASSOCIATES	6029 WALNUT GROVE RD #404	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-726-1056
KNIGHT, MD	ANNE	MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES	1037 CRESTHAVEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-6136
MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES		PSYCHOLOGY	1037 CRESTHAVEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-6136
WILLIAMS, LCSW	LINDA B.	MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES	1037 CRESTHAVEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-6136
WISE, PHD	EDWARD A.	MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES	1037 CRESTHAVEN	MEMPHIS	TN	38119	901-682-6136
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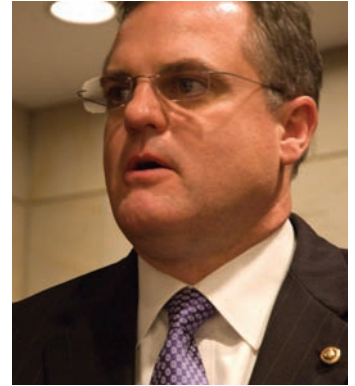
LEBAS, MD	STUART	PULMONOLOGY	850 OLIVE #A	SHREVEPORT	LA	71104	318-222-3662
HILL, LCSW	VICKI	ST JOHNS MARIAN CENTER	1235 E CHEROKEE	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65804	417-820-2914
AMODEO, DC	RICHARD	SPINAL HEALTH CARE ASSOC.	8132 CORDOVA RD #102	CORDOVA	TN	38016	901-751-0939
AUSTIN, MD	SUSAN	ORTHOMEMPHIS	6286 BRIARCREST AVE	MEMPHIS	TN	38120	901-259-1600



# Arkansas delegation weighs in

All six members of Arkansas's congressional delegation attended a luncheon on Wednesday, March 18, in the U.S. Capitol Visitor's Center to discuss economic recovery and other local issues with the state's municipal leaders.

Arkansas may not be hurting as badly as other states, Sen. Mark Pryor said, but "we're in a very difficult fiscal time up here." The big spending and debt associated with the stimulus package is troubling, he said, and hopes future efforts will see more stimulus projects than spending. Healthcare is another priority for the administration and Congress, but it can't be a one-size-fits-all solution, Pryor said. Communities have different needs that should be considered.



"We're going full speed up here," Sen. Blanche Lincoln told Arkansas officials. The economy is, of course, the biggest issue, she said. Her priorities include putting 90,000 Arkansans back to work, healthcare and energy reform. She urged city and town leaders to give her their input.

Many in Washington have unfairly demonized earmarks in the stimulus package, Rep. Marion Berry said. "We tried to help you out by earmarking it, but the new president had different ideas about that." Earmarks are essential, he said, because local officials know their needs better than Washington bureaucrats. Getting out of this crisis will be difficult, he said. "We're Americans. We'll figure it out."



We are behind in many areas, Rep. Vic Snyder said. Despite the many challenges facing us, we have the opportunity now to make important changes and take this country where we want it to go, he said

The Arkansas congressional delegation, despite some disagreements, works very well together for the benefit of the state, Rep. John Bozeman told city leaders. As a member of the House Transportation Committee, Bozeman is working to boost the nation's transportation infrastructure, a tough task when receipts are flat or dropping, he said. Increasing the number of toll roads across the country is one solution being discussed. Another is taxing drivers by miles traveled. That is a bad idea, he said, because it hurts rural drivers who must drive further more regularly than urban drivers. "Rural America really is under attack," he said.



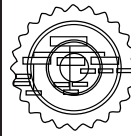
Rep. Mike Ross encouraged city leaders to hold a news conference any time good things happen locally, or when the coming stimulus dollars help fund a local project successfully. Don't give the media the opportunity to focus on the negative, he said. Economic troubles have pushed us into crisis mode, but "everything we're investing in has been on America's to-do list," Ross said. He too defended earmarks in the spending. Cutting back hurts, especially in rural areas. Healthcare is another priority. Both Ross and Berry are on a blue dog democrat healthcare committee working to find solutions. Without reform, Ross said, 100 percent of U.S. tax dollars will go just to healthcare by the year 2040.

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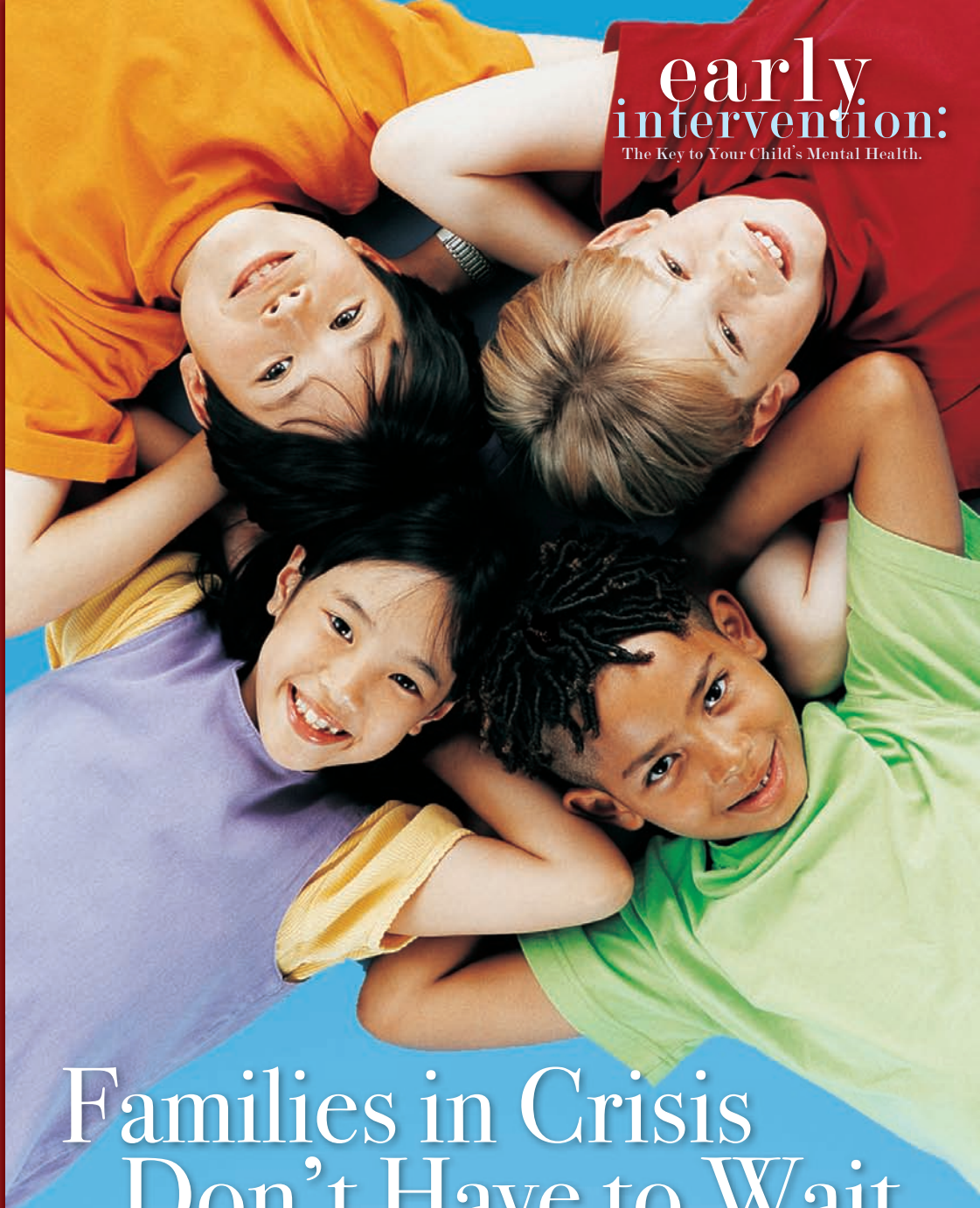
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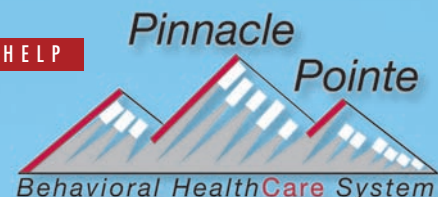
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