

# GRAND VALLEY METRO COUNCIL

## Board Meeting

February 7, 2013

8:30 a.m.

Kent County Commission Chambers  
Grand Rapids

## MINUTES

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Vice Chair Don Hilton.

#### Members Present:

|                      |                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Alex Arends          | Alpine Township               |
| Ken Bergwerff        | Jamestown Township            |
| Tom Butcher          | Grand Valley State University |
| Richard Clanton      | City of Kentwood              |
| Daryl Delabbio       | Kent County                   |
| Mike DeVries         | Grand Rapids Township         |
| Brian Donovan        | City of East Grand Rapids     |
| Doyle Hayes          | At-Large Member               |
| George Heartwell     | City of Grand Rapids          |
| Carol Hennessey      | Kent County                   |
| Don Hilton, Sr.      | Gaines Township               |
| Denny Hoemke         | Algoma Township               |
| Barb Holt            | City of Walker                |
| Jim Holtrop          | Ottawa County                 |
| John Hoppough        | City of Greenville            |
| Mark Howe            | City of Lowell                |
| Rebecca Fleury       | Village of Middleville        |
| Cindy Janes          | Cascade Township              |
| Mark Lemoine         | At-Large Member               |
| Elias Lumpkins, Jr.  | City of Grand Rapids          |
| Mick McGraw          | At-large Member               |
| Brenda McNabb-Stange | City of Hastings              |
| Audrey Nevins-Weiss  | Byron Township                |
| Steven Patrick       | City of Coopersville          |
| Jack Poll            | City of Wyoming               |
| Milt Rohwer          | City of Grand Rapids          |
| Al Vanderberg        | Ottawa County                 |
| Bill VerHulst        | City of Wyoming               |
| Patrick Waterman     | City of Hudsonville           |

**Members Absent:**

|                |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Jerry Alkema   | Allendale Township  |
| Jim Buck       | City of Grandville  |
| Dan Carlton    | Georgetown Township |
| Jason Eppler   | City of Ionia       |
| Steve Grimm    | Cannon Township     |
| Brian Harrison | Caledonia Township  |
| Cy Moore       | Treasurer           |
| Chuck Porter   | Courtland Township  |
| Jay Spencer    | Plainfield Township |
| Michael Selden | City of Wayland     |
| Toby VanEss    | Tallmadge Township  |
| Jim Saalfeld   | Kent County         |
| Roger Wills    | City of Belding     |
| Michael Young  | City of Rockford    |

**Others Present:**

|                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Chris Brown     | Grand Valley Metro Council         |
| David Czurak    | Grand Rapids Business Journal      |
| George Haga     | Ada Township                       |
| Abed Itani      | Grand Valley Metro Council         |
| Dharmesh Jain   | Grand Valley Metro Council / REGIS |
| Dennis Kaminski | Tyrone Township                    |
| Dennis Kent     | MDOT                               |
| Gayle McCrath   | Grand Valley Metro Council         |
| Peter Varga     | ITP / The Rapid                    |
| John Weiss      | Grand Valley Metro Council         |

**2. Minutes**

**MOTION: To Approve the Minutes of the January 2013 GVMC Board Meeting. MOVE - DeVries. SUPPORT - Hilton. MOTION CARRIED.**

**3. Public Comment**

None

**4. Oath of Office**

Kent County Clerk Mary Hollinrake administered the Oath of Office to Brenda McNabb-Stange of Hastings and Ken Bergwerff of Jamestown Township. Vice Chair Don Hilton welcomed the new members to the Council. Both stated they were pleased to be a member of the Board of GVMC and looked forward to working with the entire Council.

**5. Resignation of John Helmholdt as At-Large Member**

John Weiss reported John Helmholdt has reluctantly resigned as an At-Large GVMC Board member as he now has a conflicting meeting at GRPS at the usual date & time of the GVMC Board meetings. John's service has been greatly appreciated and he will continue to help GVMC behind the scenes. We will now start the process to fill the vacant At-Large position.

**6. Annual Report and Audit**

John Weiss and GVMC staff (Chris Brown, Gayle McCrath, Abed Itani, and Dharmesh Jain) provided a GVMC Annual Report of our departments and activities. This year's report will act as a benchmark to measure future years against. The PowerPoint presentation is available to view on the GVMC website. (see attached presentation)

Peter Haefner of Vredevelde Haefner, LLC reported on the 2011/2012 Financial Audit. It was a clean audit with only one material weakness, that being the inability to prepare their own financial statements due to the cost of having a CPA on staff. This is a very common issue and which is reported in approximately 50% of public entities. It is possible that this weakness may disappear now that GVMC is contracting its financial work through Brown Accounting. The audit and financial report are also available on the GVMC website.

**MOTION – To Accept the FY2011/2012 Audit and Financial Statements. MOVE – Delabbio. SUPPORT – Jane. MOTION CARRIED.**

**7. Other**

Reminder the March GVMC Board meeting will be on Monday, March 11, 10:30 a.m. at the Prince Center.

**8. Adjournment – 9:45 a.m.**

**MOTION – To Adjourn. MOVE – Delabbio. SUPPORT – DeVries. MOTION CARRIED.**



**Grand Valley  
Metropolitan Council  
Annual Report  
2011/2012**

**GVMC**

**Ensure Trust  
Credibility and  
Confidence**

**GVMC**

Cooperation

Collaboration

Partnerships

MDOT REGIS Settlement \$165,000  
Settlement of GVMC / MDOT Audits  
GVMC Website Total Update  
GVMC Weekly Updates  
Mark Murray Speaks at Quarterly Luncheon/104  
Attend  
Public/Private Survey Completed  
GVMC Finance Department Privatized  
Grand Valley State University Partnership  
Michigan Municipal League Training Partnership  
GVMC Education Sessions with Michigan  
Transportation Team

Grand Rapids Sustainable Streets Task Force  
Lt. Governor Invites GVMC to Participate in  
PPT Legislation-Multiple Meetings to Draft  
Bills

GVMC Presented to Leadership Grand  
Rapids

LGROW Receives Grants and Begins  
Improvement Program

Senators Hildebrand and Jansen Attend  
Legislative Committee

Representative Peter MacGregor Attends  
Legislative Committee

Presentation to Amway/Harvard University  
Program for Chinese Governmental Officials  
GVMC on The Morning Show with Shelley  
Irwin

Lt. Governor Calley Speaks at Quarterly  
Luncheon-173 attend

GVMC Facilitates Meetings for Kent County  
Emergency Management System

Multiple Municipalities Share Fireworks  
Ordinances

West Michigan Policy Forum Grants 8  
Scholarships to GVMC Members

Legislative Committee Creates Transportation  
Funding Task Force

Governor's Grand Rapids Urban Advisory  
Group

GVMC Partners with Governor's Office of Urban  
Affairs on Multiple Issues

Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce  
partnership on Multiple Issues

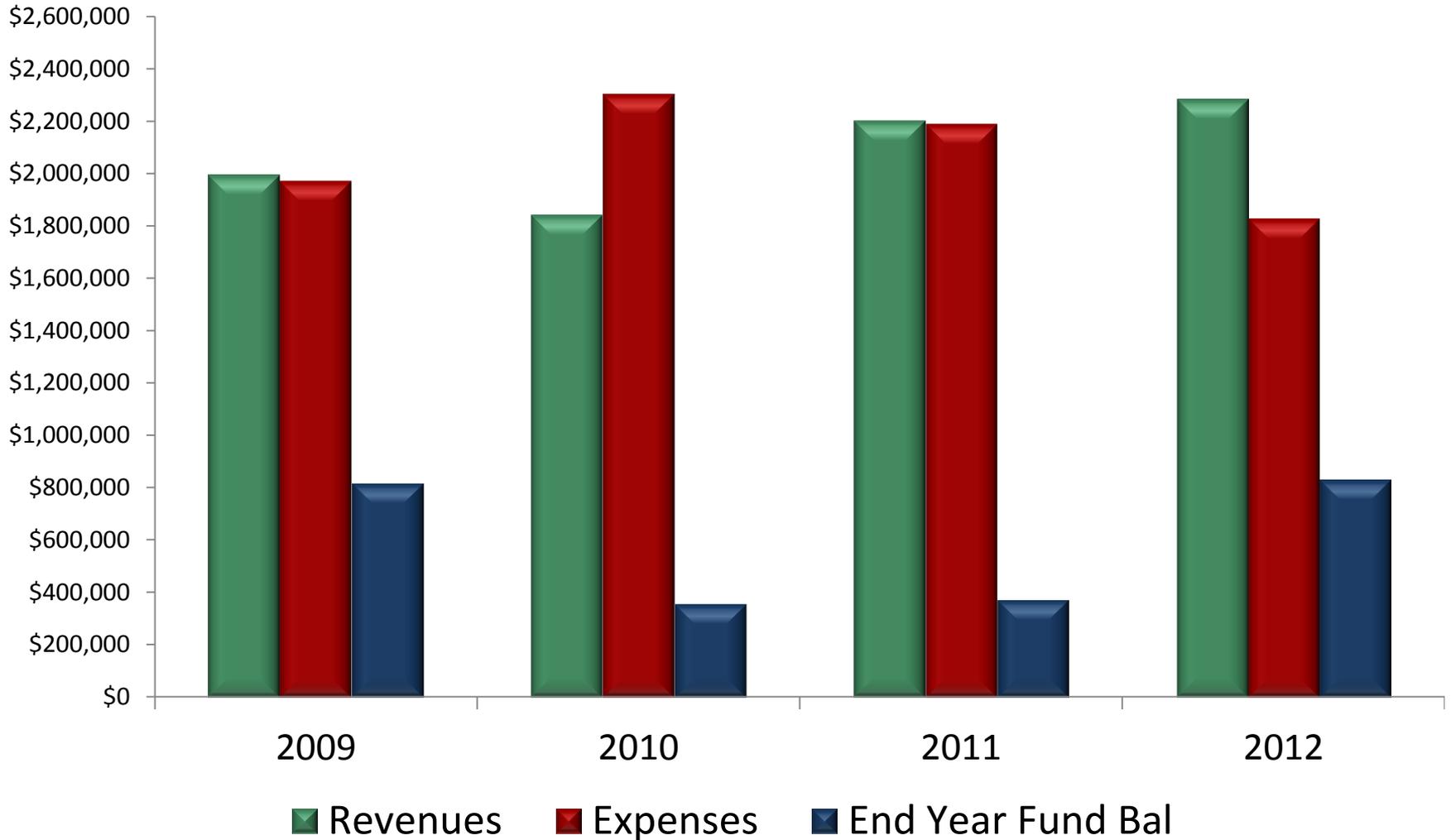
GVMC Speaker at many Rotary Clubs, Service  
Clubs and 20 member Communities

Washington DC Delegation to Meet with  
Members of Congress

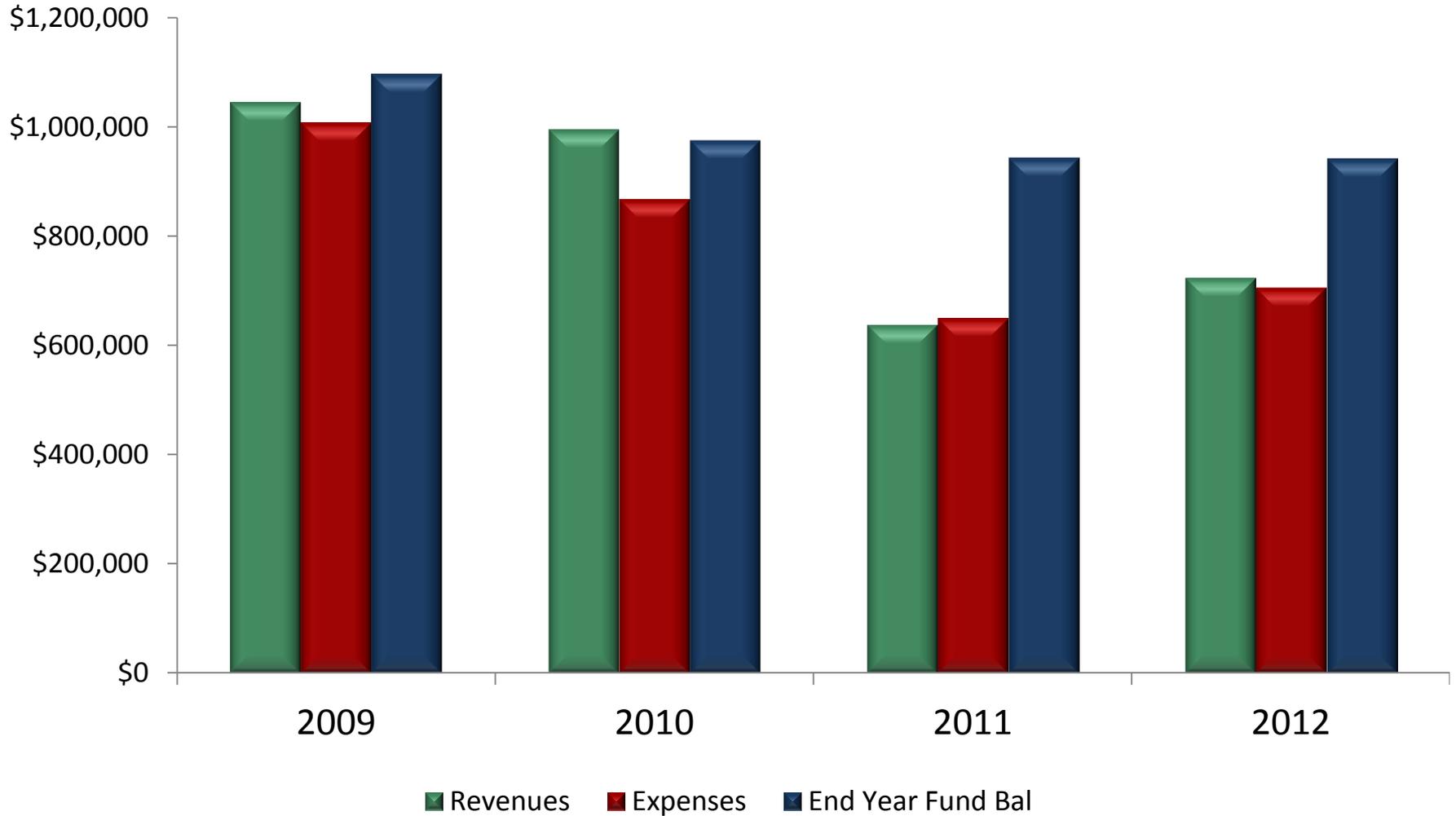


Cooperation  
Collaboration  
Partnering

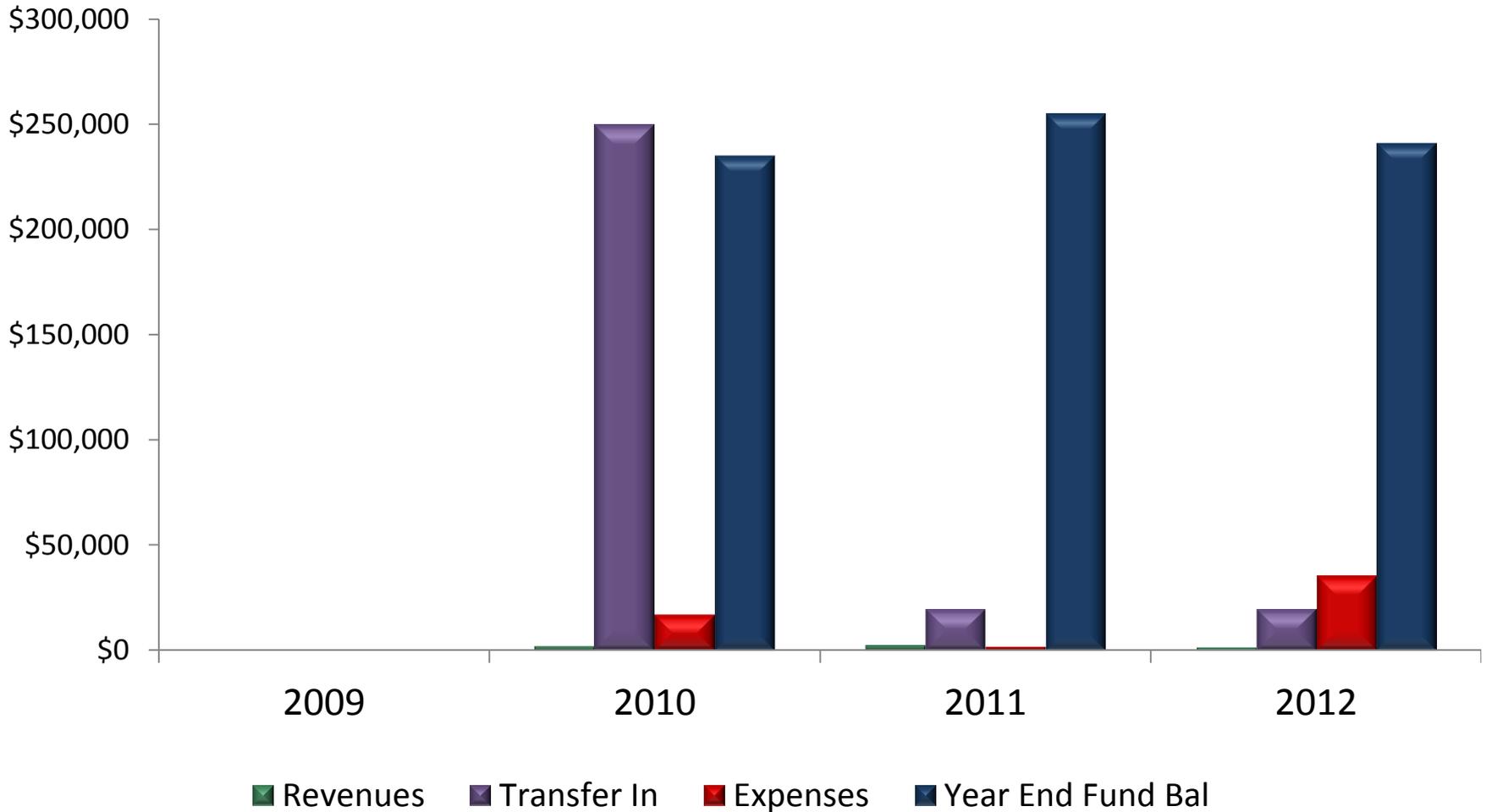
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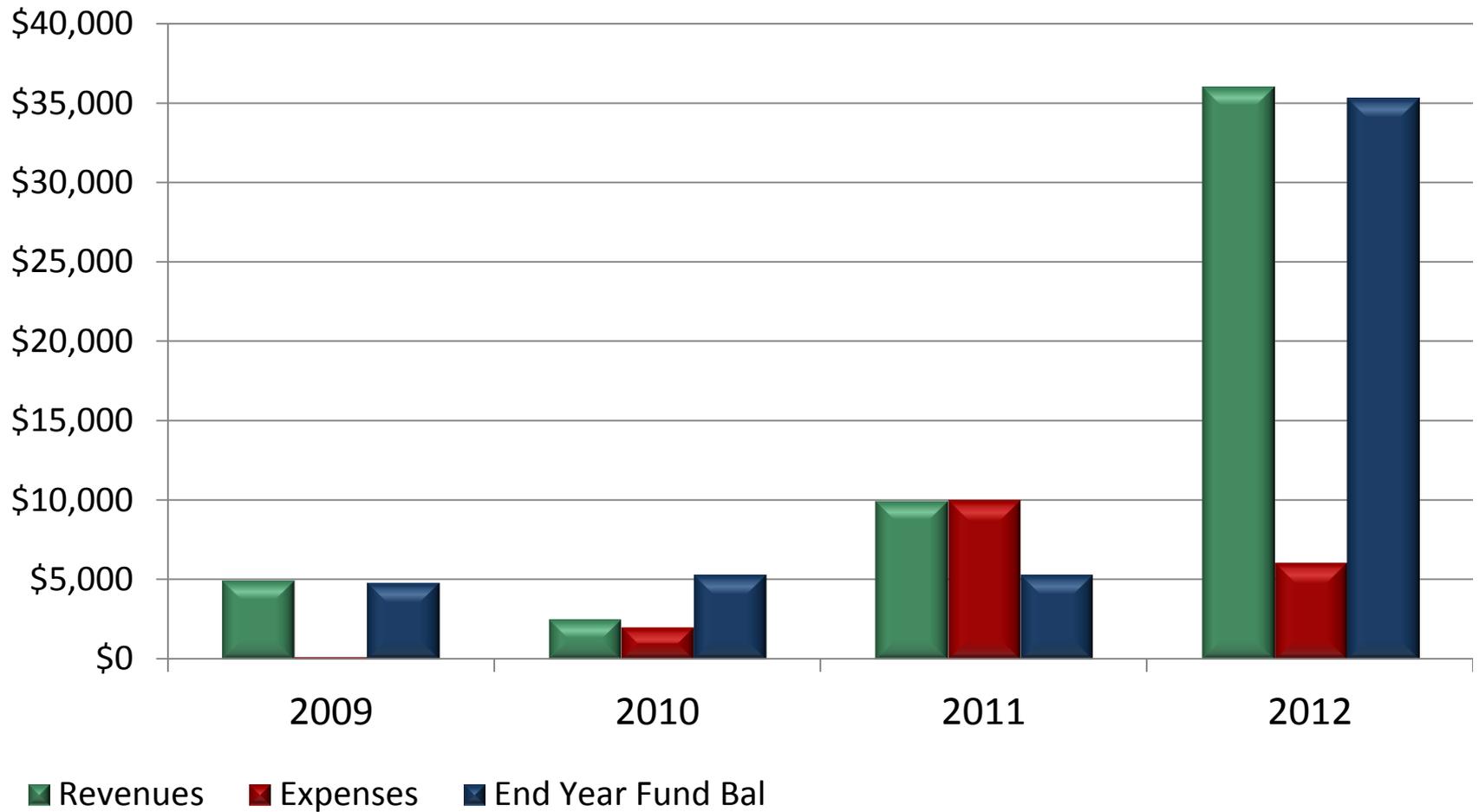
## REGIS Fund 2009-2012



# REGIS Capital Account 2009-2012



# LGROW Fund 2009-2012

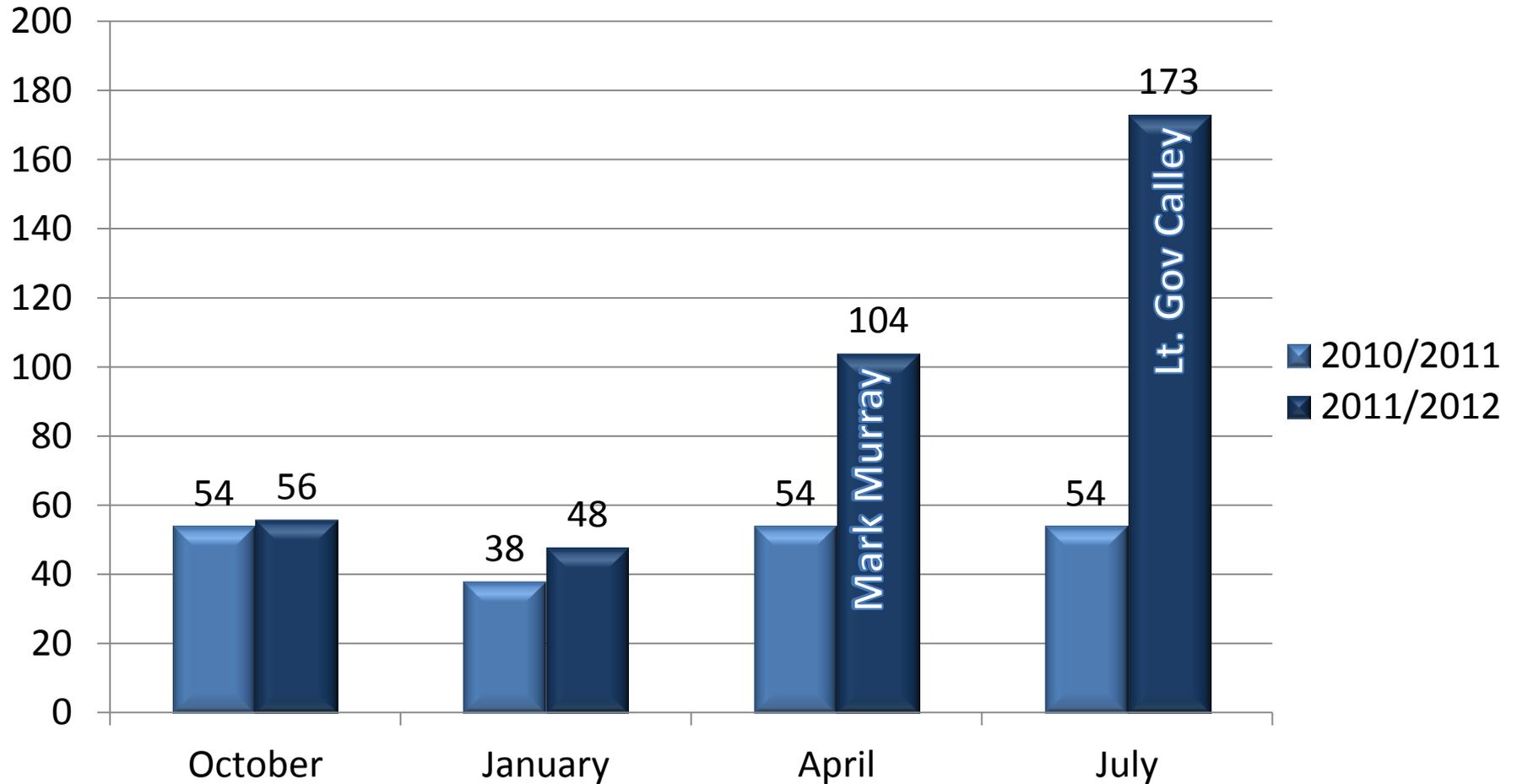


# 2011/2012 Audit

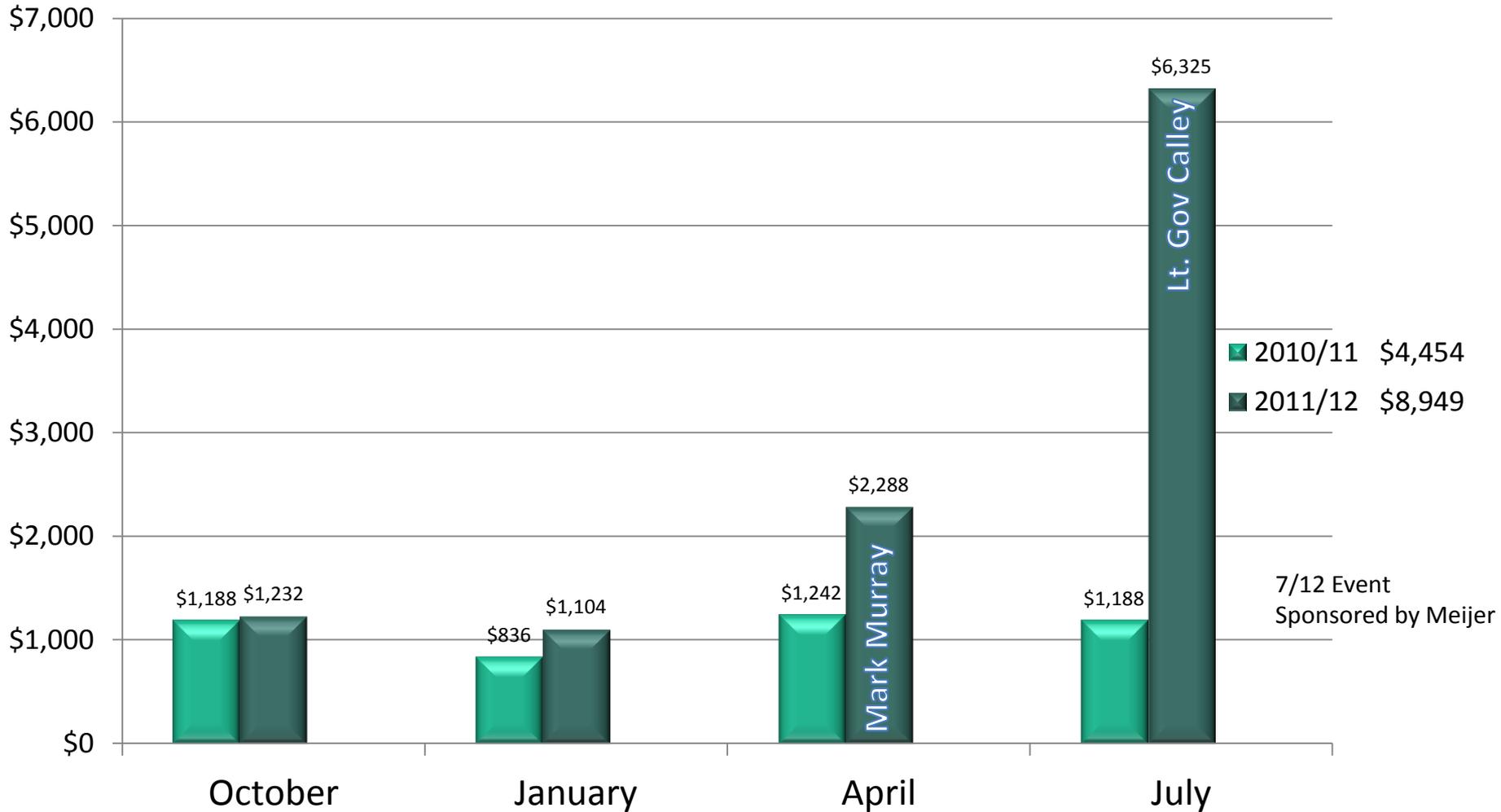


Peter Haefner, CPA  
Vredeveld Haefner, LLC

# Quarterly Luncheon Attendance



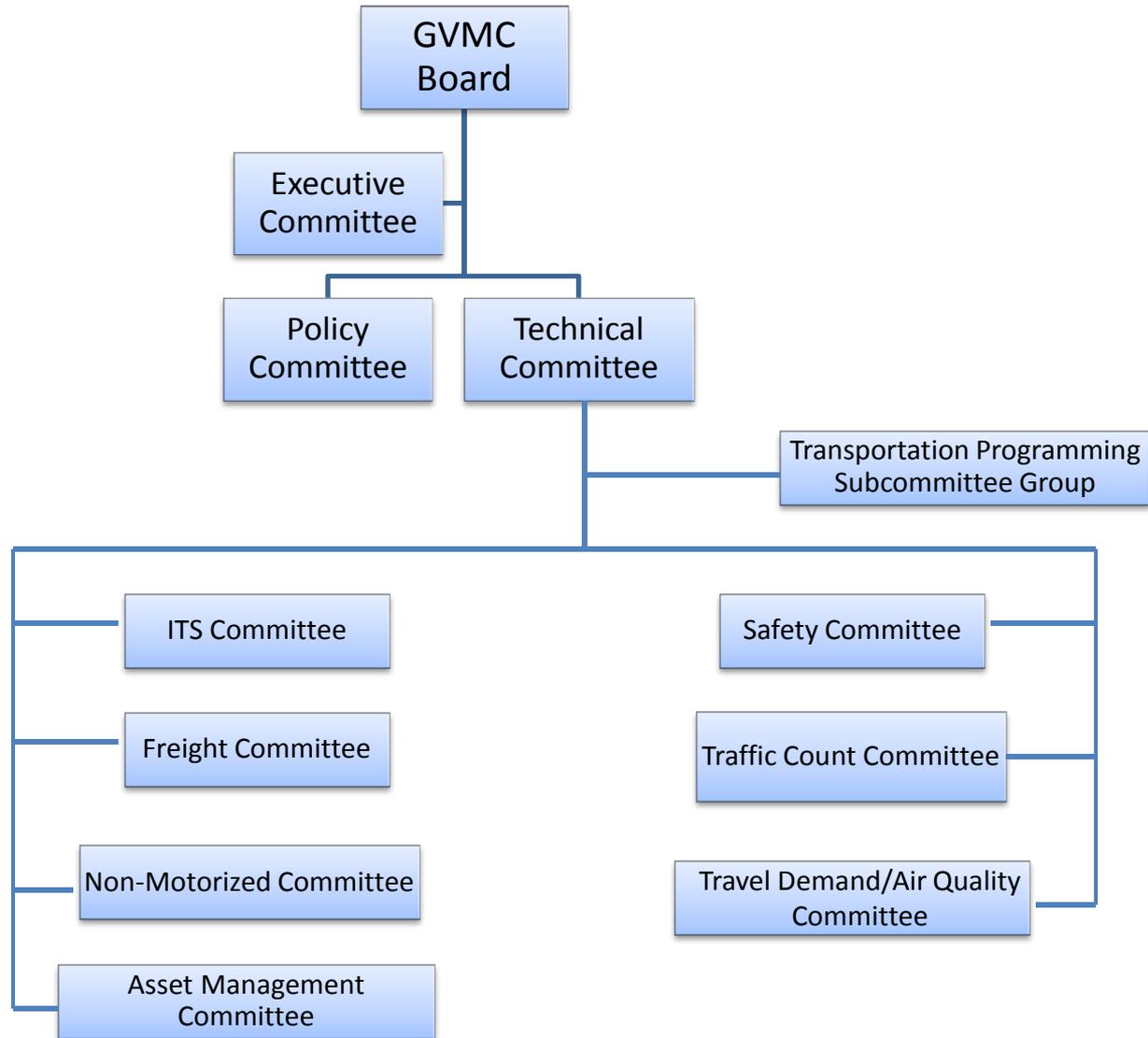
# Quarterly Luncheon Revenue



# **Metropolitan Planning Organization**

## **MPO**

# GVMC MPO Forum



# GVMC MPO

## Transportation Planning Responsibilities

**Develop A Unified Work Program (UWP)**



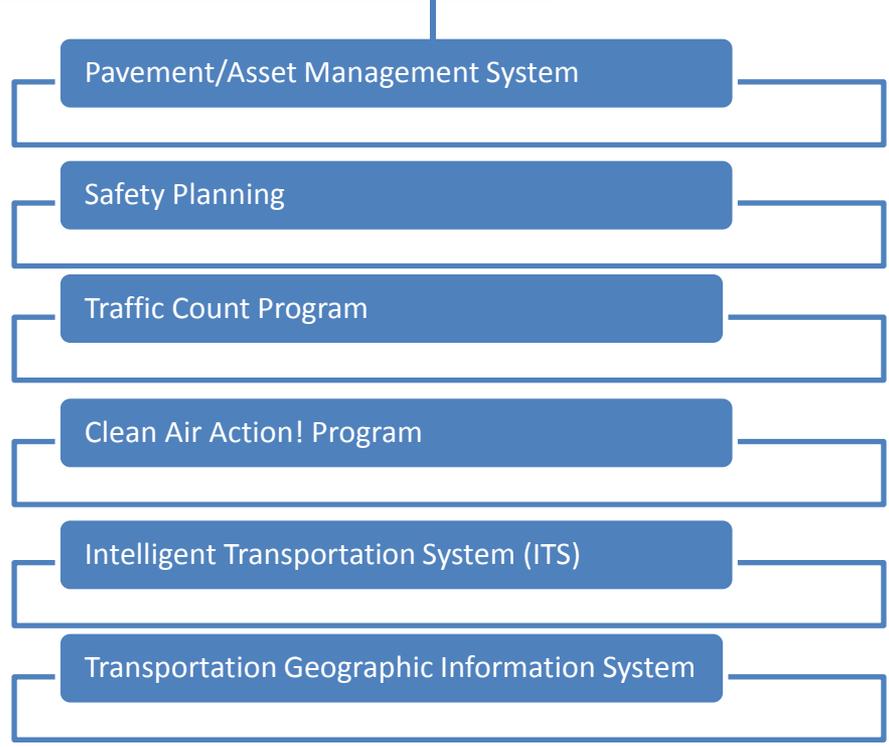
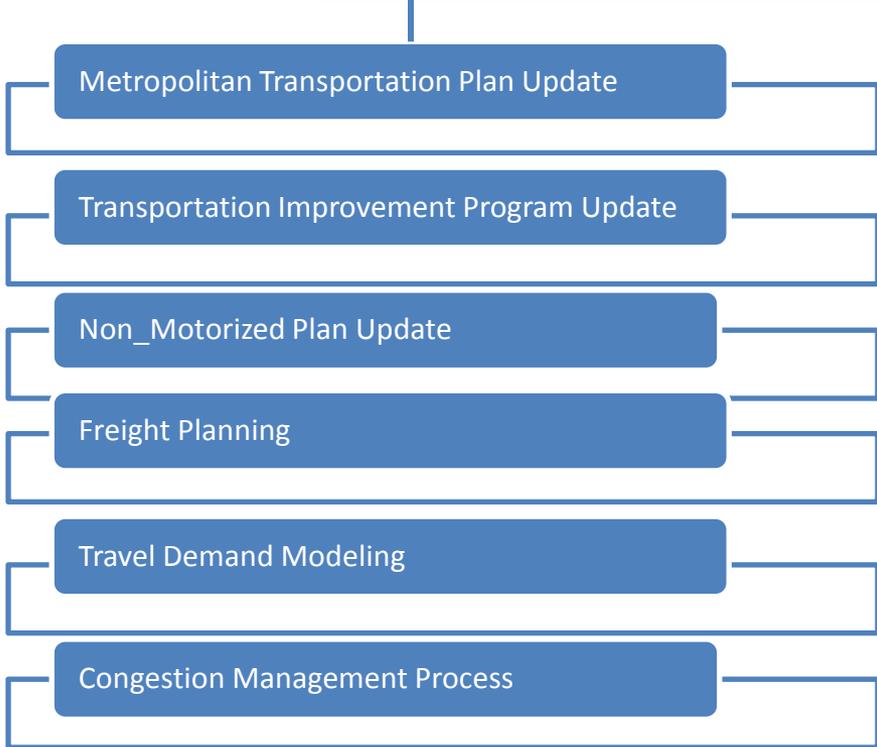
**Develop A Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)**



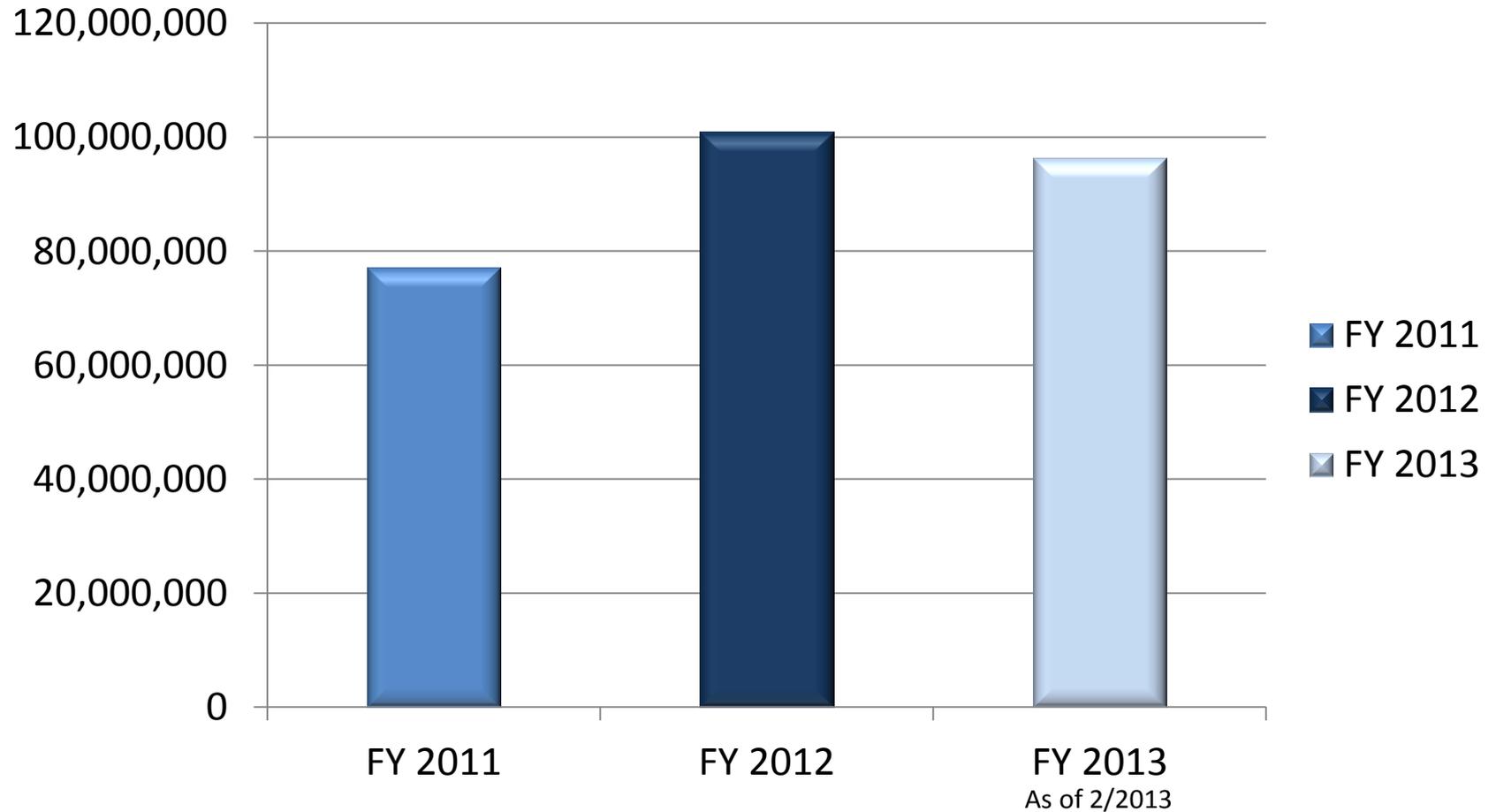
**Develop A Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

# GVMC MPO

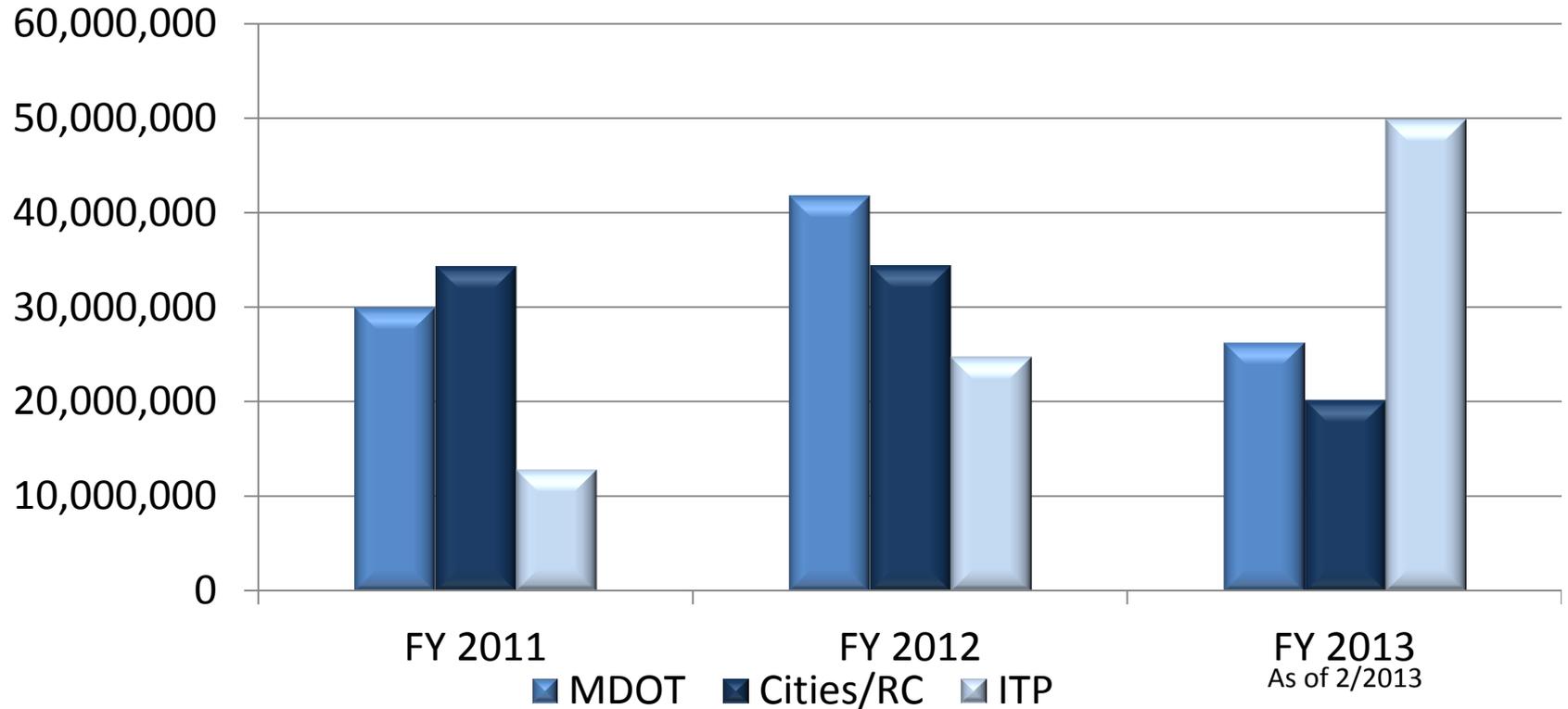
## Transportation Planning Work Tasks



# Transportation Investment MPO Area

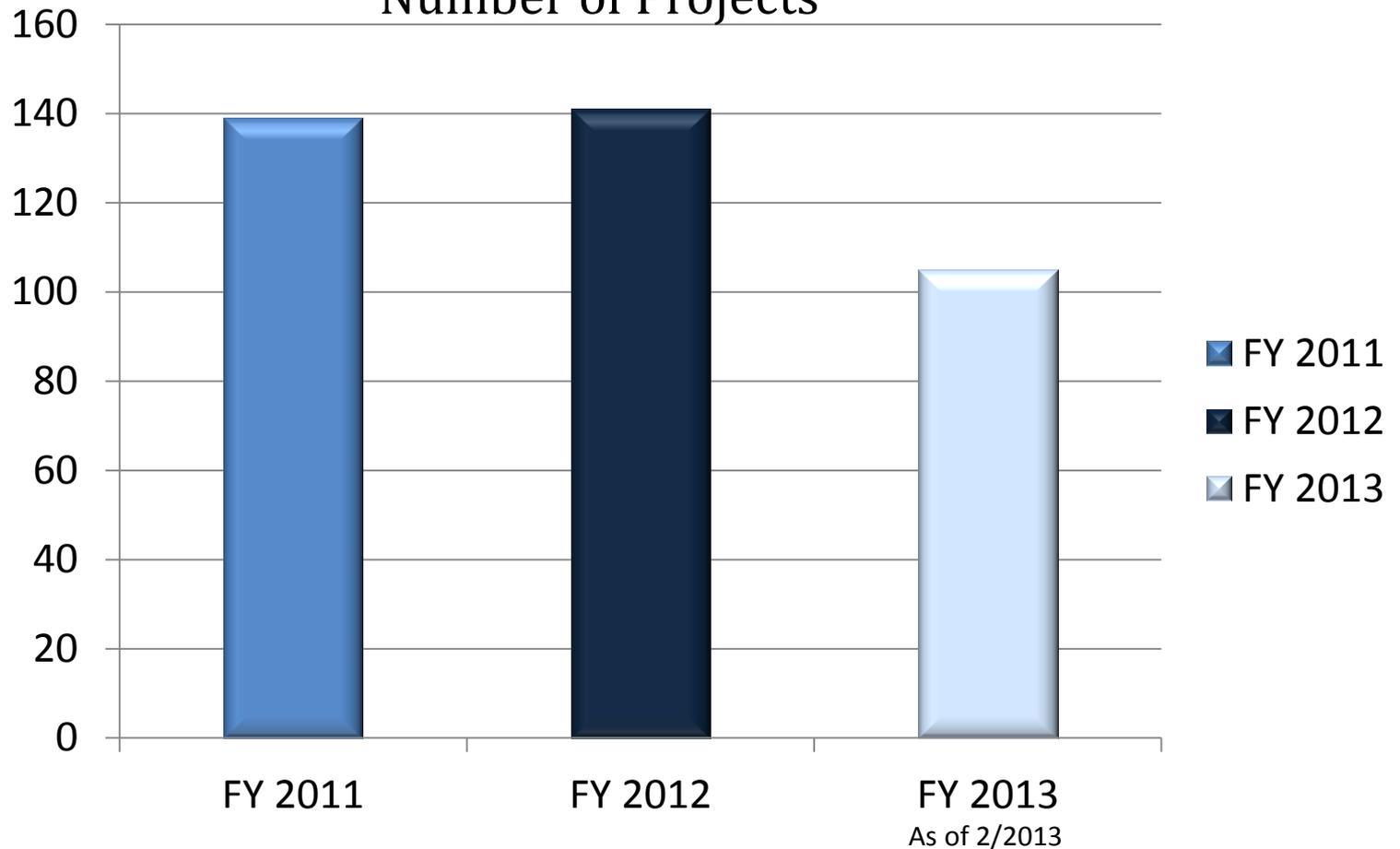
**FY 2011****\$77,152,000****FY 2012****\$100,996,000****FY 2013****\$96,342,000**

## Project Funding By Agency



|         | MDOT       | Cities/RC  | ITP        |
|---------|------------|------------|------------|
| FY 2011 | 30,000,000 | 34,300,000 | 12,852,000 |
| FY 2012 | 41,857,000 | 34,386,000 | 24,753,000 |
| FY 2013 | 26,302,000 | 20,180,600 | 49,860,000 |

## Transportation Improvements Number of Projects



FY 2011

139

FY 2012

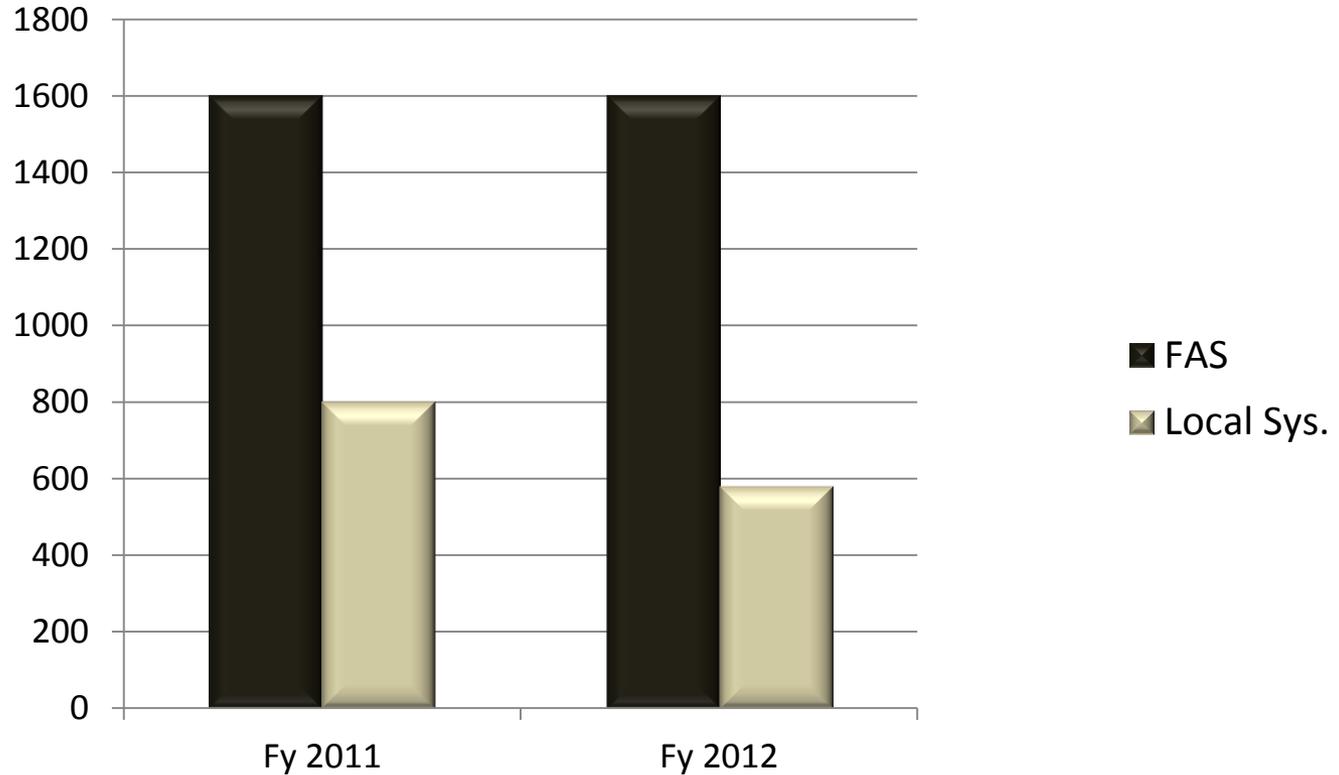
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FY 2013

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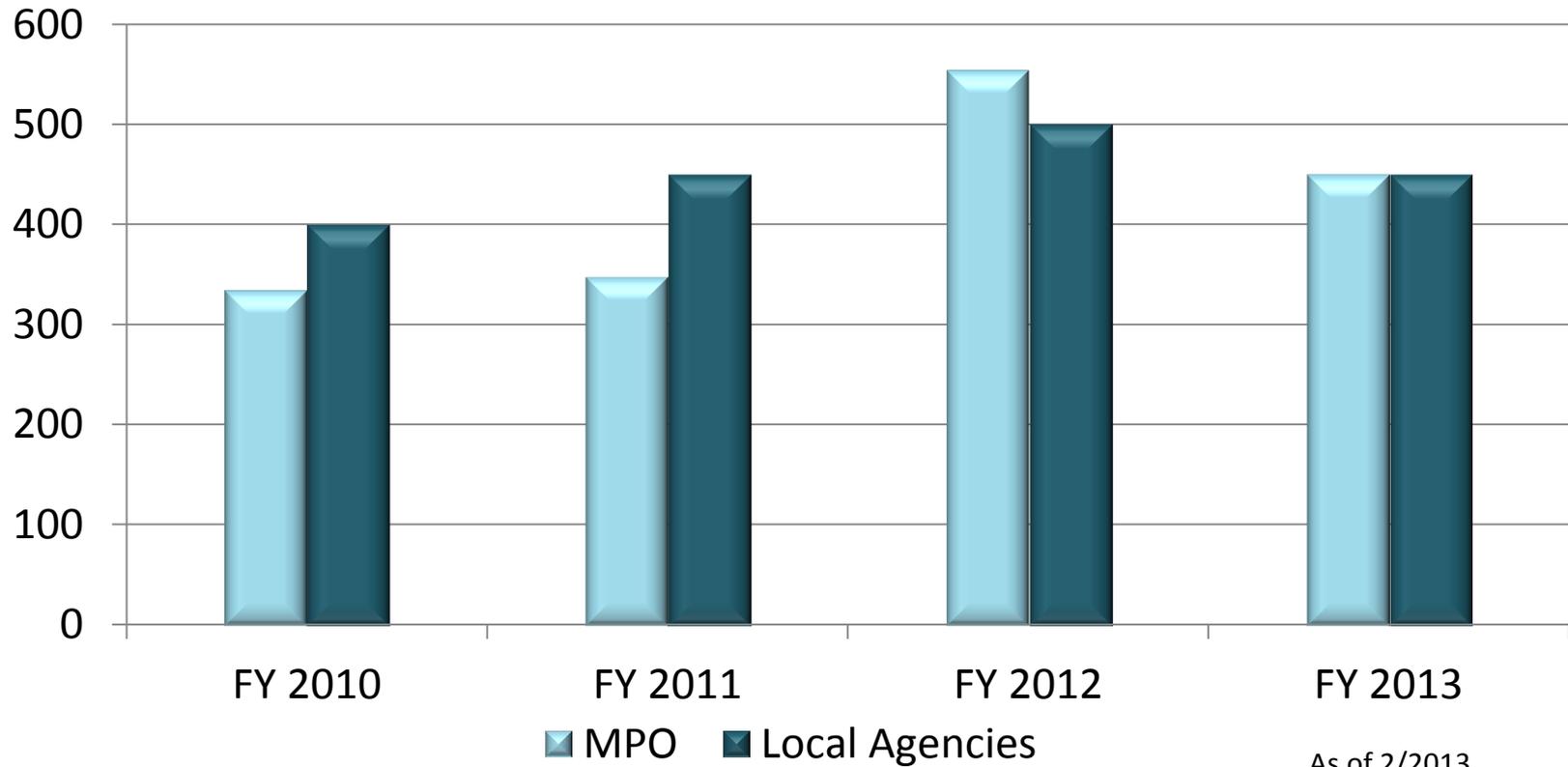
# Pavement Condition Survey

**Miles Surveyed**



|                | Federal Aid System | Local System |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| <b>FY 2011</b> | <b>1600</b>        | <b>800</b>   |
| <b>FY 2012</b> | <b>1600</b>        | <b>580</b>   |

# Traffic Count Data Collection



|         | MPO | Cities/RC |
|---------|-----|-----------|
| FY 2010 | 335 | 400       |
| FY 2011 | 348 | 450       |
| FY 2012 | 554 | 500       |
| FY 2013 | 450 | 450       |

**REGIONAL GEOGRAPHIC  
INFORMATION  
SYSTEM**

**A COLLABORATED AND SHARED SYSTEM**



**19 Members**

**DHARMESH JAIN, PH.D.**

**REGIONAL GIS DIRECTOR**

**JAIND@GVMC.ORG**

**REGIS RECEIVED 2007 EXEMPLARY SYSTEMS IN GOVERNMENT AWARD**

80% percent of government info → GEOGRAPHIC  
GIS better manages and integrates information



# “One-Stop Shop” of Information



Answer these Qs from a single click



What is the geographical location and approximate size of this parcel? How much annual tax is assessed on this parcel?

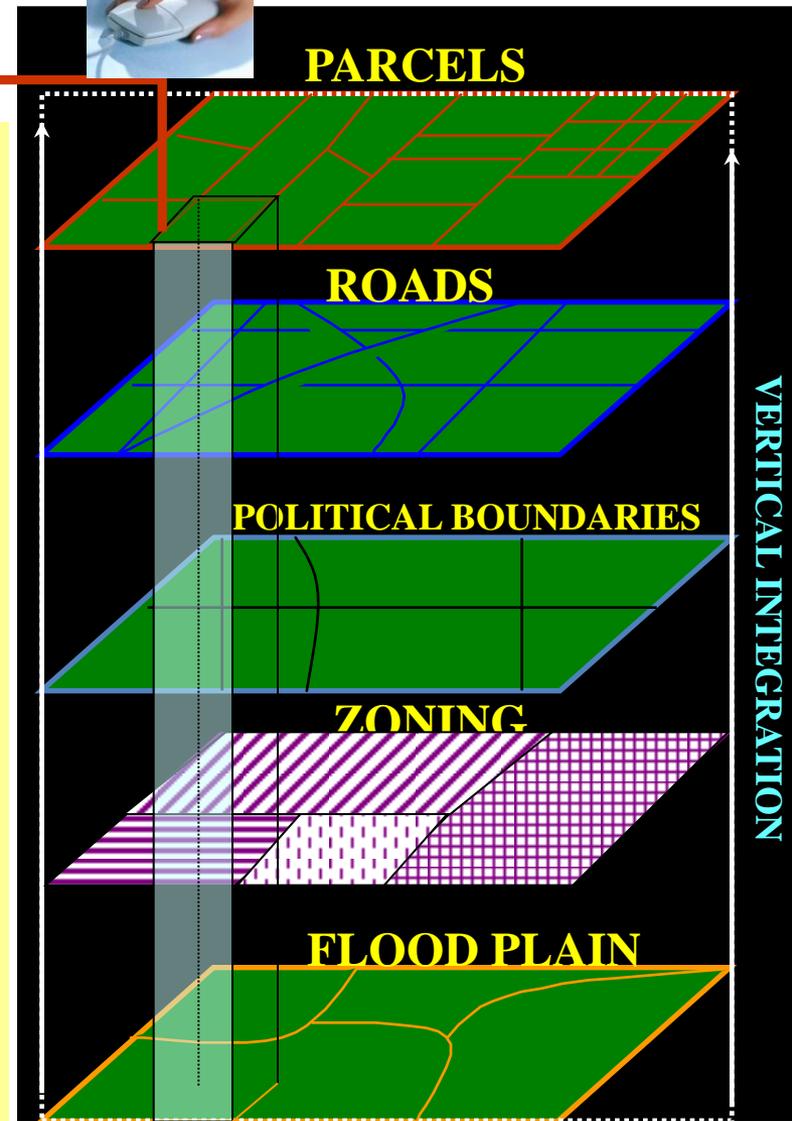
Is there any major or minor road access to this parcel?

What political boundary does this parcel belong to?  
Where to go to vote?

What zoning and land use codes apply to this parcel?

Which floodplain this parcel belongs to?

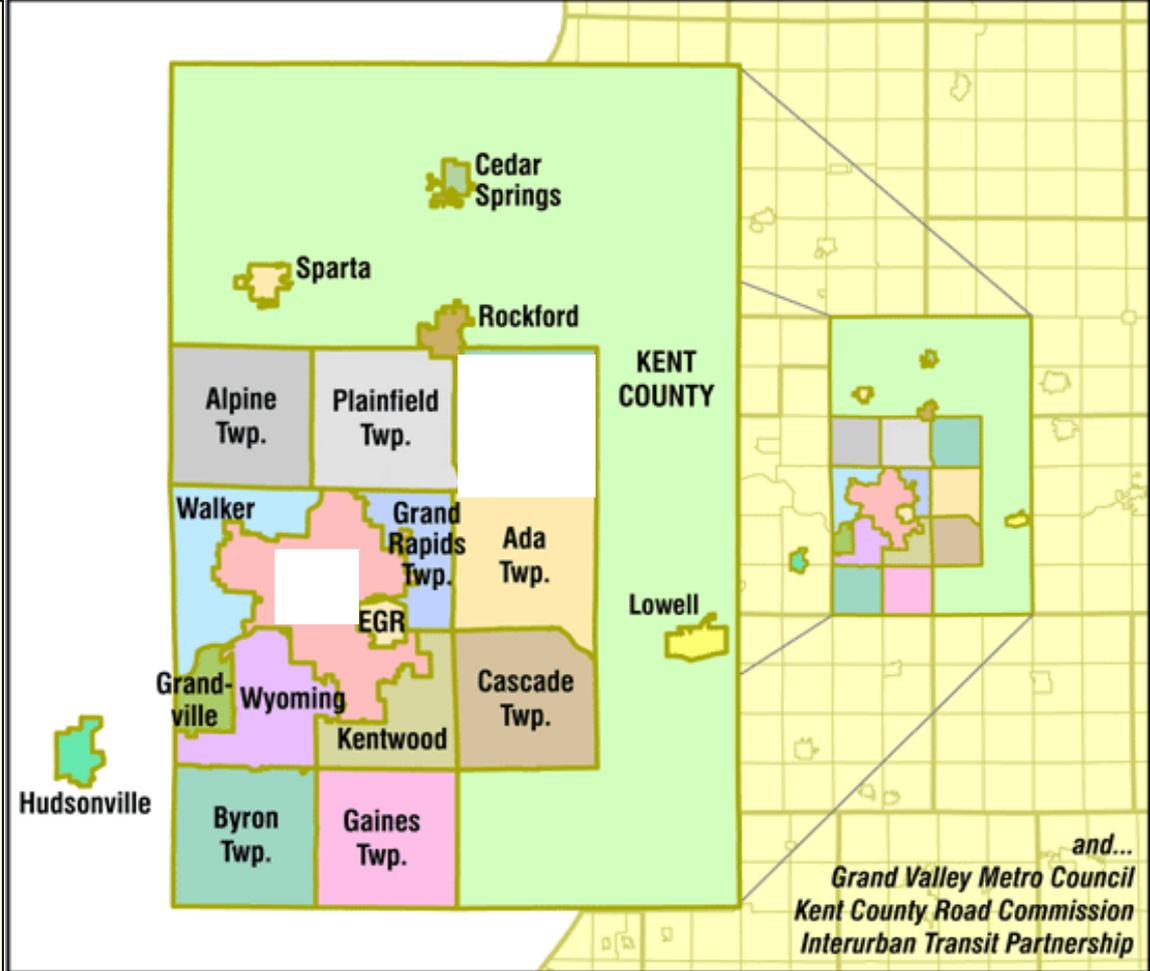
...more (utilities, land use, parks...)



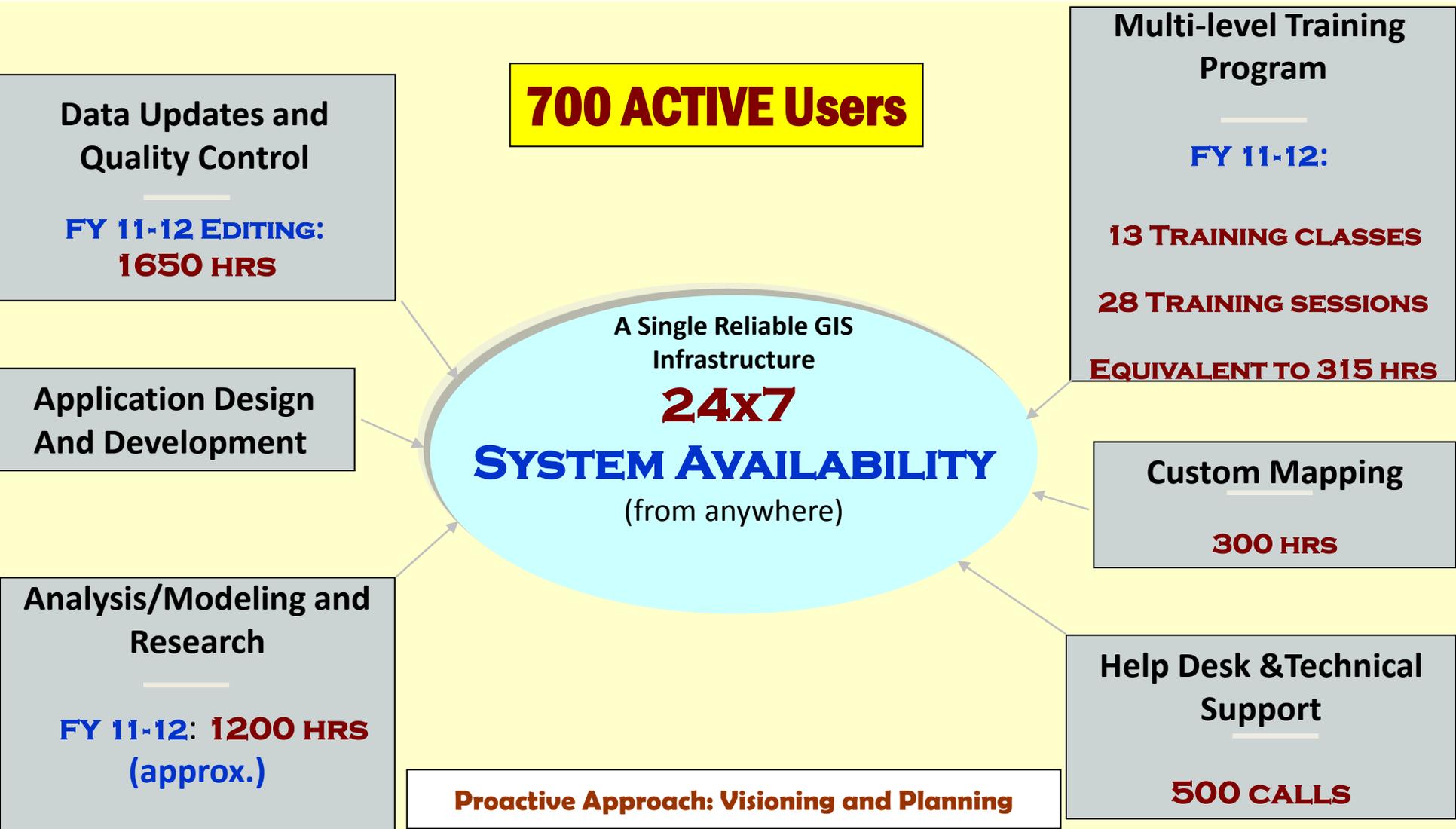
**Cities, Townships, Villages, Road Commission, and a Transit Authority**

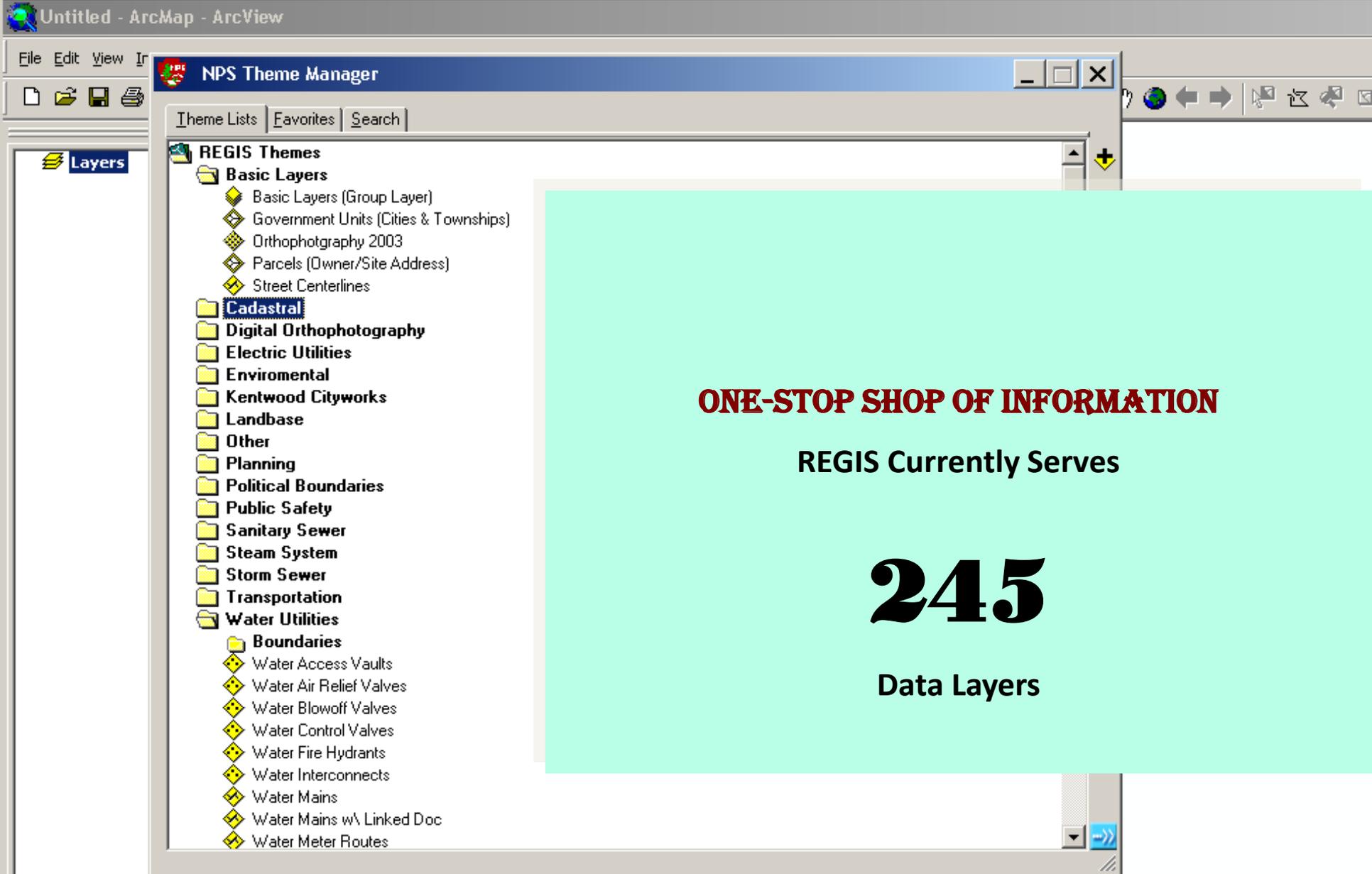
**A Unique Model – OneGIS for 19 Government Entities**

- Ada Township
- Alpine Township
- Byron Township
- Cascade Charter Township
- City of Cedar Springs
- City of East Grand Rapids
- City of Grandville
- City of Hudsonville
- City of Kentwood
- City of Lowell
- City of Rockford
- City of Walker
- City of Wyoming
- Kent County Road Commission
- Gaines Charter Township
- Grand Rapids Charter Township
- Grand Valley Metro Council
- ITP – Interurban Transit Partnership
- Plainfield Charter Township
- Village of Sparta



## REGIS IS A COMPLETE GIS SERVICE PROVIDER





**ONE-STOP SHOP OF INFORMATION**

**REGIS Currently Serves**

**245**

**Data Layers**

## Other MAJOR REGIS Services

### Public:

GIS Mapping Website (Core data layers and tools)

Data sales (\$) 

**FY 11-12: \$20,400**

### Private:

Support on a project by project basis (\$)

Data sales (\$)

Access to REGIS system (members' consultants) 

**FY11-12: 35**

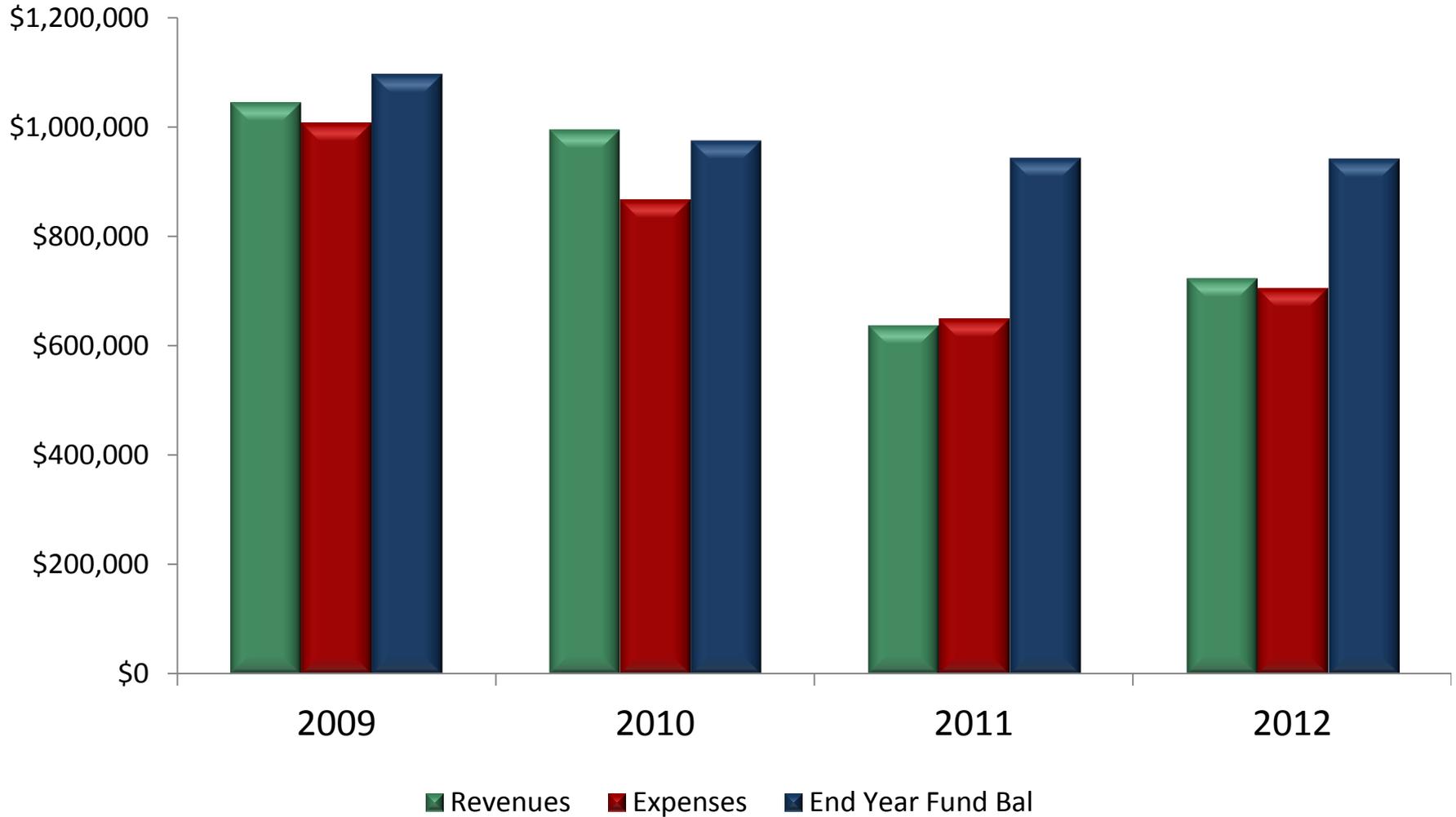
### Education:

REGIS program for GVSU MPA students

“Practical GIS for Local/Regional Management and Planning” 

**TWO 6-DAY  
WORKSHOPS**

# Financial Stability



**LGROW**

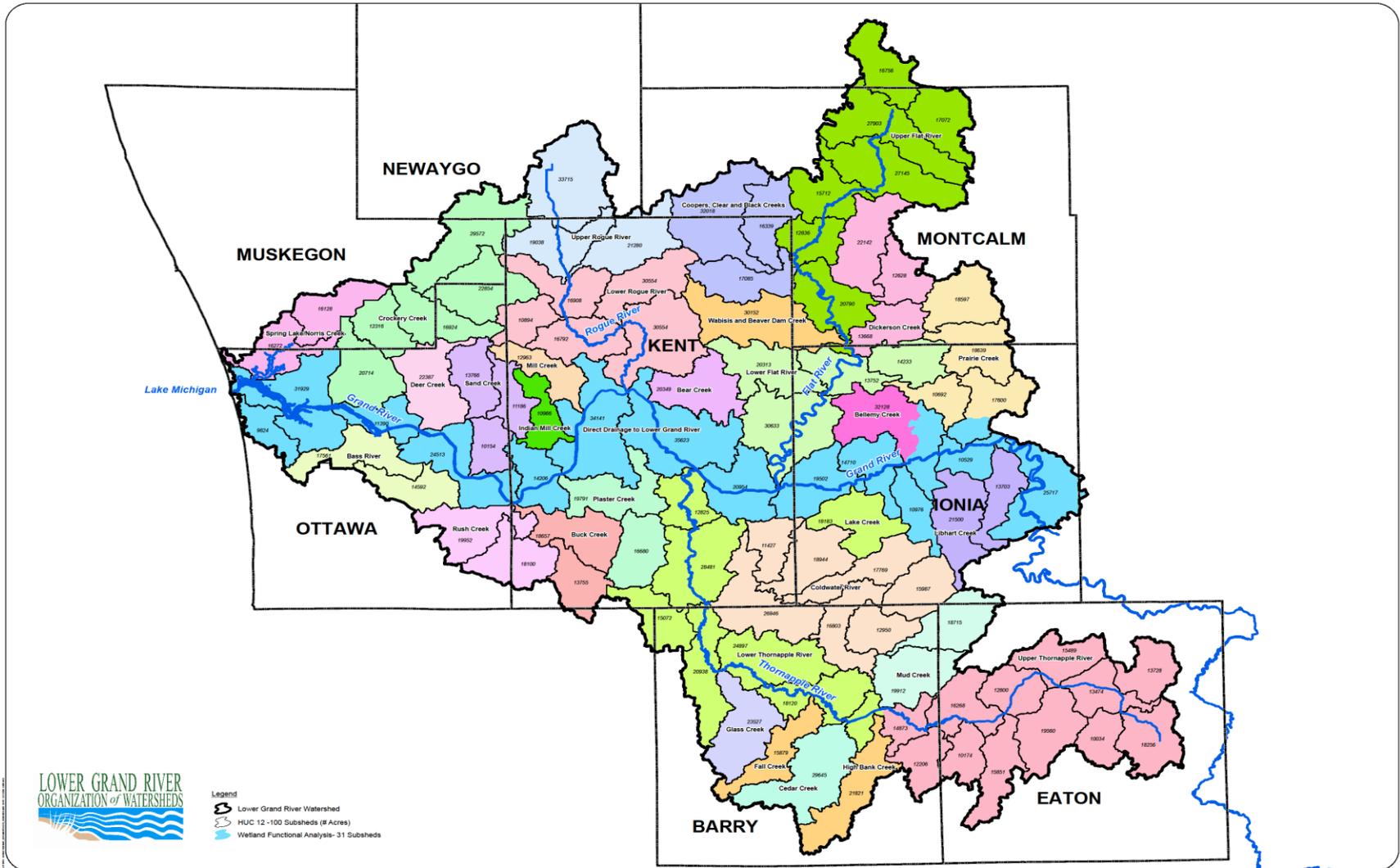
**Lower Grand**

**Organization of Watersheds**

# LGROW



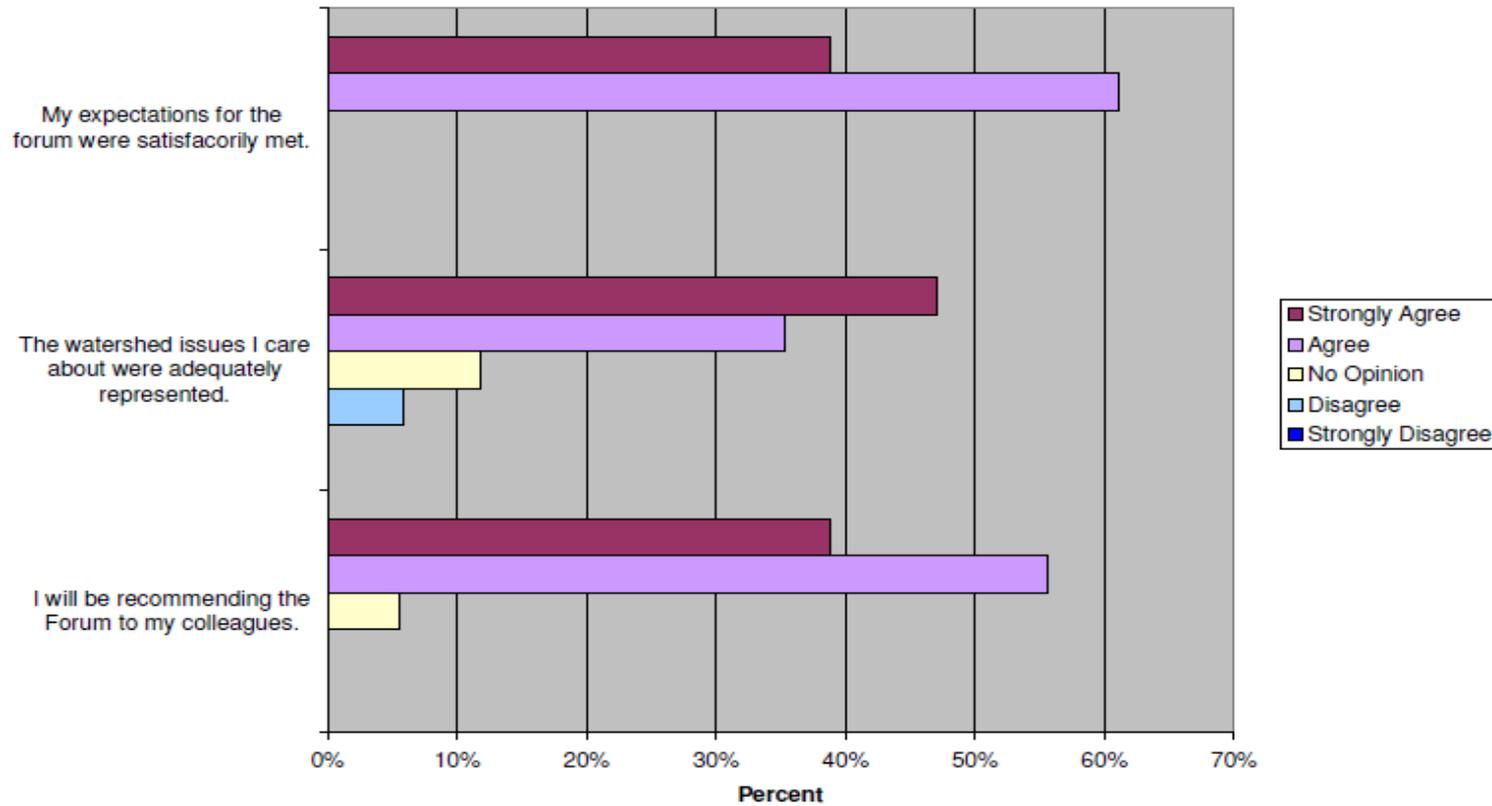
## Lower Grand River Organization of Watersheds Subwatersheds



# LGROW

## Spring Forum 2012

Other Forum Responses



# Grand River Forum Spring Meeting

**Thursday, April 25th, 2013**

**East Grand Rapids  
Community Center  
750 Lakeside Dr SE  
East Grand Rapids, MI  
9 to 11:30 a.m.**

Registration begins  
at 8:30 a.m.

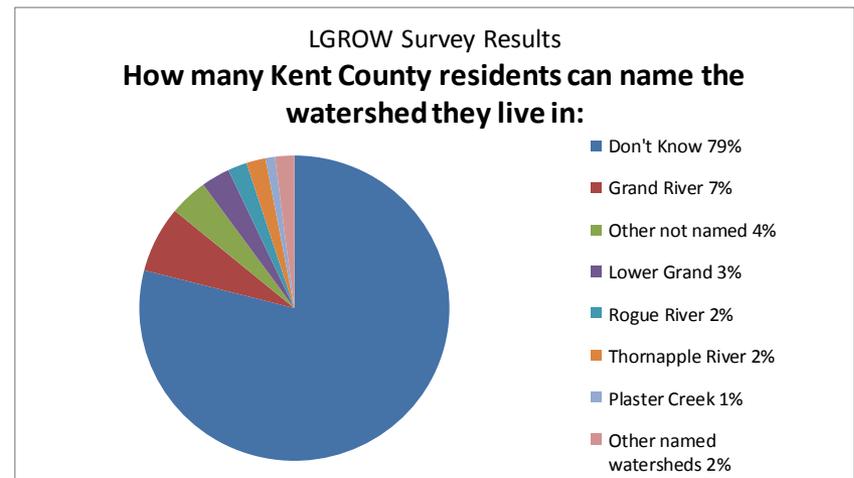
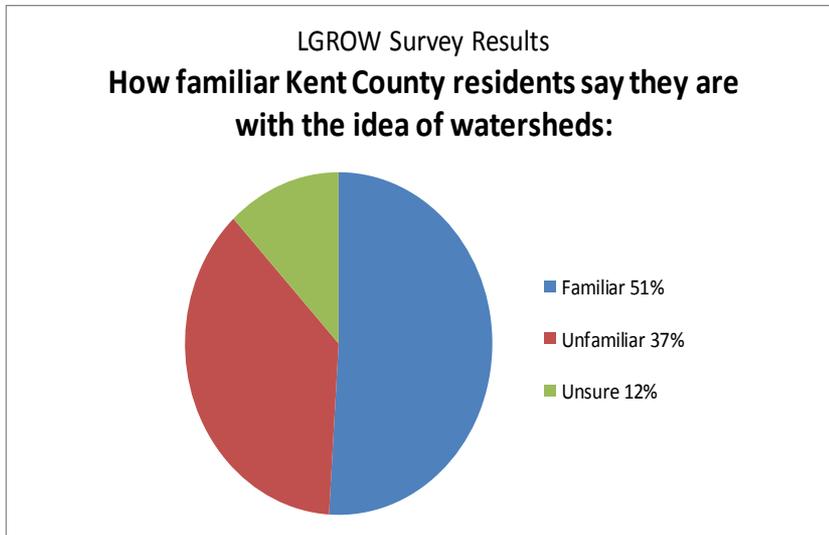
\*Refreshments will be served

**Please RSVP to:**  
[Katherine.Collen@gvmc.org](mailto:Katherine.Collen@gvmc.org)

# LGROW

## Community Surveys

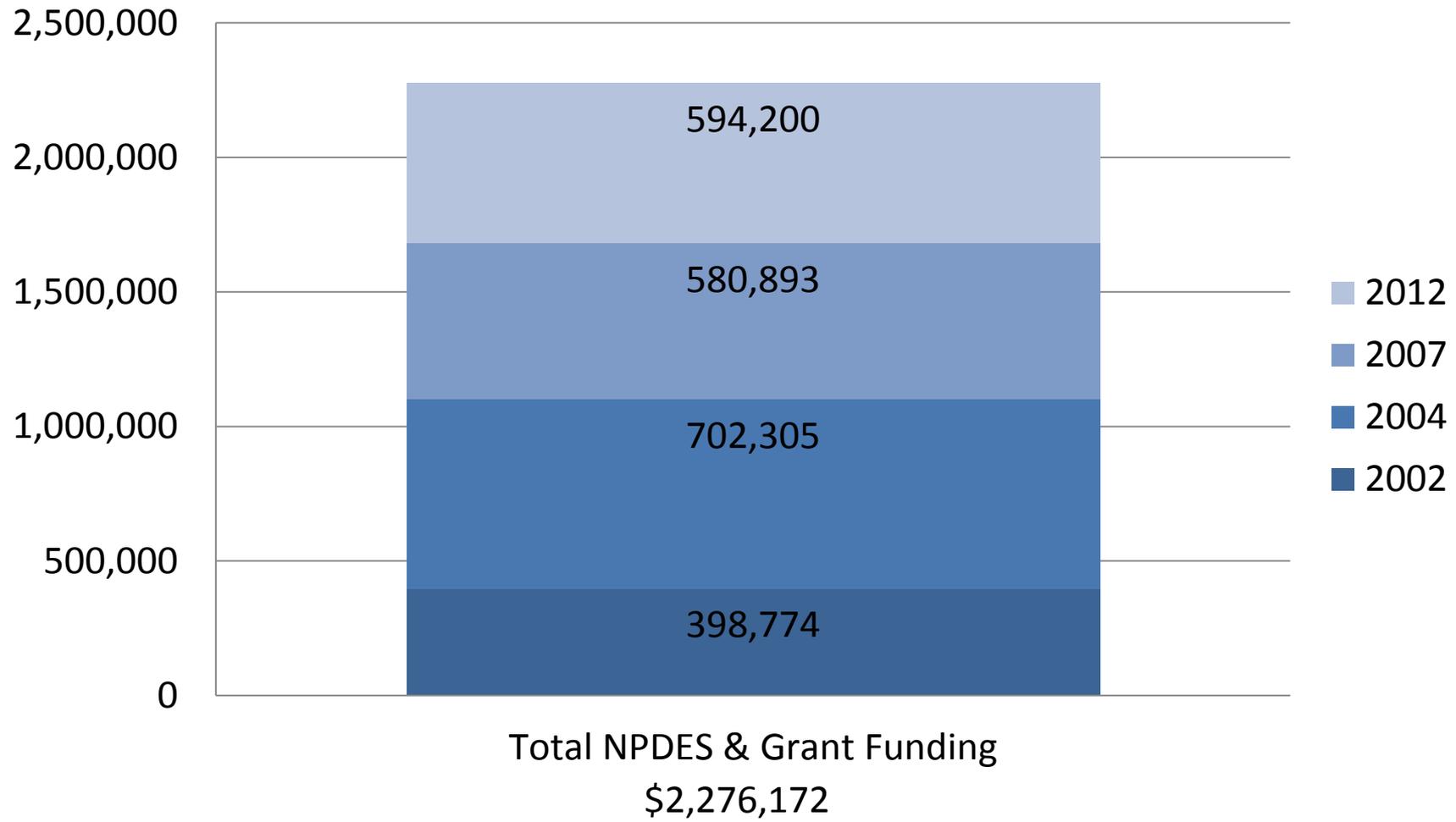
### Impact of Newspaper Insert



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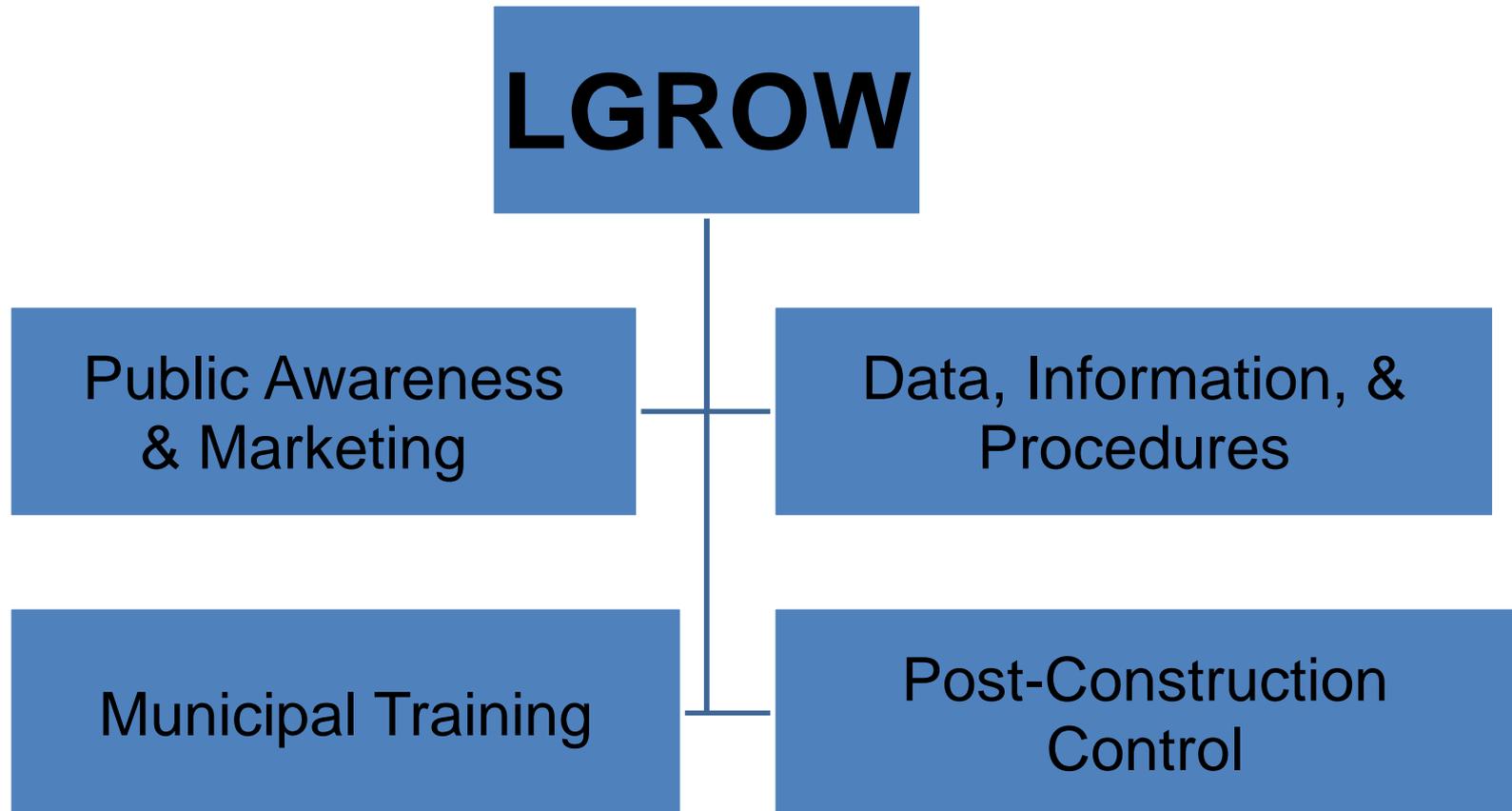


## NPDES Funding and Grants



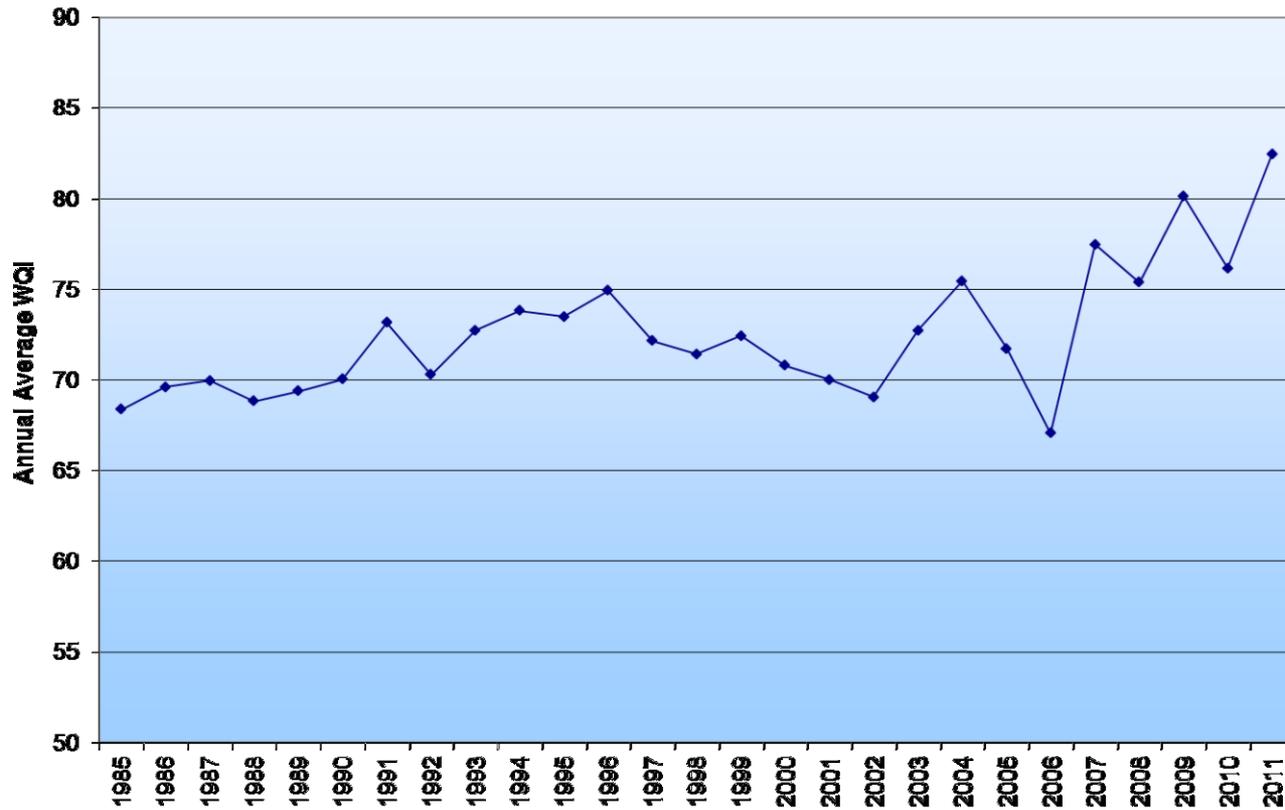
# LGROW

## Organizational Chart



# Water Quality Monitoring

**Railroad Bridge North, Water Quality Index**





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