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2021 Annual Report • 2022 Calendar



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On the Cover

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- Metro first Electric Buses
- City Foundry Development
- Loft Construction Midtown
- Danforth Plant Science Center

- Brickline Greenway at St. Louis CITY SC Stadium*
- Expo At Forest Park Skinker-DeBaliviere neighborhood
- Merchants Bridge Reconstruction**
- NGA – Moonshot Labs at T-REX

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To our colleagues

Despite being well into our second year of the pandemic we continue to make solid progress as an agency and a region. The East-West Gateway Board and Committees have moved from fully virtual meetings to hybrid meetings and plan to return to in-person early next year. Whether virtually, or in person, the East-West Gateway Board of Directors and their advisory committees provided insight, input, and purpose to the activities of the past year.

East-West Gateway's work related to transportation planning included a federally required certification review of the St. Louis region's metropolitan planning process - - we met or exceeded all requirements. Staff continued to work with Bi-State Development on MetroLink security by serving as a third-party reviewer of their security efforts and publishing security scorecards, we kicked off a regional data-sharing initiative, completed the 2020 Regional Congestion Report, updated transportation system performance targets and created a performance dashboard, and coordinated, or conducted, several bicycle/pedestrian planning educational

sessions. Additionally, we continued our collaboration efforts with the cities of Mascoutah, Festus and Crystal City to continue our Great Streets initiative. Staff also supported MoDOT on an environmental assessment and helped to develop project scopes for several upcoming corridors studies.

Upon the release of the highly anticipated 2020 Census, we processed and analyzed the data to understand growth and development patterns in the region, including the changing demographics that contribute to the many strengths of our region. Additionally, our Where We Stand Updates continued to focus on assessing and analyzing the regional impacts of the pandemic including changes in employment throughout the economic downturn and subsequent rebound. All of these efforts will be used to help us and our regional partners understand how we can recover and move forward as a region.

As part of East-West Gateway's plan for sustainable development, OneSTL, we continued our monthly sustainability labs with our partners at @TREX. We continued to play a vital role in monitoring the region's

air and water quality, convened the Big River Task Force, and staffed the Air Quality Advisory Committee and Water Resources Committee.

In addition to administering the activities related to the Urban Area Security Initiative grant, the STARRS staff focused on collaboration and information sharing with St. Louis Regional Healthcare Coalition (SLRHCC) agencies and its partners. STARRS along with the SLRHCC and the Healthcare Organizations Preparing for Emergencies (HOPE) Coalition in Illinois continued to support the COVID-19 response related to situational awareness, coordination of resources, and collaboration of responder and community agencies. Additionally, the region completed activities as part of a unique Department of Homeland Security grant focused on complex terrorist attacks. Coincidentally, the lessons learned from the extensive multi-year effort improved the initial and ongoing COVID-19 response coordination. Once again showing, when a community prepares for one disaster it is also preparing for other disasters, making the region more resilient.



Jim Wild, Kurt Prenzler, Dennis Gannon

East-West Gateway is dedicated to helping the region come together. Our region must be built to last, and the time, the effort, and the goodwill that regional partners contribute when working together will surely help achieve that goal. When we concentrate our collective efforts as we recover from the pandemic the lessons learned will help us to become more resilient and allow us to reinvent our economy and the region as we prepare for the future.

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Kurt Prenzler, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Gannon".

Dennis Gannon, Vice Chair

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Jim Wild, Executive Director



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A Region on the Move

The resolve shown by local governments, non-profits, and the business community is positioning the region to grow and prosper in a post-pandemic world. Collaboration is the quiet secret to the strength of the St. Louis region.

Workers in state and local government have demonstrated creativity and resilience in maintaining high levels of service despite the many challenges posed by the pandemic. State departments of transportation kept their focus on safe and reliable roadways while moving forward on important construction projects. County departments of





health, through extraordinary partnerships, provided vaccine rollouts to the public. The Metropolitan Pandemic Task Force, with support from St. Louis Area Regional Response System (STARRS) consortium members, took a coordinated approach to patient care and efforts to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus.



Municipal leaders continued to deliver vital local government services, often through enhanced collaboration with neighboring communities.



Non-profit agencies rose to the challenge of providing essential assistance to St. Louisans who were most affected by the twin blows of pandemic and recession. Local agencies galvanized volunteers to help vulnerable families find food, pay bills, and navigate crises. Mike McMillan of the St. Louis Urban League says that “we bring everyone together as a bridge to try to make St. Louis one commu-

nity, with the goal of helping the people that need it most. And that is really what our region should be all about.”



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The business community continues to plan for the future. The merger of five regional economic development agencies into the new Greater St. Louis Inc. exemplifies the collaborations that are moving the region forward. Despite the pandemic, Greater St. Louis



Inc. led the development of a regional jobs plan focusing on inclusive growth, local investment, quality jobs and expansion of black and brown entrepreneurship. Innovation centers such as T-REX and CORTEX are building a more vital regional economy by nurturing technology start-ups. And the GeoFutures initiative is bringing together business,

civic, and academic leaders to make St. Louis the go-to destination for geospatial innovation.

The region continues to make investments in the infrastructure that will power the next generation of economic growth. Improvements such as the Merchant's Bridge reconstruction, investment in electric buses and



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Through a multitude of innovative actions, both large and small, local governments, non-profits, and businesses are preparing the region to thrive as we come out of the pandemic.

The common theme in all of these initiatives is an understanding that the region is stronger and more resilient when we work together.

construction of the Brickline Greenway are positioning the region to improve the way it moves goods and people. The OneSTL Biodiversity Working Group works to enhance the resilience of infrastructure by promoting the use of ecological planning tools.



Danforth Plant Science Center



Great Rivers Greenway & St. Louis CITY



Arch Snowscape

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16	17 M.L. King Jr. Day	18  EAC meeting	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26  Board meeting	27	28	29
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Lincoln - Douglas Debate Alton, Illinois

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13	14 Valentine's Day	15  EAC meeting	16	17	18	19
20	21 President's Day	22	23  Board meeting	24	25	26
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Compton Hill Reservoir Park

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13 Daylight Savings Begins	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19
20 Spring Begins	21	22  EAC meeting	23	24	25	26
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Spring at Missouri Botanical Garden

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Easter	25	26	27  Board meeting	28	29 Earth Day	30
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Salute to Veterans

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8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12  STARRS board	13	14
15	16	17  EAC meeting	18	19	20	21 Armed Forces Day
22	23	24	25  Board meeting	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				



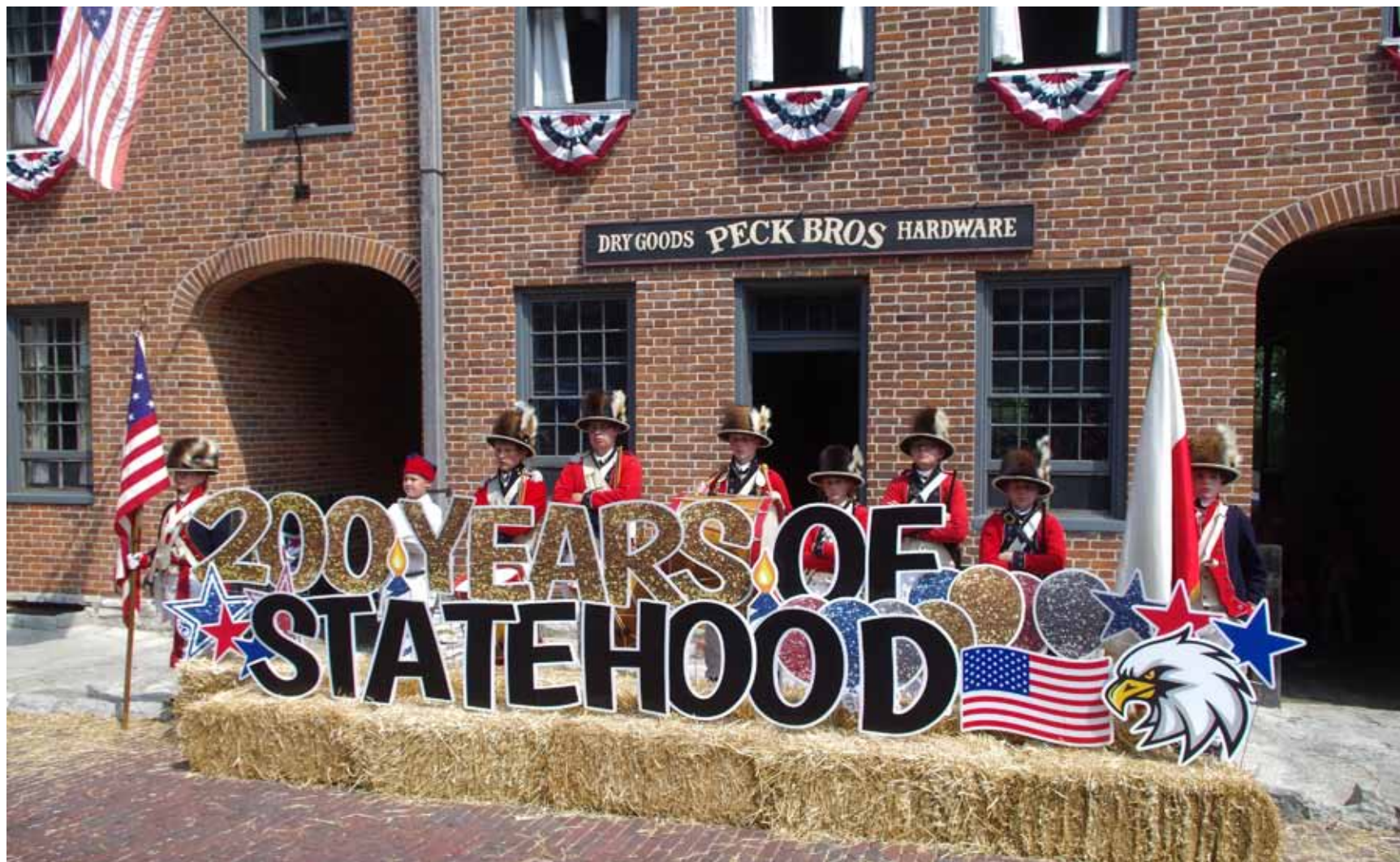
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19	20	21  EAC meeting	22	23	24	25
Father's Day / Juneteenth		Summer Begins				
26	27	28	29  Board meeting	30		



Missouri Centennial Celebration Old Missouri Capital St. Charles, Missouri

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St. Louis Aquarium at Union Station

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21	22	23  EAC meeting	24	25	26	27
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Paint The Wall - St. Louis Riverfront

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4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8  STARRS board	9	10
11 Patriot Day	12	13	14	15 Yom Kippur	16	17 Rosh Hashanah
18	19	20  EAC meeting	21 Fall begins	22	23	24
25	26	27	28  Board meeting	29	30	



Big Boy at Kirkwood Train Depot

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9	10 Columbus Day	11	12	13  STARRS board	14	15
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Pagoda Lake - Forest Park

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Wild Lights St. Louis Zoo

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Hanukkah			Winter begins			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Christmas	Kwanzaa					New Year's Eve

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position

	2020 Audited	2021 Estimated
Revenue		
Federal grants	\$7,047,651	\$10,377,014
State grants & appropriations	\$292,968	\$372,669
Local fees		
Local contributions	\$214,055	\$140,197
Per capita contributions	\$321,407	\$321,407
Other grants	\$228,889	\$217,415
Transp. project application fees	\$316,749	\$265,000
In-Kind match	\$239,501	\$265,691
Miscellaneous revenue	\$13,872	\$61,150
Total Revenue	\$8,675,090	\$12,020,543
Expenses		
Salaries & Wages	\$3,120,900	\$3,733,527
Employee Benefits	\$1,465,301	\$1,847,517
Services	\$1,628,951	\$2,000,887
Property	\$53,703	\$216,695
Facilities	\$336,193	\$381,568
Publications	\$7,466	\$16,962
Meeting & Conferences	\$10,290	\$63,749
Travel & Parking	\$20,197	\$82,691
Supplies	\$38,991	\$42,370
Professional Development	\$19,361	\$28,316
Non-Program Expenses	\$17,772	\$19,192
In-Kind Match	\$209,501	\$276,619
Training & Exercises	\$18,955	\$104,500
Sub-Recipient Expenses	\$1,603,764	\$2,835,645
Total Expenses	\$8,551,343	\$11,650,237
Change in net position	\$123,747	\$370,306

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The East-West Gateway Council of Governments provides a forum for representatives of local governments in the bi-state area to meet on a monthly basis to discuss regional issues and decide how best to use resources to meet common needs.

East-West Gateway is the only federally designated metropolitan planning organization for the region. Its 29-member board consists of representatives from Madison, Monroe and St. Clair counties in Illinois; Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles and St. Louis counties in Missouri; and the city of St. Louis. Its primary mission is to develop a comprehensive transportation plan for the region. Other East-West Gateway duties include monitoring air and water quality issues, overseeing homeland security expenditures, and assisting local governments in community planning.

The council's staff is available to assist local governments by providing research, analysis and support in their efforts to more efficiently and effectively serve the needs of their citizens on a wide range of metropolitan issues.