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Fiscal Year 1984 Annual Report

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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Citizens of Southwestern Minnesota,

The Southwest Regional Development Commission has completed another successful year of service to the local units of government and to the citizens of southwestern Minnesota.

The programs of the SRDC have provided many accomplishments and achievements during the past year. Through the technical assistance services, six cities in southwestern Minnesota received \$3.9 million for construction projects with funds from the Small Cities Development Grant Program. Economic development assistance has been given for industrial park improvements, downtown revitalization, expansion of existing businesses and location of new businesses. The Prairieland Economic Development Corporation recently received certification from the Small Business Administration's 503 program and will soon provide financing to eligible small businesses. The SRDC assisted the cities of Lakefield, Pipestone and Round Lake in their land use projects. Under the developmental disabilities program, the SRDC assisted eight developmental achievement centers, two sheltered workshops and an independent living center in increasing work for almost 100 adults with disabilities and in placing 67 adults with disabilities in community jobs such as dishwashing, table setting, janitorial assistance, and child care. Through the Southwestern Area Agency on Aging, \$102,010 has been awarded to various social service agencies to provide transportation, hospice, home health, and advocacy for the elderly population in the region. An additional \$80,815 was awarded for multi-purpose senior centers in Ellsworth, Fulda, Adrian, Luverne, and Heron Lake. The Area Agency on Aging also distributed funds totaling almost \$300,000 for congregate meals, \$50,000 for home-delivered meals and \$24,140 in McKnight funds for self-help projects and senior center renovation.

The Commission is looking forward to another year of service and dedication to the people of southwestern Minnesota.

Sincerely,



Carl Hauschild, Chairman
Southwest Regional Development Commission

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PLANNING ACTIVITIES

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

While technical assistance is not a requirement of the Regional Development Act, it is an important service to local government units by the Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) staff. Technical assistance has long been identified as a needed service by the commission and has its own appropriation in the budget.

Technical assistance is information, it is problem solving, and it is grant writing. Over the past year, SRDC staff has discussed the Minnesota Small Cities Development Grant Program with over twenty-five cities and counties on an individual basis. The commission also provides information on available programs through mailings and to local units of government and new releases to the media. The Southwest Regional Report, the Commission's Quarterly Newsletter, provides information on available programs to over 1,400 local elected officials and organizations throughout the region.

Another part of technical assistance is problem solving. The SRDC has provided assistance to all local units of government or public spirited groups who have requested assistance. This assistance has included identifying alternative solutions or potential sources of funds through telephone conversations or meetings with local civic groups, city councils, and county boards. The SRDC has become increasingly active in assisting communities identify and solve local problems. In FY 1984, the SRDC staff completed detailed needs assessments and surveys in several communities and discussed local strategies with each community, which identify the tools available to communities to resolve their problems. In addition, SRDC staff has discussed with several local chambers of commerce and business associations downtown improvements and how to plan and finance such improvements.

A third aspect of technical assistance is grant writing and administration. Requests for assistance from local governmental units have ranged from going over applications for completeness to assisting the applicants, do the research, writing, and offer information and advice necessary to make sound decisions. The SRDC staff has directly assisted communities with applications ranging from rural fire protection grants to Minnesota Small Cities Development Program Grants (SCDG). Assistance has been provided to nineteen cities on the Minnesota SCDG program administered by the Minnesota Department of Energy and Economic Development in FY 1984. Six cities are receiving the rewards of these efforts, which will result in 3.9 million dollars of construction projects in the region. Since 1975, the SRDC has assisted local governmental units with SCDG applications; and these efforts have resulted in over 20.9 million dollars in construction projects in the region. SRDC staff continue to provide follow-up assistance to past grant recipients to avoid problems in administration and program assessments.

The commission also continues its involvement in the funding process for several other programs. The Minnesota Rural Development Council Grant Program and the LAWCON/LCMR Parks and Recreation Grant Program each allow the opportunity for SRDC ranking of applications. The SRDC has shown a strong interest in providing these rankings to the funding agencies.

In FY 1985 the commission will be sponsoring additional workshops on programs available and topics of interest to local units of government. A workshop on the Minnesota SCDG program will be conducted in a timely manner for local units of governments interested in the program. The staff will also continue to assist communities with grant writing and problem solving. SRDC staff will continue to offer input on the state administration of the SCDG program to avoid problems that could hinder the funding effectiveness at the local level. In addition, the

SRDC is currently planning to provide assistance to local government units interested in computer software for the following functions: utility billing, budgeting, payroll, spreadsheet for budget planning, liquor store inventory and control, and word processing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

One of the priority policies of the Southwest Regional Development Commission's (SRDC) Comprehensive Regional Development Guide is to encourage the expansion of employment opportunities available to residents of the region. Implementation of this policy is being pursued by assisting small businesses in expansion and creation through the provision of long-term fixed asset financing, as well as a number of other avenues.

Past efforts to provide technical assistance to businesses in the region have resulted in a coordinated framework for business assistance. Coordination and cooperation with the MN Department of Energy and Economic Development and the Small Business Development Center at Southwest State University have resulted in high quality assistance to area businesses and industry.

The Commission has been involved in assistance activities including industrial park improvements, downtown revitalization programs, needs assessment, the MN Star Cities Program, expansion of existing businesses and location of new businesses.

A new component of the assistance program is the establishment of the Prairieland Economic Development Corporation. The corporation is made up of 27 members representing private lenders, chambers of commerce, local industrial development corporations and local elected officials. The Corporation was officially designated as a SBA 503 Certified Development Corporation this past spring and is now capable of providing financing assistance to eligible small businesses.

The 503 program allows the corporation to provide long-term, reduced interest, fixed-asset financing for expansion or start-ups of small businesses in southwest Minnesota. As of this time, several prospective deals have already begun. With this inflow of potential economic development activity the Corporation will be able to provide financing through the 503 program or respond through a number of other business/industrial financing or management assistance options. As Prairieland continues to mature and grow it may be able to undertake additional tasks such as industrial promotion, prospecting for new businesses and processing of other state and federal loan programs.

A final component of the Commission's economic development activity has been its involvement with the Minnesota Star Cities Program. The program, sponsored by the MN Department of Energy & Economic Development, is a capacity building exercise for local communities to encourage them to develop the tools necessary to pursue a local economic development program. Commission staff have provided expertise to prospective Star Cities ranging from program explanation and start-up to training on available financing tools to consulting on planning economic development strategies and labor market surveys.

It is through these various activities and the maintenance of a strong economic development program that the SRDC will continue to pursue and achieve its goals of expanding employment opportunities, creating new jobs, and enhancing the tax base of Region 8.

HOUSING

The lack of adequate and affordable housing continues to plague the citizens of Southwest Minnesota in 1984. Although interest rates have decreased, they remain high. With high interest rates, it seems the problem will not be alleviated in the immediate future. The lack of housing opportunities has caused the Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) to continue planning and assistance in the area of housing. In FY 1984, housing activities of the SRDC were directed toward implementing the Commissions Comprehensive Regional Development Guide and the Rural Development Strategy.

Several developers and elected officials consulted with the SRDC and requested assistance before submitting housing development applications to the delivery agencies. The majority of the inquires were for multi-family and elderly housing and included the following cities: Hendricks, Lynd, Marshall, Redwood Falls, Slayton, and Worthington. SRDC staff is currently planning to provide assistance in completing housing market studies for area developers interested in the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), Rural Rental Housing Program. In addition, further attempts at obtaining Minnesota Small Cities Development Grants (SCDG) will be undertaken. The City of Taunton was the only city to receive SCDG funds for housing rehabilitation in FY 1984. Assistance and information was also provided to counties, Community Action Agencies, and various organizations on housing issues including establishing Housing Redevelopment Authorities, setting up SCDG programs, and housing rehabilitation proposals. The SRDC also provides information and discussed the Minnesota Finance Agency's Loan program with several non-participating lenders.

In FY 1985 the SRDC will continue to pursue the implementation of the housing section of the Comprehensive Guide and the Rural Investment Strategy and explore new and innovative means of alleviating part of the housing problems.

assistance was also provided in the areas of flood control and water quality.

The Commission has reaffirmed its desire to make professional land use and environmental planning expertise available to local units of government in southwestern Minnesota. It is anticipated that the planning assistance program will remain as a priority of the Commission in future years. This will allow for continued implementation of regional policies in the local plans which are developed.

PARKS AND RECREATION

In Fiscal Year 1984, the Southwest Regional Development Commission's parks and recreation planning activities continued to focus on implementation of the policies contained in the Comprehensive Regional Guide.

The Commission assisted applicants for Federal LAWCON/State LCMR Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grants in both preliminary and final application stages. To provide for local funding review, members of the SRDC Parks and Recreation Committee visited project sites and ranked them according to the criteria developed by the Parks and Recreation Grants Unit of the MN Department of Energy and Economic Development (DEED). These rankings were then compared to DEED's evaluations and a combined priority list was then developed to determine funding.

Involvement was also maintained in the state's recreation policy formation and decision making processes through Commission representation on the State Outdoor Recreation Planning and Advisory Committee (ORPAC).

In Fiscal Year 1984, the Commission will continue to pursue opportunities to provide local input into recreation policy and funding decisions and will support efforts to emphasize the tourism aspects of southwest Minnesota.

LAND USE / ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

In Fiscal Year 1984, the Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC), continued the land use planning and environmental assistance program that commenced in 1979. Since that time, land use plans, zoning and subdivision regulations and model ordinances have been prepared and/or amended for local units of government throughout the region. During F.Y. 1984, land use plans were completed for the cities of Lakefield and Round Lake. As a means of implementing these plans, amendments to the zoning code of the City of Lakefield were approved, while the City of Round Lake adopted its first zoning ordinance. Work also began on revisions to the zoning and subdivision ordinances of the City of Pipestone.

Other land use related activities during the past year were in the area of environmental concerns. This included monitoring further developments relative to the operation of the Northern Border pipeline project, as well as the State of Minnesota's efforts in selecting a site for underground storage of hazardous waste. This prompted the Commission to act in opposing all underground storage of hazardous waste, and specifically within the Minnesota River Valley; on the basis of potential impacts upon groundwater supplies and agricultural productivity. In addition, the issues surrounding solid waste management and planning in the region were examined more closely. A series of meetings were initiated by the SRDC, bringing together state agency staff, local government officials and private landfill owners/operators to discuss the reasons for increasing management and planning efforts; as well as to address solid waste legislation. Technical

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation planning, research and technical assistance remained a high priority and continued to be emphasized as part of the comprehensive activities of the Southwest Regional Development Commission. A multi-faceted approach was taken to address the critical issues in transportation in southwest Minnesota. This included monitoring further developments relative to the operation of the Hanley Falls to Norwood rail line; which resumed in the spring of 1984, and which had received technical assistance from the SRDC in the past.

Following denial for a special study grant from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MN/DOT), the Commission approved the funding of a study to research and document cost-containment practices used by counties and townships to address roadway maintenance costs. The proposal was generated by discussions of the SRDC Transportation Committee, following MN/DOT's denial.

Although public transit may not be as high a priority in this region as others, interest remains by several communities and counties, to maintain or expand services. In addition, the Commission has provided technical assistance to those organizations pursuing transit projects.

Of course, highway improvements and maintenance remain a high priority of the SRDC. The Commission has continued to monitor the Trunk Highway 60 review process and maintain

its support for complete improvement. In addition, the SRDC Transportation Committee met periodically over the year to address such issues as: the accelerated phased-in transfer of the state vehicle excise tax from the general fund to the transit and highway user funds, the designation of highways in the region as 10 ton routes, the 1985-1989 MN/DOT program of major construction/reconstruction projects and resurfacing/reconditioning candidates in the region, as well as updating its own regional highway improvement priority list. The committee also began to look at the impacts from proposed jurisdictional change and turnback of state highways to local governments in the region. Throughout the year, the Commission maintained its close relationship with district managers and the central office through its regional MN/DOT representative. This on-going relationship allowed the parties involved to discuss the region's concerns and priorities in an effective and resolute manner.

In summary, the Southwest Regional Development Commission will continue to strive for an improved and well-balanced transportation system necessary for the economic and social well-being of the residents of the region.

CENSUS DATA CENTER

During Fiscal Year 1983 the Southwest Regional Development Commission was designated as one of twenty-five affiliates to the Minnesota Census Data Center network.

The purpose of the affiliate program is to provide multiple locations around the state where Census Bureau reports are on hand, assistance in the use of these reports is available and where resource persons can provide information about the census-data-related services available in Minnesota.

Information available from the SRDC includes the 1970 Census for Minnesota and adjoining states, 1980 Census information currently published, Minnesota economic censuses, County Business Patterns, and a variety of reports from the State Demographers Office. Through a special computer run, most population, housing, and economic data from the 1980 Census is available for all cities and townships in the region, a level of detail not available in the regular published census reports.

If information requested is not available locally, requests may be directly referred to other agencies in the data center network such as the State Demography Unit, the Minnesota Analysis and Planning System (MAPS), the Department of Education Information Center, or the Land Management Information Center (LMIC).

Commission staff have filed data requests from cities, counties, local government agencies, schools, consulting engineers, chambers of commerce/development corporations, private businesses, and individuals. Assistance and expertise in interpretation and analysis of data has accompanied many of these requests.

In the coming year the Commission will continue to respond to the information needs of the region. Training sessions for data users are also in the planning stages. The Commission will also begin participation in the process of planning for the 1990 Decennial Census and will continue to serve as a liaison between the Census Bureau and the local governmental units of Region 8.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The Southwest Developmental Disabilities Program concentrated its effort in the past year to increase work and employment opportunities for adults with severe mental or physical

disabilities. Working extensively with eight developmental achievement centers, two sheltered workshops and REAL, an independent living center, the DD Program offered training workshops as well as individualized on-site assistance to the agencies to increase the number and type of industrial subcontracts or prime products they now have and to offer part-time or full-time jobs for their clients in their own communities.

Three workshops have been given for the staff of nine agencies who seek to increase the work they now offer at their developmental achievement center or sheltered workshop. The workshops included information on assessing the client's skills, assessing existing work products, marketing products, determining legal and accurate bids for subcontracts and developing contracts. With the assistance of the workshop training and the on-site consultation from DD program staff, agency staff have been able to obtain more work hours and more wages for 99 of their adult disabled clients.

Four developmental achievement centers, two sheltered workshops and REAL participated in the training program regarding community employment. Four workshops have been offered including such topics as assessing client's skills, assessing job market opportunities, available state or federal resources, approaching businesses, client interviews, co-worker sensitivity and adaptive equipment for the disabled. With the assistance of the workshop training and on-site consultation, agency staff have been able to place 67 of their disabled clients in such community jobs as dishwashing, truck unloading, janitorial assistance, child care assistance, raking lawns, shoveling snow, laundry service, table setting at restaurants.

The twenty-one member Developmental Disabilities Committee has been active in providing input into the employment training program, commenting on twenty-three local grant applications for state and federal funds affecting persons with disabilities, and reviewing and commenting on five state and federal regulations. During the past year the twelve consumers and nine service providers and general public representatives of the DD Committee recommended three legislative recommendations on accessibility, obsolete language in statutes and preschool services. The accessibility and obsolete language issues were enacted during the state legislative session but preschool services for the developmentally delayed childred has been referred for further action at the next legislative session.

DD Program staff offered information and referral to consumers and their families as well as technical assistance in grant-writing, data information, fund raising, personnel issues to various human service agencies providing service to persons with disabilities. Staff attended 85 meetings during the past year with county welfare boards, family service directors, developmental achievement centers, county commissioners, statewide developmental disabilities groups, residential facilities, educators, social workers, other elected officials and various interagency groups to ensure that the priorities of the DD Committee were coordinated with other actors in the developmental disabilities service network. Twelve public presentations were made to advisory groups, county welfare boards, chambers of commerce, and other public groups. The Region 8 Community Resources for Persons with Disabilities was revised and distributed to 115 service providers, consumers and elected officials.

SOUTHWESTERN AREA AGENCY ON AGING

1984 marked the beginning of a new three-year planning cycle for the Area Plan for Programs on Aging. The plan serves as a "blueprint" of goals - activities for the Aging Program of the Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC). New goals and objectives were established in the areas of Advocacy, Service Development and Systems Development. In addition, new

funding priorities were established as follows: Transportation, Congregate Meals, Multipurpose Senior Centers, Homemaking Services, Home Health Aide.

Title IIIB grants totaling \$102,010 were made during SRDC Fiscal year 1984. Grants were made for such services as transportation, Home Health Aide, Legal Services, Hospice, Program Development, and Advocacy. In July of 1983 a total of \$80,815 was awarded for Multipurpose Senior Center projects in Ellsworth, Fulda, Luverne, Heron Lake and Adrian.

The SWAAA received \$24,140 from the Minnesota Board on Aging as its first year allocation of a three-year McKnight Foundation grant. The McKnight Foundation awarded funds to the Minnesota Board on Aging for senior center renovation and senior self-help projects state-wide. During FY84, senior center renovation grants were awarded to: Wilmont, Chandler, Brewster, Cottonwood, Steen and Adrian. Self-help grants were awarded to the Plum Creek Library System for the purchase of large print books and to the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) for the development and sale of winter survival kits.

The Congregate Nutrition Program was awarded \$231,918 in new federal Title IIIC-1 funds and \$60,490 state funds effective January 1, 1984. During the past year, two new mealsites were opened in Ruthton and Cottonwood. The program served an average of 750 to 800 meals per day.

The Home Delivered Meals program was awarded \$49,407 in new federal Title IIIC-2 funds effective January 1, 1984. The project has also initiated service in several communities that previously had no home delivered meal service. These include Garvin, Currie, Ruthton and Cottonwood. The program served an average of 125 to 150 Home Delivered Meals per day.

Some changes were made in the statewide nursing home Ombudsman program in FY84. The Minnesota Board on Aging determined that better service could be provided if the Southwestern Ombudsman service area (regions 6E, 6W, 8 and 9) were split. Consequently, regions 6W and 8 now form the southwestern service area, with Region 8 assuming the responsibility as lead agency in administration of the program. The Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) awarded funds to Western Legal Services in Marshall to provide ombudsman service in the two regions. The ombudsman assists in resolving complaints, provides training for residents, families and staff of nursing

homes and also monitors laws and regulations related to nursing homes and their residents.

The Southwestern Area Agency on Aging (SWAAA) sponsored its fourth annual regional Conference on Aging in October, 1983. The theme for the conference was "Aging: The Best is Yet to Come." Over 220 older persons and service providers attended this event. Workshops were held on such topics as: Mental Health, Funeral Planning, Aging in USSR and China, HMO's: a Rural Reality?, Older Women's League, Medicare, and films on aging. In addition to the regional conference, the SWAAA sponsored a workshop on Senior Center Management in June, 1984. The workshop covered leadership, program planning, fundraising and other operating issues. A total of 75 senior citizens attended this training.

In order to improve coordination of aging services in the region, the SWAAA began holding quarterly "Aging Network" meetings. The meetings enable those who work in aging to share information, concerns, ideas and to avoid duplication of efforts through better coordination and communication. Over 150 persons representing county social service, health service, nursing homes, hospitals, and other aging service providers are invited to attend.

The technical assistance role of the SWAAA included assisting several communities in applying for foundation grants, providing input in the development of CSSA plans, assisted in the development of two new hospice programs, provided assistance and training to independent home delivered meals providers, assisted in the development of new mealsite locations and other activities related to aging service development.

The SWAAA continues to promote coordination of the variety of human services agencies which serve the elderly in Region VIII. Regular contact has been maintained with the county welfare departments, community action agencies, public health nursing and mental health centers. The agency staff is active on the Southwestern Minnesota Opportunity Council (SMOC) Senior Citizens Community Services Employment Program Board, Nutrition Project Council, Minnesota Association of Area Agencies on Aging, Minnesota Gerontological Society, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and the Worthington Community College Human Services Advisory Board.

**DOCUMENTS, STUDIES, AND
RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED DURING
FISCAL YEAR 1984**

--Fiscal Year 1984 Work Program
--Fiscal Year 1983 Audit Report
--Area Plan for Programs on Aging
--The Golden Pages - A Directory of Services for Older Persons
--Management Manual for Multi Purpose Senior Centers
--City of Tracy's Land Use Plan
--City of Lamberton's Land Use Plan
--City of Round Lake's Land Use Plan
--City of Round Lake's Zoning Ordinance
--City of Lakefield's Land Use Plan
--City of Lakefield's Zoning Code
--City of Slayton's Comprehensive Plan Update
--Region 8 Community Resources for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (revised)
--The Southwest Regional Resource Directory for Small Businesses

REPORTING PERIOD BUDGET

[Fiscal Year 1984]

Revenues by Fund

Tax Levy	\$ 98,387
State Appropriation	46,342
Environmental Quality Board	1,561
Minnesota Board on Aging	66,981*
Minnesota Developmental Disabilities	36,164*
Minnesota Department of Transportation	7,288*
Small Cities Development - Federal	5,000
Small Cities Development - State	8,000
Small Cities Development - Accelerated	2,500*
Contract Revenue	5,565*
Interest Earned	16,805
Reserve Funds	29,269*
TOTAL	\$323,862

REPORTING PERIOD BUDGET

[Fiscal Year 1984]

Actual Expenditures

Salaries and Fringe	\$194,719
Rent and Utilities	14,400
Equipment	15,913
Telephone	8,230*
Staff Travel	16,667*
Printing	12,524*
Insurance	2,569
Postage	6,371
Supplies	4,032
Commission Expenses	23,509*
Consultants	733
Other	23,485*
Contingencies (Intern)	710
TOTAL	\$323,862

*These lines may change due to estimated payables of \$3,600.

**SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 1985 BUDGET**

REVENUES

State Appropriation	\$ 46,000
Tax Levy	105,000
MN Board on Aging	66,000 ¹
MN Developmental Disabilities Council	43,000
MN Department of Transportation	14,000
MN State Planning Agency	13,000
Interest Earned	10,000
Contracts	9,000
Reserves	29,000
TOTAL	\$335,000

¹Does not include any Direct Service, McKnight or USDA funds.

EXPENDITURES

Salaries & Fringe	\$215,000
Rent	15,000
Equipment	5,000
Telephone	9,000
Staff Travel	13,000
Printing	13,000
Insurance	2,000
Postage	7,000
Supplies	4,000
Commission Expense	30,000
Other	20,000
Contingencies (Intern)	2,000
TOTAL	\$335,000

EXPENDITURES - Per Program

Internal Management	\$ 56,048 ¹
Intergovernmental Coordination	36,309 ²
Local Government Assistance	45,178 ³
Physical Resources Development	38,695 ⁴
Economic Development	26,190 ⁵
Human Resources Planning	131,125 ⁶
Comprehensive Planning	1,455 ⁷
TOTAL	\$335,000

¹Includes: Management Documentation and Policy Administration, Office Administration and Self-Evaluation.

²Includes: Communications, Legislative, Agency Coordination and 12372 Review.

³Includes: General Technical Assistance, SCDG and UDAG Assistance and Housing.

⁴Includes: Land Use, Parks and Open Space, Transportation and Environmental Planning.

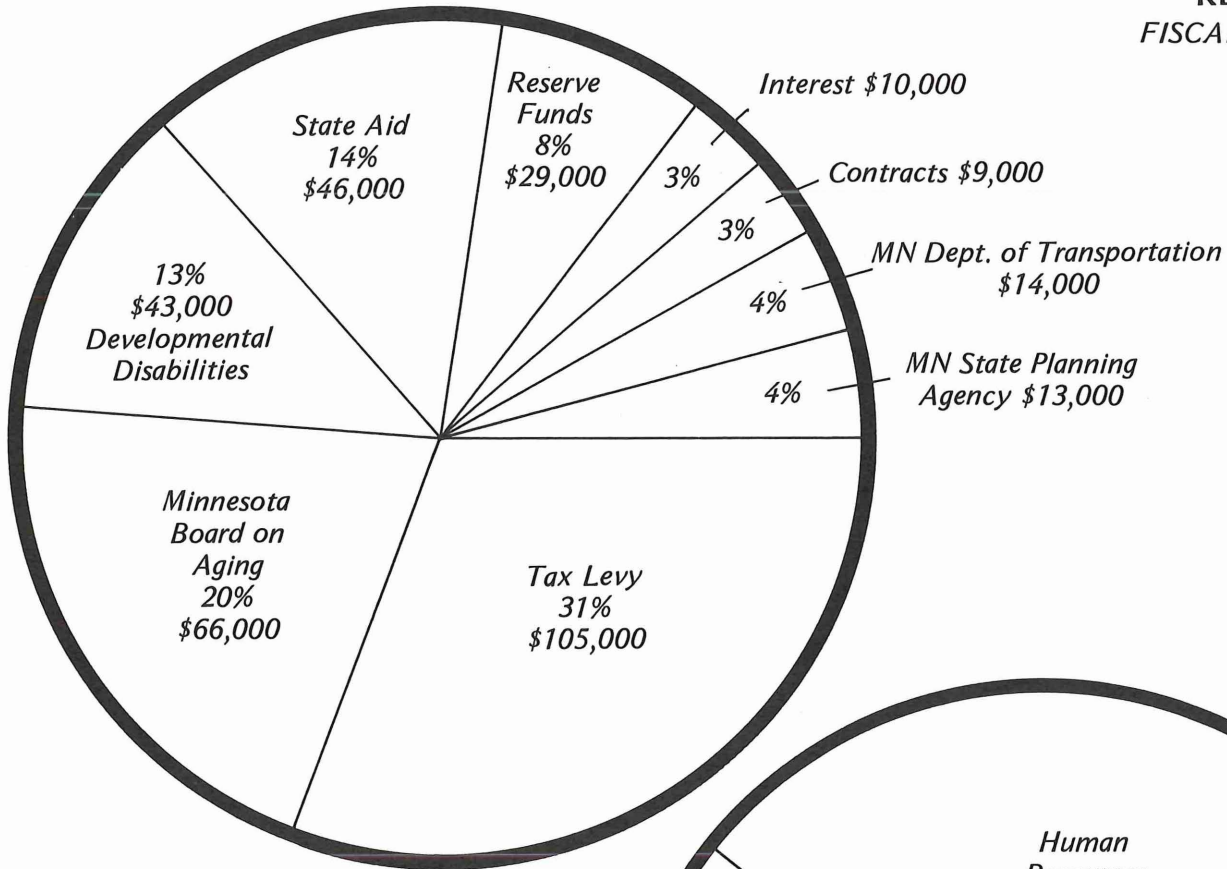
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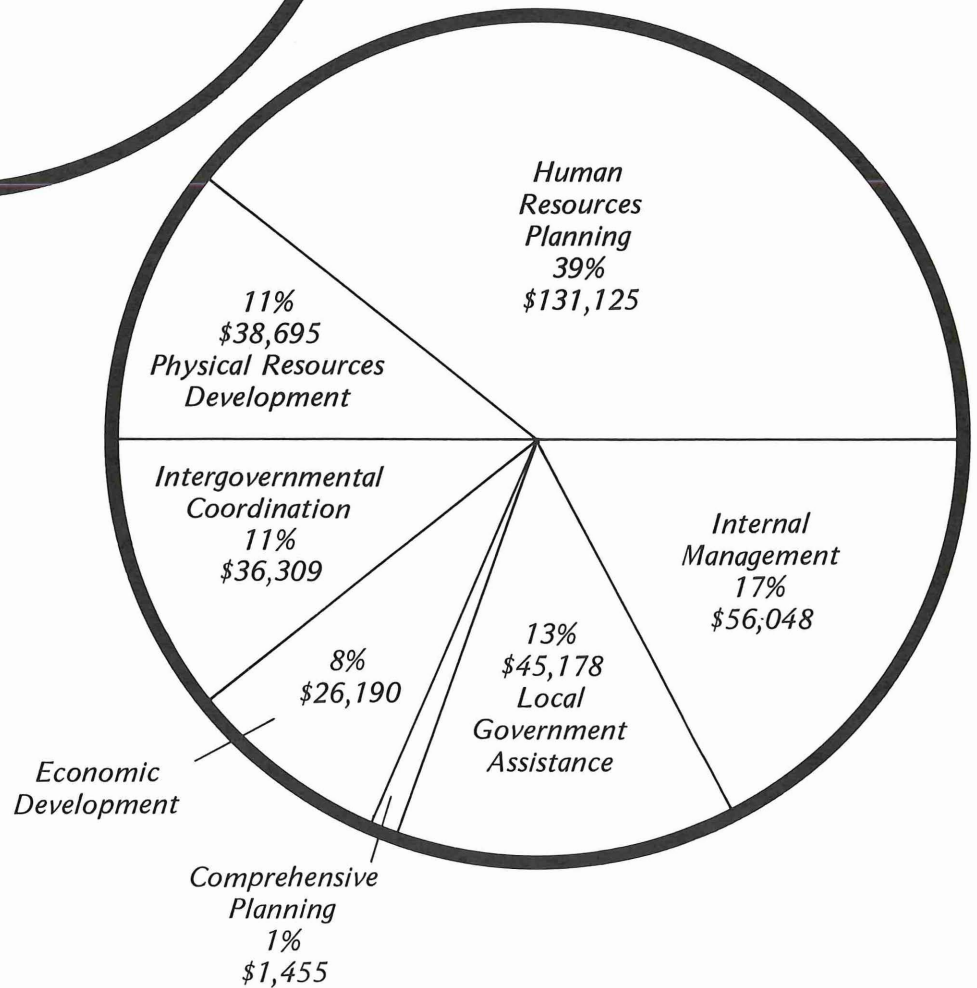
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SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

REVENUES FISCAL YEAR 1985



EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR 1985



FISCAL YEAR 1984
Direct Service Grants awarded during Fiscal Year 1984

FUNDED JULY, 1983

Assistant County Coordinator on Aging	1,320
Region Eight Legal Services for Seniors	20,000
WESCAP Senior Citizens Transportation	39,945
Fulda Multipurpose Senior Center	6,943
Luverne Multipurpose Senior Center	25,000
Heron Lake Multipurpose Senior Center	4,374
Adrian Multipurpose Senior Center	25,000
Subtotal	\$122,582

FUNDED OCTOBER, 1983

Ellsworth Multipurpose Senior Center	\$19,498
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FUNDED JANUARY, 1984

Nobles/Rock Home Health Aide	6,850
Southwest Ombudsman Program	20,000
WESCAP (Congregate Meals) Fed. Funds	231,918
WESCAP (Congregate Meals) State Funds	60,490
WESCAP (Home Delivered Meals) Fed. Funds	49,407
Subtotal	\$368,665

FUNDED APRIL, 1984

Murray County Transportation	2,014
Pipestone County Transportation	4,881
Senior Citizens Program Developer	15,000
Subtotal	\$ 21,895

Total Direct Service Awards, Fiscal Year 1984 **\$532,640**

McKnight Senior Center Grant awards during Fiscal Year 1984

Adrian	2,257
Brewster	3,482
Cottonwood	1,366
Chandler	4,545
Steen	1,346
Wilmont	3,381
Subtotal	\$ 16,377

McKnight Self Help Grant awards during Fiscal Year 1984

Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)	4,158
Plum Creek Library System	3,605
Subtotal	\$ 7,763

TOTAL MCKNIGHT AWARDS **\$ 24,140**

**The following have been awarded Direct Service Grants
beginning July 1, 1984 (FY 85)**

Redwood County Hospice	25,343
Prairie Home Hospice	31,626
Bingham Lake Multipurpose Senior Center	20,000
Ruthon Multipurpose Senior Center	12,946
Tracy Multipurpose Senior Center	4,199
Region Eight Legal Services for Seniors	20,000
WESCAP Senior Citizens Transportation	47,943
Total	\$162,057

FISCAL YEAR 1984 PROJECT REVIEW LIST**July 1, 1983 thru June 30, 1984**

<u>Action</u>	<u>Project #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Funding Agency</u>	<u>Cost</u>
P	84 - 1	Bridge Replacement Project for Twp. Bridges #L1904 & L1802	Lyon County	MN/DOT	\$ 146,340
P	84 - 2	3 Proposed Federal Aid Projects for 1985	Lincoln County	MN/DOT	N.A.
P	84 - 3	Water System Improvements Project	City of Slayton	EDA	\$1,128,000
P	84 - 4	Section 202 22-Unit Elderly Housing Project	City of Lakefield	HUD	\$ 726,000
P	84 - 5	Bridge Replacement Project for Twp. Bridge L 1599	Murray County	MN/DOT	\$ 56,175
P	84 - 6	Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) Funding for 1984	Retired Senior Volunteer Program of SW Minnesota	ACTION	\$ 109,491
P	84 - 7	Family Planning Special Project for 1984	Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council	MDH	\$ 66,422
P	84 - 8	1984-1985 Community Health Services Plan	Redwood-Renville Community Health Services	MDH	\$ 422,228
P	84 - 9	Federal-aid Secondary Highway and Federal-aid Bridge Replacement Programs during 1983	Jackson & Lyon Counties	MN/DOT	\$ 296,000
P	84 - 10	Community Health Services Plan for 1984-1985	Nobles-Rock Community	MDH	\$ 306,247 (1984)
P	84 - 11	Community Health Services Plan for 1984-1985	Lincoln-Lyon-Murray- Pipestone Community Health Services	MDH	\$ 502,829 (1984)
P	84 - 12	Taxi System for 1984	City of Marshall	MN/DOT	\$ 29,550
P	84 - 13	1984 Transit Subsidy Program	City of Pipestone	MN/DOT	\$ 12,075
P	84 - 14	Establishment of Cable TV Service Territory	City of Ellsworth	MCCB	N.A.
P	84 - 15	Title IIA of Job Training Partnership Act	Greater MN Job Training Programs of MN Dept. of Economic Security	DOL	\$ 658,849
P	84 - 16	1984 Head Start/Home Based Program	Western Community Action Agency	DHHS	\$ 342,901
P	84 - 17	1984 Head Start/Home Based Program	Southwestern MN Opportunity Council	DHHS	\$ 184,886
P	84 - 18	1984-1985 Community Health Services Plan	Cottonwood-Jackson Community Health Services	MDH	\$ 289,606
P	84 - 19	Early Childhood & Family Education	District #670 Community Education, Luverne	MDH	\$ 72,776
P	84 - 20	Interagency Facilitation Project for Handicapped and At-Risk Children (birth thru age three)	Southwest & West Central Education Cooperative Service Unit (ECSU)	MDH	\$ 171,953.13
P	84 - 21	Adolescent Health Education Counseling Project	Nobles-Rock Health Service	MDH	\$ 25,568
P	84 - 22	Prenatal, Newborn & Parenting Project	Redwood Falls Municipal Hospital	MDH	\$ 29,897.10
P	84 - 23	Perinatal Services	Rice Memorial Hospital	MDH	\$ 38,251
P	84 - 24	Early Health Care Among Pregnant Adolescents	Minnesota Institute	MDH	\$ 178,003

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P	84 - 25	Enhancing Community Services to Children with Severe Low Incidence Handicapping Conditions	Gillette Children's Hospital	MDH	\$ 69,361.60
P	84 - 26	MN Physicians' Child Passenger Restraint Project	MN Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics	MDH	\$ 298,400
P	84 - 27	Transportation Program for 1984	Lincoln County Transportation	MN/DOT	72,452.65
P	84 - 28	13 Unit Elderly & Handicapped Apartments	Edgebrook Rest Center	FmHA	526,300
P	84 - 29	12 Units of 1-bedroom Apartments	Edgerton Housing Limited Partnership	FmHA	320,000
P	84 - 30	Resurfacing and Reconstruction	City of Pipestone	MN/DOT	187,800
P	84 - 31	One 17-24 Passenger Mini-Bus	Swan Lake Developmental Achievement Center	MN/DOT 16 (b)(2)	27,825
P	84 - 32	Social/Recreation Option Development Project	Rural Enterprises for Acceptable Living, Inc.	DD-McKnight	20,678
P	84 - 33	Avoca Water Systems Improvement Project	City of Avoca	FmHA	624,000
P	84 - 34	Kanaranzi-Little Rock PL-566 Watershed Protection Project	Kanaranzi-Little Rock Watershed	State SCS	N.A.
P	84 - 35	Home Health Aide Project	Nobles/Rock Health Services	MBA	24,124
P	84 - 36	Southwest Housing Assistance Program	Lutheran Social Services	MBA	53,930
P	84 - 37	Southwest Ombudsman Program	Western MN Legal Services	MBA	29,333
P	84 - 38	Senior Services Congregate Meal Program	Western Community Action Agency, Inc.	MBA	736,131
P	84 - 39	Senior Services Home Delivered Meals Program	Western Community Action Agency, Inc.	MBA	158,905
P	84 - 40	Schoneman Park	Rock County	LCMR	\$ 133,926
P	84 - 41	Bi-Centennial Park	City of Slayton	LCMR	24,354
P	84 - 42	Ellsworth City Park	City of Ellsworth	LCMR	13,865
P	84 - 43	Holland City Park	City of Holland	LCMR	27,000
P	84 - 44	Lower Park	City of Adrian	LCMR	19,300
P	84 - 45	Lismore City Park	City of Lismore	LCMR	10,400
P	84 - 46	Plum Creek County Park	Redwood County	LCMR	54,900
P	84 - 47	Kenneth City Park	City of Kenneth	LCMR	12,480
P	84 - 48	Southeast Park Development	City of Worthington	LCMR	33,000
P	84 - 49	Lakeside Park	City of Mountain Lake	LCMR	25,000
P	84 - 50	Bridge Replacement Project for Jackson City Bridge #3956	Jackson County	MN/DOT	467,000
P	84 - 51	Federal-aid Secondary Highway and Federal-aid Bridge Replacement Programs during 1984	Nobles & Pipestone Counties	MN/DOT	414,000
P	84 - 52	Work Program for Highway Planning & Research for Calendar Year 1984	MN Department of Transportation	MN/DOT	N.A.
P	84 - 53	Housing Plan	City of Worthington	MHFA	N.A.

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P	84 - 54	Housing Plan	City of Marshall	MHFA	N.A.
P	84 - 55	Rock County Infant Stimulation Program	Rock County Family Service Agency	DD-McKnight	13,431
P	84 - 56	Expansion Grant Proposal for Head Start Program	Southwestern MN Opportunity Council, Inc.	DHHS	50,000
P	84 - 57	30 Unit Section 515 Housing Project	Marshall Housing Limited Partnership	FmHA	800,000
P	84 - 58	MN Statewide Outdoor Recreation Plan 1984-85 Action Program	Department of Natural Resources	DOI	N.A.
P	84 - 59	Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Allocation to State of MN	MN Department of Energy, Planning & Development	DOJ	\$ 796,575
P	84 - 60	1984 Head Start Expansion Grant	Western Community Action, Inc.	DHHS	26,000
P	84 - 61	Proposed Class B Residential Facility for Slayton	LRN Associates, Inc.	D of H	575,000
P	84 - 62	Senior Citizens Volunteer Transportation Program (supplemental award)	Western Community Action, Inc.	MBA	8,770
P	84 - 63	1984-1989 Project List for Region 8	MN Dept. of Transportation	MN/DOT	57,123
P	84 - 64	Bridge Replacement Project for Nobles County Bridge Nos. L3486 & 2787	Nobles County	MN/DOT	74,000
P	84 - 65	Bridge Replacement Project for Lyon County Bridge Nos. L1748, 95837, L1924, L1708, L1707 & L1822	Lyon County	MN/DOT	228,530
P	84 - 66	Bridge Replacement Project for Cottonwood County Bridge #L6364	Cottonwood County	MN/DOT	26,000
P	84 - 67	Foster Grandparent Program	Association of Retarded Citizens, MN	ACTION	1,137,946
P	84 - 68	Wastewater Treatment Facility	City of Steen	MPCA/EPA	291,000
P	84 - 69	Fiscal Year 1984 Annual Program, Survey and Planning Component	State of MN - MN Historical Society	DOI	312,625
P	84 - 70	Educational Television Networks in SW Minnesota	Minnesota Tele-Media	NTIA	852,129
P	84 - 71	Rural Community Fire Protection Grant	Cottonwood Volunteer Fire Department	DNR	929
P	84 - 72	12 Unit Section 515 Rural Rental Housing Project	Slayton Housing Limited Partnership	FmHA	\$ 330,000
P	84 - 73	8 Unit Section 515 Rural Rental Housing Project	Round Lake Housing Limited Partnership	FmHA	220,000
P	84 - 74	Federal-aid Secondary Highway and Federal-aid Bridge Replacement Programs during 1984.	Jackson, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Pipe-stone & Redwood Counties.	MN/DOT	2,464,200
P	84 - 75	Step 2 & 3 Construction Grant for Wastewater Treatment Works	City of Storden	EPA/MPCA	1,321,000
P	84 - 76	Water Facility Development Project	City of Mountain Lake	SCDG	733,407
P	84 - 77	Fire Hall Improvements	City of Alpha	SCDG	68,000
P	84 - 78	Downtown Public Facility Improvements Project	City of Jackson	SCDG	4,521,102
P	84 - 79	Wastewater Treatment Renovation	City of Lakefield	SCDG	913,000

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P	84 - 80	Water Well Project	City of Cottonwood	SCDG	622,800
P	84 - 81	Sanitary Sewer System Improvements	City of Lynd	SCDG	1,177,250
P	84 - 82	Marshall Environmental Improvement/ Revolving Loan Fund	City of Marshall	SCDG	5,390,000
P	84 - 83	Revitalization of a Low and Moderate Income Neighborhood	City of Minneota	SCDG	1,459,000
P	84 - 84	Russell Water System Improvements	City of Russell	SCDG	536,300
P	84 - 85	Taunton Comprehensive Improvements	City of Taunton	SCDG	441,950
P	84 - 86	Water and Storm Sewer Improvements	City of Fulda	SCDG	650,000
P	84 - 87	Water System Improvements	City of Slayton	SCDG	1,042,000
P	84 - 88	Water System Improvements Project	City of Adrian	SCDG	\$ 736,000
P	84 - 89	Round Lake Public Facilities Project	City of Round Lake	SCDG	710,800
P	84 - 90	Public Facilities Improvements Project	City of Rushmore	SCDG	381,000
P	84 - 91	Street and Storm Sewer Improvements	City of Milroy	SCDG	878,480
P	84 - 92	Chandler Economic Development Project	City of Chandler	SCDG	472,000
P	84 - 93	Town and Country Meats Expansion	City of Pipestone	SCDG	750,000
P	84 - 94	Senior Citizen Program Developer	District 518 Program Developer-Worthington	MBA	15,000 (Fed.)
P	84 - 95	Pipestone County Senior Citizens Transportation Program	Pipestone County	MBA	4,881 (Fed.)
P	84 - 96	Murray Volunteer Transportation Program	Murray County	MBA	2,014 (Fed.)
P	84 - 97	Brewster Senior Citizens Center	Brewster Senior Citizens	MBA-McKnight	3,482
P	84 - 98	Chandler Senior Citizens Club	Chandler Senior Citizens	MBA-McKnight	4,545
P	84 - 99	Cottonwood Senior Center Energy Conservation Renovation	City of Cottonwood	MBA-McKnight	1,366
P	84 - 100	Wilmont Senior Citizens Center	Wilmont Senior Citizens	MBA-McKnight	3,381
P	84 - 101	Bridge Replacement Project for Cottonwood County Bridge Nos. 1499 & 89557	Cottonwood County	MN/DOT	124,000
P	84 - 102	Bridge Replacement Projects for Nobles County Bridge Nos. L3509, L3507, L3409, L2368, & L3395	Nobles County	MN/DOT	211,000
P	84 - 103	Step 2 & 3 Design & Construction of Wastewater Collection & Treatment Systems	City of Lynd	MPCA/EPA	1,208,755
P	84 - 104	24 Unit Section 515 Rural Rental Housing Project located in Wgtn.	Brittany Associ- ation of Wgtn.	FmHA	\$ 672,000
P	84 - 105	Weatherization Assistance Program for Low Income Persons for FY'1984	MN Department of Economic Security	DOE	9,857,261
P	84 - 106	Revolving Loan Fund for Marshall Labs, Inc.	City of Marshall	SCDG	220,000
P	84 - 107	Renewal of Conditional Designation as a Health Systems Agency	MN Health Systems Agency Six	DHHS	122,210

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P	84 - 108	Disabled Advocates for Recreational Equality (DARE) Project	Rural Enterprises for U.S. Dept. Acceptable Living (REAL) of Education		21,201
P	84 - 109	Marshall Environmental Improvement	City of Marshall	EDA	450,000
P	84 - 110	Second year funding of Continuing Education/Voluntary Certification Program	MN Assoc. of County Planning & Zoning Administrators	GCRD	56,817
P	84 - 111	Reconstruction of City Streets	City of Westbrook	FmHA	945,300
P	84 - 112	Bridge Replacement Projects for Lyon County Bridge Nos. 2638, L1791, L1829.	Lyon County	MN/DOT	133,745.50
P	84 - 113	Southwest Developmental Disabilities Program	Southwest RDC	GPC on DD	78,553
P	84 - 114	Work Procurement Person	Crippled Children's School, Inc.	GPC on DD	26,925
P	84 - 115	Legal & Paralegal Services	Southern MN Regional Legal Services	MBA	10,000 (Fed.)
P	84 - 116	Senior Citizens Volunteer Transportation	Western Community Action, Inc.	MBA	47,943 (Fed.)
P	84 - 117	Prairie Home Hospice	Weiner Memorial Medical Center	MBA	31,626 (Fed.)
P	84 - 118	Redwood County Public Health Nursing Service Hospice Program	Redwood County PHNS	MBA	\$ 25,343 (Fed.)
P	84 - 119	Tracy Multipurpose Senior Center	City of Tracy	MBA	4,199 (Fed.)
P	84 - 120	Ruthton Multipurpose Senior Center	Ruthton Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA	12,946 (Fed.)
P	84 - 121	Bingham Lake Multipurpose Senior Center	Bingham Lake Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA	20,000 (Fed.)
P	84 - 122	Winter Survival Kits	R.S.V.P. of SW MN	MBA-McKnight	4,158
P	84 - 123	Elderly Emergency Telephone Response System	Westbrook Hospital	MBA-McKnight	2,522
P	84 - 124	Large Print Book Project	Plum Creek Library System	MBA-McKnight	3,605
P	84 - 125	Equipment Purchases	Adrian Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA-McKnight	2,257
P	84 - 126	Senior Center Renovation	Dovray Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA-McKnight	2,987
P	84 - 127	Equipment Purchases	Runals Multipurpose Senior Center	MBA-McKnight	896
P	84 - 128	Addition & Sidewalk to Senior Center	Garvin Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA-McKnight	1,960
P	84 - 129	Kitchen Equipment for Community Center	City of Lismore	MBA-McKnight	4,629
P	84 - 130	Lower Sioux Senior Center	Lower Sioux Indian Community	MBA-McKnight	3,500
P	84 - 131	Roof Repair	Steen Senior Citizens, Inc.	MBA-McKnight	1,346
P	84 - 132	Woodstock Senior Center	Woodstock Senior	MBA-McKnight	5,041

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P	84 - 133	Bridge Replacement Projects for Cottonwood Co. Twp. Bridge Nos. L6609 & L6519.	Cottonwood County	MN/DOT	\$ 106,000
P	84 - 134	Bridge Replacment Project for Lincoln Co. Twp. Bridge #L2037.	Lincoln County	MN/DOT	82,000
P	84 - 135	Bridge Replacement Project for Lyon Co. Twp. Bridge #L1864.	Lyon County	MN/DOT	26,125
P	84 - 136	Federal-Aid Secondary Highway & Federal-Aid Bridge Replacement Programs during 1984.	Lyon & Nobles County	MN/DOT	475,000
P	84 - 137	Step III Wastewater Treatment & Collection System Construction.	City of Vesta	MPCA/EPA	1,303,000
P	84 - 138	24 Unit Section 515 Rural Rental Housing Project for Marshall, MN.	Four Seasons Assoc. of Marshall, MN	FmHA	685,200
P	84 - 139	Independent Living Skills Training	Rural Enterprises for Acceptable Living, Inc.	D,D.-McKnight	20,951
P	84 - 140	Marketing Program for the Nine Counties of Region 8	Southwest Regional Development Comm.	D,D.-McKnight	28,163
P	84 - 141	Sewage Waste Treatment Facility	City of Marshall	EDA	450,000

Funding Agency Abbreviations and Acronyms

DD -- Developmental Disabilities
 D of H -- Department of Health
 DHHS -- Department of Health and Human Services
 DOE -- Department of Energy
 DOI -- Department of the Interior
 DOJ -- Department of Justice
 DOL -- Department of Labor
 DNR -- Department of Natural Resources
 EDA -- Economic Development Administration
 EPA -- Environmental Protection Agency
 FmHA -- Farmers Home Administration
 GCRD -- Governors Council on Rural Development
 GPC -- Governors Planning Commission
 HUD -- Department of Housing and Urban Development
 LAWCON -- Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund
 LCMR -- State Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources
 MBA -- Minnesota Board on Aging
 MCCB -- Minnesota Cable Communications Board
 MN/DOT -- Minnesota Department of Transportation
 MDH -- Minnesota Department of Health
 MHFA -- Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
 MPCA -- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
 NA -- Not Available or Not Applicable
 NTIA -- National Telecommunications Information Administration
 SCDG -- Small Cities Development Grant
 SCS -- Soil Conservation Service

SUMMARY OF THE REPORT OF THE STATE AUDITOR ON THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The auditor's opinion letter states "the combined financial statements . . . present fairly the financial position of the Southwest Regional Development Commission, at June 30, 1983, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year."

Date field work completed: September 28, 1983.

Date audit opinion letter signed: September 28, 1983.

The following recommendations were stated in the Management and Compliance Letter:

INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL

"The Commission should maintain a tax levy and settlement record book . . . which would include collections of delinquent taxes and taxes receivable at June 30."

Action Taken: The financial officer has set up a tax levy and settlement record book and has established a tax form which was sent to all counties to complete for year-to-date information.

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

"Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 462.396, Subd. 6, the Commission should from time to time designate one or more national or state banks as official depositories."

Action Taken: A motion was made and approved "to designate People's State Bank, Norwest Bank and Twin City Federal of Slayton as depositories" at the May 10, 1984 Board of Director's meeting.

There were no recommendations to resolve from FY 1982's audit.