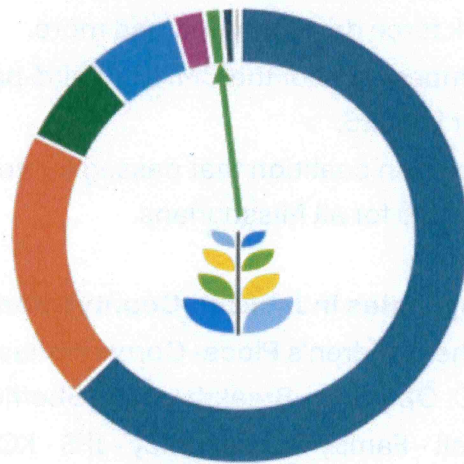




COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH FUND

The Community Mental Health Fund (CMHF) was approved by voters in 1980 under Missouri law (RSMO 205.975). We make grants to non-profit organizations in Jackson County for mental health care to county residents. CMHF is supported only by the mental health levy. Schools, cities, libraries, and the community college hold their own levy rate hearings (91% of the tax bill). Tax rates for the CMHF are limited by the Hancock Amendment. Revenues do not keep pace with inflation.

The Community Mental Health levy
is about 1% of the Property Tax Bill and it
Supports Mental Health Care for 22,000 Residents



■ Public School ■ City ■ Library
■ Jackson County ■ Junior College ■ Mental Health 
■ Developmental Disability ■ State Blind Pension

Tax bill from a resident in the Kansas City School District (example)

About Mental Illness

- Mental illness affects more than fifty million Americans. A sizable percentage of people go without treatment every year. Cost is the largest reason.
- Over 20% of American adults (more than fifty million) experience some type of mental illness every year and 5% encounter a more serious mental health concern.

In Jackson County, Missouri

- Thirteen percent of people under age 65 did not have health insurance in 2023 (79,000 people).
- About 36,000 people in Jackson County had severe mental illness in 2022.
- Local agencies face growing needs and workforce challenges, but face state and federal budget cuts.
- The most common conditions seen by CMHF providers are trauma, anxiety, and depression. CMHF is much more likely to be a funder when trauma is identified.

The Community Mental Health Fund

- **Broad Reach:** In 2024 the CMHF provided \$14.3M in grants to Jackson County non-profits. People in all parts of the county are served. The highest areas of utilization are the Prospect Corridor and Independence. 22,000 Jackson County residents are served each year.
- **Limited increases:** The Hancock Amendment means levy revenue does not increase at the same rate as property assessment. Our income does not keep pace with inflation.
- **Stewardship:** We audit the use of tax dollars and conduct on-site reviews of treatment records.
- **Accountability:** We report to the Missouri Department of Mental Health and are audited using GASB-34 accounting standards.
- **Innovation:** we make innovation grants and use a nationally significant quality incentive system.
- **Collaborating:** partners include state-designated CCBHOs, Children's Centers, DV agencies, Wellness Court, CIT training, Work force development, and more.
- **Access to Care** is a community impact goal of the CMHF. A third-party evaluator is studying our impact. We will have a report later in 2025.
- **Advocacy:** We were part of a bipartisan coalition that passed audio-only telehealth legislation in 2025, improving access to health care for all Missourians.

We partner with thirty-five non-profit agencies in Jackson County (more coming)

- **Children and Families:** CAPA - The Children's Place- Cornerstones of Care – Crittenton - FosterAdopt Connect – Niles-KVC, Operation Breakthrough - Sheffield Place – Steppingstone.
- **Safety Net:** Comprehensive Burrell - Family Conservancy - JFS - KC Care Health Center Mattie Rhodes - ReDiscover – ReStart - Samuel Rodgers Health Center- Swope Health - University Health.
- **Domestic and Sexual Violence:** Hope House – MOCSA – Newhouse - Rose Brooks.
- **Special Populations:** Benilde Hall – BFMA – DeLaSalle - JVS - Reconciliation Services - Youth Ambassadors.
- **New Agencies to our Network:** Child Protection Center - Sisters in Christ.
- **Crisis Intervention:** Resource Development Institute - CIT Evaluation, ReDiscover CIT Training, MARC 988.
- **Coming later in 2025:** low-barrier grant funding for community-based agencies.



Values	25-24 Change	24-23 Change	2025	2024	2023	25-24 % Change
Real	986,722,939	-167,925,526	15,141,715,688	14,154,992,749	14,322,918,275	6.97%
Personal	-103,132,381	-51,403,158	2,480,764,575	2,583,896,956	2,635,300,114	-3.99%
Railroad	46,723,868	-3,101,866	669,742,804	623,018,936	626,120,802	7.50%
Total	930,314,426	-222,430,550	18,292,223,067	17,361,908,641	17,584,339,191	5.36%

Tax Amt	Fund	25-'24	'24-'23	2025	2024	2023	25-24 % Change
	General	4,650,350	-2,504,453	39,547,786	34,897,436	37,401,889	13.33%
	Health	1,668,913	295,151	26,670,061	25,001,148	24,705,997	6.68%
	Park	1,224,223	14,618	17,926,379	16,702,156	16,687,538	7.33%
	Special Road / Bridge	1,477,149	15,014	12,658,218	11,181,069	11,166,055	13.21%
	Senior Svc Fund	9,146,112		9,146,112			
	Overall	18,166,747	-2,179,670	105,948,556	87,781,809	89,961,479	
	Total Increase			20.70%			
	Increase w/o Senior Svc Fund			10.28%			

	Fund	25-'24	'24-'23	2025	2024	2023	25-24 % Change
	Mental Health	814,665	152,624	17,725,164	16,910,499	16,757,875	4.82%
	developmental Disabled	607,821	118,530	13,316,738	12,708,917	12,590,387	4.78%
	Replacement Tax*	14,959,190	-798,364	74,958,336	59,999,146	60,797,510	24.93%

* Replacement Tax is based upon primarily Commercial Real Property on top of all other levies. This is a "trade off" because certain types of personal property owned by Manufacturers was exempted from personal property under missouri law

Total	34,548,423	-2,706,880	211,948,794	177,400,371	180,107,251	19.47%
Total w/o Senior Fund	25,402,311	-2,706,880	202,802,682	177,400,371	180,107,251	14.32%

Calculated Rate

General	0.2162%	0.2010%	0.2127%
Health	0.1458%	0.1440%	0.1405%
Park	0.0980%	0.0962%	0.0949%
Special Road / Bridge	0.0692%	0.0644%	0.0635%
Senior Svc Fund	0.0500%	0.0000%	0.0000%
Mental Health	0.0969%	0.0974%	0.0953%
developmental Disabled	0.0728%	0.0732%	0.0716%

Replacement Tax*

Property Value Not Provided so calculation is not possible but it has been unchanged since at least 2015 - the earliest year for which I have data