

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE enacting sections 7800., 7801., 7802., 7803., 7804., and 7805., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to the establishment of the Senior Citizens' Services Fund, with an effective date.

ORDINANCE NO. 6001, July 28, 2025

INTRODUCED BY Jalen Anderson and Donna Peyton, County Legislators

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 5876, dated August 26, 2024, the Legislature did approve the submission to the qualified voters of Jackson County a question authorizing the establishment of a Senior Citizens' Services Fund for the purpose of providing services to persons sixty years of age or older, to levy a countywide ad valorem property tax at a rate of five cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation; and,

WHEREAS, at the general election held on November 5, 2024, the qualified voters of Jackson County did approve this question; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 67.990, 67.993, and 67.995, RSMo, the Legislature hereby approves the establishment of the Senior Citizens' Services Fund; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Enacting Clause. Chapter 78., Jackson County Code, 1984 consisting of Sections 7800., 7801., 7802., 7803., 7804., and 7805., are hereby enacted, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 78
SENIOR CITIZENS' SERVICES FUND

7800. Tax Imposed.

Pursuant to the provision of section 67.990, RSMo, there is imposed in Jackson County a countywide ad valorem property tax at the rate five cents per one hundred dollars of assessed value for the purpose of providing services to persons sixty years of age or older.

7801. Senior Citizens' Services Fund, Established.

The Jackson County Senior Citizens' Services Fund is established as authorized by section 67.990, RSMo.

7801.1 Funding Distribution.

All funding must be equally distributed, geographically across all six County sub-districts for organizations to either be directly located within or provide services within said districts.

7802. Board of Directors, Established.

The Senior Citizens' Services Fund shall be administered and managed by a Board of Directors. The administrative control and management of the fund and all programs to be funded therefrom shall rest solely with the Board of Directors and in accordance with a budget approved by the County's governing body.

7803. Board of Directors, Governing Provisions.

The Board of Directors shall consist of seven members, appointed by the County's governing body. The following governing provisions shall apply to the Board of Directors:

7803.1 Residency.

All members of the Board of Directors shall be residents of Jackson County and shall, as nearly as practicable, represent the various groups to be served by the Board.

7803.2 Membership Restrictions.

No member of the Board of Directors shall serve on the County Legislature or have any financial interest in or be employed by any agency which is a recipient of any proceeds of the Senior Citizens' Services Fund.

7803.3 Terms.

Each member of the Board of Directors shall serve a term of four years and until their successor is duly appointed and qualified; except that of the initial appointees to the Board, one director shall be appointed for a term of one-year, two directors shall be appointed for a term of two-years, two directors shall be appointed for a term of three-years and two directors shall be appointed for a term of four-years. All Board members may be reappointed. All vacancies on the board of directors shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term.

7803.4 Officers.

The Board of Directors shall elect a chairman, vice chairman, and such other officers as the Board deems necessary.

7803.5 Compensation.

Members of the Board of Directors shall not receive compensation for their services but may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses.

7804. Board of Directors, Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities.

The Board of Directors shall have all powers, duties, and responsibilities as are conferred by sections 67.990-67.995, RSMo and Jackson County Code and ordinances (Ord. 5876, Eff.8/27/24).

7805. Effective Date.

The tax imposed by this chapter shall be collected beginning January 1, 2025.

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bryan Covinsky
Bryan Covinsky (Jul 24, 2025 12:26:06 CDT)
County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached ordinance, Ordinance No. 6001 introduced on July 28, 2025, was duly passed on _____, 2025 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____

Nays _____

Abstaining _____

Absent _____

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.

Date

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 6001.

Date

Frank White, Jr., County Executive