

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
UNDER THE  
GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT

TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

We, the undersigned,

Mrs. Margaret Lloyd, Country Club Terrace, Rolla, Missouri  
Charles L. Herberger, Vida, Missouri  
Andrew Shelton, 550 Bland, Lebanon, Missouri  
Mary Lee Banks, 625 Wood, Lebanon, Missouri  
Chester Dye, Route 1, Crocker, Missouri  
Murrell D. Williams, 451 Harwood, Lebanon, Missouri  
Ray Tynes, Vichy, Missouri  
W. C. Parker, Vienna, Missouri  
Horace Belshe, Richland, Missouri  
Lyle D. Hensley, 125 South Grand, Eldon, Missouri  
Wilbur L. Brill, Waynesville, Missouri  
Victor Luetkemeyer, Eldon, Missouri  
R. H. Ohlson, Osage Beach, Missouri  
Travis E. John, Vienna, Missouri  
August F. Barnhouse, Box 184, Eldon, Missouri  
Dutro Carter, Rolla, Missouri

being natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more and citizens of the United States, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the “General Not For Profit Corporation Act” of the State of Missouri, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is The Missouri Ozarks Economic Opportunity Corporation.
2. The period of duration of the corporation is perpetual.
3. The address of its initial Registered Office in the State of Missouri is Country Club Terrace, Rolla, Phelps County, Missouri, and the name of its initial Registered Agent as said address is Mrs. Margaret Lloyd.
4. The first Board of Directors shall be sixteen (16) in number, their names and addresses being as follows:

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5. The purpose for which the corporation is organized are:

The corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in force or as hereafter amended, (the “Internal Revenue Code” or the “Code”) or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law. Specifically, the corporation’s purposes are to: engage in study, research, community planning, community coordination and community action programs in the multi-county area of Camden, Crawford, Gasconade, Laclede, Maries, Miller, Phelps, Pulaski and additional counties, as may be added, and its environs to combat poverty and its root causes and to take such other actions as may be found advisable to carry out such purposes.

In furtherance thereof, the corporation is authorized to engage in any other activities that further its charitable and educational purposes and to exercise any powers conferred upon corporations organized pursuant to the provisions of the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Act, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended, provided that such activities and powers may be lawfully carried on and exercised by an organization incorporated under the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Act and exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

No part of the assets of the corporation and no part of any net earnings of the corporation shall be divided among or inure to the benefit of any member, director, officer, or employee of the corporation or any private person, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of purposes described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.

6. That the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and empowered to make, adopt, amend and repeal by-laws suitable and proper for the regulation and operation of the affairs of this corporation that prescribe the number of directors (which shall not be less than three (3)) and the manner in which they are selected, and such other provisions for the orderly operation and regulation of the affairs of the corporation.
7. Upon the liquidation or dissolution of the corporation, after payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation or due provision therefore, all of the assets of the corporation shall be distributed to one or more organizations exempt from taxation within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

Amended April 26, 2007 by the MOCA Board of Directors with majority vote of members present and voting according to MOCA By-Laws.