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City of Raytown receives Highest Award in Governmental Budgeting
City recognized for adhering to program standards for 8 years, third consecutive year

(**RAYTOWN, Mo.**) – Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the City of Raytown, Missouri, for its Annual Budget for the fiscal year, which runs Nov. 1, 2023, through Oct. 31, 2024. To receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as a financial plan, as an operations guide, and as a communications device.

According to a press release from GFOA, “Budget documents must be rated “proficient” in all four categories, and in the 14 mandatory criteria within those categories, to receive the award.”

The City of Raytown has received this award eight times since 2008, and most recently in three consecutive years since 2022. There are more than 1,700 participants in the Budget Awards Program.

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About GFOA: Government Finance Officers Association advances excellence in government finance by providing best practices, professional development, resources and practical research for more than 22,500 members and the communities they serve. The current list of award recipients can be found at www.gfoa.org.

About the City of Raytown: Incorporated in 1950, Raytown is located in Eastern Jackson County and sits along three historic trails - Santa Fe, Oregon, and California. Totaling about 10 square miles, Raytown’s population is 30,000 with a median household income of \$59,049, according to 2020 Census data. The current Mayor of Raytown is Mike McDonough, who was elected in April 2015. Raytown is governed by a 10-seat Board of Aldermen. The City of Raytown’s departments include Administration, Community Development, Finance, Human Resources, Municipal Court, Parks and Recreation, Police and Public Works. Its fiscal year runs November 1 – October 31, with an annual operating budget of more than \$40 million. Go to www.raytown.mo.us for more info.