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City of Raytown receives Highest Award in Governmental Budgeting
Fourth consecutive year City recognized for adhering to program standards

(**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 current fiscal year, which runs Nov. 1, 2024, through Oct. 31, 2025. To receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets the following guidelines to assess how well the budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, 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.”

This is the ninth time the City of Raytown has received this award since 2008, and most recently its fourth consecutive year since 2022. There are more than 1,700 participants in the Budget Awards Program. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.



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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: Approaching its 75th Birthday on July 17, Raytown was incorporated in 1950, and sits along three historic trails - Santa Fe, Oregon, and California. Located in Eastern Jackson County, Raytown’s population is nearly 30,000 with a median household income of \$64,542, according to 2022 Census data. The current Mayor of Raytown is Michael 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 annual operating budget is more than \$47 million. Go to www.raytown.mo.us for more info.