2021 MORPC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

GENERAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Welcomed our 75th member in late 2020 – the Village of Hebron – and achieved 100% retention of members
- Advocacy
  - Distribution of ARP Relief Dollars to Local Governments
  - Conversations with federal and state elected officials to update members on COVID-19
  - Leading Columbus Region Coalition coordinated advocacy efforts
  - Leading Central Ohio Defense Group
- Facilitation of Franklin County Transportation Improvement District and Central Ohio Greenways
- Expanded partnership with Ohio University Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Service
- New partnership with Franklin University-FranklinWorks Program to provide discounts and free books to member government employees
- Continuation of 1MORPC 1VOICE Speakers Series
- Creation of Ag Outreach Committee of Sustaining Scioto Board
- Broadband Access Pilot Program
- Regional Fiber Working Group
- Local Government Data Policy Survey
- MORPC Strategic Framework
- Received national recognition for the Racial Equity Conversation Series
- Partnered with YWCA Columbus and the OSU Kirwan Institute to develop and offer Diversity, Inclusion & Equity training.

PLANS AND STUDIES

- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy/EDA Grant
- Rapid Speed Transportation Initiative
- COVID-19 Policy Briefs (Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant)
- Competitive Advantage Projects Program
- LinkUS Mobility Initiative Coordination
  - Amendment to 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program
- Amendments/Updates Regional Mobility Plan
- Route 23 Connect Study Coordination
- MPO Public Participation Plan
- CORPO Public Participation Plan
- Coordination and Support for Passenger Rail Service
- Title VI/Non-Discrimination Program

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SERVICES AND RESOURCES

- COVID-19 Policy Briefs
- Sustainable2050 – 35 communities participating with 19 certified to date – the City of Plain City joined as a new member, the City of Hilliard was certified at the Platinum level
    - Partnered with the OSU City and Regional Planning Sustainability Studio for technical assistance pilot
- Insight2050 Technical Assistance Program
- Mid-Ohio Open Data Site (MOOD)
    - Census 2020 redistricting data for download and as web map
    - Paving the Way projects web layer
- Residential Services
    - Weatherized ≈600 homes through the WarmChoice Columbia Gas program
    - Repaired 30 owner-occupied properties through Home Repair Programs
- Local Government Internship Program - Largest class since the program's inception, completing projects in 7 of our 9 member counties
- Launch of Easton Future Vision Fellows Program
- Salary & Fringe Benefit Survey
- Gohio Commute Action Fund
- MORPC-attributable Funding Commitments
- New Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO) Dedicated Funding – new project selection process
- Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Funding
- Ohio Public Works Commission Infrastructure & Conservation Funding
- Transportation Review Advisory Council Project Prioritization
- Regional Sustainability Dashboard
- Brownfields Grant Program
- RAISE Grant Proposal for County Transit Connections
- Franklin County Trail Projects (RAISE Grant Proposal in collaboration with Franklin County Engineer's Office for Bike Facilities)
- USDOE proposals: Multi-Region EV Strategy (MORPC to lead); Deployment of Electric Vehicles and Charging
- Eliminate Racism Resource Hub

EVENTS

- Summit on Sustainability
- Regional Housing Strategy Speaker Series
- National Peer Exchanges (Housing, Safety, Active Transportation
- Social Media Forum
- Transportation Safety Forum
- Energy Training Opportunities
- Updating Ohio Precipitation Data for Stormwater and Flooding Planning
- RAPID 5 Project Showcase at Columbus Metropolitan Club (CMC)
- Membership events:
    - Regional Collaboration Meetings (four)
    - Rural Member Forums (three)
    - How to Establish Zoning Rules that Benefit Your Community
    - Trains, Planes & Flying Cars
    - The future of Central Ohio Airports: Skyways fueling economic success (in partnership with MODE)
    - Park Land Donation Considerations (December)
    - Ohio Sunshine Laws & Open Meeting Rules Training (November)
    - State Capital Budget
    - Adaptable Development: Moving Projects & Processes Forward During Uncertain Times
    - Regional Housing Strategy Online Panel Discussion on Evictions
    - Grant Camp Week
    - Workshop on Energy Aggregation and the Benefits of a Regional Approach
    - SolSmart Introductory Meetings (two)
    - SolSmart Trainings: Permitting, Inspection, and Safety (two)

MAKING PROGRESS & LOOKING AHEAD

- Trail Town Initiative Kick-Off
- Sustaining Scioto
- Columbus Region Economic Development District
- ArcGIS Urban Scenario Planning Tool Training and Use Cases
- Population Resource Hub
- 208 Water Resources Planning expansion to additional counties
- Continued Passenger Rail Planning efforts
- Transit County Connections Playbook
- Assisting Members with more competitive grant opportunities