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Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) Representative Report to City Council

December 16, 2024

MORPC BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

[December 12, 2024 Meeting Highlights](#)

- William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director Presented On:
 - Officially accepted Village of Alexandria and City of Marion as 89th and 90th members.
 - Adopted the 2025 MORPC Budget
- Regional Policy Roundtable
 - Two-year public policy agenda has been completed and will be circulated Q1.
 - [Legislative Update](#)
- Commission Consent Agenda
 - Proposed Resolution 22-24: "Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements for July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for a home repair program"
 - Proposed Resolution 23-24: "Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements with, and receive funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation and procure consulting services to execute the 2024 Prioritization Process Pilot Program (PPPP) Funding Award"
 - Proposed Resolution 25-24: "Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program funding and enter into related subcontracts"
 - Proposed Resolution 26-24: "Authorizing the executive director to enter into an agreement with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) regarding Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) round 2 funding and enter into related subcontracts"

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **HELP MORPC MONITOR AIR QUALITY IN YOUR COMMUNITY**
MORPC is looking for locations to host air quality sensors. Ideal sites have outdoor Wi-Fi access, an outdoor plug, and space to mount a sensor using zip ties or screws. If your home, business, or place of worship qualifies, consider supporting this vital program. [Contact airquality@morpc.org](mailto:airquality@morpc.org)

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- **SHAPE THE FUTURE OF PASSENGER RAIL IN OHIO**

MORPC is working with partners from Fort Wayne, IN, to Pittsburgh, PA to bring passenger rail to the region. Now, the State of Ohio Rail Plan wants you to weigh in on the state's rail system. Review Ohio's existing rail infrastructure and share how passenger rail could enhance the state's multimodal transportation network. Shape the future of rail in our region: [share your input](#).

- **WEATHERIZATION SERVICES**

MORPC provides free weatherization services to income-eligible residents in Central Ohio? Customers can access repairs or replacements of furnaces and water heaters, insulation, air sealing, and more, As temperatures drop, help your residents access this critical resource which keeps them warm and safe in their homes this winter. Learn more on our website [here](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- **GRANT OF THE MONTH - ODOT PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE SPECIAL SOLICITATION**

The Ohio Department of Transportation is hosting a special solicitation for projects that make walking and biking a safe, convenient, and accessible transportation option for all Ohioans. Various pedestrian and bicycle-related projects are eligible for this special solicitation, including plans, studies, data collection, education, promotion, and infrastructure. Learn more [here](#).

MONEY MONDAYS

Every Monday from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., MORPC hosts "Money Mondays" virtual presentations. These sessions are an opportunity for members to ask questions and learn more about key funding opportunities.

- Dec. 16: Lame Duck Update

Click [here](#) to register for Money Mondays and be added to our calendar invite list.

Click [here](#) to view the video archive of past Money Mondays webinars.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [THIRD ANNUAL DATA DAY – FEBRUARY 5, 2025](#)
- [STATE OF THE REGION – MARCH 21, 2025](#)