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

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#### Highlights

##### MORPC Commission/Committee Meeting:

- MORPC will hold its monthly commission and committee meetings on Thursday, June 13, 2024. The full meeting packet is available for review [here](#).

##### Air Quality Alerts:

- You can keep up to date with Central Ohio's air quality as we approach the summer months with Air Quality Alerts from MORPC.
- Sign up and be the first to know when the air quality is hazardous. [More information here](#).

##### Grant Finder:

- MORPC provides a one-of-a-kind opportunity for each member government to access GrantFinder, which tracks over 10,000 grants. GrantFinder is a real-time, online, searchable database of \$60 billion of federal, state, foundation, and corporate grants available to local governments and their community partners.
- For more information, contact Eileen Leuby at [eleuby@morpc.org](mailto:eleuby@morpc.org).

##### Money Mondays Archive:

- You can view previous MORPC "Money Mondays" with Regional Investment Officer, Dr. Todd Bradley, on the MORPC YouTube Channel [here](#). These sessions are an opportunity for members to learn more about key funding opportunities. To sign up for upcoming webinars, complete this [registration here](#). Upcoming Money Monday sessions include:
  - June 3: Jeffrey Arkin, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office (GAO)
  - June 10: Small Nation & Affordable Housing - Jason Duff & Nick Davis
  - June 17: Brian Gorenflo, WeConnect Manager, WeConnect Data Center - Broadband Funding

#### Upcoming Events

##### Strategic Doing Practitioner Training: Leading Complex Collaborations

*Tuesday, June 4 and Wednesday, June 5 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Ohio University*

- In this training you will develop skills to lead complex collaborations and to innovate in open, loosely connected networks. This training is best suited for individuals working on a collaborative

activity to move a project or idea forward with a team, group, or coalition. Fees apply. Learn more here. [More information here.](#)

### Riverfest

*Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Scioto Mile*

- During the Columbus Arts Festival, Riverfest provides an opportunity to educate residents on the importance of our region's waterways and how to help protect and conserve these precious resources. There will be free kayaking, canoeing, and paddleboarding! Stay tuned for more details. For more information, please contact Edwina Teye at [eteye@morpc.org](mailto:eteye@morpc.org).

### HUD House Party

*Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Plaza Hotel- Congressional Room, 75 E. State St., Columbus OH 43215*

- Attendees can learn about the numerous federal and local level resources available to make home ownership a reality. This event is particularly advantageous for households who may feel the barriers towards home ownership is too steep. HUD-approved Counselors will be in attendance to provide resources while also hosting information sessions about buying and owning a home. This will be a fun educational opportunity for those who are interested! [More information here.](#)

### Pre-Commission Luncheon with Intel

*Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at MORPC*

- Join MORPC at a pre-Commission lunch for a regional update from Intel Corporation on the progress and milestones that have been reached in Ohio. For more information, contact Amanda McEldowney at [amceldowney@morpc.org](mailto:amceldowney@morpc.org).

### MORPC Night At the Clippers

*Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at Huntington Park*

- You are invited to celebrate summer at MORPC's annual Night at the Clippers! Join us at Huntington Park to watch Bexley Mayor and MORPC Secretary Ben Kessler throw out the first pitch and see the Columbus Clippers take on the Iowa Cubs.
- **Call (614) 462-2757 and purchase tickets with MORPC in the Tansky Club Standing Room.** The Tansky Club is an open, shaded standing area on the second floor behind home plate. Tickets are \$10. Food and beverage will be available for purchase at the Club's full-service bar and concession stand. Any of our unsold Tansky Club tickets will be released to the general public one week before the game. Hope to see you there!
- Please RSVP to Eileen Leuby at [eleuby@morpc.org](mailto:eleuby@morpc.org) once you have purchased tickets. If you are willing to purchase an extra ticket for a MORPC Summer Intern to attend, please let Eileen know.