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

July 21, 2025

MORPC Board of Commissioners Meeting

- The Commission met on June 12, 2025. The meeting was live-streamed.
- <u>Upcoming Commission Meeting</u>: August 14, 2025

HIGHLIGHTS

Local Member Visit – City of Gahanna

On July 2, 2025, Mayor Jadwin and I met with MORPC Executive Director William Murdock and Membership Services Officer Eileen Leuby for MORPC's annual local outreach visit. We discussed regional collaboration and shared priorities related to infrastructure, economic development, housing, sustainability, and transportation. MORPC also provided promotional materials and flyers for current initiatives, including weatherization services and upcoming training opportunities

Weatherization Services Available to Gahanna Residents

MORPC's free home weatherization program helps reduce energy costs while improving safety and comfort for income-eligible homeowners and renters.

Services may include:

- Furnace and water heater repair/replacement
- Attic and wall insulation
- Air sealing and home energy inspections
- Safety checks on natural gas appliances

Call MORPC at 614-621-1171 to apply. Learn more: morpc.org/EnergyServices.

Legislative Update

Learn more about bills of municipal concern, state operating budget (FY 2026-2027) highlights, and items vetoed by the Governor by reading the July 2025 MORPC Legislative update. <u>LINK</u>

Upcoming Regional Events

Local Economic Vitality Forum LINK

Date: July 23, 2025

Note: While rural-focused, this forum is open to all.

Regional Economic Development Academy LINK

Date: August 7, 2025 | Time: 10:00–2:00 p.m.

Location: MORPC Offices

Learn about strategies local governments can leverage to advance economic growth.

• Energy Forum: Build Your Energy Stack Date: July 10, 2025 | Time: 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Location: MORPC Offices

Learn about funding tools for affordable and resilient energy projects.

• Social Media Summit: Talk of the Town LINK

Date: August 5, 2025

Regional communication professionals will explore bold local engagement strategies.

• Emerging Energy Technologies Forum LINK

Date: August 27, 2025

Focused on future-proofing our region's energy systems.

• Summit on Sustainability <u>LINK</u>

Date: September 30, 2025

Theme: Local Roots. Local Impacts.

Featuring plenary sessions, breakouts, and Regional Sustainability Awards.

Featured MORPC Initiative: GOhio Commute

GOhio Commute continues to support regional workforce mobility through rideshare programs, vanpools, and emergency ride home services. Employers and commuters can learn more and participate in upcoming promotions this summer.

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.

*Money Mondays is currently on summer break and will return in the fall.

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.