

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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MVRPC Touts Current Planning Studies During Ohio Transportation Planning Conference

On July 17 and 18, MVRPC staff attended the 2018 Ohio Transportation Planning Conference in Columbus.

Attended by more than 400 transportation planners, the conference included over 25 educational sessions under the theme of "*Quantum Leaps: Advances in Transportation.*"



MVRPC was very active during this conference showcasing our diverse expertise and extensive experience in transportation planning. During four educational sessions, staff shared our innovative programs and projects with the audience, such as complete streets, road diets, human services transportation coordination, Greater Regional Mobility Initiative, bikeway and pedestrian planning, and transportation equity.

The Ohio Transportation Planning Conference is held every other year and is sponsored by Ohio Department of Transportation, Ohio Association of Regional Councils and many others.

Grants & Funding Resources

On a monthly basis, MVRPC is highlighting several funding opportunities on our website that could benefit communities in the Region. We include a description, contact information and program links. We have also listed other valuable resources for finding funding opportunities. See more at: mvrpc.org/grant-and-funding-opportunities

This month we are featuring information on:

Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program– Deadline: September 17, 2018.

Continuum of Care Program Competition (CoC Program)– Deadline: September 18, 2018.

If you need assistance with your grant pursuit or further research, please contact Martin Kim, Director of Regional Planning, at 937.223.6323 or mkim@mvrpc.org.

Health and Equity in Transportation Workshop

Would you like to help transform your community into a healthier and more equitable place?

If so, join us for the **Health and Equity in Transportation Workshop from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 9, 2018**. The event is hosted by Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (GDRTA) and Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC). In this four-hour workshop, you will learn the causes of health disparities and chronic disease, as well as the role active transportation has in solving these issues. Participants will also learn strategies for improving access to active transportation in their community, as well as develop skills to better collaborate with public health and transit professionals.

The course offers continuing education credits and will be held on the second floor training room of the GDRTA's Transit Center (4 South Main St., Dayton, OH 45402). Enter from the Third Street doors, and alert the security desk that you need to use the gold elevator to the second floor. To register, go to <http://www.i-riderta.org/healthandequityintransportation>. Free parking is available at the Reibold Garage (25 W. 5th St.), courtesy of Public Health-Dayton & Montgomery County (PHDMC). For any other questions, contact Nathan Owens at 937.425.8374 or nowens@greaterdaytonrta.org.

New and Seasoned MVRPC Board of Directors Delegates, Alternates, and TAC Orientations

Following numerous retirements among our committee representatives in 2017, we now have many new faces on the Board of Directors and Technical Advisory Committees. There are 50 new delegates and alternates including 28 new representatives of TAC. During Orientation, we will cover the agency's scope, role, and principle techniques for conducting the work. We will be inviting TAC members first in time for their upcoming meeting on August 16, 2018 and then the Board of Directors prior to the upcoming September 6, 2018 meeting. Please be on the lookout for an email from Teresa Wise twise@mvrpc.org, Assistant to the Executive Director. Please respond quickly to Teresa with your date preferences.

Sponsor and Volunteer Support is Needed for September 2, 2018 Tour de Gem

The Tour de Gem, Dayton Cycling Classic is designed to highlight the Region for cyclists of all ages and abilities. First, I encourage communities, in which the ride route travels through, to support the ride with sponsorship dollars and volunteers. As with any marathon or parade, the goal is to have local residents lining the route, engaged, and supporting the riders through our communities! Through review of the map of routes, 17 MVRPC member jurisdictions will have riders and supporters in their communities. Won't you please support this ride? Ride communities include Beaver Creek, Bellbrook, Carlisle, Centerville, Dayton, Fairborn, Farmersville, Franklin, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Riverside, Springboro areas.

Second, volunteers are needed to help make this inaugural event a success. We need help providing support at the start and finish lines at Don Crawford Plaza at Fifth Third Field and everywhere in between. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age. More specific and detailed information can be found here <http://bit.ly/tourdegemcc>.

CarFit Event

Members of the MVRPC Board are invited to participate in a CarFit event following the September 6, 2018 board meeting. MVRPC staff in coordination with AAA is hosting an educational program in which a team of trained technicians and/or health professionals work with each participant to ensure they "fit" their vehicle properly for maximum comfort and safety. A CarFit check takes approximately 20 minutes to complete. To RSVP please email Kim Lahman at Klahman@mvrpc.org.

Upcoming MVRPC Meetings

8/09/18 8:00 a.m.	Health and Equity in Transportation, RTA, 4 S. Main Street, Dayton, OH
8/15/18 4:00 p.m.	LRTP Amendment, Public Involvement Mtg: MVRPC, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste 700, Dayton, OH
8/16/18 9:30 a.m.	Technical Advisory Committee: MVRPC, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste 700, Dayton, OH
9/06/18 8:30 a.m.	Executive Committee: Dayton Realtors, 1515 S. Main St., Dayton, OH
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