

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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Regional Planning Commission

Shaping Our Region's Future Together

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## **MVRPC Presents, Attends Brookville's Arlington Rd. Bridge Ribbon Cutting**

It was a joy to support Brookville through the process of developing its first MVRPC federally funded project by awarding a TA grant of \$323,600 for decorative lighting to improve pedestrian safety. The Arlington Road Bridge Completion Ceremony was held on Thursday, October 25, 2018. With great fanfare that included ODOT District 7 leadership, designers, and consultants, Brookville's Mayor David Seagraves and City Manager Gary Burkholder, council members and staff hosted the event at the former Applewood Log Homes model in Brookville. The photo at the right shows the speakers for the program: Brian O. Martin, Randy Chevalley, ODOT District 7; Jackie Nicol, ODOT District 7 Construction Engineer; David Seagraves, Mayor of Brookville; and Gary Burkholder, Brookville City Manager. All expressed their appreciation for this beautiful bridge. The new Arlington Road Bridge over I-70 in the City of Brookville is shown behind the program speakers.



## **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 to available funding. We have also listed other valuable resources for finding funding opportunities. See more at: [mvrpc.org/grant-and-funding-opportunities](http://mvrpc.org/grant-and-funding-opportunities).

This month we are featuring information on:

- Farm to School Grant Program– Deadline: December 4, 2018.
- Walmart Community Grants Program– Deadline: December 31, 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](mailto:mkim@mvrpc.org).

## MVRPC Promotes Equity and Supports our Partners in the Region and Beyond

MVRPC continued its efforts to increase engagement in equity in our Region and beyond. Nationally MVRPC's Executive Director led a panel discussion on equity at the National Association of Regional Councils Executive Directors Conference in Cleveland. At the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Planning Conference in Cincinnati, staff led a panel discussion on planners' role in promoting equity.



Martin Kim presenting at OKI Conference



L to R: Lu Dale, NAACP's Chairperson; Brian O. Martin, MVRPC's Executive Director; Derrick Foward, NAACP's President

Locally, staff featured the Equity Profile during a data walk at the "Closing the Equity Gap" summit hosted by Sinclair Community College. The agency also sponsored two local events including the NAACP's 67<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet (10/26) and the National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton's (NCCJ) 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Friendship Dinner (10/29). We also presented the findings of the Equity Profile at Wright State University's urban planning class and Parity Inc.'s Black Leadership Academy. During the NAACP banquet, MVRPC's Executive Director was presented with a Silver Life Membership. A special "Thank You" to our board members and staff who attended these outstanding events: Chris Mucher, Deborah Wallace, Woody Stroud, Becky Benná, and Tony Klepacz along with MVRPC staff, Martin Kim, Kathryn Youra Polk, Teresa Wise, and Brian O. Martin.

## Upcoming MVRPC Meetings

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| 11/07/18 | 4:00 p.m. | Public Participation Meeting, Review Proposed 2018 Federally Funded Transportation Projects, MVRPC, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste. 700, Dayton   |
| 11/14/18 | 8:30 a.m. | ARCGIS Online Basics Training Session, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste. 700, Dayton  |
| 11/14/18 | 1:00 p.m. | ARCGIS Day Map Gallery, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste. 700, Dayton   |
| 11/14/18 | 4:00 p.m. | Public Participation meeting, Section 5310 Specialized Transportation for Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities, Goodwill Easter Seals MV, Eichelberger Conference Center, 660 S. Main St. Dayton |
| 11/15/18 | 9:30 a.m. | Technical Advisory Committee, MVRPC, 10 N. Ludlow St. Ste. 700, Dayton  |
| 11/27/18 | 9:00 a.m. | HSTC Council Meeting, Goodwill Easter Seals MV, Eichelberger Conference Center, 660 S. Main St. Dayton  |
| 12/06/18 | 8:30 a.m. | Executive Committee: Dayton Realtors, 1515 S. Main St., Dayton  |
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