EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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MVRPC Receives the Coveted Best Practices in GIS Award

MVRPC's GIS Program received the "2017 Best Practices Award" from the Ohio Geographically Referenced Information Program (OGRIP), the state's coordinating body for GIS activities at state and local levels. The Miami Valley Equity Regional Profile, presenting the story on the issue of inequity in the Dayton Region, received the Second Place award in the Digital Map category.



Photo (L to R) Martin Kim, AICP & GISP, Director of Regional Planning; Brian Martin, AICP, Executive Director; Tom Harner, GISP, GIS Coordinator; and Kathryn Youra Polk, GISP, Senior Planner

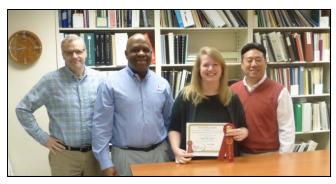


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This year's conference was held September 25 – 27 in Columbus with more than 400 GIS professionals. Ohio GIS Conference is sponsored by the County Engineers Association of Ohio (CEAO), the Ohio Geographically Referenced Information Program (OGRIP), and the Ohio Chapter of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA).

For more information about MVRPC's GIS Program, visit http://www.mvrpc.org/data-mapping/geographic-information-systems-gis-mvrpc. For more information about Miami Valley Equity Regional Profile, visit http://www.mvrpc.org/regional-planning/regional-profiles/miami-valley-equity-regional-profile

Highlighting the Greater Miami Valley Region and Member Jurisdictions

Since 1964, MVRPC has served as the common ground where area partners come together to work toward a shared vision. Our member jurisdictions are vital to the Region's success and MVRPC is proud to highlight them in a series of three television commercials currently airing on network and cable stations. The ads showcase clips from local jurisdictions' attractions, festivals, and landmarks, each emphasizing our diversity, and at the same time, stressing how we are united by our similarities. These ads run as public service announcements to help educate residents about who we are and what we do. They can be viewed at http://www.mvrpc.org/about-mvrpc.

MVRPC Celebrates Rideshare Week Oct. 2-6

The Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission is marking *National Rideshare Week*, October 2 - 6, 2017, with daily posts on social media highlighting the benefits of ridesharing. Commuters are encouraged to follow MVRPC and comment about your ridesharing experiences on MVRPC's <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages.

MVRPC sponsors the local RIDESHARE Program which is available to anyone who lives, works, or attends college in Clinton, Darke, Greene, Miami, Montgomery or Preble Counties. Commuters may register at MiamiValleyRideshare.org to receive a match list of people who have similar schedules and destinations, then contact them to set up a carpool, vanpool, or bikepool. The RIDESHARE Program is a partner of Gohio Commute, a statewide initiative, promoting commuting alternatives to driving alone.

Grants & Funding Resources

On a monthly basis, MVRPC highlights new funding opportunities on our website at www.mvrpc.org/grant-and-funding-opportunities. These grant and funding opportunities were found through our use of *Grantfinder* software. A description, contact information and program links are included on these new sources. In addition, the website includes other valuable resources for your funding pursuits.

This month we are featuring information on:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup Grants – Deadline: November 16, 2017.
- United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Community Food Projects (CFP) Competitive Grants Program Deadline: December 4, 2017.

If you need assistance with your grant pursuit or need further research, contact Lynn Zuch, Principal Planner, at 937.223.6323 or lzuch@mvrpc.org

Upcoming MVRPC Meetings:

10/12/17	10:00 a.m.	Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) – ODOT Central Office (Headquarters), 1980 W. Broad St., Columbus, OH, 43223
10/19/17	9:30 a.m.	Technical Advisory Committee – 10 N. Ludlow St., Suite 700
10/26/17	8:00 a.m.	Regional Equity Listening Session – 10 N. Ludlow St., Suite 700
11/01/17	10:30 a.m.	TZD Safety Network - 215 E Third St. (Dayton Metro Library)
11/02/17	8:30 a.m.	Executive Committee; 9:00 a.m. Board of Directors – 1515 S. Main
11/08/17	4:00 p.m.	Public Participation Mtg., Proposed New Projects – 10 N. Ludlow St.
11/09/17	9:30 a.m.	Sustainability Roundtable on Solar Energy – 10 N. Ludlow St. Suite 700