



Appalachian Regional Commission

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ARC IN OHIO FY 2017

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INVESTMENTS IN OHIO

October 1, 2016-September 30, 2017

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is a federal-state partnership. Its mission is to innovate, partner, and invest to build community capacity and strengthen economic growth in 420 counties across the 13 Appalachian states. ARC's strategic plan identifies five investment goals to advance this mission: creating economic opportunity; preparing a ready workforce; building critical infrastructure; leveraging natural and cultural assets; and cultivating leadership and community capacity.

In partnership with Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia, ARC supported **47 projects** in Ohio totaling over **\$10.3 million** in fiscal year 2017. These investments have been matched by over **\$35.7 million** and will attract an additional **\$11.6 million** in leveraged private investments in Ohio. They will also create or retain over **550 jobs**, train and educate more than **2,370 students and workers**, and benefit the **two million residents** in Ohio's **32 Appalachian counties**.

INVESTMENT PRIORITIES IN OHIO

Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia has prioritized these investment goals:

- ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES**
ARC invested nearly **\$995,000** in entrepreneurial and business strategies to strengthen the economy in Appalachian Ohio.
- READY WORKFORCE**
ARC invested nearly **\$5.1 million** to increase the education, knowledge, skills, and health of Ohio's Appalachian residents to work and succeed.
- CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE**
ARC invested nearly **\$3.6 million** in Ohio's critical infrastructure development, including broadband, transportation, and water/wastewater systems.
- ADDITIONAL PRIORITIES**
ARC invested an additional **\$692,000** to leverage cultural and natural assets and cultivate leadership and community capacity in Appalachian Ohio.

IMPACT ON DISTRESSED COUNTIES

In Appalachian Ohio, **four counties** were considered economically distressed in fiscal year 2017, with pockets of distress in other areas. **26 projects** totaling **63%** of ARC investment dollars will have a direct impact on these distressed counties and areas.

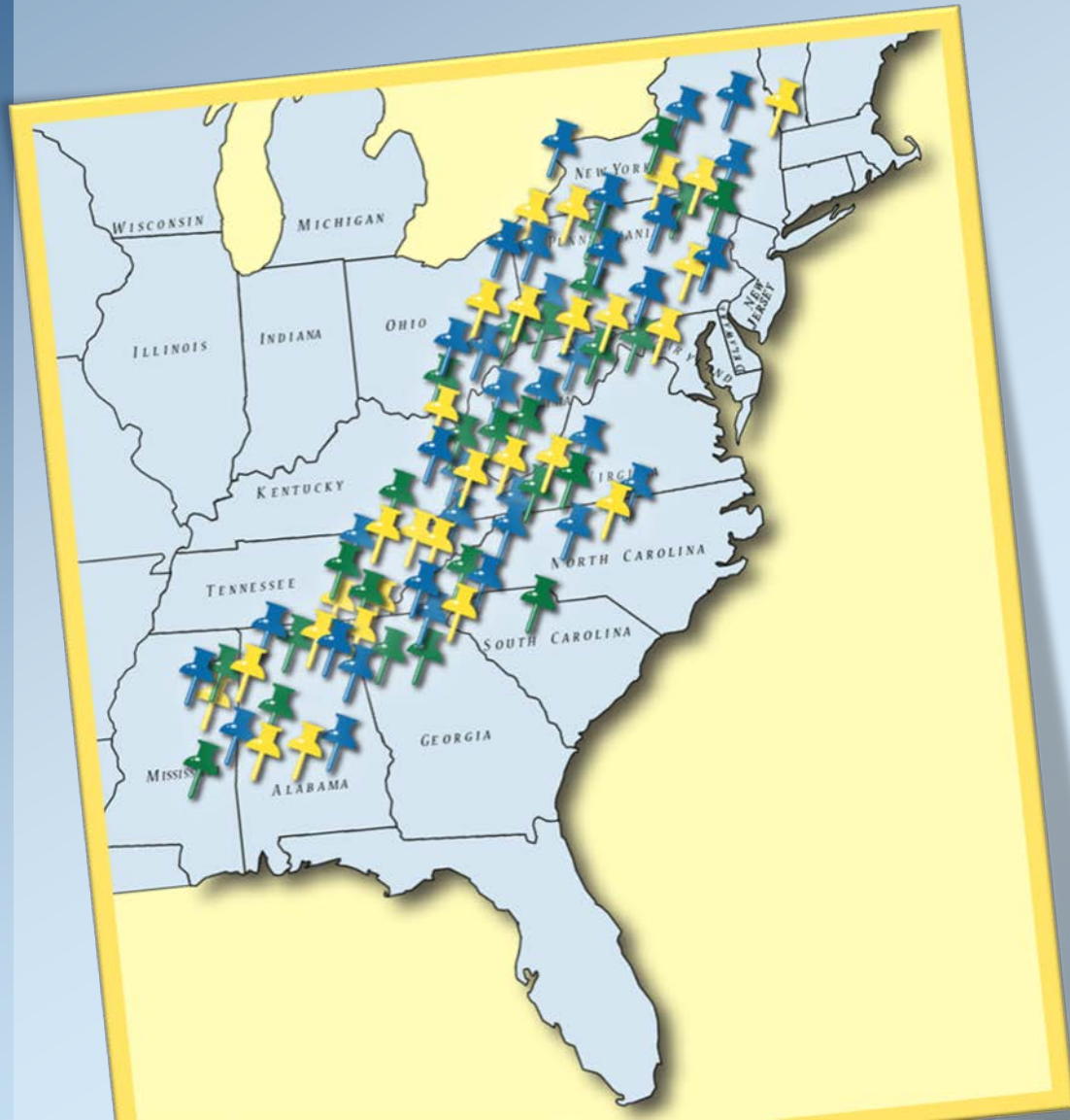
INVESTMENTS IN ACTION

With a **\$1.2 million ARC POWER grant** for coal-impacted communities, Buckeye Hills Regional Council launched the **Innovation Gateway Network of Appalachian Ohio** project. The Gateway Network will provide an innovative program of learning, makerspace activities, and entrepreneurship development in three multi-use facilities, located in **Somerset, Nelsonville, and Marietta**. Each center will reflect the specific needs of its local community, with access to commercial-grade broadband, a range of immediate job opportunities from employer-paid training to entry-level work, a technology hub, and flexible classroom and small group workspaces. In developing its offerings, each of the three sites will rely on the expertise of Ohio University's Innovation Center, a collaborating partner in the project. During the three-year project period, this project will help at least **205 adults obtain jobs**, **55 students obtain a high school diploma**, and **75 students make progress towards an associate's degree**. The project will also help **130 participants** earn additional income and/or complete an industry credential.

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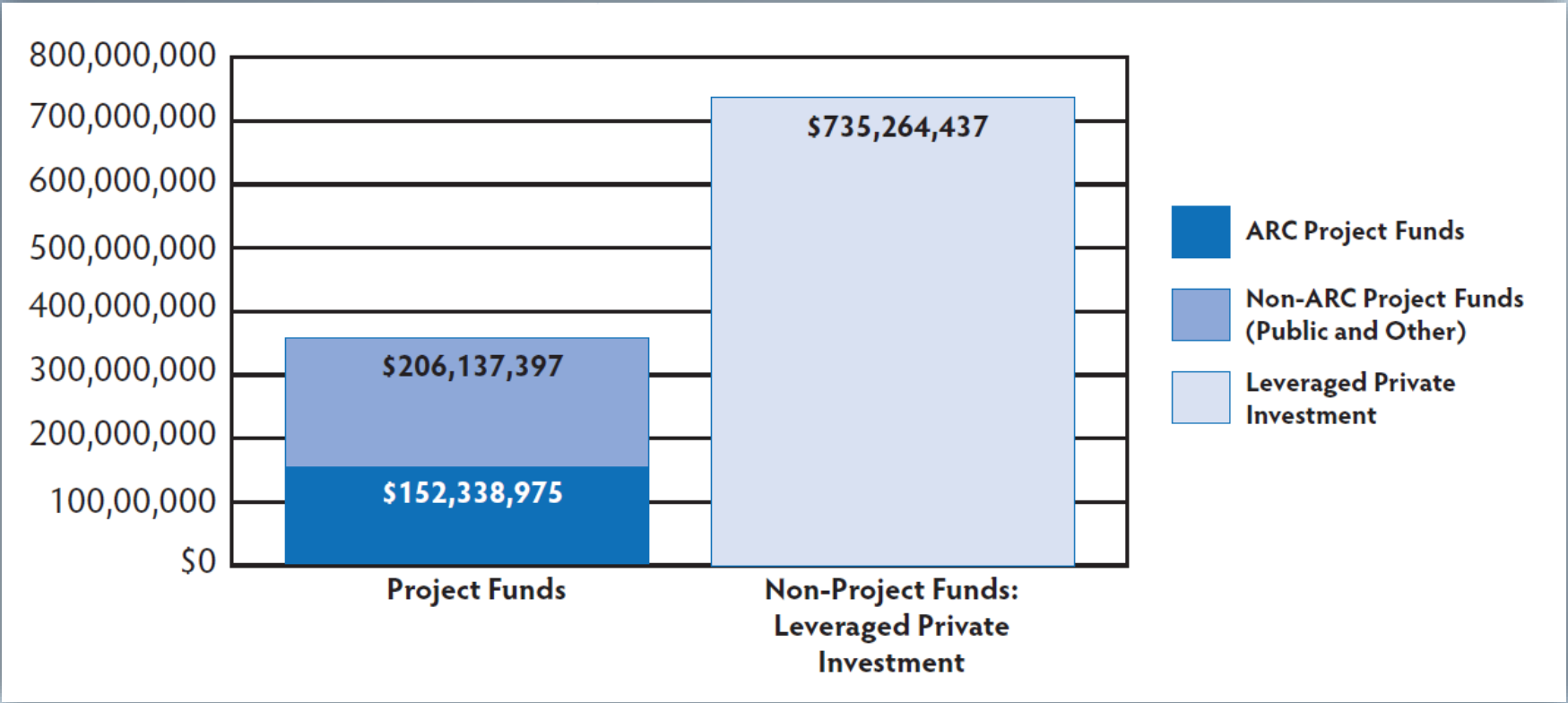
- 47 projects
- \$10.3 million investment
- \$35.7 million in match
- \$11.6 million leveraged private investment

ARC Investments, FY 2017



- Invested **\$152.3 million**
- **591** economic development projects
- Average project value **\$258,000**
- Will create or retain more than **21,000 jobs**, train more than **30,000 students, workers, and leaders**
- **Closed 420** projects. Actively managing over **1500 open** projects

Funding and Leveraged Private Investment for All ARC Projects, FY 2017



Strategic Goal One

Investing in entrepreneurial and business development strategies that strengthen Appalachia's economy.

\$38 million in investments

25 percent of investment portfolio

Strategic Goal Two

Improving the education, knowledge, skills, and health of residents to work and succeed in Appalachia

\$39.1 million in investments

26 percent of investment portfolio

Strategic Goal Three

Investing in critical infrastructure—especially broadband; transportation, including the Appalachian Development Highway System; and water/wastewater systems.

\$55.5 million in investments

36 percent of investment portfolio

Strategic Goal Four

Strengthening Appalachia's community and economic development potential by leveraging the Region's natural and cultural heritage assets.

\$7.9 million in investments

5 percent of investment portfolio

Strategic Goal Five

Building the capacity and skills of current and next-generation leaders and organizations to innovate, collaborate, and advance community and economic development.

\$11.8 million in investments

8 percent of investment portfolio


Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization (POWER)

Request for Proposals (RFP) for \$20 million

~1000 participants in five regional workshops

~ 200 participants in four webinars

Research series: *An Economic Analysis of Appalachian Coal Industry Ecosystem (CIE)*




2018 POWER Workshops

Learn more about the 2018 POWER Initiative

- FEBRUARY 14 - CALIFORNIA, PENNSYLVANIA
- FEBRUARY 20 - GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
- FEBRUARY 28 - DANIELS, WEST VIRGINIA
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- MARCH 14 - TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

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2018 POWER Webinars

Learn more about the 2018 POWER RFP

- FEB. 22, 11 A.M. ET - Understanding Appalachia's Coal Industry Ecosystem
- MARCH 1, 11 A.M. ET - Finding the Right Match to Meet the 2018 POWER RFP Match Requirements

RECORDING AVAILABLE - An Overview of What's in the 2018 POWER RFP

RECORDING AVAILABLE - Good Grant Guidance for the 2018 POWER RFP

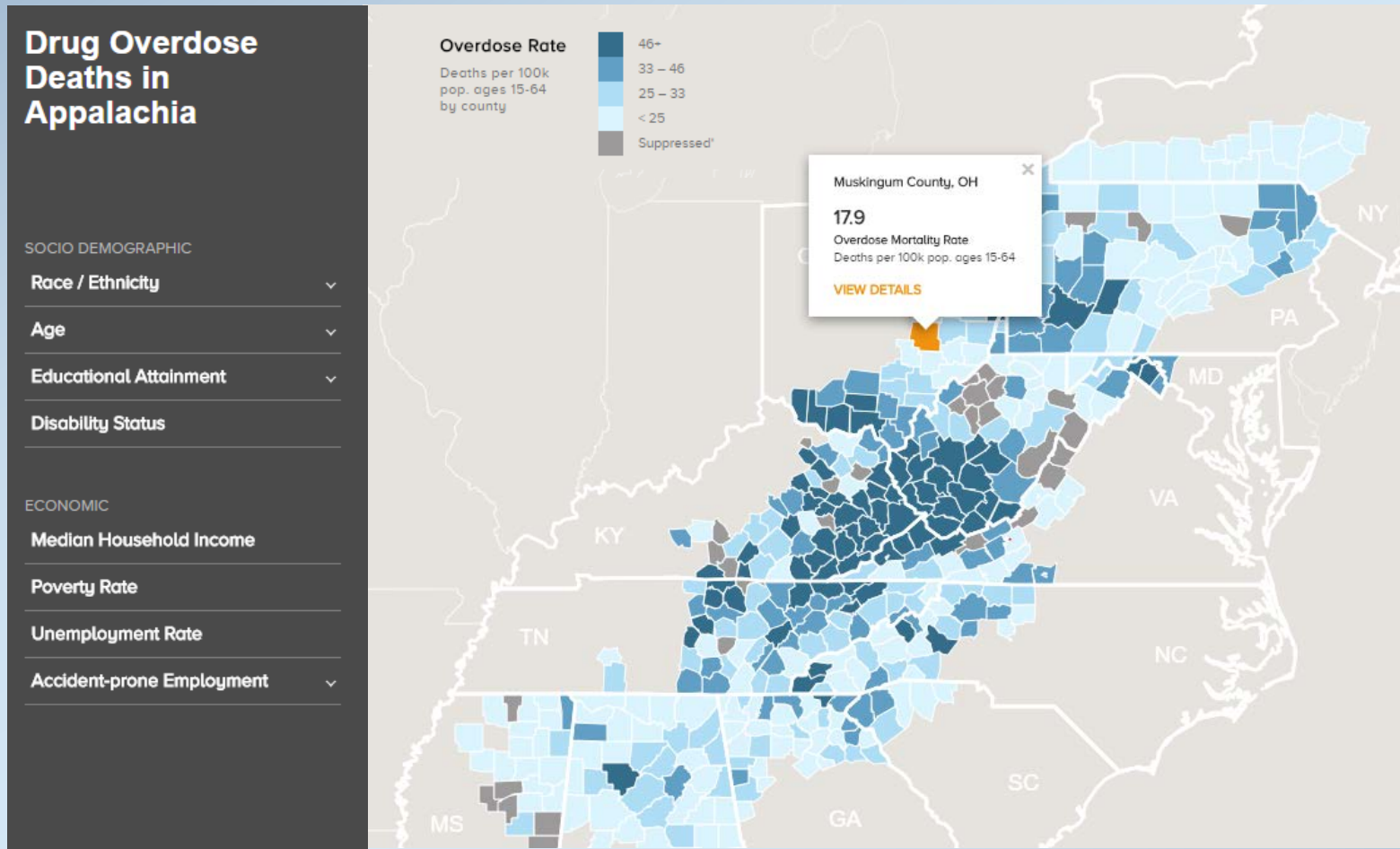
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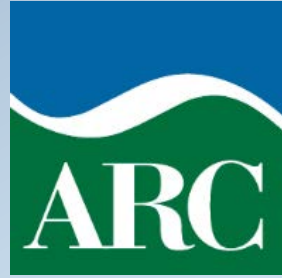
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