Executive Committee Meeting

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 7, 2021
Buckeye Hills Regional Council

AGENDA

I. Call to Order **|** Ron Moore, President

II. Role Call **|** Misty Crosby, Executive Director

III. Guest Speaker **|** The Honorable Robert Sprague, Treasurer of Ohio

IV. Consent Agenda **|** Ron Moore, President

V. Ratification of Action to Enter into Contract with United Talent Staffing **|** Denise Keyes, Fiscal Director

VI. Three Party Agreement Between BHRC (as PASSPORT Administrative Agency), ODA and ODM for SFY 2022 through 2023 **|** Jennifer Westfall, Aging & Disability Director

VII. Ohio Department of Transportation Authorizing Resolution Washington County **|** Sam Miller, Development Director

VIII. Principles for Broadband Expansion **|** Tom Reid, Reid Consulting Group

IX. American Connection Corps **|** LB Prevette, Community Partnership Manager

    a. American Connection Corps Fellow Authorizing Resolution

X. Executive Director Update **|** Misty Crosby

XI. Succession Plan Discussion Committee **|** Ron Moore, President

XII. Citizen Participation

XIII. Other Business

XIV. Adjournment

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 4, 2021.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA	
ACTION: Minutes of the April Meeting; Statement of Activities: Administrative Expense Reports, Aging & Disability Program Service Report; Division& Director Reports	PAGES: 6-23

UNITED TALENT STAFFING CONTRACT	
ACTION: Ratification of Action by Executive Director to Enter into Contract with United Talent Staffing	

THREE PARTY AGREEMENT	
ACTION: Three Party Agrement Between the BHRC (PAA), ODA and ODM for SFY 2022 - 2023	

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GUEST SPEAKER:
THE HONORALBE ROBERT SPRAGUE, TREASURER OF OHIO

ROBERT SPRAGUE
TREASURER OF OHIO

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Columbus, Ohio 43215

Robert Sprague serves as Ohio's 49th Treasurer of State.

As Ohio Treasurer, he oversees the state's investment and debt portfolios, custody portfolios, and annual cash movements and deposits.

During his administration, the Treasurer's office is working to improve Ohio and the lives of its residents through trusted stewardship, wise investment, and bold innovation. Highlights of this work include:

- The launch of ResultsOHIO, which creates an infrastructure to evaluate and support pay-for-success projects aimed at combatting complex social and public health challenges facing Ohio.
- Record growth for the STABLE Account program. STABLE accounts are specialized savings and investment accounts for people living with disabilities. Participation in the program more than doubled during Treasurer Sprague's first two years in office. Today, the program is as a national leader in providing such benefits to people in the disability community.
- In 2020, Treasurer Sprague ushered in the next generation of the Ohio Checkbook. Through a partnership with the DeWine-Husted Administration, OhioCheckbook.gov merged the functionality of the previous OhioCheckbook.com and the Ohio Interactive Budget website to create a single, streamlined platform for taxpayers to learn more about government spending.

Treasurer Sprague holds a bachelor's in mechanical engineering from Duke University and went on to earn an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Upon completing his studies, Robert joined Ernst & Young. While there, he worked on several high-profile projects for Fortune 500 companies before forming his own consulting firm.

Robert later returned to his hometown of Findlay, where he served as city auditor and treasurer before representing the community as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives.

Today, Treasurer Sprague and his wife, Amanda, still live in Findlay along with their five children.

CONSENT AGENDA

- **MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2021 MEETING**

- **STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**
    - **ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE YTD REPORT**
    - **ADMINISTRATIVE QUARTERLY REPORT**
    - **AGING & DISABILITY PROGRAM SERVICE REPORT**

- **DIVISION & DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**
    - **ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
    - **AGING & DISABILITY DIVISION**
    - **COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR**
    - **DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**
    - **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Minutes of the April 2, 2021
Buckeye Hills Regional Council Executive Committee Meeting

The Buckeye Hills Regional Council Executive Committee meeting was held by remote videoconference at 10:00 am on April 2, 2021. Citizens were encouraged to attend the meeting via Facebook Live and submit comments by March 31, 2021. The agenda was posted to the organization website prior to the meeting.

In attendance were:

OFFICERS:	Lenny Eliason, Vice President	Athens County
	Kevin Ritter, Treasurer	Washington County
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:	Steve Patterson	City of Athens
	Ken Wilson	Hocking County Alternate
	Tim Ihle	Meigs County
	Brian Howard	Meigs County (Private Sector)
	Brad Peoples	Noble County
	Ben Carpenter	Perry County
	Josh Schlicher	City of Marietta
	James Booth	Washington County Alternate
GENERAL POLICY COUNCIL:	Fred Redfern	Perry County
	Diane Ullom	Monroe County
GUESTS:	Sandy Ogle	Hocking County
STAFF:	Misty Crosby	Executive Director
	Rick Hindman	Assistant Executive Director
	Denise Keyes	Fiscal Director
	Sam Miller	Development Director
	Jenny Simmons	Executive Assistant
	Sam Wallace	Transportation Planning Manager
	Jennifer Westfall	Aging & Disability Director

CALL TO ORDER
Lenny Eliason, President, called the meeting to order. Misty Crosby, Executive Director, conducted roll call.

CONSENT AGENDA
Steve Patterson moved to approve the consent agenda which included the Minutes from the March 5, 2021 meeting; Statement of Activities, Administrative Expense YTD Report; Aging and Disability Programs Services and Funding Report for period July 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021. Tim Ihle seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried.

ANNUAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATION TO THE GENERAL POLICY COUNCIL
Tim Ihle moved to approve and recommend the annual budget to the General Policy Council at the annual meeting. Brian Howard seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Executive Director Misty Crosby, opened the floor for nominations of officers.
Brian Howard moved to nominate the current slate of officers. Ben Carpentered seconded the motion.
Hearing no other nominations, James Booth moved to close the nominations and recommend the

current slate of Ron Moore, President; Lenny Eliason, Vice President; Kevin Ritter, Treasurer. Tim Ihle seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried. Executive Director, Misty Crosby, will serve as Secretary of the Council, as per the BHRC Bylaws.

The Slate of Officers will be presented to the General Policy Council for approval on April 2, 2021.

COVID-19 VACCINE UPATE

Tim Ihle moved to accept the COVID-19 Vaccine Support Grant from the US Center for Disease Control, Department of Health and passed through the Ohio Department of Aging. Steve Patterson seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried. Funds will be used by the Area Agency on Aging to support the state's overall vaccine plan by assisting with local vaccine efforts focuses on older adult populations and providing a reliable resource to respond to vaccine-related questions from older adults.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Misty Crosby announced that BHRC and Community Building Partners were selected as the successful bidders for the Ohio University issued RFP to serve as Development Advisors for the Ridges. The team will identify development opportunities within the Historic/Ridges Green. The goal is to rehabilitate existing buildings to maximize and enhance current occupancy and address community needs with mixed use activity and programming to support a vibrant extension to the core campus. Tim Ihle moved to approve the Ohio University Master Services Agreement. Ben Carpenter seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried.

Crosby provided information on the Regional Coordinated Plan to the committee. Using Washington County's plan as the base, the staff will gather data, information and input from both Noble and Morgan counties from various constituencies. The goal is to complete the first part of the regional plan for Washington, Noble and Monroe Counties by the end of 2021. The goal will also include the mobility management programs formally starting in Noble and Monroe counties in January 2022 and continue for the second year in Washington County. Buckeye Hills is also working with the new ODOT Region 8 Mobility Solution Center (R8MSC) located in Perry County. The R8MSC will assist residents in setting up transportation in the eight counties by connecting the person with the five Mobility Manager located within the region.

Crosby provided an update on the American Rescue Plan. Ohio OMB Director Murnieks' office will send out information on webinars once the guidelines from the federal government regarding local government relief funds appropriated by the American Plan Act. Until guidelines are released by the Federal Government, Director Murnieks recommends that local communities not finalize their plans for the funds.

STATE OF OHIO BROADBAND UPDATE

Peter Voderberg, Chief, BroadbandOhio, provided a state broadband update to the committee.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

No citizens wished to address the committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

With no other business, Ben Carpenter moved to adjourn the meeting. Tim Ihle seconded the motion. All yeas. Motion carried.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
July 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021

YEAR TO DATE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE DETAIL

Administrative Expenses for Fiscal Year 2021 totaled $3,989,465.09 at March 31. This total represents 76.18% of the Council's administrative budget utilized.   Total spending for this time period is budgeted to be 75%. Some yearly expenses have been paid resulting in higher than budgeted utilization of funds. We continue to monitor administrative spending closely in order to best utilize available funds.

A Quarterly Budget Review is also attached outlining shifts in individual line items based on anticipated needs. Monthly meetings are held with Division Directors to analyze and adjust budgets as needed.

AGING AND DISABILITY PROGRAMS SERVICES & FUNDING REPORT

The Aging and Disability Division worked with various service providers and helped administer a multitude of direct service programs to eligible residents of our eight-county region. Between July 1 and March 31, more than $9.8 million in direct service dollars were utilized to provide the units of service listed in the report. BHRC continues to support our provider network to evaluate the needs of the communities and serve area seniors in the best way possible during the current pandemic. Providers continue to utilize CARES Act funding to tailor service delivery. Additional pandemic relief funds are expected to be granted to BHRC in the next month to support direct services.

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Administrative Expense Detail
For the Period July 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

	2020 YTD Actual	2021 YTD Actual	2021 Budget	% of Budget
Salary	$ 2,116,095.64	$ 2,219,782.04	$ 2,943,478.60	75.41%
Fringe Benefits	$ 899,738.78	$ 992,394.41	$ 1,308,679.34	75.83%
Advertising	$ 81,768.90	$ 65,932.00	$ 80,250.00	82.16%
Audit Costs	$ 13,470.00	$ 13,470.00	$ 25,000.00	53.88%
Building Maintenance	$ 7,832.60	$ 6,938.00	$ 10,000.00	69.38%
Communications	$ 56,875.00	$ 60,870.21	$ 85,538.00	71.16%
Conference Registration Fee	$ 20,254.21	$ 8,506.00	$ 8,510.00	99.95%
Contract Services	$ 138,616.76	$ 89,794.28	$ 108,416.00	82.82%
Employee/Governing Board	$ 20,830.32	$ 10,518.24	$ 14,000.00	75.13%
Equipment Purchase/Maintenance	$ 17,875.86	$ 11,983.95	$ 14,450.00	82.93%
Insurance	$ 35,270.26	$ 33,884.56	$ 37,000.00	91.58%
Legal Costs	$ 9,916.37	$ 3,304.75	$ 3,500.00	94.42%
Organizational Dues	$ 37,877.61	$ 45,759.29	$ 46,000.00	99.48%
Other Costs	$ 8,128.20	$ 7,985.33	$ 10,000.00	79.85%
Postage	$ 9,000.00	$ 18,911.55	$ 22,000.00	85.96%
Printing Costs	$ 17,365.79	$ 9,641.40	$ 19,000.00	50.74%
Software & Licenses	$ 64,090.19	$ 59,181.67	$ 82,114.00	72.07%
Space	$ 191,505.67	$ 191,505.68	$ 255,342.00	75.00%
Staff Training Fees	$ 5,680.56	$ 6,297.91	$ 6,500.00	96.89%
Subscriptions	$ 2,730.06	$ 2,241.55	$ 3,100.00	72.31%
Supplies	$ 57,675.52	$ 67,728.51	$ 71,410.20	94.84%
Travel - Mileage Reimbursement	$ 101,387.83	$ 2,202.80	$ 3,000.00	73.43%
Travel - Out of Town Expense	$ 39,903.22	$ 630.96	$ 650.00	97.07%
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD	$ 3,953,889.35	$ 3,929,465.09	$ 5,157,938.14	76.18%
INDIRECT COST RATE FOR THE PERIOD	46%	41%		

Quarterly Budget Review
For the Period July 1, 2020 -March 31, 2021

	Original Budget	07/20 - 09/20 Change	10/20 - 12/20 Change	01/21 - 03/21 Change	04/21 - 06/21 Change	Final Budget
Salary	$ 3,908,179.60	$ (995,708.00)	$ 31,007.00			$ 2,943,478.60
Fringe Benefits	$ 1,546,156.34	$ (237,477.00)				$ 1,308,679.34
Advertising	$ 57,949.00	$ 2,301.00	$ 20,000.00			$ 80,250.00
Audit Costs	$ 25,000.00	$ -				$ 25,000.00
Building Maintenance	$ 12,500.00	$ -		$ (2,500.00)		$ 10,000.00
Communications	$ 63,300.00	$ 13,238.00	$ (12,000.00)	$ 21,000.00		$ 85,538.00
Conference Registration Fee	$ 20,300.00	$ 1,500.00	$ (14,800.00)	$ 1,510.00		$ 8,510.00
Contract Services	$ 73,350.00		$ 35,066.00			$ 108,416.00
Employee/Governing Board	$ 9,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00			$ 14,000.00
Equipment Purchase/Maintenance	$ 105,950.00	$ (88,500.00)		$ (3,000.00)		$ 14,450.00
Insurance	$ 30,000.00		$ 4,000.00	$ 3,000.00		$ 37,000.00
Legal Costs	$ 250.00	$ 1,750.00	$ 1,500.00			$ 3,500.00
Organizational Dues	$ 38,544.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 2,456.00		$ 46,000.00
Other Costs	$ 10,000.00	$ 12,416.00	$ (12,416.00)			$ 10,000.00
Postage	$ 14,000.00		$ 3,000.00	$ 5,000.00		$ 22,000.00
Printing Costs	$ 6,000.00	$ (1,000.00)	$ 4,000.00	$ 10,000.00		$ 19,000.00
Software & Licenses	$ 109,580.00			$ (27,466.00)		$ 82,114.00
Space	$ 255,342.00					$ 255,342.00
Staff Training Fees	$ 14,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ (8,000.00)	$ (500.00)		$ 6,500.00
Subscriptions	$ 4,100.00	$ -		$ (1,000.00)		$ 3,100.00
Supplies	$ 5,325.00	$ 40,000.00	$ 23,585.20	$ 2,500.00		$ 71,410.20
Travel - Mileage Reimbursement	$ 86,000.00	$ (50,000.00)	$ (22,000.00)	$ (11,000.00)		$ 3,000.00
Travel - Out of Town Expense	$ 40,000.00	$ (39,000.00)	$ (350.00)			$ 650.00
TOTAL BUDGET	**$ 6,434,825.94**	**$ (1,339,480.00)**	**$ 62,592.20**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 5,157,938.14**

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Aging and Disability Programs Services & Funding Report

July 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021

SERVICES PROVIDED		
Direct Service Hours Provided	Transportation Trips	Adult Day Service Days Attended
355,956	**6,534**	**402**
Adult Day Service Miles Traveled	Meals Provided	Home Medical Equipment & Emergency Response Units
158	**209,583**	**2,049**
Legal Services Contacts	Home Accesibility Modification And Pest Control Jobs	Senior Farmers Market Coupons Redeemed
848	**23**	**15,240**
Grocery Shopping and Delivery	Telephone Reassurance	Evidence Based Classes
1,283	**5,397**	**80**
Assisted Living Days	Alzheimers Education Contacts	COVID 19 Wellness Kits
11,363	**148**	**3,544**

TOTAL SERVICE FUNDING $9,857,725.00

Local Dollars
$256,425.00

State Dollars
$3,544,569.00

Federal Dollars
$6,056,731.00
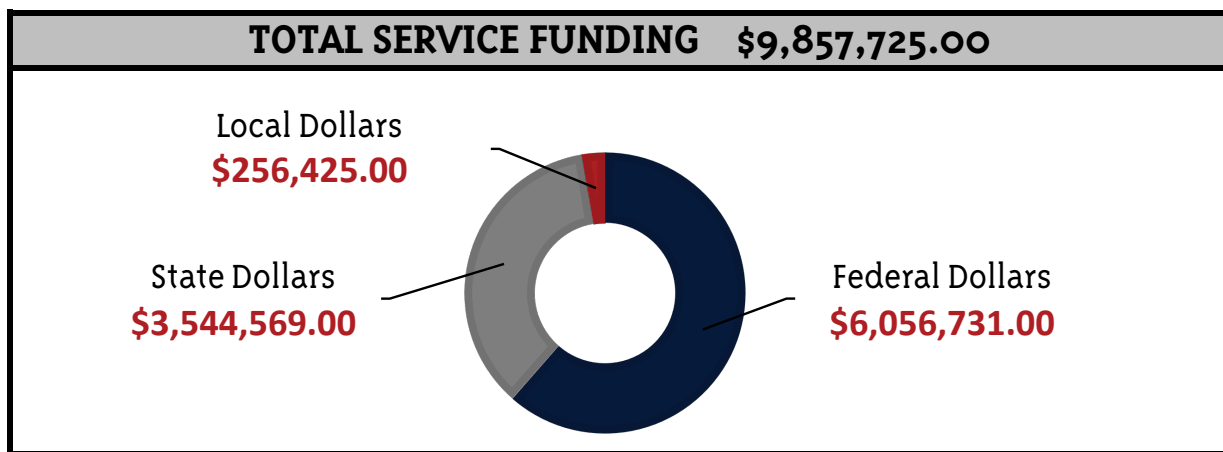
REGIONAL STATS		
Total Consumers Served	Total Population	Total Population Eligible for Services by Age (60+)
3,375	**260,084**	**55,147**

CURRENT INITIATIVES

- **Three-Party Agreement** is a two-year agreement between the Ohio Department of Aging, the Ohio Department of Medicaid and the Area Agency on Aging for Region 8 (BHRC). The 2022-23 Three-Party Agreement has been submitted to BHRC for signatures but upon review by BHRC and other AAAs across the state, issues have been brought forward that will be discussed with ODA and ODM prior to BHRC signing the agreement. Issues of concern include the addition of language placing excess liability on BHRC and omitted language surrounding the AAAs' ability to access data for program certification.

- Director Corcoran of the Ohio Department of Medicaid has requested the O4A Network to submit suggestions in response to the **Federal Medicaid Assistance Program (FMAP)** 10% home and community-services bump. Estimates for the bump in HCBS federal funds with the current state MOE General Revenue funds are upward of $1.6 Billion across Medicaid, DD, ODM, and ODA HCBS waivers with the possibility of spending funds over multiple years.

- **"My Care, My Choice"** is a new initiative being brought to Ohio as an online tool that explains to individuals who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid, the different ways they can receive health care and supportive services. The website is www.mycaremychoice.org and an informational flyer is attached.

- Rescission of Preparation of **Provider Network Module** was a process implemented by the Ohio Department of Medicaid to streamline the enrollment and revalidation of providers within the provider network. The state planned implementation of the program with a date of July 26th 2021. Implementation of the program resulted in the closure of the application process for new providers and created an undue hardship on the provider network during the pandemic. ODM is delaying the implementation of the program with no new implementation date available at this time

- Senator Brown, along with Senators Hassan and Casey, and Representative Dingell are disseminating a discussion draft of the **Home and Community-Based Services Access Act** at the federal level. The Act would establish a baseline criterion for the delivery of HCBS across the country and make those foundational services an entitlement under Medicaid. The O4A Network has submitted comments and concerns at the request of Senator Brown. Some concerns shared by the AAA network include;
  a. Encourage states to avoid recreating or revamping a successful system (AAAs have been developing this system for 30+ years; such as- OBLTSS trying to recreate system)
  b. Include AAA representative on the panel
  c. Independent assessment and firewalls
  d. State versus local administrative entity roles

NEWS
Program & Service Update

Aging front door staff continue to support all 8 counties in the region through the **COVID-19 vaccination process**. Calls for appointments and assistance have declined over the past weeks. Staff responded to **210 COVID/Vaccine** calls during the month of March.

OBLTSS (Ohio Benefits Long Term Services and Supports) completed **206 call logs** into the OBLTSS database for March of 2021.

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Staff have been in contact with the **Ohio National Guard to assist in the scheduling of vaccine clinics** throughout our 8-county region. A clinic was held on April 26th in New Lexington, Perry county at the senior congregate living facility. As more dates and locations are known they will be shared with the board.

Dawn Weber, Homecare Director; Amanda Reeder, Communication Specialist and Jennifer Westfall, Aging and Disability Director, will be participating in the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's **2021 Aging Policy and Advocacy Summit.** This is an annual event that is being held virtually due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

PASSPORT AND ASSISTED LIVING CASELOAD REGIONWIDE

Currently, we are managing services **for 854 individuals** enrolled on the PASSPORT waiver **and 56 individuals** on the Assisted Living Waiver.

According to the most recent ODA report which is able to show the number of enrolled individuals and their vaccination status; as of April 16th, there are **407 enrolled individuals fully vaccinated and 63 partially vaccinated individuals** (having had one injection).

In-person visits continue to be conducted only is there is an immediate health and safety issue that emerges. Home modifications are being completed in the same fashion with the consent of both the provider and the consumer. Precautions are being taken and COVID screening questions are being asked prior to the visit and upon arrival to the site.

As always, if you are aware of an individual in the community that maybe in need of assistance, a referral can be made by calling our Screening Department at 1-800-331-2644.

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My Care, My Choice
A New Tool for People with Medicaid and Medicare

What is My Care, My Choice?

My Care, My Choice (www.mycaremychoice.org) is an online tool that helps explain the different ways that people who have both Medicare and Medicaid can receive their health care and other supportive services.

Who can use My Care, My Choice?

My Care, My Choice in intended for two audiences:

- Professionals, counselors, advisors or volunteers who work with low-income older adults and persons with disabilities and counsel them on their health care options, and
- People who qualify for both Medicaid and Medicare who are comfortable navigating websites on their own.

My Care, My Choice is currently available for people with Medicaid and Medicare in California and will expand to Ohio in October 2021.

What types of information does the tool provide?

Visitors can take the short, interactive Find My Care questionnaire that asks about their health care and supportive service needs, such as how important it is to keep current providers, or if they need transportation to and from appointments. Completing the questionnaire yields a list of which types of coverage may be best for their situation, as well as links to specific plans available to them to learn more about enrollment.

My Care, My Choice also contains a resource library and glossary for those who wish to learn more about the types of Medicare and Medicaid coverage options available.

Can someone enroll in a plan using the tool?

The tool guides users through their options and directs them to plan toll-free phone numbers and websites where they can find out from the plan or Medicare how to enroll. No direct enrollments are made through the tool.

Does My Care, My Choice sell any plans or products?

No, the tool is supported through a grant to the nonprofit National Council on Aging (NCOA) from the U.S. Administration for Community Living. It is unbiased and has no affiliation with Medicaid or Medicare plan sponsors. The site is for educational purposes only.

CURRENT INITIATIVES

- **Age Friendly/Athens:** In the next week or so, a kick-off press release will coincide with the distribution of 2,000 paper surveys so folks can provide input on community needs and the Age Friendly process. Also, the survey will be posted on the Facebook page and an electronic version will go out through social media. The input from the survey will help inform the development of an action plan.

- **Succession Planning**: We are continuing work on the succession plan for BHRC. The plan will be based on input received from surveys, one-on-one conversations, stakeholder group discussions, and focus group discussions. We are looking at the implications of the regional mission we were designed to fulfill as it relates to the clarity of focus on the mission, roles of the Agency in the region, capacity, staffing, expertise, and filling leadership positions going forward. We will be asking for input from the Board on locally-driven versus regionally-driven emphasis for the Agency.

- **Community Health Workers initiative**: We are implementing an initiative in partnership with Ohio University to utilize Community Health Workers (CHW) who are in the process of obtaining their certification to augment our aging programs in serving our elderly and persons with disabilities. This initiative is funded by Ohio University.

  We are currently looking at ways in which to expand the program.

- **BHSS, Inc./Buckeye Fields Status:** The development team has narrowed the search of providers of telehealth services for our housing community down to two companies. We are currently analyzing the products the companies offer, and will be reaching out to discuss our needs for the project within the next two weeks.

- **COVID Office Protocols:** We are shifting from a total occupancy number approach for the building to an office space approach. Beginning on June 7th, all leadership will be back in the office full time. Staff members will be required to work from the office at least one day per week until further notice. Strict enforcement of mask-wearing, social distancing, and sanitizing office and meeting spaces will continue. The office will generally remain closed to the public, but permission will be granted for meetings that include non-Agency persons on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Assistant Executive Director.

- **DDAA Substance Use Disorder Learning Collaborative/INSPIRE**: The purpose of this initiative is to establish a recovery-to-work ecosystem serving Wood County, WV and Washington and Athens Counties in Ohio and surrounding counties. We will be closing out the DDAA Learning Collaborative this week. However, our team will be continuing to move forward with the work and will begin to implement the plans we have put in place; and, though the formal initiative has technically come to an end, DDAA personnel will continue to check in on our progress on a regular basis.

The team has been awarded $500,000 from ARC's INSPIRE initiative. ARC's Investments Supporting Partnerships in Recovery Ecosystems (INSPIRE) initiative, which is a 3-year program, is providing funding for our team's efforts to further address the SUD crisis in Appalachia through assisting the movement of individuals from substance abuse treatment to recovery to employment; the focus is on support services that enable and support individual successful entry or reentry into the workforce, thereby creating an employment recovery ecosystem.

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CURRENT INITIATIVES

- **Vaccine Information |** As our region's Area Agency on Aging and a primary resource for older adults in our region, our Communications team has compiled a regional COVID-19 vaccination resource page HERE, with the latest updates we've received from health departments across our eight counties, as well as links to the latest updates and resources from the Ohio Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control. As vaccine eligibility has expanded, the flow of updates has slowed from daily to weekly.

- **Broadband Advocacy Website |** Buckeye Hills Regional Council is working with Reid Consulting Group on the development of ConenctingAppalachia.org to house broadband access scorecards, advocacy messaging, and stories about access in our region. The site will be rolled out in conjunction with the May 11-13 State of the Region virtual conference and include surveys for individuals and businesses regarding their broadband access.

- **Annual Report |** The 2020 Annual Report was presented during the April 2 General Policy Council meeting and distributed to local media the following week. Highlights and snapshots from the report are being shared over social media through mid-May. The 2020 Annual Report may be viewed on our website at buckeyehills.org/annual-report. Hard copies will be provided to members with their community Return on Investment reports in May and June.

- **Unfunded Infrastructure Report |** The unfunded infrastructure report "Southeast Ohio's Infrastructure Gap" (April 2021) is available on buckeyehills.org and included in the Executive Committee meeting binder. BHRC is sharing this report with our partners and legislators as we advocate for investment in our region and expanded eligibility for our communities to apply for infrastructure funding.

- **HEAP Winter Outreach |** HEAP outreach is ongoing across our eight counties through May 31. Outreach channels include billboards, advertising on radio and television, and weekly social media posts. The Communications team is in the process of planning and scheduling media for Summer Crisis program outreach.

- **Aging & Disability Outreach |** The Communications team is in the midst of implementing a major awareness campaign for our Aging & Disability services, which began mid-April and running through September. We will have television spots on WTAP, billboards across all eight counties and weekly ads in several of the region's newspapers. The biggest push will come from radio ads, which proved successful in our 2020 campaign, in combination with ongoing social media advertising. In total we will have more than 3,000 radio spots across 17 different signals.

- **Older Americans Month |** For Older American's Month, Communications Specialist Amanda Reeder has created a branded Facebook Story Filter and a Profile Frame that anyone can use during the month of May to say they are celebrating Older Americans Month and encouraging others to share memories of their grandparents. We will be collaborating with a local news organization to help push those story filters to get the community using them. Our Older American Month press release can be found HERE.

- **Mobility Management Outreach |** The Communications team is working with Mobility Manager Brandi Hesson to implement a comprehensive outreach campaign across Washington, Noble, and Monroe counties through June 30, with CARES Act support from ODOT. The campaign includes billboards, radio, television, newspaper, digital advertising, and promotion items to boost awareness of the Mobility Management program and connect individuals with transportation.

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- **Recent Press Releases & Notices**
  - April 14, 2021:   Buckeye Hills Regional Council Leverages Investments Over $65.4 Million in Southeast Ohio in 2020
  - April 15, 2021:   Join Us in Celebrating Older Americans Month 2021
- **Notable Media Mentions**
  - April 12, 2021 — Columbus Dispatch
    - [Rural Ohio infrastructure may gain as Congress brings back earmarks](#)
  - March 11, 2021 — WTAP
    - [Buckeye Hills Regional Council expands addiction resource website](#)

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DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT
MAY 7, 2021

CURRENT INITIATIVES

- **State of the Region Conference** │ The Appalachian Ohio State of the Region Conference will be May 11-13. This year's conference will be virtual and will cover infrastructure and the role it plays in Appalachia's future. To register visit: https://ohiouniversity.brand.live/c/2021-state-of-the-region.

- **WealthWorks in Appalachia: Recreational Tourism Opportunities in the Buckeye Hills Region** │ Through EDA CARES dollars, Buckeye Hills Regional Council was able to partner with Rural Action to bring this training at no cost to our communities. The first in a series of three workshops will be held on May 20. The WealthWorks strategic capital framework emphasizes the creation of value chains, and is a proven tool for growing economic opportunities in rural communities. To register: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07ehtsd8d84fb65fb4&llr=du8cg7iab

- **Staffing Update** │ The Development Team is excited to **welcome Madelyn Brewer and Nicole Gilliam.** Madelyn will be joining us as a Development Specialist and Nicole has accepted the position of GIS Specialist.

- **Myrecoverylink.org** serves as a tool for those suffering from substance use disorder as well as family members affected by the disorder residing in Monroe, Morgan, Noble, and Washington counties. To learn more about recovery resources in the region, visit www.myrecoverylink.org.

- **OCD Partner Information** │ Limited PPE is available through the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS). They have a limited quantity of personal protective equipment (PPE) available to communities and nonprofit organizations.
  To request PPE, email esf6@dps.ohio.gov with the following information:

  - Type and quantity of PPE requested
  - Contact information: Names of your organization's contact person, phone number or e-mail address, Organization's hours of operation and any special delivery instructions, date and time of pick up or delivery for PPE deliveries
  - Answer the following questions:
    - Is there a loading ramp at the delivery location?
    - Does the delivery location have personnel to unload the PPE?
    - Does the delivery location have equipment to unload the PPE?

  For additional information or questions, e-mail esf6@dps.ohio.gov.

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Program & Service Updates

- **POWER 2021** │ Appalachian Regional Commission POWER 2021 applications have been submitted. In total, the 32 applications were submitted from the state of Ohio.

- **Mobility Management** │ The Washington County Mobility Management Program 2022 Application will be submitted as of April 30. In addition, a Federal Transit Authority (FTA) Specialized Transportation Program (5310) grant for additional Mobility Management resources to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities in Washington County was also submitted. These will require a resolution of approval.

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CURRENT INITIATIVES

Return-To-Work Initiative| The Crisis Management Team has continued to meet regularly to discuss and update the COVID-19 Guidelines. Directors and Management will return to the office five days a week beginning June 7, with the exception of QI and Fiscal, who will continue rotating days in the office. Staff will return to the office at least one day a week beginning June 7. Staff members will no longer be required to seek approval or email their supervisor, Rick and front office staff prior to entering the building. The building occupancy cap has been removed and doors to offices, conference rooms and meeting rooms no longer need to be kept closed at all times. On- and off-site meetings with third parties will be approved on a case-by-case basis.

Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)| The statute provides for paid family leave and paid sick leave for employees with COVID-19 issues who work for employers with fewer than 500 employees. In 2020, all employers with less than 500 employees were required to provide FFCRA paid leave to employees covered by the Act. Effective January 1, 2021, FFCRA paid leave became optional. We have opted to extend the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) leave through September 30.

STAFF UPDATES

Four candidates were interviewed for the GIS Specialist position. Of the four, **Nicole Gilliam** was offered and accepted the position. She will be joining the BHRC team on Monday, May 10. She will be serving in the role of GIS Specialist, where she will encourage and assist local GIS efforts through data collection, data editing, map customization, and project problem solving.

Three candidates were interviewed for the Development Specialist position. Of the three, **Madelyn Brewer** was offered and accepted the position. She will be joining the BHRC team on Tuesday, May 11. She will be serving in the role of Development Specialist, where she will assist local communities in identifying and assessing needs and planning, preparing and implementing projects for which Buckeye Hills may or may not be contractually obligated.

Christy Braham, current receptionist, interviewed and has been promoted to Clinical Assistant. She will assume this position once replacement receptionists have been trained.

 Alex Carpenter and Holly Dickerson, United Talent employees, are serving in the temporary role of Receptionists.

Anthony Iachini, Development Specialist, tendered his resignation to accept a position at Ohio University. His last day with BHRC was March 12.

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Please join us in congratulating the son of our Aging and Development Director, **Jennifer Westfall**, on being the highest-ranking cadet in the WV Civil Air Patrol. Camden Westfall recently achieved the rank of Lt. Colonel, an honor only 100 kids achieve per year across the country. Camden is no stranger to success and his resume speaks volumes of the determination and effort this young man has put forth into every aspect of his growing career. We wish him well in achieving his next goal of earning the General Carl A. Spaatz Award- Civil Air Patrols highest cadet honor!

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

ACTION ITEMS:
- ○ **ODOT AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION WASHINGTON COUNTY**

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATON AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
WASHINGTON COUNTY

Resolution #2021/05-01

A resolution authorizing the filing of applications with the Ohio Department of Transportation by Buckeye Hills Regional Council for grants through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as authorized under Federal Transit Laws, as codified, 49 USC Section 5310, Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, Ohio's Specialized Transportation Program and executing a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation upon project approval.

WHEREAS, the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants for the Specialized Transportation Program;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of the project costs in the program;

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under 49 USC Section 5310 the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY BUCKEYE HILLS REGIONAL COUNCIL
1. That Misty Crosby, Executive Director is authorized on behalf of Buckeye Hills Regional Council to execute and file:
   a. Proposals to aid in the financing of capital and operating assistance projects.
   b. Grant agreements with the Ohio Department of Transportation for aid in the financing of capital and operating assistance projects.
   c. An assurance or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
   d. Set forth affirmative disadvantage business policies in connection to any procurement made as part of the project.

2. That Misty Crosby, Executive Director is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Ohio Department of Transportation may require in connection with the proposal for the program of projects submitted to the Federal Transit Administration.

3. The undersigned duly qualified and acting of the Buckeye Hills Regional Council certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Buckeye Hills Regional Council.

Passed on this seventh day of May 2021.

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Ron Moore, President   Lenny Eliason, Vice President

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Missed Opportunities

Lack of adequate broadband continues to constrain American prosperity in many parts of the country, particularly in rural areas. Since 2000, the Federal government has spent $95 billion to address this need, sufficient funding to build fiber-to-the-home in all but the most remote frontier areas. Yet tens of millions of rural and low-income urban households still rely on decrepit, 1950s-era copper cables that no longer support reliable telephone service, let alone high-speed broadband. In effect, we paid for a superhighway but wound up with a goat path.

This brief demystifies the puzzle and charts a common sense solution that utilizes robust specifications, protects consumers, and requires accountability.

Thinking Long-Term

We must deploy network infrastructure that will support projected growth for at least thirty years.

A "future-proof" network like this will cost much less over its lifetime than short-lived, incremental solutions, while capital subsidies ensure long term profitability.

Deploying future-proof infrastructure is likely to take four years, so a 30-year

planning horizon stretches from 2025 to 2055. With demand increasing tenfold per decade, we need networks capable of reaching speeds of 100,000 megabits per second (see figure above). While this sounds extraordinary, the pace of technological change continues to accelerate. As demand for applications like augmented and immersive virtual reality increase, so will the need for faster upload speeds.

In densely populated, high income areas of the country, the private sector has made significant investments, with multiple ISPs competing to offer advanced services. However, deploying broadband to low density, low income regions requires government subsidy of capital costs. Largely missing from such programs, though, have been robust requirements and rigorous enforcement, leaving rural America and some urban areas behind. Fortunately, three common sense solutions can address these shortfalls.
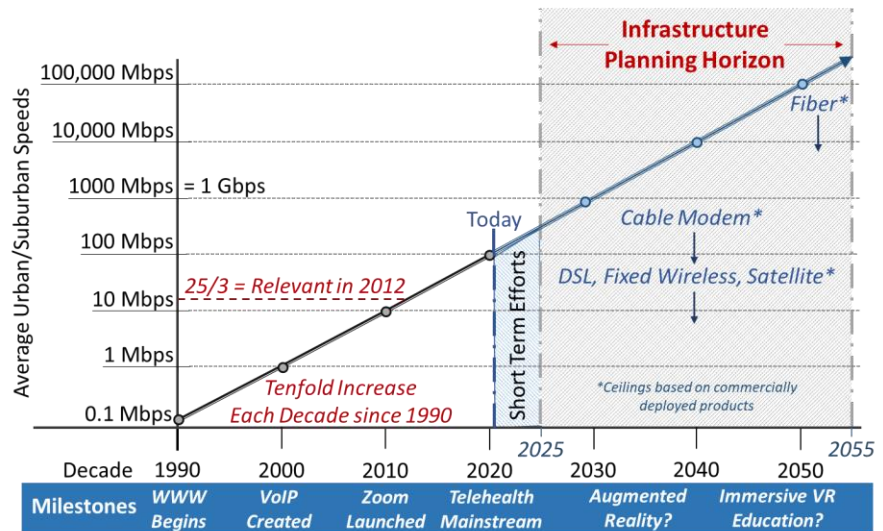
Three Principles for Broadband Expansion

A. Invest in Robust Broadband Infrastructure

- Focus on "future-proof" networks with robust specifications that can deliver 30-40 years of growth.

- Address unserved and underserved areas by prioritizing locations with less than 100 Mbps down and 20 Mbps up (the average residential speed in well-served areas in 2020).

- Award funding to yield the best value based on capacity and reliability rather than lowest cost.

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- Require subsidy recipients to reach 100% of households, businesses, and anchors in the service area within four years, and require recipients to offer an affordable residential package with all rates public and transparent.

- Promote public-private partnerships through investment in last-mile networks, middle-mile networks, neutral localized peering facilities, and community points-of-presence.

- Support physically diverse and electronically redundant connectivity for critical community anchors like healthcare facilities, libraries, and K-12 schools.

B. Encourage Competition to Spur Innovation and Protect Consumers

- Government broadband expansion programs create de facto monopolies when they block subsidies based solely on individual provider's often-overstated coverage claims. New programs should encourage competition. Otherwise, prices will rise while performance and reliability fall.

- Require open networks that let providers compete on an equal footing. Include enough capacity up front for non-discriminatory, timely access (e.g. more fiber strands than a closed network would require). To encourage compliance, prioritize proposals that include at least one public partner.

- Intentionally encourage broadband investment that spurs innovation and competition. Investment should not be limited based on a single provider's service claims.

- Accept proposals from any entity with the capacity to deploy broadband. Status as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) should not be required. Examples include: councils of government, local governments and employment centers, schools, libraries, healthcare providers, ISPs, institutions of higher ed, electric co-ops, non-profit research and education networks, and broadband co-ops. Prioritize public/private partnerships with rural last-mile experience.

C. Require Accountability and Transparency

- Reverse the burden of proof for service area challenges. Require the objecting party to provide pricing, subscriber information, and end-to-end performance testing results.

- Release funding in tranches based on public partner or third-party inspections to verify completion of milestones.

- Require full transparency from funding agencies and recipients, including detailed quarterly project schedules and quarterly reporting of locations passed/served.

- Require providers to meet pre-determined service level commitments for capacity, reliability, and end-user support. Verify compliance with end-to-end performance testing based on national standards and methods.

- Levy substantial penalties to providers who overstate availability and/or performance.

Promote Maximum Flexibility

In addition to expanding the reach of broadband, programs should also fund:

- Local broadband needs assessment and project development
- Digital literacy programs and low-cost connectivity
- Availability mapping down to individual service locations

Follow-up questions should be directed to Tom Reid, tom@connectingappalachia.org.

AMERICAN CONNECTION CORPS

ACTION ITEM:

- o AMERICAN CONNECTION CORPS FELLOWS AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

CONNECTING SOUTHEAST OHIO
AMERICAN CONNECTION CORPS

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The American Connection Corps (ACC) is an initiative spearheaded by Land O'Lakes, Inc., Lead for America (LFA), Heartland Forward, and other partner organizations in an effort coordinated by the American Connection Project (ACP). The ACP aims to foster long-term digital inclusion and take decisive action to provide connectivity options in rural and urban communities.

Buckeye Hills Regional Council was recently connected to Lead For America by the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio to discuss our work to message the need and realize robust broadband connectivity for our region. Lead For America is working to create community-centered public service programs for America's most passionate and capable young people to help make their communities strong, vibrant and compassionate.

Lead For America and the American Connection Project are teaming up to mobilize young leaders to return to their hometowns to coordinate broadband development & digital inclusion locally, and across the country.

BHRC intends to serve as host for two of these fellows — one each in Meigs and Monroe counties.

The American Connection Corps will be the nation's largest fellowship program focused on bridging the digital divide. Fifty (50) American Connection Corps Fellows will serve in select states in a two-year pilot initiative. As part of the national network, ACC Fellows will have access to premiere national training on community organizing, broadband and digital inclusion, and a network of young homecomers nationwide. Host communities will be featured in national news outlets and will help inform the work of the American Connection Project Policy Coalition.

ABOUT THE FELLOWS

Fellows receive a world-class training in public administration from faculty at the University of Minnesota, UNC Chapel Hill, Purdue University, Tufts, Harvard, and other top schools, helping bolster their ability to contribute. Fellows will also participate in LFA's national Changemaker Summit, attend quarterly retreats, receive one-on-one expert mentorship, and join a growing community of young local leaders.

The LFA training is designed to make Fellows real contributors in organizations from the start, bringing needed capacity to make sure communities are ready to apply for and receive federal and state broadband grant funds, support accurate household speed mapping data, spearhead and facilitate community task forces, provide digital literacy education to marginalized communities, communicate to legislators, and design and deliver digital skilling programs , such as K-12 and adult education coding bootcamps, digitizing Main Street businesses, supporting tele-health and agri-tech initiatives, and more.

For some Fellows, their project scopes will be coordinating local partners to access federal and state resources for broadband access. In others, it means delivering digital literacy to those most marginalized. Fellows will capture compelling local stories, and connect young people to newly identified opportunities.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

There may be opportunities for more BHRC members to secure a broadband Fellow through this or other avenues. BHRC will present a plan for the expansion of this program to its members for consideration.

AMERICAN CONNECTION CORPS FELLOWS AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

Resolution # 2021/05-02

A resolution authorizing the Buckeye Hills Regional Council to host Lead for America – American Connection Corps fellows – one each for Meigs and Monroe counties.

WHEREAS, The American Connection Corps (ACC) is an initiative spearheaded by Land O'Lakes, Inc., Lead For America (LFA), Heartland Forward, and other partner organizations in an effort coordinated by the American Connection Project (ACP). The ACP aims to foster long-term digital inclusion and take decisive action to provide connectivity options in rural and urban communities; and

WHEREAS, Buckeye Hills Regional Council was recently connected to Lead For America by the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio to discuss our work to message the need and realize robust broadband connectivity for our region; and

WHEREAS, Lead For America and the American Connection Project are teaming up to mobilize young leaders to return to their hometowns to coordinate broadband development & digital inclusion locally, and across the country; and

WHEREAS, Lead For America and the American Connection Project have offered Buckeye Hills Regional Council one fully-funded fellow each to serve Meigs and Monroe counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY BUCKEYE HILLS REGIONAL COUNCIL
That Misty Crosby, Executive Director is authorized on behalf of Buckeye Hills Regional Council to develop and negotiate the Broadband Fellows' scope of work and execute agreements with Lead for America, the American Connection Corps and other entities as may be required to host one fellow each for Meigs and Monroe counties, for a two-year term of service beginning August 2021.

Passed on this seventh day of May 2021.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LINE ITEM: WATER AND SEWER

The Governor's "Investing in Ohio" Executive Budget Proposal includes $100 million per each year of the biennium designated for the Community Infrastructure Line Item (5XMO – 195676). Buckeye Hills Regional Council has been having conversations with the Development Services Agency and the Lieutenant Governor, as well as our region's legislators and community leaders, about the intent and scope of the line item. From what we have heard and understand, this line item was included by the Governor in the executive budget, as introduced, to focus on **hard-to-fund water and sewer infrastructure needs in rural communities**.

Buckeye Hills Regional Council has worked with our members and community leaders to identify 19 "shovel ready" water and sewer projects totaling $106,977,412 that would improve or deliver service to 9,384 households and 395 businesses in southeast Ohio.

These projects have been identified by community leaders as priority projects due to their relation to a possible public health issue, infrastructural integrity shortfall, or effect on further community or economic development. Buckeye Hills Regional Council labels these projects "shovel ready" because of their importance and the support around them. If the dollars were made available, communities could begin immediately to realize these projects as studies and plans have been conducted to demonstrate the projects are feasible.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Southeast Ohio's counties, cities, and villages frequently find themselves unable to compete for funding in the state's traditional infrastructure programs. As legislators and DSA staff draft the guidelines for the Community Infrastructure Line Item, Buckeye Hills Regional Council is urging them to adopt the following recommendations, which would **enable the vast majority of southeast Ohio's communities to compete for funding**.

- **Direct funding to communities that have documented difficulty:**
    - **meeting eligibility thresholds** for existing funding sources;
    - **securing grant funding**, therefore making projects unaffordable to rural ratepayers.
- **Direct funding to communities with populations less than 75,000**, targeting rural southeast Ohio communities for investment.
- **Avoid Low-to-Moderate-Income (LMI) and other income-based threshold requirements**, enabling southeast Ohio's communities to compete for funding to improve rural economies.
- **Reduce matching requirements to the maximum extent allowable** by state and federal statute. Time after time, BHRC has witnessed funding applications for local projects fall apart due to the inability of cash-strapped rural communities to provide sufficient matching funds.

CONTACT YOUR STATE SENATOR

Buckeye Hills Regional Council is asking its members to urge their state senators to level the playing field for southeast Ohio communities and incorporate these recommendations into the Community Infrastructure Line Item 5XMO – 195676.

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Shovel Ready Drinking Water & Wastewater Projects - 2021				Project Outcomes		
County	Project Sponsor/Project Name	Project Purpose	Total Project Cost	Households Served	Businesses Served	Linear Feet
Athens	City of Nelsonville/Nelsonville Regional Wastewater System (Phase 4)	Wastewater improvements; adequate collector for all the sewage	$10,000,000	1,700	50	6,400
Athens	Trimble Township Waste Water Treatment District/WWTP Improvements for Ammonia Compliance	WWTP improvements to gain compliance with new effluent limits for ammonia being imposed by the Ohio EPA.	$1,500,000	1,200	50	NA
Athens	Village of Chauncey/Chauncey Sewer Line Replacement	100+ year old clay tile lines; lines are failing and causing financial distress for the Village as well as bringing in huge amounts of I&I into the sewer treatment facility; sustainability of the current system is critical	$5,400,000	410	10	32,500
Hocking	City of Logan/Logan Priority 1-Sanitary Sewer Improvements (Phase 3)	Sanitary sewer improvements	$6,009,515	281	19	20,675
Hocking	City of Logan/Logan Water Systems Improvements (Phase 3)	Water line replacement	$5,985,000	800		2,100
Hocking	Hocking County Commissioners/Enterprise Sanitary Sewer Improvements	Installation of 20,000 lf gravity sewer; 73 manholes; 6,000 lf force main; 7 pump stations	$5,178,580	171		20,000
Meigs	Village of Pomeroy/Sewer Extension through Minersville SR124	Expand current sewer system to include residents that currently have failed or under-performing septic systems.	$2,500,000	50	2	13,200
Monroe	Monroe Water Systems/State Route 7 Water Main Relocation	Water main replacement; increase safety	$1,148,400	1,670	20	2,700
Monroe	Village of Woodsfield/Woodsfield Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehab	Replace aged wastewater treatment plant components, that have operational issues	$2,244,000	927	135	NA
Monroe	Ohio and Lee Water and Sewer Authority	Provide sanitary sewer system service spanning six miles along riverfront communities of Sardis, Hannibal, and Duffy	$32,754,912	560	62	

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County	Project	Description	Total Project Cost	Households Served	Businesses Served	Linear Feet
Morgan	Village of Malta/Malta Water System Improvement	Extension of water service	$2,000,000	282	11	10,140
Morgan	Burr Oak Regional Water District/Bishopville Expansion	BORWD plans to expand on the Bishopville Water District system with approximately 100,000 feet of 6" to 2" waterlines in four townships in Morgan County to provide potable water to the area.	$2,044,620	73	2	10,000
Morgan	SR 60 North Water and Sewer Extension	Includes construction of water and sewer service to State Route 60 north of the Village of McConnelsville; currently no centralized wastewater facilities or water service available in the project area.	$5,600,000		15	11,088
Noble	Noble County Commissioners/East of I-77 Water Project	Water main to be installed; pump station; water storage tank	$3,732,000	91		15,120
Perry	Perry County Commissioners/Phase 4 Water System Improvements	Construction of a new elevated storage tank and new waterlines to address the water contamination of the area.	$3,399,500	248	6	13,200
Perry	Village of Somerset/Somerset Waterline Extension	Water line extension	$1,167,900	104	2	56,900
Washington	City of Belpre/Belpre Beach Drive Sewer Installation	Sewer installation; alleviate backups	$2,913,500	33	1	3,215
Washington	Washington County Commissioners/Devola Sanitary Sewer Improvements	Installation of pressure sewer system to serve unsewered areas and mitigate nitrate contamination of groundwater from failing septic systems	$12,051,000	538	6	114,492
Washington	Village of Lowell/Lowell Water Treatment Plant Improvement	Water Treatment Plant replacement	$1,348,485	246	4	NA
			$106,977,412	**9,384**	**395**	**349,630**
			Total Project Cost	**Households Served**	**Businesses Served**	**Linear Feet**