



Appalachian Community Grant

Community Meeting

November 2022



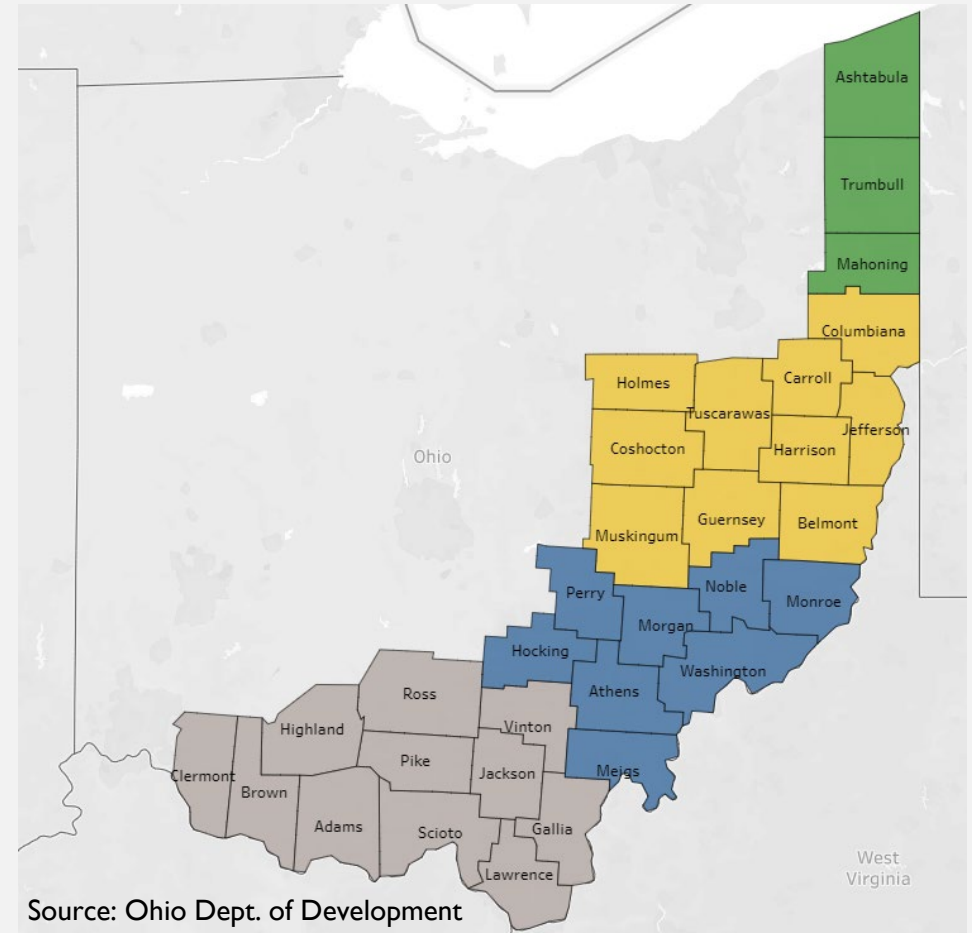
Agenda

- **Appalachian Community Grant Program Overview**
- **Planning Applications for Regional Projects**
- **Roundtable Discussion**

Appalachian Community Grant Program Overview

Highlights

- 32 Appalachian Ohio counties are eligible
- Two types of grants
 1. Planning
 2. Development (implementation or construction)
- Looking for “transformative” projects
- Applications due December 9, 2022



Who Can Apply?

- Local and county government; Council of Governments
- Port Authorities, Community Improvement Corporations
- Educational institutions
- Non-profits



Program Funding

- **Overall:** possibly up to \$500 million in grants
- **Appalachian Planning Grants:** Up to \$30 million
- **Appalachian Development Grants:** Round 1 – up to \$50 million

Schedule

Round 1

Technical Assistance Grant

Application Open – November 2, 2022

Application Deadline – December 9, 2022

Announce First Round Awards – Early 2023

Grant and procured planner plans must be complete by 10/31/23

Development Grant

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Projects must be completed by 10/31/26

Round 2

Development Grant

Application Open – November 2023

Application Deadline – December 2023

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Project Components

- **Planning** (*for the three project types below*)
- **Infrastructure**
- **Workforce**
- **Healthcare**

Project Components - Planning

- Grants will be available for each county to assist Eligible Lead Applicants with **technical assistance costs associated with the planning and design** of eligible development projects.
- Technical Assistance funding is **limited to \$250,000** per county.
- Planning grant funding is **capped at \$30 million**, unless modified by the Director of the Dept. of Development.
- Applicants with **planning grants will be prioritized for Round 2 funding**.



Project Components - Infrastructure

- Main Street/downtown improvements
- Historic theater renovations
- Large downtown structural improvements (lighting, gateways, etc.)
- Downtown shared office space
- Regional bike trails
 - To connect communities to state parks or outdoor recreation
- Mixed-use development
- Downtown murals
- Historic building renovations
- Public/Private Partnerships
- Large-scale economic development site infrastructure
- Recycling/materials management
- Other activities on a case-by-case basis



Project Components - Workforce

- Fund in-demand, local industry driven training programs
- Upskill current workers for new opportunities with local businesses
- Establish entrepreneurial and remote workforce downtown centers
- Prioritized training to build the workforce and capacity of communities
 - Trades, fire/safety, broadband deployment, etc.
- Other activities on a case-by-case basis



Project Components - Healthcare

- School-based health clinics
- Expansion of mental health access through telemedicine
- Recovery-to-work projects
- Addressing substance abuse disorder
- Establish/expand farmer markets
- Maternal/infant vitality
- Other activities on a case-by-case basis



Potential Partners

- **Appalachian Development Grant** applications with multiple partners and resources may receive additional points
- Apply an **equity lens**
- **State agency partners**



Potential Partners

■ State agency partners:

Infrastructure

- Ohio Arts Council
- ODOD
- Ohio History Connection
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources
- Ohio Department of Transportation
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Ohio Public Works Commission
- Ohio Water Development Authority

Health

- Ohio Department of Aging
- Ohio Department of Agriculture
- Ohio Department of Education
- ODOD
- Ohio Department of Health
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- Ohio Department of Public Safety
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
- Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

Workforce

- Ohio Department of Education
- ODOD
- Ohio Department of Higher Education
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
- Office of Workforce Transformation
- State Library Board
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- Ohio Department of Public Safety
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
- Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

Project Criteria

- **Projects should meet one or more of the following to be competitive:**
 - Regional scale or impact
 - Evidence-based
 - Public-Private Partnership
 - Economically sustainable
 - Is “**transformative**”

Eligible Costs

- Administrative costs: reasonable personnel and staff time, travel, supplies, and materials
- Operating costs: Internet, utilities;
- Preliminary engineering;
- Legal fees
- Grant writers
- Community planners and/or consultants
- Other eligible costs as approved by ODOD



Ineligible Costs

- Administrative costs related to Technical Assistance Grant application preparation
- Costs incurred prior to the grant period
- Duplicative activity costs
- Establishment of ongoing permanent operating expenses for advocacy of any kind
- Projects related to jails, courthouses, municipal and other government or school buildings (other than school-based healthcare)
- Broadband, water, and/or sewer projects unless integral to project completion



Schedule - revisited

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Thank you! Questions?

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Planning Applications for Regional Projects

- **Recreational Trails / Downtowns / Tourism**
- **Ohio River**
- **Muskingum River Corridor**
- **Other Possibilities?**

Roundtable Discussion

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