



Institute for Livable & Equitable Communities

Annual Progress Report

February 1, 2024



Institute for Livable and Equitable Communities

VISION:

The Institute for Livable & Equitable Communities (ILEC) places an intentional focus on livability and equity, launching programs and transforming systems that create a community where all people can thrive.



MISSION:

The Institute convenes critical partners and is the central point of coordination for a long-term, multi-faceted effort to address nine domains proven to enhance livability and equity in communities.



2023 Funding & Grant Wins

- 2023 & 2024 Livable and Age Friendly Grants to communities
- Dayton and Vandalia join the AF network making our Region have 13 members (October)
- Collaboration with MV Urban League on an Affordable Connectivity Grant
- Collaboration with ABLE on the EJ Collective Problem Solving grant (October)



- Welcoming American Connection Corps Member
 - grant funds from TDF for local match
- Environmental Justice Academy 2022 sponsorships
- Other Pursuits
 - EPA Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers Program
 - Tour de Gem Riding Team Fundraiser 2023



Institute Domains

| Domain | Definition |
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| Education | A commitment to learning, beginning at an early age and continuing through all stages, is essential to developing a strong workforce and ensuring long-term economic viability. |
| Entrepreneurship, Employment & Volunteering | All individuals should have the opportunity to work for themselves, for others, or to volunteer their expertise, and contribute productively in a way that is meaningful and a benefit to our community. |
| Engagement | Authentic engagement of all individuals to shape the future of their community and a culture which embraces interactions among diverse groups, learning, mutual respect and value of the contributions of all. |
| Health & Environment | Access to quality, affordable health services, mental health resources and wrap-around community support systems are vital. Clean air and Clean water have a direct connection to health and quality of life. |
| Housing | Communities need to include affordable and desirable housing options for varying life stages, varying abilities, and varying bank accounts. |
| Neighborhood | Vibrant neighborhoods include residential, retail and open spaces that are well connected and meet the needs of all in the surrounding community. |
| Safety & Justice | Public health, safety, general welfare, and justice are fundamental needs. They are not luxuries afforded to a few. They must be protected and upheld for all individuals. |
| Technology & Connectivity | Expansion of access to technology, connectivity and the intentional dissemination of information through a wide variety of traditional and digital means to ensure all members of the community are informed of matters that impact them. |
| Transportation | Driving a car shouldn't be the only way to get around. Public transit, coordinated mobility and human service transportation systems, integrated freight and logistics systems, walkability, and bike-friendliness contribute to livable, equitable and lively communities for all. |

The domains are areas of focus derived from the [Livable Communities framework outlined by the World Health Organization/AARP](#).



2023 ILEC DOMAIN UPDATES

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| ✓ |  | EDUCATION |
| ✓ |  | ENTREPRENEURSHIP, EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEERING |
| ✓ |  | ENGAGEMENT |
| ✓ |  | HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT |
| ✓ |  | HOUSING |
| ✓ |  | NEIGHBORHOOD |
| |  | <i>SAFETY & JUSTICE</i> |
| ✓ |  | TECHNOLOGY & CONNECTIVITY |
| ✓ |  | TRANSPORTATION |





EDUCATION

- Age-Friendly Initiative: Over 20 educational events.
- Collaboration with Dayton Metro Library and age-friendly communities.
- Partnership with Learn to Earn Dayton and Northwest Dayton Partnership.
- Goal: Scale neighborhood-level educational impacts





- MVAFN meeting on civic participation and employment (January 11, 2023).
- Ongoing development of employment-related initiatives.





ENGAGEMENT



- Sponsorships: Latinos Unidos en Dayton & National Conference for Community and Justice of Greater Dayton.
- Participation in Tour de Gem for awareness and fundraising.
- Expansion of the Miami Valley Age-Friendly Cohort
- REI Events & Programs
- Commencement of Community of Well-Being Initiative w/Dayton Collaboratory





HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

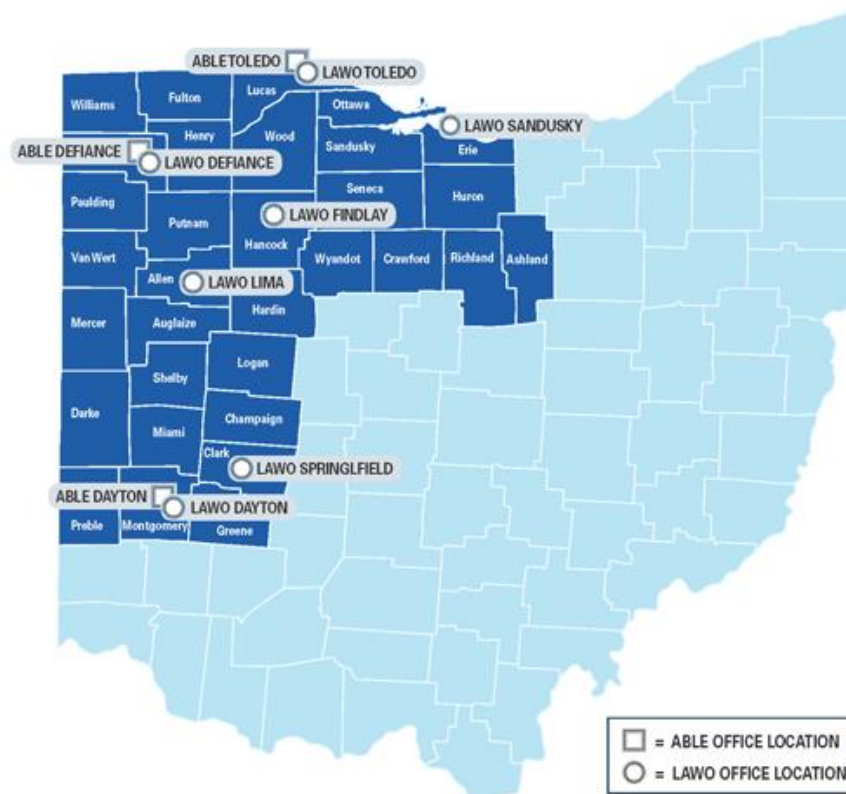
- Tentative Environmental Justice Academy in Fall 2024.
- Miami Valley Environmental Justice Partnership's ongoing efforts.
- EPA EJ CPS Cooperative Agreement
- Community micro-grants and capacity building

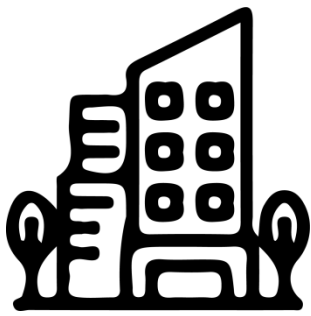




HOUSING

- REI Sub-Committee's focus on housing.
 - Partnership with ABLE on Right to Counsel
- Partnership with Advocates for Basic Legal Equality
- Miami Valley Age-Friendly Summit on May 8, 2024





NEIGHBORHOOD



- MVAFN hosted a virtual meeting on open space and the built environment
- Continued support of Learn to Earn Dayton's Northwest Dayton Partnership

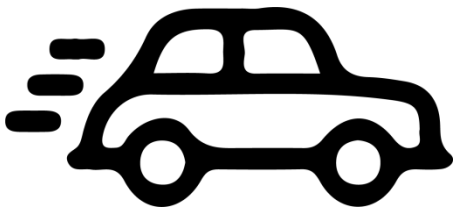




TECHNOLOGY & CONNECTIVITY

- Participation in the nationwide digital equity movement.
- Collaboration with Miami Valley Urban League.
- Welcoming American Connection Corps Member for digital inclusion.
 - ACP Outreach + Dayton Foundation Grants
- Regional Digital Inclusion Meeting
- Connection Southwest Ohio Coalition
- Preble County, Blue Sky Wireless, ORBEG





TRANSPORTATION

- MVAFN meeting focused on transportation (July 12, 2023).
- GRMI Plan Update
- SS4A Grant



GREATER REGION MOBILITY INITIATIVE

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Looking Forward

- Continued growth and evolution of ILEC.
- Staffing and resource allocation for ongoing and new initiatives.
- Commitment to acquiring external funding and local stakeholder support.



- Establish evaluation metrics to measure progress, impact, and success
- Restructure the Regional Equity Initiative
- Develop Dayton and Vandalia; recruit Trotwood as active Age Friendly members
- Foster greater broadband and digital equity across region
- Host a second Miami Valley Environmental Justice Academy.



Here's our ask:

- Come join us on the Institute for Livable and Equitable Communities Steering Committee
- 4 meetings helping to make our communities and region more livable and equitable
- 13 Members: 10 from member communities + 3 from partner agencies such as Learn to Earn Dayton, United Way, Urban League
- Watch for an email from Savannah coming in February





MVRPC and you: Shaping Our Region's Future Together Questions?

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Regional Planning Commission

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SHAPING OUR REGION'S FUTURE TOGETHER

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MVRPC Strategic Plan

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2040 Long Range Transportation Plan Adopted by MVRPC Board of Directors
Dateline: May 06, 2016
The MVRPC Board of Directors adopted the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (2040 Plan). The 2040 Plan outlines nearly \$5 billion in transportation investments over the next 25 years. The development of the plan is a necessary step to obtain

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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