



# Regional Equity Initiative Subcommittee Meeting

January 24, 2023 @ 2:30 p.m.

## Agenda

<u>Item</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Est. Time</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
I.	<b>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks</b>	2:30	Rap Hankins
II.	<b>Reintroduction to MVRPC &amp; ILEC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission</li> <li>● Institute for Livable &amp; Equitable Communities</li> <li>● Regional Equity Initiative</li> </ul>	2:35	Fabrice Juin
III.	<b>Technology &amp; Connectivity Domain</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program</li> <li>● Collaboration w/ Miami Valley Urban League (via Urban League of Southwestern Ohio)</li> <li>● Ohio Connectivity Champions</li> </ul>	2:50	Fabrice Juin
IV.	<b>Strategic Planning &amp; Preparations for FY24</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work Program</li> <li>● Budget Narrative</li> <li>● Subcommittee Priorities</li> <li>● Leadership &amp; Membership Transitions</li> </ul>	3:05	Fabrice Juin
V.	<b>Round Robin</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Other Institute Updates</li> <li>● <a href="#">Upcoming Equity Engagements</a></li> </ul>	3:20	All Participants
VI.	<b>Homefull Healthy Living in West Dayton Project</b>	3:30	CEO Tina Patterson
VII.	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	3:55	Rap Hankins

**\*\*NEXT MEETING is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023\*\***

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGIONAL EQUITY INITIATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

via Zoom Conference/Video Call  
(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83798452238>)

**November 22, 2022  
2:30 PM**

**REI Subcommittee Members Present**

Michael Carter, Sinclair Community College  
Nina Carter, Learn to Earn Dayton  
Rap Hankins, City of Trotwood  
Tom Kelley, United Way  
Mike Parks, The Dayton Foundation  
Walter Rice, U.S. Federal Courts - Judge  
Michael Roediger, Dayton Art Institute

**Staff**

Serena Anderson  
Savannah Diamond  
Fabrice Juin  
Chanda Davis  
Brian Martin

**Other Guests Present**

Tania Arseculeratne, The Dayton Foundation  
Paul Murphy, Sinclair Community College  
Rich Schultze, Concerned Citizen  
Barbra Stonerock, The Dayton Foundation  
Vanessa Ward, Omega CDC

The Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission hosted the Regional Equity Initiative Sub-Committee call on November 22, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom Video Conference (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83798452238>).

**I. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**

REI Chairperson, Rap Hankins called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Self-introductions were made.

Rap thanked the REI Sub-Committee for standing with us this year and stated that no matter what a person's gender, race or religion is we understand that equity affects everybody.

Fabrice provided information regarding the Colorado Springs shooting targeting the LGBTQIA+ community. He then mentioned that reforming the heart of this region is a priority as well. He invited the sub-committee members that are actively engaged in serving the LGBTQIA+ community, to reach out as an organization to really let them know they are not alone. He wanted to start the meeting off by recognizing the injustice that was done to set the tone about how transformational and comprehensive the work of the REI must be.

**II. REGIONAL EQUITY INITIATIVE UPDATES**

**A. Submission of Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers Program application**

Fabrice provided an updated regarding the Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Centers Program application (EJ TCTAC) Grant application. He stated that the University of Dayton, the lead applicant, submitted the EJ TCTAC application on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 and were awaiting a reply. He noted this is a \$10

Million grant opportunity with a five year project period that can be utilized for environmental justice throughout the region.

## **B. DEIB Engagement (October 2022)**

Fabrice provided the following updates regarding DEIB engagement from October:

- MVRPC's Del Mar Encore Fellow Donna Kastner facilitated a community dialogue that explored local resources and elaborated on what it means to be an age-friendly region on the International Day of Older Persons.
- The city of Dayton hosted their inaugural Indigenous Peoples' Day Celebration on October 10<sup>th</sup>. MVRPC and the REI received recognition by REI Sub-committee member Stephanie Van Hoose who was central to the event.
- MVRPC partnered with RETREET to plant trees at the homes of survivors impacted by the 2019 Memorial Day tornadoes. Historically underserved and marginalized communities were prioritized such as Harrison Township, Old North Dayton, and Trotwood.
- MVRPC sponsored and attended the 71<sup>st</sup> Hall of Freedom Awards hosted by the Dayton Unit NAACP.
- Due to the tripling of Hispanic-identified population in the Miami Valley metropolitan area, MVRPC has made it a goal to increase Hispanic/Latinx representation to its Sub-committee and identify opportunities to help serve this population in the Miami Valley.

Nina Carter from Learn to Earn Dayton expressed the importance of reaching Hispanic families within the Miami Valley in 2023, specifically in regards to future planning. She put forth the idea of MVRPC working to create listening sessions to achieve this goal.

## **III. TECHNOLOGY & CONNECTIVITY DOMAIN**

Fabrice provided an update regarding the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

### **Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program**

- Fabrice met with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and shared funding information regarding the ACP Outreach Grant Program. Fabrice mentioned MVRPC is seeking a lead application and/or co-leads for the ACP Grant Program.
- Rap Hankins put forth the idea that MVRPC might be able to work with other planning commissions to form a state-wide coalition in order to apply for this funding. Tom Kelley of United Way of Greater Dayton suggested a conversation could be had between United Way and MVRPC about this grant application.

## **IV. LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023**

### **A. Sub-committee Membership Roster Form**

Fabrice reminded the sub-committee to complete the membership roster form that was included in the November REI mail out.

## **B. Reintroduction to MVRPC & ILEC**

Fabrice shared that he will provide a recap at the beginning of January, 2023 of what MVRPC is and its structure to make sure it is clear what the organizations goals and emphasis is.

## **C. Upcoming Transitions & Strategic Planning**

Fabrice shared about the upcoming selection of a chairperson for the REI sub-committee and how he plans to direct focus on how the REI Sub-committee can put words into action to help the Miami Valley region.

## **V. ROUND ROBIN**

### **Subcommittee Member Hopes/Vision for 2023**

Fabrice opened the floor for the sub-committee members to state what their hopes and visions were for 2023. The following items were discussed:

- The Dayton Electric Vehicle Association is working with the University of Dayton to gather research in order to have EV chargers placed in historically red-lined and marginalized communities.
- Sinclair Community College has been working to diversify their vendors.
- The Dayton Art Institute is working on a strategic plan to create equity and accessibility at the museum.
- Concerns about ensuring issues of equity remain at the forefront of people's mind were discussed.
- The effects of the opioid crisis on the Miami Valley region.
- The possibility of forming a committee to educate people about equity.

## **VI. CLOSING REMARKS**

Chairperson Rap Hankins adjourned the meeting at 4:30 P.M.