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MORPC IN THE NEWS

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PRESS RELEASES

[More Than \\$27 Million Awarded to Franklin County Communities](#)

A total of \$27.5 million in funding is being recommended for 14 projects in Franklin County by the District 3 Public Works Integrating Committee. The communities requested funding through the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program.

[MORPC Announces New Leadership Positions and Staff Promotions](#)

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) announced numerous internal staff promotions. Thirteen staff members were promoted in the new year.

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[ODOT extends deadline for input on US Route 23 improvements through Delaware County](#)

The Ohio Department of Transportation has extended the deadline for public participation in the current phase of its “Route 23 Connect” study through Feb. 28.

[MORPC Matters: New year brings several planning priorities for central Ohio](#)

With each new year, the prospect of change and possibility sparks renewed energy and optimism in us all. This year, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is especially excited about all that 2022 has to offer.

[Greater Columbus Convention Center under consideration as Amtrak station site](#)

A study exploring an Amtrak station in the Greater Columbus Convention Center has advocates for passenger rail experiencing optimism they haven’t felt in years.

[Bexley seeking public input on latest draft of East Livingston Avenue safety plan](#)

The city of Bexley is seeking residents’ input on the latest draft of a plan with Columbus to improve safety on the East Livingston Avenue corridor.

COLUMBUS UNDERGROUND

[Study: Amtrak Station, New Plaza Could be Added to Convention Center](#)

Plans have been drawn up to build a train station on High Street, something that hasn’t existed in Columbus since the 1970s. Whether or not the station is actually built will depend on the fate of the latest plan to connect Ohio’s three largest cities with passenger rail.

[Here's the Latest on Amtrak's Plans for New Ohio Service](#)

Although there have been plenty of promising plans and initiatives through the years, Columbus remains the largest U.S. city without any fixed rail service and the second largest without Amtrak service.

COLUMBUS MONTHLY

[Suburban Strength: Columbus' Suburbs Are Growing Faster Than the City](#)

A funny thing happened on the way to Broad and High: Even before pandemic lockdowns made urban-dwellers dream of more space, Central Ohio's suburbs were thriving.

[Pizzuti vs. The Neighbors: The German Village-Area Development Highlights Some Complicated Questions](#)

How does a city grow? Where? And who benefits from the growth? Recent housing developments, including the Pizzuti site near German Village, show how complicated these questions are.

COLUMBUS BUSINESS FIRST

[Columbus leaders eye housing, transit investments to prepare for Intel](#)

Intel's plan to build a pair of semiconductor factories outside Columbus is likely to accelerate the region's already significant growth, putting an ever tighter squeeze on the region's supply of affordable housing and related infrastructure.

[GENERATIONAL CHANGE](#)

Ohio has argued that tech doesn't need to be built near Silicon Valley to succeed. Now the silicon is coming to Ohio.

TV

NBC4

[Amtrak station plans a step closer for Columbus](#)

Excitement is growing after renderings of a potential Amtrak station in the heart of Columbus were released this week.

10TV

[Roads, water, sewers among infrastructure needed to support Intel facility](#)

Every home on Miller Road has been bought out for the Intel chip facility in Licking County, meaning neighborhoods will vanish in the name of jobs.

Spectrum News1

[HUD awards \\$9.5M to Ohio organizations to combat household safety hazards](#)

Six Ohio organizations were awarded grants intended to protect low-income children and families from household health hazards, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced Wednesday.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Circleville Herald[Collaboration is key to regional transportation plan](#)

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) presented a regional mobility plan to the Pickaway County Commissioners as part of a process to identify regional and local transportation needs.

Columbus Messenger[Transportation initiative discussed at Westland Area Commission meeting](#)

Zachary Sunderland, with the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) attended the January meeting of the Westland Area Commission to discuss the LinkUS initiative.

Cleveland.com[Northeast Ohio gets more than \\$3 million from feds to abate lead paint and other health hazards in low-income households](#)

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on Wednesday awarded 60 non-profit organizations and government agencies in 29 states over \$104 million in grants for use in abating health hazards such as lead paint.

Marysville Journal-Tribune[Public transportation idea still alive](#)

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission has created a regional public transit and human services transportation plan. A portion of the plan looks at resources and needs in Union County.

Union County Daily Digital[Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Promotes 13 Members](#)

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