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# **PLANNER POOL PROGRAM (P3)**

#### **PURPOSE / GOAL**

The main goal of the Planner Pool Program is to assist our local governments with managing increased workloads and providing staff assistance to help with smaller tasks associated with land use, development, sustainability, and transportation issues.

#### WHY OFFER PLANNING STAFF ASSISTANCE?

With Central Ohio's rapid growth, planning departments staff are being pushed to their capacity with development reviews, variances, and rezoning requests. With staff working at full capacity, many communities are forced to forego other important planning activities to focus on the day-to-day. Offering planning staff assistance can provide short-term additional capacity and expertise in areas not typically staffed by some planning departments.

## **COMMUNITY BENEFITS OF P3**

- Additional Staff Assistance
- Fulfill Short-Term Needs
- Specialized Areas of Expertise
- Focus More on Long-Range Planning

## **ELIGIBLE USES OF P3**

- Relieve Pressure from Development & Zoning Applications
- Fill Staffing Gaps During the Hiring Process
- Gain Additional Expertise Planning Disciplines
- Assistance with Best Practices or Long-Range Planning

### **HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?**

COMMUNITY APPLIES FOR PLANNER POOL ASSISTANCE



MORPC MEETS WITH THE COMMUNITY TO DETAIL SCOPE OF WORK



PLANNING STAFF IS ASSIGNED TO THE COMMUNITY

Through the Planner Pool Program, communities can request additional staff assistance for smaller-scale projects and needs. MORPC will then review the requests and meet with communities to help determine any timing or assistance needs, so a Planner can be assigned. *To learn more or submit a request for assistance, please visit:*<a href="https://www.morpc.org/planner-pool-program/">https://www.morpc.org/planner-pool-program/</a> or contact Jonathan Miller (imiller@morpc.org).