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I. INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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To the Residents of Central Ohio and
The Honorable Members of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission:

We are pleased to present the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) for the year ended December 31, 2023. The MORPC Finance Team has prepared this report according to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable to government entities. The management of MORPC is responsible for and affirms the adequacy of the agency's internal accounting control and the completeness of the material presented in this report. The report will be available on MORPC's website at www.morpc.org.

Management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) follows the independent auditor's report and provides a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis of the basic financial statements. The MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

MORPC, established in 1969 as the successor to the Franklin County Regional Planning Commission under authority granted by Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21, is a regional planning commission comprising local governments in Central Ohio. Serving as the planning agency for the region, MORPC plays a pivotal role in the region's planning commission. In 2023, our membership included 78 political subdivisions located in and around Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Hocking, Knox, Licking, Logan, Madison, Morrow, Perry, Pickaway, Ross, and Union Counties, Ohio. Additionally, MORPC operates an associate membership program with 8 participating regional organizations. As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the urbanized Columbus area, MORPC's influence extends far and wide.

The Commission, the policy-making body of the organization and the oversight board, is composed of representatives appointed by the member entities (171 seats as of December 31, 2023). MORPC, a political subdivision of Ohio and a non-profit organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, is proud to have its employees as members of the Ohio Public Employee Retirement System.

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, Statement No. 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units, an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14, Statement No. 61, Omnibus—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34, and Statement No. 80, Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14, MORPC is not considered a component unit of the Franklin County financial reporting entity because:

- MORPC is a separate legal entity established under Section 713.21 of the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC");
- Franklin County holds only 12 of 171 seats on MORPC's governing board;

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- MORPC is not fiscally dependent on Franklin County, and it does not provide a financial benefit to, nor impose a financial burden on, the County; and
- MORPC provides services to members outside of Franklin County.

MISSION

MORPC is the regional voice, trusted convener and catalyst bringing Central Ohio communities to collaborate on best practices and plan for the future growth and sustainability of our region.

2023 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Programming / Transportation Infrastructure & Development

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Summary – MORPC serves as the federally designated MPO for the Columbus urbanized area and provides continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning and programming. MORPC fulfilled this obligation by developing, maintaining, and reporting to the community on its Planning Work Program (PWP) for the State Fiscal Year (SFY) beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. In 2022, MORPC completed the quadrennial United States Department of Transportation certification of the MPO planning process.


Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – The MTP is the primary product of the MPO. It outlines the comprehensive transportation vision for the MPO area, including goals, objectives, performance measures, and ultimately, the strategies and road, transit, bike, pedestrian, and intermodal projects to achieve the vision. It is updated every four (4) years, with the last one completed in 2020. In 2023, the 2050 population and employment projections were updated, and candidate projects were identified. The evaluation of these projects began as the development of the 2024-2050 MTP continued.

Federal Highway Funding – The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) allocates federal funding to transportation projects in the region. In 2023, MORPC completed the TIP for state fiscal years (SFYs 2024-2027) and updated it through amendments and administrative modifications as necessary. The TIP includes funding commitments of nearly \$2 billion for projects sponsored by the state, transit agencies, and local partners through MORPC. The MORPC funding includes approximately \$50 million annually with the completion of the biennial process to solicit and select projects to use MORPC-attributable funding completed in 2023.

Transit – MORPC receives Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding annually for projects that are focused on providing public transit accessibility to seniors and individuals with disabilities. In 2023, MORPC completed its project-selection round for sub-recipients. These funds are to assist local non-profit agencies in purchasing and maintaining accessible transit vehicles and in providing transportation services to their clients.

Transit Supportive Infrastructure (TSI) – In 2023, in conjunction with the LinkUS Mobility initiative and its partners COTA, the City of Columbus and Franklin County MORPC began the development of a TSI program of projects to utilize potential funding from an increase in COTA sales tax that will be on the ballot in November 2024. The process involved development of program structure, policies, identifying projects and organizing several working groups of communities throughout COTA's service area to guide the activity.

Regional Mobility Plan – The 2021-2026 Regional Mobility Plan – completed by MORPC for ODOT Human Service Transportation Coordination Region 6 in 2021 – was developed with nine Central Ohio counties and



identified local transportation needs of people with disabilities, older adults, and those with low incomes. The plan provides strategies for meeting those needs, as well as prioritizes transportation services and projects for funding and implementation. In 2023, MORPC continued the steps to implement the Plan through continued discussion with the stakeholders in the nine-county area.

Statewide Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) – In 2023, MORPC continued to play an integral role in establishing priorities for application procedures, statewide record keeping, and chairing the Ohio Statewide Urban CMAQ Committee.

Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) – MORPC assisted members with providing project status updates, funding requests, and public involvement. Eleven projects from our transportation-planning area (Ten from MPO & one from CORPO) were submitted to TRAC during the 2023 application period. MORPC evaluated projects as part of its prioritization process. During the summer, MORPC held a public comment period, and a resolution with MORPC's prioritization of the projects within our planning area was adopted by Commission in September.

Competitive Advantage Projects (CAP) – In even-numbered years, MORPC updates the CAP listing to advance strategic infrastructure investments across the Columbus region. In 2023, MORPC highlighted and worked with economic development leaders to pursue funding opportunities for the CAP list of prioritized infrastructure projects for road, water, fiber, utility, and planning projects seeking capital funds.


Gohio Commute – MORPC's regional rideshare and mobility program, Gohio Commute, provides customized transportation services, programs, and projects that promote the use of transit, walking, biking, carpooling, and vanpooling. In 2023, MORPC continued to maintain the development and deployment of software and a ride-matching services for its combined rideshare/mobility programs statewide. In 2021, under the Gohio brand umbrella, theRideAmigos was selected as the contractor.. This activity is in collaboration with the other MPOs through the Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) and ODOT.

Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) District 3 Integrating Committee – Administered by MORPC, this committee has awarded more than \$28 million for infrastructure projects. In addition, \$3 million from the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund was awarded to preserve or restore green space in Franklin County.

Franklin County Transportation Improvement District – The Franklin County Transportation Improvement District (FCTID) celebrated four years of service in 2023. The FCTID is a government body that funds transportation projects under its bonding authority. The MORPC team serves as administration for the FCTID. Team members hosted monthly meetings for the district.

Rickenbacker Area Study – MORPC partnered with multiple stakeholders in the Rickenbacker International Airport area on a community-driven study to provide a strategy to help Central Ohio better position the area as a thriving global logistics hub. This study was completed in 2019 and in 2023, MORPC met with key stakeholders to implement strategies and projects outlined in the study, such as the groundbreaking for COTA's Rickenbacker Mobility Center and Alum Creek Drive project development.

Downtown C-PASS – Starting in 2018, MORPC partnered with the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) and Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District (CCSID) property owners to create a program for eligible downtown Columbus workers to obtain a special transit pass (C-PASS) for unlimited use any day, any time, on any COTA bus route – at no cost to the employee. It continues to use the Gohio system and support from MORPC team members for tracking riders.



Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization – MORPC worked to advance transportation planning for seven adjacent or contiguous counties (Fairfield, Knox, Madison, Marion, Morrow, Pickaway, and Union) through Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO). MORPC, on behalf of CORPO, annually develops, maintains, and reports to the community on the required CORPO-specific Planning Work Program (PWP). In 2023, CORPO completed the 2023-2050 CORPO Transportation Plan, the first update since the original plan was completed. CORPO also selected three projects to use almost \$1 million in CORPO dedicated funding made available through the biennial ODOT transportation budget.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy – In 2023, MORPC led the development of the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in partnership with One Columbus, the region's economic development organization. This process brought together economic developers, workforce development stakeholders, transportation officials, higher education representatives, and many others for key conversations about Central Ohio's economic development strengths and opportunities. In 2022, MORPC submitted an application with the U.S. Economic Development Administration for Economic Development District (EDD) designation for the Central Ohio region. In 2023 MORPC was designated as an EDD by the US EDA and continued meeting with various stakeholders on setting up the EDD.

Technical Assistance Program (TAP) – In 2023, the previous TAP cycle concluded by providing technical planning assistance to four (4) communities within the MPO area. The next cycle began with an update to the policies and a call for projects occurred in Summer of 2023. Two communities were selected for the next round of technical assistance.


Safety Planning – MORPC continued efforts to support safety improvements throughout the region. MORPC continued its collaboration with Columbus on its Vision Zero initiative, and with ODOT, the Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC), and its local government members assisted with data analysis, safety planning, and safety awareness.

Active Transportation Plan – The 2020-2050 Active Transportation Plan (ATP) was adopted by MORPC's Commission at its December 2021 meeting. Throughout 2023, the resources, including the Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress analysis and a companion story map were promoted throughout the region. The ATP advances the regional priorities of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and helps communities within the Metropolitan Planning Organization area to plan for and implement projects that include pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure in the region.

Intercity Passenger Rail – In 2023, MORPC partnered with the City of Fort Wayne Indiana to submit the Chicago-Fort Wayne-Columbus-Pittsburgh corridor for the federal Corridor Identification and Development (CID) program. MORPC also provided support to the Ohio Rail Development Commission's application for the Cleveland-Columbus-Dayton-Cincinnati (3C&D) corridor. In 2023, both corridors were selected to begin project development activities. MORPC also worked with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and other regional stakeholders to provide input on the FRA's ongoing Long-Distance Service Study, which included multiple potential passenger rail corridors through Central Ohio for further development.

Planning

Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Board – MORPC and the COG Board continued to host and coordinate trail-related educational outreach to promote land preservation, recreation, and stewardship along and within the region's waterways. MORPC added an urban Trail Town Framework Report and nearly completed a regional trail wayfinding study. In partnership with Experience Columbus, the Outdoor Trails Pass continued to reach new users. MORPC also engaged state and local stakeholders to work towards designating rivers in



Franklin County as designated waterways through our Blueways program. Finally, MORPC continues to provide staff support to RAPID 5, a non-profit focused on creating the largest interconnected park system in the country by becoming a land trust.

Regional Housing Support & Outreach – MORPC and its members continued to advance the priority actions of the Regional Housing Strategy, particularly for housing-supportive updates to comprehensive plans and zoning codes and policies that protect residents from source-of-income discrimination. To assist members with implementing these and other actions, MORPC team members updated communications and outreach with storytelling and workshops focused on the imperative need for more housing of all types and prices to meet the needs of Central Ohio's diverse and growing communities.

Community-Based Planning Assistance Program – MORPC launched a new program that supports communities' efforts to envision and plan for their future. It provides a one-stop shop for MORPC member communities to help them with their community needs through a wide range of assistance programs, including direct planning services around zoning and land use and connecting communities to consultant services.


Air Quality Awareness – MORPC has continued to provide air quality forecasts for the region and raised awareness about air pollution and air-friendly transportation choices through various strategies, including press releases, social media, media interviews, and community presentations. With the Canadian wildfires last year, MORPC issued significantly more Air Quality Alerts than in the previous year. MORPC also continued to partner with Franklin County Public Health to analyze mobile air quality monitors in select locations to understand the disproportionate impacts across neighborhoods better. Finally, MORPC continued to move forward with a new US EPA grant-funded project to expand the neighborhood air monitoring work in Franklin County significantly.

Energy Planning – In 2023, MORPC continued to serve as a regional expert in energy planning. MORPC was able to provide resources, technical assistance, and support to its members in advancing energy efficiency and clean energy solutions. This work was done by hosting open conversations, applying for several large-scale grant opportunities (e.g., CFI and CPRG), and advancing key projects, such as the Regional Community Energy Strategy (ReCES), which would add solar to public and residential buildings.

Greenhouse Gas Inventory - This past year, MORPC partnered again with the City of Columbus Department of Public Utilities to collect and update greenhouse gas emissions data and create the final analysis and report.

Water Resources – MORPC continued to lead the Sustaining Scioto Board and support its Ag & Rural Communities Outreach Team. Through this board's effort, the Ohio EPA is spearheading a regional water study that will look at water supply & demand now and in the future. MORPC will be a key partner during the study, esp. around data & stakeholder engagement. MORPC also continued to support Ohio EPA's 208 planning work, which included the development of an interactive online map and updates to the Licking and Delaware county plans. Finally, MORPC again celebrated Riverfest through a week of virtual messaging focused on engaging diverse populations in water conservation and recreation and partnered with RAPID 5 and Metro Parks to offer canoeing and kayaking opportunities at the Greater Columbus Arts Festival in June.

Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) – MORPC continued hosting regular meetings with diverse stakeholders to guide the region's sustainability initiatives. With SAC input, MORPC staff supported the Summit on Sustainability and break-out sessions, attracting the highest attendance ever, with nearly 650 people.



Sustainable2050 – MORPC continued to host quarterly Sustainable2050 member meetings to provide a forum for sharing best practices. The team also partnered again with OSU's City and Regional Planning program and Sustainability Institute to support members with technical assistance projects through planning studios and capstone courses.

Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC) – This Committee continues to thrive and move important projects forward, including hosting the first (sold-out) Data Day in March 2023. The MORPC team also updated the Regional Data Agenda to be a document that reflects the needs of the region around data, and its outcomes can not only be measured but are also useful to data professionals and decision-makers. The effort has resulted in new working groups around AI and cyber security.

Leaders Listen Surveys—Over the past year, MORPC launched two (2) new public surveys, one on transportation and one on sustainability, that attracted more than 2,000 responses and helped inform decision-makers about how their constituents think about these issues.

Online Data Information—MORPC continued to maintain and improve its Population Resource Hub (<https://www.morpc.org/popdata>) and also began working on implementing an online insights platform. This will be a web application that improves access to a curated set of data and analyses from MORPC and, eventually, our partners. The platform will include data on a variety of topics summarized at the regional, county, and community levels.

Residential Services

MORPC provided home energy-efficiency services for approximately 400 income-eligible households in the region through the Columbia Gas of Ohio's WarmChoice® Program and the federally funded Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP). MORPC assisted individuals with multiple home repair programs at 80 percent or below the median income guidelines. In 2023, this included:


- Franklin County Urgent Home Repair
- Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation (COCIC)
- Franklin County Public Health-Ohio Department of Health Lead-Safe Home Fund Program
- Healthy Homes Program
- Affordable Housing Trust

Other major highlights for Residential Services for 2023:

- Continued COVID-19 protocols to keep employees and clients safe
- Creation of a Home Repair Program for the City of Westerville
- Creation of Universal General Contractor application in Spanish
- Continued creation of a funding pool to expedite General Contractor payments
- Implemented a new phone system to streamline the intake process for weatherization
- Created ASHRAE fan installation process to produce a revenue stream for Residential Services

Operations

Annual Salary and Fringe Benefits Survey - MORPC continued its tradition of collaborating with regional and local governments to compile the annual salary and fringe benefits survey. Forty (40) member governments provided a variety of compensation and benefit data that was compiled for the use of our



members. The survey is a valuable tool for determining how compensation structures compare across different organizations.

Convening Finance Directors – In 2023, MORPC collaborated with other organizations' finance directors across Central Ohio and throughout the state. As part of this effort, MORPC convened the Mid-Ohio Finance Administrators (MOFA) to discuss current topics of interest and share ideas with other local governments in Central Ohio. Similarly, MORPC convened the finance directors from Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) members to discuss topics of interest and share ideas. OARC members include MORPC, other regional councils, and regional transportation planning organizations.

Government Affairs & Community Relations

Government Affairs – This past January, a group of MORPC staff leaders and Executive Officers traveled to Washington, D.C., for the National Association of Regional Councils' (NARC) annual National Conference of Regions. This group of MORPC leaders shared critical updates on Amtrak, Infrastructure, Competitive Advantage Projects, and more with Congressional delegation members and staff.

2023 also marked the beginning of a new Congress and Ohio General Assembly, during which Ohio's state lawmakers passed transportation and operating budgets for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. MORPC advocated on both bills, including for several provisions included in the final budget (increases to competitive bidding thresholds, funding for regional transportation planning organizations, a state low-income housing tax credit, a new round of sewer and water funds, rail safety funding, and a renewal of the Brownfield Remediation and Demolition Programs). The Ohio Senate also created a Select Committee on Housing, where several MORPC communities and partner organizations testified. As a result of MORPC advocacy, the committee's final report included a recommendation to create a housing technical assistance grant for locally-led zoning code reform.


As part of MORPC's commitment to strengthening Central Ohio as a defense community, our team convened a first-of-its-kind summit in July with leaders in the Rickenbacker area to discuss opportunities for cooperation and collaboration. Community members discussed joint procurement opportunities, energy, and workforce training and laid the groundwork for service agreements.

At the federal level, in collaboration with the Columbus Region Coalition (CRC), MORPC successfully advocated for more than \$10.4 million in Congressionally Directed Spending and Community Project Funding for eight local projects in federal fiscal year 2024.

Build Value for Our Members – In 2023, MORPC had four new communities join as members: Marion County, City of Newark, Village of South Bloomfield, and Village of West Jefferson. Staff also convened five Regional Collaborations, and four Rural Forums on Mobility, Housing, Sustainable Community Development and Trails and Tourism Economy. Our member services team visited 85 member governments.

This past year, MORPC convened five pre-Commission luncheons with critical regional leaders:

- Ohio University President Hugh Sherman
- Rail Safety Forum with Senator Bill Reinke and staff from Senator Brown and Senator Vance's offices
- Distracted Driving Primary Offense
- Holiday Board Recognition Luncheon
- Brookings Institute Luncheon with Tracy Hadden-Loh



Drive Investment – Monday Mondays: The Government Affairs & Community Relations team proactively created Money Mondays with historical federal funding available for Central Ohio communities. The sessions are designed to add investment value for MORPC members by discussing relevant topics related to their community needs. MORPC hosted 40 Money Monday sessions in 2023. Funding opportunities related to the topics were also presented, ranging from mobility/transportation to historic preservation, affordable housing, utilizing A.I. to enhance grant applications, and federal public safety funding.

To strengthen MORPC's drive investment approach, MORPC staff were assertive in advocating for regional strategic investment. MORPC leads a group called the Columbus Region Coalition(CRC), comprised of 16 partners that collectively advocate for regional investment. Last year, the CRC endorsed 18 community projects for congressional-directed spending. Of those 18 projects, 11 were funded, two of which were Competitive Advantage Projects, in the year-end federal omnibus budget bill totaling over \$26 million in investment. Earlier in the year, MORPC staff worked closely with the Central Ohio General Assembly Delegation and its regional partners to ensure the State Capital Budget bill maximized economic and sustainable development opportunities for Central Ohio ur region.

In November 2023, MORPC applied for the Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator grant through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). MORPC was awarded \$2 million dollars to repair and/or replace hundreds of EV charging stations within the 15-county MPO area. This award is a example of federal discretionary grant dollars making tangible changes to Central Ohio's transportation infrastructure and driving investments into our region.

Pay it Forward – MORPC staff led the Local Government Summer Internship Program and placed 51 interns with local government members. These experiences help shape the next generation of public servants in Central Ohio. MORPC continued to promote its partnerships with universities, building value for its members. Among the most popular is the partnership with Franklin University, which experienced the highest enrollment from MORPC members since the partnership began, with 38 local government employees participating.


Communications & Engagement

Marketing & Outreach – In 2023, MORPC effectively communicated and promoted its key initiatives, programs, and services to the communities it serves by utilizing a comprehensive mix of integrated media strategies, including print, broadcast, and news platforms. This effort included the execution of a brand awareness campaign for the Gohio Program, which utilized the following platforms for advertising the program: local radio advertising, Google ads, streaming services, and social media platforms.

Media Efforts – Communications & Engagement regionally disseminated more than 50 press releases and media advisories last year. Additionally, MORPC had more than 200 story placements and mentions in local, state, regional, and national media outlets.

MORPC also held its inaugural '*May Media Day*' event, which brought together local and media outlets to discuss a variety of topics, from passenger rail to LinkUS, with executive director Willam Murdock.

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DE&I) – MORPC strengthened its continued commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion through its partnership with the YWCA of Columbus. Through this partnership, MORPC received training related to the YWCA's Undesign the Redline exhibit, which focused on how historic planning efforts and institutionalized racism led to the discriminatory practice of redlining and how it affects the community to this day.



In 2023, a new Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Strategy was launched, with a focus on supplier diversity and procurement to attract and retain minority-owned businesses and meet the agency's MBE goals, which is a five percent (5%) annual spend with minority-owned businesses. In 2023, MORPC expanded its partnership with HBCUConnect, the largest African American social network for Historically Black Colleges and University graduates, to provide a new benefit to MORPC members to post their executive-level and niche positions to its job portal at no additional cost.

The Communications & Engagement team organized and hosted MORPC's inaugural Supplier Diversity & Procurement Fair, which connected small and minority-owned businesses with procurement professionals from across the region; 19 state agencies, local governments, community organizations, and private sector companies participated, with more than 50 people in attendance. MORPC hosted a number of meetings and events that amplified the agency's DE&I efforts, including Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) meetings and Community Organizations DE&I Leaders Forum. MORPC staff also represented the agency at various DE&I-related events and meetings throughout the year, including:

- Columbus Partnership DE&I Leaders Forum
- Central Ohio Diversity Consortium
- Franklin County Board of Commissioners Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion's emerging small business procurement event
- ODOT Division of Opportunity, Diversity & Inclusion MBE and Diverse Business Opportunity Expo

Communications & Engagement hosted various diverse public information/educational campaigns and events throughout 2023, including lunch & learns and panel discussions for recognitions such as Celebrate Diversity Month, National Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month, Women's History Month, and Asian American and Pacific Islander Month.

MORPC's internal DE&I committee, chaired by diversity, inclusion, and engagement officer Ralonda Hampton, held six meetings in 2023. Additionally, senior director Niel Jurist leads the National Association of Regional Councils' (NARC) national DE&I committee; she was a panelist for a community discussion hosted by the Central Ohio American Heart Association, which centered around neighborhood quality and heart health.

Public Involvement & Engagement – MORPC continued to promote a variety of public engagement opportunities throughout the year through its digital media platforms, including MORPC's monthly Regional eSource Newsletter and through target media pitching efforts. In addition to the promotion of public involvement and engagement opportunities (see below), the department highlighted various topics via MORPC's social media channels throughout the year, including air quality awareness week, infrastructure week, bike safety week, small business week, National Lead Prevention Week, Pedestrian Safety Month, Firewood Awareness Month, Local Government Summer Internship Program, Program, Sustainable 2050, LinkUS, and MORPC's direct service programs including Home Repair & Weatherization Programs, Gohio Commute and Air Quality Alerts.

In 2023, MORPC participated in and/or sponsored 24 events, a 71 percent increase from the previous year. Some of the events include:

- 614 Day: MORPC was a featured agency at this event that drew over 4,000 attendees with 40 local vendors.
- Affordable Housing Fair
- Advancing Diversity and Fostering a Culturally Inclusive Workplace Panel
- Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration
- Capitol Square Power Up Career Expo

- Classic for Columbus Resource Fair
- The Crane Group x MBK Community & Career Fair HBCU Classic
- Franklin County Auditor's Fall Affordable Housing Fair
- Franklin County DE&I Conference
- Franklin County Engineer's Office Touch-A-Truck
- Franklin County Faith Leaders Forum and resource fair, hosted by the Franklin County Commissioners
- Hilliard City Schools Career Day and HBCU Panel
- King Arts Complex's 2023 MLK Day Open House
- National African American Male Wellness Agency's 20th annual African American Male Wellness Walk (MORPC was a sponsor and participant of this year's walk, which drew over 35,000 attendees)
- National County Government Open House
- New Albany Kids Fest
- OhioMBE Procurement Fair
- The Ohio State University Office of Diversity and Inclusion Career Day
- The Ohio State University National Conference on Race Diversity and Learning
- Riverfest at the Columbus Arts Festival, hosted annually by MORPC and partners
- Senior Community Resource Fair
- Small and Emerging Business Enterprise Mixer
- State of Ohio MBE Expo
- YWCA Columbus Activists and Agitators


The following public participation opportunities were promoted in 2023 via social media, the monthly Regional eSource newsletter, and via print/digital media:

- 5310 applications
- Attributable Funds projects
- Central Ohio Rural Transportation Planning Organization (CORPO) draft Transportation Plan
- Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) public comment period and survey
- Columbus Climate Action Plan
- Leaders Listen Survey Series
- MORPC Messaging Survey
- MTP Draft Regional Transportation Plan Objectives and Performance Measures
- PRO Housing Grant Application Draft Proposal
- Promoting Infrastructure Survey
- Regional Investment Survey
- RFPs and RFQs
- Technical Assistance Program
- TRAC projects

MORPC hosted three open houses and public meetings in 2023, including:

- CORPO Public Meeting
- PRO Housing Grant Application Open House
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Open House

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) – To better reflect Central Ohio's increasingly growing and diverse region, MORPC added new members to its Community Advisory Committee (CAC), bringing the total number of members to 21. This committee comprises volunteer residents within MORPC's 15-county MPO area who



are interested in transportation planning and programming. The purpose of the CAC is to provide community participation in transportation planning, priorities, funding, processes, and programs. In 2023, 16 transportation-related resolutions were brought forward and adopted.

Events – Last year, MORPC held its annual State of the Region, Powering Our Region Forward, on March 31, 2023. The event featured keynote speaker Deputy Assistant Secretary Charles Small, United States Department of Transportation, with nearly 1,000 local leaders and changemakers in attendance. It also featured an innovative holographic experience displaying the future of transportation in Central Ohio, unveiled the results of the inaugural Leaders Listen survey, the first in a series, and explored local residents' experiences and desires for transportation in the Central Ohio region.

The MORPC Annual Social Media Summit was held on August 1. It brought municipal communications professionals together for presentations that focused on best practices around social media, including AI and Chat GPT, by presenters from the Marketing AI Institute, Hunter Marketing, and the Village of Somerset.

The Regional Transportation Safety Forum took place on September 21, 2023. The event provides an opportunity for MORPC members and regional partners to discuss safety priorities and hear from experts on their experiences working to improve roadway safety throughout Central Ohio. Keynote speaker Councilor John Barth, City of Indianapolis, followed his remarks with a fireside chat, and the program featured a panel of faculty members from The Ohio State University.

On October 26, MORPC hosted the annual Summit on Sustainability - Collaborate. Innovate. Inspire. - MORPC's signature environmental conference. The event drew nearly 600 attendees and featured keynote speaker Todd Brady, Chief Sustainability Officer and Vice President of Global Public Affairs for Intel Corporation, who discussed Intel's global sustainability initiatives, including climate, energy, water, green buildings, and circular economy. The conference featured breakout sessions and speakers throughout the day, including Pecha Kucha-style presentations by local community leaders and lunch speaker Mitchell Silver and the presentation of the Regional Sustainability Awards.

Communications & Engagement Special Projects -

Justice40 – In 2021, Executive Order 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad, was issued. This executive order, known as Justice 40 (J40), mandates that 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments must go to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution. This initiative aims to confront decades of underinvestment by channeling resources into these impacted communities

To address these barriers in the Central Ohio region, in 2023, MORPC partnered with COTA, the Columbus Partnership, and consultant Cityfi to create a strategy to incorporate the J40 initiatives into principles and practices across the region.

Brand Messaging – In 2023, MORPC partnered with Align2Market and Hunter Marketing to develop a new and fresh messaging framework to better align with the agency's updated brand identity launched in 2019. This work resulted in an updated agency mission and vision, the creation of a new tagline and brand narrative with a focus on MORPC focus areas:

- Community & Economic Development
- Transportation & Mobility
- Direct Service Programs
- Planning & Sustainability
- Data & Mapping

- Engagement
- Public Public

A MORPC message pocket guide was created to help members and community partners share the agency's work's impact in the Central Ohio region.

Website Refresh – In the summer of 2023, MORPC's website update was rolled out to include a fresh look, format, and more advanced editing functionality. The new website design is data-driven and features a more responsive and modern user experience. Additionally, the website was updated to align with the agency's brand and new messaging.

Strategic Framework – In 2023, MORPC launched its new strategic framework with a focus on its four pillars:

1. Pay it Forward
2. Build Value for Members
3. Drive Investment
4. Create an Environment for Prosperity

MORPC's strategic framework also included the new brand narrative, mission, vision, and what MORPC does, as well as the new focus areas featured in MORPC's brand messaging.

ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK


The economy in Central Ohio is anchored by the City of Columbus, which is the only major city in the northeast quadrant of the country to have grown continuously since 1970. According to a 2020 U.S. Census Bureau estimate (the most recent available), Columbus is the 14th largest city in the United States, with 905,748 residents in the city proper and over 2.1 million in the Metropolitan Statistical Area. This places Columbus just behind Fort Worth, Texas, and just ahead of Indianapolis, Indiana, in the national rankings by population.

Population growth in Columbus since the 2010 census through 2020 is 15 percent, which is a greater rate of growth than any other city in the Northeast or Midwest regions of the U. S. having a population of 125,000 or more. According to 2020 decennial national census results, which were released by the U.S. Census Bureau in August 2021, state-level aggregate data indicates that Ohio's population has grown only 2.3% from 2010 to 2020, to 11,799,448, and Ohio has lost a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. The City of Columbus is one of the largest cities in the United States with an AAA bond rating from Standard & Poor's Corporation and an Aaa rating from Moody's Investors Services, Inc. Franklin County also enjoys these high bond ratings.

Unemployment rates for the last five years were as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
United States	3.5%	6.7%	3.9%	3.5%	3.7%
Ohio	4.1%	5.6%	4.5%	4.1%	3.6%
Columbus MSA	3.2%	4.4%	2.9%	3.1%	2.7%

Columbus is one of the few metropolitan areas in the Midwest that has consistently performed well economically in the last decade. Comparing Columbus to the nation and State of Ohio, unemployment rate, recent job growth, and projected future job growth regularly exceeds the corresponding averages. The region is bouncing back from the negative economic impacts of the COVID pandemic. The Central Ohio region is



well-positioned to take advantage of future economic growth opportunities. This has most recently included the announcements of billions of dollars in investment in the region by the following private corporations: Intel, Hyperion, and Honda.

Other governments, including counties, townships, and municipalities, continue to express interest in joining MORPC, enhancing MORPC's prospects for further growth within its geographic region.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

DISCUSSION OF CONTROLS: MORPC adopts its annual appropriated budget in December for the following year and makes a mid-year revision if needed. Budgetary control is maintained using the following appropriation accounts:

- Salaries
- Benefits
- Services and charges, and materials
- Board Member Reimbursements
- Grants to Non-Profit Organizations and Governments
- Capital expenditures

A more detailed level within each appropriation is accounted for and reported internally and at the Executive Committee. The budget and appropriations are adopted by resolution of the MORPC Commission. The Commission has delegated to the Finance Director limited authority to transfer amounts among the appropriation accounts within the total appropriated.

MORPC operates like a consulting business, with most of its revenue received under actual cost reimbursement contracts or from programs like fixed-price home weatherization contracts. As a result of this funding structure, MORPC accounts for its operations as a single enterprise fund, following generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) on an accrual basis. The budget is also developed on the GAAP basis and is detailed in six-month periods by each contract or other source of funds and includes only those amounts estimated to be earned during the budget period. MORPC's financial information system performs budgetary control and activity-based cost accounting in order to manage the financially critical task of staying within budget for each contracted activity. GAAP financial statements and comprehensive budget-to-actual performance reports, with explanations of major variances, are prepared monthly and presented to the Executive Committee quarterly.

The Executive Committee authorizes each individual contract in excess of \$75,000 if the expense is included in the current budget. Various financial status reports are periodically submitted to grantors according to their requirements. The Franklin County Auditor also ensures that all expenditures are within amounts appropriated by MORPC.

Numerous accounting and administrative controls exist to assure compliance with federal and state laws, applicable regulations such as the U.S. Office of Management & Budget's *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* ("OMB Uniform Requirements"), the terms and conditions of the many contracts, as well as the Commission's own adopted policies and procedures, which are periodically reviewed and updated. Because the cost of internal control should not exceed anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of any material misstatements. The accountants' report on internal control

appears at the beginning of the Single Audit Section of this report and discloses no condition considered to be a material weakness.

PROPRIETARY OPERATIONS: As referenced above, MORPC is an association of local governments comprised of counties, cities, villages, townships, and other regional governments with governmental and non-profit status. It operates similarly to a consulting business and is treated as a single enterprise for accounting, budgetary, and financial presentation purposes.

It is MORPC's policy to charge user fees to organizations and individuals who contract for or request the services and products of MORPC staff. The user fees are established and calculated on a 100 percent actual cost recovery basis, including capital costs, in conformance with MORPC's activity-based, federally-negotiated, organization-wide cost allocation plan.

The financial statements have been prepared following Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *"Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments."* As part of this reporting model, management is responsible for preparing a Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Commission. This discussion follows the Independent Accountants' Report, providing an assessment of the Commission finances for 2023.

Members participate in the funding of MORPC on a per-capita basis at rates determined by the MORPC Commission each year. Other revenues flow from contracts for specific services to be rendered on an actual cost basis with no provision for profit or based on completed units. Costs are allocated in accordance with policies and procedures specified by OMB Uniform Requirements using a single organization-wide cost allocation plan for which the U.S. Department of Transportation is the oversight agency. MORPC received \$9,062,347 or 59.9% of its 2023 operating revenue from federal sources under contracts directly with the federal government or indirectly under contracts with third parties for federal programs, principally the State of Ohio and Franklin County.

The following is a summary of the comparative results of operations and the 2024 budget:

	<u>2022 Actual</u>	<u>2023 Actual</u>	<u>2024 Budget</u>
Revenues			
Federal grants and contracts	\$8,590,996	\$9,062,347	\$15,210,779
State grants and contracts	746,617	985,476	\$1,492,087
Members' per-capita fees	1,400,304	1,492,125	\$1,576,319
Utility contracts	1,810,054	1,722,742	\$2,095,620
Local contracts and other	2,182,229	1,709,190	\$3,125,841
Foundations/corporate contributions	116,135	158,396	\$128,772
Total Revenues	\$14,846,335	\$15,130,276	\$23,629,418
Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	\$ 7,105,711	\$ 7,954,952	\$10,983,466
Pension and other postemployment benefits	(1,485,539)	1,062,327	1,083,211
Consultants and subcontracts	2,941,707	2,998,916	6,996,347
Amortization and Depreciation	760,151	866,416	687,528


Other expenses	3,514,243	3,155,632	3,878,866
Total Expenses	\$12,836,273	\$16,038,243	\$23,629,418
Operating income (loss)	2,010,062	(907,966)	0
Interest income	20,014	93,710	42,800
Interest expense on leases and SBITAs	(117,632)	(116,409)	
Change in net position	\$1,912,444	\$(930,665)	\$42,800
Capital expenditures	\$132,046	\$473,697	\$120,000

Members' per-capita fees of \$1,492,125 were leveraged by a factor of over 10 to 1 in 2023, resulting in total operating revenues of \$15,130,276. Total federal revenues increased as commuter-related program activities increased as travel demand rebounded from 2020 reductions related to COVID, as the housing rehabilitation and weatherization programs rebounded (production was hampered in 2020 due to COVID), and as MORPC implemented new federally-funded programs/activities. Local contract revenue decreased to the level observed in pre-pandemic years. MORPC received a large influx of revenues in 2020-2021 from the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) for its local funds in lieu of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) National Transit Database funding as a result of additional FTA apportionments received by COTA. Utility contract revenue decreased due to a reduction in weatherization work.

Overall, operating revenue increased in 2023 by \$283,941 (1.9%) to \$15,130,276. Most of the 2023 increase was due to an increase in federal revenues of 5.5% or \$471,351. The increase in federal revenues was partially offset by a decrease in nonfederal revenues associated with various grants, which decreased by 3.3% or \$142,359.

The following program and activity revenues were under budget by \$100,000 or more in 2023:

	<u>\$ Amount Under Budget</u>
FTA Section 5310 Designated Recipient	1,797,709
Electric Vehicle Climate Change	1,000,000
Ohio Department of Health Lead Remediation	656,108
Growth & Major Economic Development	515,068
HUD Healthy Homes Production Program	361,614
Columbia Gas Warm Choice	353,016
Planning Grant NUC	350,000
Appalachian/Thriving Communities Grant NUC	250,000
HWAP BIL	196,530
Brownfield NUC	166,846



Available amounts for most of the above programs and activities were under contract with funders and were available to be earned in 2023, some at lower-than-expected amounts. Some were anticipated but not funded in 2023. The largest under budget item for FTA Section 5310 is the result of significant backlog in availability of vehicles to enhance the mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities.

BUILDING LEASE: MORPC leases approximately 26,849 square feet of office space to house the MORPC office staff and public meeting areas. The lease commenced on November 1, 2017, was amended effective November 1, 2019, and has an expiration date, including probable extensions, of October 31, 2032. Other information regarding this lease can be found in notes 3,4 and 9 to the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT: The financial statements are presented annually for independent audit in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 115.56 and OMB Uniform Requirements. The report of the Ohio Auditor of State is included in the financial section of this report and is unmodified.

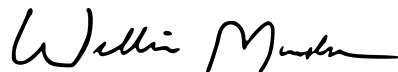
CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING: The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada ("GFOA") awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022. MORPC has received a Certificate of Achievement for the last thirty-five consecutive years. The Certificate of Achievement is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for the preparation of state and local government financial reports.

To be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government unit must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report that satisfies both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current annual comprehensive financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS: The timely preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the cooperation and dedicated services of staff members of MORPC and the Ohio Auditor of State, our independent auditors. We want to express sincere appreciation to all those who assisted and contributed to its preparation. Appreciation is also extended to the MORPC Executive Committee and officers for their interest and support in planning and conducting the financial operations of MORPC in a responsible and professional manner.

Respectfully submitted,



William Murdock
Executive Director



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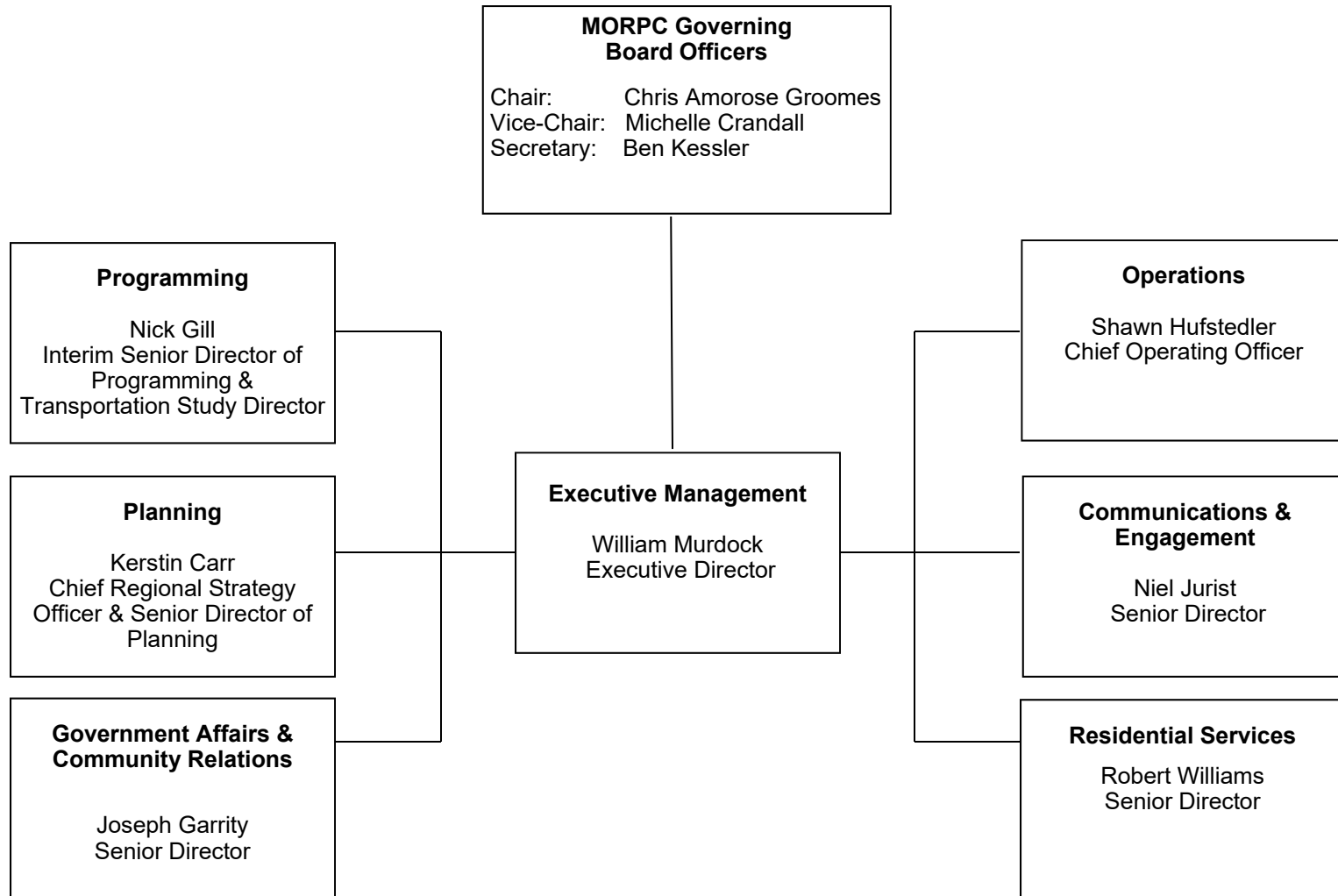
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Organizational Chart—Management Staff

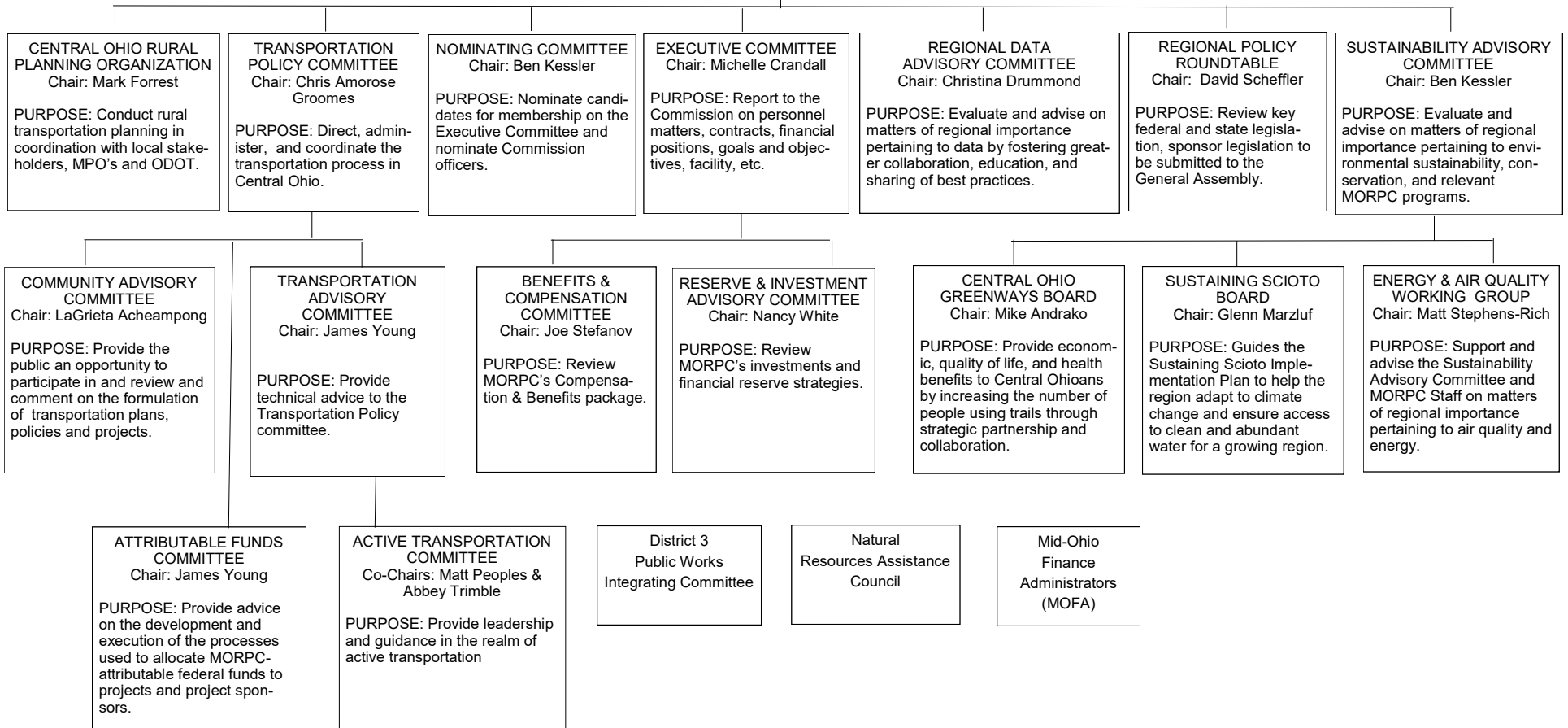
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Board of Commissioners:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Franklin County, Ohio (the Commission), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Franklin County, Ohio as of December 31, 2023, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Commission, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, and schedules of net pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities and pension and other post-employment benefit contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements. The Schedule of Revenues and Expenses-Budget and Actual, Details of Indirect Cost Allocation and Fringe Benefits Allocation, Schedule of Revenues and Expenses for US Department of Transportation Funds, Schedule of Costs by Subcategory for US Department of Transportation Funded Activities, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Revenues and Expenses-Budget and Actual, Details of Indirect Cost Allocation and Fringe Benefits Allocation, Schedule of Revenues and Expenses for US Department of Transportation Funds, Schedule of Costs by Subcategory for US Department of Transportation Funded Activities, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual financial report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 5, 2024, on our consideration of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith Faber". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Keith" and last name "Faber" clearly distinguishable.

Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

June 5, 2024

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

(Unaudited)

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an overview of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's (MORPC) financial performance and introduces the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information contained in the MD&A should be considered in conjunction with the information presented in MORPC's financial statements and corresponding notes to the financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- Net position decreased by \$930,665 in 2023. This decrease was due mostly to: 1) net loss of \$853,157 associated with the spending of local revenues received from the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) in lieu of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) National Transit Database (NTD) funding (the revenue was recognized in prior years); 2) \$190,211 in charges associated with MORPC's calculations of the year-end 2023 net pension liability and net OPEB liability; 3) operating deficits totaling \$182,213 from residential weatherization programs; 4) \$156,299 in depreciation related to leasehold improvements. The losses are partially offset by gains of 1) \$257,340 of unused member dues in 2023, which will be used to bolster the operating reserve, 2) \$100,165 gain in miscellaneous local programs; 3) \$93,710 in investment income.
- In 2023, MORPC adopted GASB 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA). GASB 96 requires reporting lease assets and liabilities for most subscription-based information technology arrangements on the statement of Net Position. In this statement of Net Position, the impact on GASB 96 can be seen in the new line items "Capital assets – net of accumulated amortization," "Current Liability – Right to Use Leases and Subscriptions," and "Noncurrent liabilities – Right to Use Leases and Subscriptions." These changes reflect the recognition of SBITA assets and SBITA liabilities on the statement of Net Position for the first time.
- Operating revenue increased in 2023 by \$283,941 (1.9%) to \$15,130,276. Most of the 2023 increase was due to an increase in federal revenues of 5.5% or \$471,351. The increase in federal revenues was partially offset by a decrease in nonfederal revenues associated with various grants, which decreased by 3.3% or \$142,358.
- The operating expenses increased by 24.9% or \$3,201,969 from \$12,836,273 in 2022 to \$16,038,242 in 2023. This increase was primarily driven by 1) an increase in pension and OPEB expenses, which increased by \$2,547,866 from negative expense (\$1,485,539) in 2022 to a positive \$1,062,327 in 2023; 2) an increase in salaries and benefits expenses of 12% or \$849,241, 3) an increase in consultants and subcontractors' expenses by 1.9% or \$57,209 and 4) an increase in amortization expense of 18% or \$103,764. These increases in expense were partially offset by 5) decreases in other expenses by 10.2% or \$358,612 from \$3,514,243 in 2022 to \$3,155,631 in 2023.
- Cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2023 were \$2,726,246 consistent with prior year, showing only a slight increase from the 2022 ending balance of \$2,627,206
- MORPC reported an operating loss of \$907,966 in 2023. The 2023 loss was primarily attributable to the same factors that decreased the net position as discussed above.

Overview of the Financial Statements

MORPC's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). MORPC is structured as a single enterprise (proprietary) fund with revenues recognized when earned and expenses when incurred. Capital assets are capitalized and are depreciated over their useful lives. See the notes to the financial statements for a summary of MORPC's significant accounting policies.

Following this MD&A are the basic financial statements of MORPC together with notes, which are essential to a full understanding of the data contained in these statements. Included in the financial statements for MORPC are the following:

Statement of Net Position – This statement presents information on all MORPC's 1) assets and deferred outflows of resources, and 2) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported as net position.

Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Position – This statement measures the success of operations and can be used to determine whether MORPC successfully recovered all of its costs through federal, State of Ohio, local government, and utility company contracts, members' per capita fees, and other contributions and revenues.

Statement of Cash Flows – This statement reports cash receipts, cash disbursements, and net changes in cash resulting from operating activities, investing activities, and capital and related financing activities. This statement provides answers to such questions as: from where the cash came, for what was cash used, and what was the net change in cash for each of the reporting periods. Reconciliation of operating income with net cash is also provided.

Net Financial Position

The following represents MORPC's net position as of the years ended December 31, 2023, and 2022:

Condensed Statement of Net Position

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets	\$ 6,521,793	\$ 6,440,926
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	6,669,421	7,062,140
Net OPEB asset	0	1,088,535
Total Assets	<u>\$ 13,191,214</u>	<u>\$ 14,591,601</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension and OPEB	\$ 4,635,594	\$ 1,451,923
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities	\$ 2,758,193	\$ 1,888,808
Net pension and OPEB liability	9,943,599	3,089,268
Other noncurrent liabilities	5,191,567	5,632,349
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 17,893,359</u>	<u>\$ 10,610,425</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension and OPEB	\$ 352,136	\$ 4,921,120

NET POSITION

Net investment in capital assets	\$ 1,380,411	\$ 1,448,135
Restricted	2,373,198	3,226,073
Unrestricted	(4,172,296)	(4,162,230)
Total Net Position	\$ (418,687)	\$ 511,978

The net pension liability and lease liability on December 31, 2022, and 2023 are the most significant liabilities reported.

Subscription based information technology arrangements (SBITA) are reported pursuant to GASB Statement No. 96, *SBITA*. Statement No. 96 requires the recognition of certain SBITA assets and liabilities for SBITA that were previously classified as software subscriptions expense and recognizes an inflow or outflow of resources based on the payment provisions of the subscription contract. This standard establishes one model for SBITA accounting based on the principle that a software subscription is a financing of the right to use an underlying asset. The software user is required to recognize a SBITA liability and an intangible right-to-use SBITA asset.

Leases are reported pursuant to GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*. Statement No. 87 requires the recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that were previously classified as operating leases and recognizes an inflow or outflow of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. This standard establishes one model for lease accounting based on the principle that a lease is a financing of the right to use an underlying asset. The lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset.

Pensions are reported pursuant to GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an Amendment of GASB Statement 27*, and OPEB are reported as per the similar-in-concept GASB Statement No. 75 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (OPEB, i.e. retiree healthcare benefits). For reasons discussed below, many end users of this financial statement will gain a clearer understanding of MORPC's actual financial condition by adding deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB, and the net pension liability to the reported net position, and then subtracting net OPEB asset and deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB.

GASB standards are national and apply to all government financial reports prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. When accounting for pension costs prior to 2015, the now-superseded GASB Statement No. 27 focused on a funding approach. This approach limited pension costs to contributions annually required by law, which may or may not be sufficient to fully fund each plan's *net pension liability*. GASB Statements Nos. 68 and 75 take an earnings approach to pension and OPEB accounting; however, the nature of Ohio's statewide pension system – the Ohio Public Employees' Retirement System (OPERS) – and state law governing the system, requires additional explanation in order to properly understand the information presented in these statements.

Under the standards required by GASB Statements Nos. 68 and 75, the net pension and net OPEB liability equal MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' collective present value of estimated future pension and OPEB benefits attributable to active and inactive employees' past service; minus plan assets available to pay these benefits.

GASB notes that pension and OPEB obligations, whether funded or unfunded, are part of the "employment exchange" – that is, the employee is trading his or her labor in exchange for wages, benefits, and the promise of a future pension and OPEB. GASB noted that the unfunded portion of this promise is a present obligation of the government, part of a bargained-for benefit to the employee and

should accordingly be reported by the government as a liability since they received the benefit of the exchange. However, MORPC is not responsible for certain key factors affecting the balance of this liability. In Ohio, the employee shares the obligation of funding pension benefits with the employer. Both employer and employee contribution rates are capped by state statute. A change in these caps requires action of both houses of the General Assembly and approval of the Governor. Benefit provisions are also determined by state statute. Furthermore, OPEB are not mandated by state law and could be rescinded in a similar manner. An employee enters the employment exchange with the knowledge that the employer's promise is limited not by contract but by law. The employer enters the exchange also knowing that there is a specific, legal limit to its contribution to the pension system. In Ohio, there is currently no legal means to enforce the unfunded liability of the pension system against the public employer. State law operates to mitigate or lessen the moral obligation of the public employer to the employee, because all parties enter the employment exchange with notice as to the law. OPERS is responsible for the administration of the plan.

Most long-term liabilities have set repayment schedules or, in the case of compensated absences (i.e. sick and vacation leave), are satisfied through paid time-off or termination payments. There is no repayment schedule for the net pension and net OPEB liability. As explained above, changes in pension benefits, contribution rates, and return on investments affect the balance of the net pension and net OPEB liabilities but are outside the control of MORPC. If contributions, investment returns, and other changes are insufficient to keep up with required pension payments, state statute does not assign/identify the responsible party for the unfunded portion. Due to the unique nature of how the net pension and net OPEB liability is satisfied, these liabilities are separately identified within the long-term liability section of the statement of net position. In accordance with GASB Statements Nos. 68 and 75, MORPC's statements include an annual pension and OPEB expense for its proportionate share of OPERS' *change* in net pension and net OPEB liabilities not accounted for as deferred inflows or deferred outflows. Also, in accordance with GASB Statements Nos. 68 and 75, MORPC is reporting a net pension liability, a net OPEB asset, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB on the accrual basis of accounting.

Current assets increased by \$80,868 (1.3%) in 2023 from 2022. This can mostly be attributed to slight increases in cash balance \$99,040 and account receivables \$22,869 and decrease in prepaid expenses (\$38,788).

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, decreased by \$392,719 as depreciation for fix assets outweighed activity or costs incurred on 1) leasehold improvements and the replacement of furniture and fixtures and 2) amortization for Right to Use Assets and SBITAs outweighed the additions during 2023.

Deferred outflows of resources are described more fully in note 6 to the financial statements. Changes in the 2023 GASB Statement No. 68- and GASB Statement No. 75-mandated deferred outflows of resources for pensions and OPEB are mostly comprised of 1) MORPC's contractually required pension payments to OPERS made subsequent to the plan measurement date (\$830,406 in 2023 compared to \$742,797 in 2022); 2) MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' total cumulative unamortized difference arising from changes in actuarial assumptions (\$102,899 in 2023 vs. \$386,309 in 2022); and 3) the cumulative unamortized net difference (\$0 in 2023 vs. \$165,330 in 2022), 4) difference between projected and actual earnings \$2,776,277 in 2023 vs. \$0 in 2022), and 5) difference between expected and actual experience (323,530 in 2023 vs. 157,487 in 2022).

Current liabilities increased by \$869,385 (46.0%) in 2023 from 2022. This can essentially be attributed to the fact that SBITA are now reported pursuant to GASB Statement No. 96, *SBITA* and an increase in accounts payable.

Net pension liability is described more fully in note 6 to the financial statements. GASB Statement No. 68-mandated net pension liability is MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' total collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of the plan's fiduciary net position. The 2023 proportionate share was calculated from OPERS' total net unfunded

pension liability as of December 31, 2022, plan measurement date (the most recent). Changes in the 2023 liability resulted primarily from the GASB Statement No. 68-calculated pension expense of \$513,316, plus \$233,799 due to differences in experience, plus the difference in changes in contributions subsequent to measurement date of \$87,609, plus \$6,450,851 in the difference between projected and actual investment earnings, less a \$283,410 difference due to changes in assumptions, and less MORPC's \$351,184 decrease in its OPERS proportionate share (from 0.033% in 2022 to 0.036% in 2023).

Net OPEB liability increased (\$203,351 in 2023 vs. negative (\$1,088,535) in 2022), which is described more fully in note 6 to the financial statements. GASB Statement No. 75-mandated net OPEB liability is MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' total collective actuarial present value of projected OPEB payments attributable to past periods of service, net of the plan's fiduciary net position. The 2023 proportionate share was calculated from OPERS' total net unfunded OPEB asset as of the December 31, 2022, plan measurement date (the most recent). In 2022, OPERS reported a change from a net OPEB asset of \$3.1 billion to a net liability of \$630 million. Changes in the 2023 asset resulted from 1) changes in assumptions, 2) differences between projected and actual investment earnings, differences in experience, and 3) change in MORPC's OPERS proportionate share (from 0.035% in 2022 to 0.032% in 2023).

Deferred inflows of resources are described more fully in note 6 to the financial statements. Changes in GASB Statements No. 68- and GASB Statement No. 75-mandated deferred inflows of resources for pension and OPEB resulted from MORPC's total unamortized change in the proportionate share of the pension and OPEB liability (\$281,289 in 2023 compared to \$54,112 in 2022), the proportionate share of cumulative unamortized differences between expected and actual experience (\$50,724 in 2023 as against \$165,114 in 2022), change in assumptions (\$16,343 in 2023 vs. 440,626 in 2022), and the proportionate share of cumulative unamortized differences between projected and actual earnings (\$3,780 in 2023 compared to \$4,193,513 in 2022).

Net investment in capital assets decreased by \$67,722 in 2023 due to: (1) \$47,751 - minimal activity in purchasing new assets, and (2) \$19,971 - variance between lease liability and lease asset.

Restricted net position cannot be used to finance day-to-day operations due to external constraints, imposed by the entities providing those resources, specifying the purposes for which the net position may be used (restricted for regional transportation-related programs). In 2021, additional restricted local revenue was received from COTA in lieu of FTA NTD monies, as additional NTD funds were made available to COTA under the federal CARES Act of 2020 as well as the federal CRSSA and ARPA Acts of 2021.

Unrestricted net position is the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without such external constraints, and decreased by \$10,066 from 2022 to 2023, primarily due to 1) the results of operating activities in 2023, 2) the GASB Statement No. 68-mandated net pension expense, and 3) the GASB Statement No. 75-mandated net OPEB expense previously discussed.

The following represents MORPC's revenues, expenses, and changes in net position for the years ended December 31, 2023, and 2022:

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

OPERATING REVENUES	2023	2022
Federal	\$9,062,347	\$8,590,996
Nonfederal	4,186,791	4,329,150
Foundations and corporations	158,396	116,135
Utility company	1,722,742	1,810,054
Total Operating Revenues	15,130,276	14,846,335

OPERATING EXPENSES		
Salaries and benefits	7,954,952	7,105,711
Pension and OPEB	1,062,327	(1,485,539)
Consultants and subcontractors	2,998,916	2,941,707
Depreciation and Amortization	866,416	760,151
Other expenses	3,155,631	3,514,243
Total Operating Expenses	16,038,242	12,836,273
OPERATING GAIN/(LOSS)		
	(907,966)	2,010,062
Interest expense on leases	(116,409)	(117,632)
Interest Income	93,710	20,014
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(930,665)	1,912,444
Net Position, Beginning of Year	511,978	(1,400,466)
Net Position, End of Year	<u><u>\$ (418,687)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 511,978</u></u>

Operating revenues increased by \$283,941 (1.9%) in 2023 compared to 2022. Local revenues decreased by \$142,359 in 2023 as they returned to more standard levels following a large influx of local revenues received from the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) in lieu of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) National Transit Database (NTD) funding during 2020-2021. Utility funding also decreased by \$87,312 in 2023 as the level of weatherization work declined. Partially offsetting these decreases, federal revenues increased by \$471,351 due to new grant programs and increases to existing programs, and foundation revenue increased by \$42,261.

Operating expenses increased by \$3,201,969 (24.9%) in 2023. The change can be attributed to 1) a \$2,547,866 increase in pension and OPEB expenses due to the increase in the GASB Statement Nos. 68- and 75-mandated proportional share of OPERS' unfunded actuarial liabilities. 2) Salaries and benefits also increased by \$849,241 as payroll expenses increased; 3) consultants and subcontractors increased by \$57,209 due to increased home repair work; 4) other expenses decreased by \$358,612, and 5) depreciation and amortization increased by \$106,265 due to the purchase of new assets in prior years and adoption of GASB 96, *SBITA*.

Capital Assets

Capital assets of MORPC totaled \$6,669,421 and \$7,062,140 as of December 31, 2023, and 2022, respectively (net of accumulated depreciation) and decreased by \$392,719 in 2023 as depreciation expense of \$866,416 exceeded new asset additions of \$473,697 in 2023. Additional information on capital assets can be found in note 4 to the financial statements.

Long-Term Liabilities

Under the Ohio Revised Code, MORPC does not have authority to incur long-term debt; however, MORPC may enter into leases. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, MORPC implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 96, *SBITA*, which requires reporting of certain software subscription liabilities not previously reported. The standard is based on the foundational principle that software subscriptions are financing the right to use an underlying asset. The software-based information technology agreement requires MORPC to make payments over a specific period of time. The present value of the *SBITA* payments has been recorded as a liability on the balance sheet as of December 31, 2023. MORPC has complied with all applicable GASB 96 requirements in recognizing and disclosing this *SBITA* in the financial statements. Additional information on Long-Term Debt related to *SBITA* can be found in notes 3 and 9 to the financial statements.

Economic Conditions

MORPC relies heavily on federal, state and local grants and contracts and utility company contracts along with members' dues to fund its many programs. At present these revenue sources appear to be secure in the short term; however, legislative action and national and state economic conditions can affect each of these revenue streams in both the short term and the long term.

Transportation grants have historically been, and remain, the largest funding sources of MORPC. The primary source for these funds is the Highway Trust Fund (HTF), which is included with legislation authorizing federal transportation programs. The most recent transportation authorization law is the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), which was signed into law by President Biden on November 15, 2021. The BIL authorizes \$1.2 trillion for transportation and infrastructure spending with \$550 billion of that figure going toward "new" investments and programs. The BIL provides a massive increase in funding for transportation and infrastructure, including energy and power infrastructure, access to broadband internet, water infrastructure, and more.

Current funding for the HTF, primarily from fuel taxes, is not sufficient to provide current levels of funding for the authorized BIL programs, thus requiring subsidies from the general fund; Congress last raised the federal gasoline tax to its current level of \$0.183 per gallon in 1993. Additionally, in 2020 slackening sales of gasoline due to COVID-19 pandemic-driven travel reductions put additional downward pressure on gasoline tax collections. This left a structural deficit in the fund, with the tax only covering about \$36 billion of the \$45 billion the federal government was authorized to spend on roads annually in each of the six federal fiscal years 2016-2021. Transfers from the general fund have taken place in most federal fiscal years since 2008; the BIL continued transfer of funds to the HTF.

The transportation funds received by MORPC are dependent upon the amount of federal funding received by Ohio. For state fiscal year (SFY) 2023, BIL apportionments of highway program funds were higher than that of the previous fiscal year. These 2023 BIL funding levels continued for SFY 2024 & SFY 2025. Additionally, for SFY 2025, the results from the 2020 U. S. Census was incorporated into formulas used to distribute these funds throughout Ohio. Due to Central Ohio's growth outpacing other parts of the state, MORPC received an increased funding in SFY 2025. It is expected that the SFY 2025 funding will be the base level moving through the remainder of the BIL.

Local and state funding is received for various other transportation initiatives or federal grant matching. In 2019, MORPC renewed a five-year contract with the Central Ohio Transit Authority to receive local funds from COTA in lieu of receiving FTA Section 5307 funding. Revenue from this agreement has totaled over \$6 million since 2015 (this includes local funds received in lieu of federal COVID-related funding), including \$480,967 in 2023. MORPC is in the process of again renewing the contract with COTA to extend it through 2030. Due to updates in the data used in the FTA formula, the 2024 amount is expected to dip and will gradually increase over the next few years is anticipated to begin gradually increasing in 2025 and beyond.

Contacting MORPC

This financial report is designed to provide our members, grantors, federal and state oversight agencies and the citizens of Central Ohio with a general overview of MORPC's finances and to show MORPC's accountability for the money it receives. Additional financial information can be obtained by contacting the Chief Operating Officer, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, 111 Liberty Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio, 43215 or on the internet at www.morpc.org.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>2023</u>
<u>ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:</u>	
<u>Assets:</u>	
Current assets -	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,726,173
Cash — board designated for building repairs and replacements	73
Accounts receivable	3,656,095
Other prepaid expenses	139,452
Total current assets	<u>6,521,793</u>
Noncurrent assets -	
Capital assets — net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>6,669,421</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>6,669,421</u>
Total assets	13,191,214
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources:</u>	
Pension and OPEB	<u>4,635,594</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u><u>\$ 17,826,808</u></u>
<u>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION:</u>	
<u>Liabilities:</u>	
Current liabilities -	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,207,438
Accrued payroll and fringe benefits	319,168
Accrued PTO and sick leave	100,000
Right to Use Leases and Subscriptions	636,928
Unearned revenue	494,659
Total current liabilities	2,758,193
Noncurrent liabilities -	
Accrued PTO and sick leave	539,487
Right to Use Leases and Subscriptions	4,652,080
Net pension liability	9,740,248
Net OPEB liability	203,351
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>15,135,166</u>
Total liabilities	17,893,359
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources:</u>	
Pension and OPEB	352,136
<u>Net Position:</u>	
Net investment in capital assets	1,380,411
Restricted for regional transportation programs	2,373,198
Unrestricted	<u>(4,172,296)</u>
Total net position	<u>(418,687)</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	<u><u>\$ 17,826,808</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>2023</u>
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Governmental:	
Federal grants	\$ 9,062,347
Nonfederal:	
Members' per capita fees	1,492,125
State grants and contracts	985,476
Local contracts and other	<u>1,709,190</u>
Total nonfederal	4,186,791
Foundations/corporate contributions	158,396
Utility company contracts	<u>1,722,742</u>
Total operating revenues	15,130,276
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Salaries and benefits, excluding pensions and other postemployment benefits	7,954,952
Pensions and other postemployment benefits	1,062,327
Consultants and subcontractors	2,998,916
Other services	1,897,935
Grant pass-through costs to subrecipients	436,651
Conferences and events	231,467
Materials and supplies	139,914
Advertising	110,122
Insurance and bonding	85,040
Travel	72,684
Utilities	41,656
Depreciation and amortization	866,416
Other	<u>140,162</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>16,038,242</u>
OPERATING LOSS	(907,966)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES(EXPENSES):	
Interest expense on leases and SBITAs	(116,409)
Interest income	<u>93,710</u>
Total non-operating revenues(expenses):	(22,699)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(930,665)
NET POSITION — Beginning of year	<u>511,978</u>
NET POSITION — End of year	<u><u>\$ (418,687)</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>2023</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Received from federal operating grants	\$ 8,925,170
Received from state, local, utility company operating grants, contracts, and other	6,148,612
Payments for salaries and benefits	(8,793,193)
Payments for consultants and subcontractors	(3,001,628)
Other payments	<u>(2,358,529)</u>
Net cash received by operating activities	920,432
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	
Interest received	93,710
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	
Additions to property and equipment	(190,381)
Interest on leases	(116,409)
Principal paid on leases	<u>(608,312)</u>
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	<u>(915,102)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	0
INCREASE IN CASH DEPOSITS	99,040
CASH DEPOSITS — Beginning of year (including \$4,534 in cash, board designated for building repairs and replacement at January 1, 2023)	<u>\$ 2,627,206</u>
CASH DEPOSITS — End of year (including \$73 in cash, board designated for building repairs and replacement at December 31, 2023)	<u>\$ 2,726,246</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH RECEIVED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES —	
Operating income/(loss)	\$ (907,966)
Adjustments to reconcile to cash used by operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization	866,416
Changes in assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows:	
Accounts receivable	(22,872)
Other prepaid expenses	38,785
Mortgage notes receivable	2,255
Accounts payable	753,347
Accrued payroll liabilities	33,875
Unearned revenue	(33,619)
Pension and OPEB	<u>190,211</u>
Total adjustments	<u>1,828,398</u>
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>\$ 920,432</u>

See notes to financial statements.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

1. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization — The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (“MORPC”) was created in 1969 as the successor to the Franklin County Regional Planning Commission under authority granted by state statute. MORPC is a regional planning agency composed of representatives from political subdivisions in and around Franklin County, Ohio. These representatives gain membership in MORPC by satisfying certain eligibility and conditional requirements. MORPC serves communities in Central Ohio by supervising, monitoring, and performing planning activities affecting the present and future environmental, social, economic, and government characteristics of the region. MORPC is not subject to federal or state income taxes.

In accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14, Statement No. 61, *Omnibus—an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*, and Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*, MORPC is not considered part of the Franklin County (the “County”) financial reporting entity as a result of the following:

- MORPC is a separate legal entity, established under Section 713.21 of the Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”).
- The County holds only 12 of 171 seats on MORPC’s governing Board.
- MORPC is not fiscally dependent on the County, and it does not provide a financial benefit to, nor impose a financial burden on, the County.
- MORPC provides services to members outside of the County.

MORPC does not have any component units.

Basis of Accounting — In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for governmental entities such as MORPC, a proprietary fund is used to account for operations since they are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The intent of MORPC is to recover costs of the services provided to its members, the federal government, the state, and all other contracting organizations. The proprietary fund is accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting, using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. Revenue is recognized in the period earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred.

Revenue Recognition — Revenue is derived from federal, state, county, and local funding, as well as foundations, corporations, and utility company contracts. MORPC members are charged an annual fee on a per-capita basis as determined by MORPC pursuant to the Articles of Agreement of MORPC. In addition, MORPC receives federal grants, which include amounts from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Commerce, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Highway Administration (in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Transportation), the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (both in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Development).

Revenues are recognized in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position when earned. Cash received, for which all revenue recognition eligibility requirements have not been met as defined in GASB Statement No. 33, are recorded as unearned grant and contract revenue in the statement of net position.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues from non-operating revenues. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. MORPC receives revenue from those who directly benefit from the services of MORPC and receives revenue from other governments restricted to a specific program or programs. Revenue from these sources has been classified as operating revenue.

Property and Equipment — MORPC capitalizes at cost all purchased property and equipment costing \$5,000 and greater and with a useful life greater than one year. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from four to ten years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the lesser of the useful life of the asset or term of the lease. Donated property and equipment are recorded at acquisition value on the date of donation. Upon sale or disposition of property and equipment, the cost and related depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is recognized. MORPC is reporting an intangible right to use assets related to leased building and equipment. These intangible assets are being amortized in a systematic and rational manner over the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

Leases – MORPC is a party to several contracts as a lessee for noncancelable leases of building and equipment. GASB Statement No. 87 requires a lessee to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use asset (lease asset).

At lease commencement, MORPC initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured at the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life. Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how the MORPC determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments.

When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, MORPC generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases. The lease term includes the non-cancelable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that MORPC is reasonably certain to exercise. MORPC monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements – MORPC is committed under various subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs). As of December 31, 2023, MORPC has two qualifying SBITAs under GASB 96 in which it is the end user. Under GASB 96, MORPC initially measures the SBITA liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the SBITA liability is reduced by the principal portion of SBITA payments made. The SBITA asset is initially measured at the initial amount of the SBITA liability, adjusted for SBITA payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus capitalizable initial implementation costs. Subsequently, the SBITA asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the subscription term or the useful life of the underlying IT asset.

When the interest rate charged by the SBITA vendor is not provided, MORPC generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for the SBITA. The SBITA term includes the non-cancelable period of the SBITA. MORPC monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of the SBITA asset and liability if those changes are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Cash Deposits and Cash Equivalents — As required by ORC Section 713.21, MORPC must deposit all receipts in the Franklin County Treasury. The County Treasurer maintains a cash and investment pool used for all County Treasury activities. Franklin County serves as MORPC's fiscal agent.

Pursuant to ORC Section 135.181, the County's deposits are covered by collateral held by third-party trustees in collateral pools securing all public funds on deposits with specific depository institutions. There is no regulatory oversight for the pool. A portion of the deposits is held in the County's name in non-interest-bearing demand deposit accounts in institutions with branches in Franklin County. A portion of the deposits is in time certificates of deposit registered in the County's name and is held by the County.

During 2023, Franklin County held investments on behalf of MORPC in the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio). STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the state to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment company, but has adopted GASB Statement No. 79, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants*, which establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for qualifying external investment pools, and for the state and local governments that participate in them, that elect to measure their investments at amortized cost. STAR Ohio is reported at the net asset value (NAV) per share, which is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides a NAV per share that approximates fair value. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates.

MORPC's deposits with Franklin County have carrying amounts of \$2,726,246 at December 31, 2023 and bank balances of \$2,726,246 at December 31, 2023. Included in these bank balances are \$73 at December 31, 2023, which is designated by the MORPC Board for building repairs and replacements. Franklin County's deposits of MORPC funds are held by third-party trustees, pursuant to ORC Section 135.181, in collateral pools securing all public monies on deposit with specific depository institutions. The fair value of the position in this external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, MORPC will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At fiscal year-end, none of the cash deposits and cash equivalents was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution.

Investments — The ORC does not provide MORPC the power to make or hold investments other than the non-interest-bearing deposits in the Franklin County Treasury explained above. By written agreement with Franklin County, the proceeds from the 2007 sale of the former MORPC office building were invested by the County on behalf of MORPC with all the proceeds from the investments flowing to MORPC. At December 31, 2023, these proceeds were invested in a separate account in STAR Ohio. In total, the investment balance was \$1,658,454 at December 31, 2023. The STAR Ohio account is considered to be a cash equivalent and the balance is included in the cash balances carried by Franklin County as noted above.

Interest Rate Risk — Investments held by Franklin County on behalf of MORPC are required to mature within five years unless matched to a specific obligation of the agency. To the extent possible, the agency will attempt to match its investments with anticipated cash flow requirements.

Credit Risk — STAR Ohio carries a rating of AAA by Standard and Poor's. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. For funds invested by Franklin County on behalf of MORPC, safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments of the agency shall be undertaken in a manner that ensures the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. At no time will the safety of the portfolio's principal be impaired or jeopardized. Safety is defined as the certainty of receiving interest, plus full par value at the security's legal final maturity.

Debt — The ORC does not provide MORPC the power to incur debt other than for leases for the purchase of equipment or property and buildings for housing commission operations.

Cash Equivalents — For purposes of the statements of cash flows, MORPC considers all cash deposits held by the Franklin County Treasurer and investments on behalf of MORPC in STAR Ohio to be cash equivalents since they are available to MORPC upon demand.

Compensated Absences — MORPC employees are granted annual leave (Paid Time Off or PTO) and, prior to 2016, sick leave in varying amounts. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated annual leave and a percentage of accumulated sick leave.

Sick leave benefits are accrued using the vesting method in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*. An accrual for earned sick leave is reduced to the maximum amount allowed as a termination payment. The liability is based on the probability that individual employees will become eligible to receive termination payments.

MORPC allows employees to annually convert unused PTO and sick leave hours to cash compensation with various quantity and usage restrictions. The amount employees converted in 2023 was approximately \$108,251, reducing MORPC's liability.

Pensions – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) pension plan and additions to/deductions from OPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by OPERS. OPERS uses the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Contribution revenue is recorded as contributions are due, pursuant to legal requirements. Benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. OPERS reports investments at fair value.

Other Postemployment Benefits – For purposes of measuring the net other postemployment benefit (OPEB) liability/asset deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the OPERS OPEB plan and additions to/deductions from OPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by OPERS. OPERS uses the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, OPERS recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Deferred Outflows of Resources – In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/ expenditure) until then. MORPC reports deferred outflows of resources for certain pension-related and OPEB-related amounts, such as change in expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, and certain contributions made to the plan subsequent to the measurement date. More detailed information can be found in note 6.

Deferred Inflows of Resources – In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. MORPC reports deferred inflows of resources for certain pension-related and OPEB-related amounts, such as the difference between projected and actual earnings of the plan's investments. More detailed information can be found in note 6.

Net position – Net position reflects the accumulated difference between the costs of providing services and the revenues generated from those services, plus general revenues. Net position is comprised of the following:

Net investment in capital assets, consisting of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, as well as the variance between lease asset and lease liability as of the end of the current fiscal year.

Restricted, consisting of net position for which the use is limited to specific purposes by the external party providing the resources. When both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available for use, MORPC's policy is to use restricted net position first, then unrestricted.

Unrestricted, consisting of net position that does not meet the definition of net investment in capital assets or restricted.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements – As of December 31, 2023, the GASB issued the following statements implemented by MORPC:

Accounting for SBITAs— During the current fiscal year, MORPC adopted GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA.

As a result, MORPC now includes liability for the present value of payments expected to be made and software right-to-use asset. SBITA activity is further described in Notes 3, 4, and 9.

Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and availability payment arrangements – During the current fiscal year, MORPC adopted GASB Statement No. 94 Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and availability payment arrangements. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs) whereas a government contracts with an operator (public or private entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to use a nonfinancial asset, such as infrastructure or other capital asset for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Statement 94 was evaluated for implementation by MORPC for the year ended December 31, 2023. MORPC has not entered into any PPPs; therefore, adoption of this statement does not have an impact on MORPC's financial statements.

Future Pronouncements – The GASB has issued the following statements:

Statement No. 99 “OMNIBUS 2022.” The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Statement No. 100 “Accounting Changes and Error Corrections-An Amendment of GASB Statement N0.62”. The requirements of this Statement are effective for accounting changes and error corrections made in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Statement No. 101 “Compensated absences”. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Statement No. 102 “Certain Risk Disclosures”. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2024, and all reporting periods thereafter.

Earlier application of these statements is encouraged. All these statements will be implemented at the required time. Management has not yet determined the impact any of these statements will have on its financial statements.

2. CASH DESIGNATED FOR REPLACEMENTS

During 2023, MORPC held monies with the Franklin County Treasurer, which are designated to be used for major replacements, repairs and maintenance of its office facility, which totaled \$73 as of December 31, 2023.

3. LEASES AND SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS (SBITAs)

GASB Statement No. 87 requires a lessee to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use asset. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, MORPC implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 96, *SBITA*, which requires reporting of certain SBITA liabilities not previously reported. These standards are based on the foundational principle that leases and SBITA are financing of the right to use an underlying asset. The present value of future lease and SBITA payments over the entirety of the lease term, which includes extension periods if it is probable the extension will be exercised, are reported as lease assets and lease liabilities. For Leases starting at 2022, MORPC uses a 2% rate for discounting payments to their present value. For Leases and SBITAs started in 2023, MORPC uses a 5% rate for discounting payments to their present value.

MORPC leases approximately 26,849 square feet of office space to house the MORPC office staff and public meeting areas. Additionally, MORPC has agreements for copier leases and one vehicle. The lease costs incurred in 2023 were \$614,721. They included principal payments of \$506,244 and interest payments of \$108,477.

Future principal and interest payments, by year, under all leases are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 529,639	\$ 100,629	\$ 630,268
2025	548,565	89,268	637,833
2026	565,081	77,510	642,591
2027	576,629	65,652	642,281
2028	585,083	53,908	638,991
2029-2032	<u>2,376,722</u>	<u>92,941</u>	<u>2,469,662</u>
<u>Total Future Leases</u>			
<u>Payments</u>	<u>\$ 5,181,719</u>	<u>\$ 479,908</u>	<u>\$ 5,661,626</u>

MORPC has two SBITA agreements, one for Geographic Information System license (ArcGIS) and one for RideAmigos Regional License, personally branded, mobile-responsive web interface that integrates transportation program data, multimodal trip planning, trip logging, map layers, and information into a single platform.

The SBITA costs incurred in 2023 were \$110,000. They included principal payments of \$102,068 and interest payments of \$7,932.

Future principal and interest payments, by year, under all SBITA are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 107,289	\$ 2,710	\$ 109,999
2025	0	0	0
2026	0	0	0
2027	0	0	0
2028	0	0	0
2029-2032	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Total Future SBITA</u>			
<u>Payments</u>	<u>\$ 107,289</u>	<u>\$ 2,710</u>	<u>\$ 109,999</u>

4. CAPITAL ASSETS

The following schedule reflects changes in capital assets during the year ended December 31, 2023

	Balance December 31, 2022	Additions	Deletions	Balance December 31, 2023
Capital assets, being depreciated and amortized:				
Leasehold improvements	\$ 861,240	\$ 31,400	\$ -	\$ 892,640
Furniture and equipment	1,346,675	106,673	-	1,453,348
Automobiles and light trucks	181,387	-	-	181,387
Right to use asset - leases	6,105,266	73,958	-	6,179,224
Right to use asset - SBITA	-	261,666	-	261,666
Total depreciable and amortized capital assets	<u>8,494,568</u>	<u>473,697</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,968,265</u>
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization:				
Leasehold improvements	181,486	72,133	-	253,619
Furniture and equipment	518,210	103,505	-	621,715
Automobiles and light trucks	155,904	10,185	-	166,089
Right to use asset - leases	576,828	574,943	-	1,151,771
Right to use asset - SBITA	-	105,650	-	105,650
Total accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>1,432,428</u>	<u>866,416</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,298,844</u>
Total depreciable and amortized capital assets - net	<u>\$ 7,062,140</u>	<u>\$ (392,719)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,669,421</u>

5. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

A schedule of MORPC's accounts receivable as of December 31, 2023, is as follows:

	<u>2023</u>
Federal grants	\$ 2,653,273
State and local grants and contracts	899,382
Utility company contracts	<u>103,440</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,656,095</u>

6. EMPLOYEE PENSION AND OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLANS

a. Net Pension Liability

In 2023, OPERS reported increased Pension liability and net OPEB liability. This also resulted in a decrease in deferred inflows of resources. The net pension liability and the net other postemployment benefits (OPEB) liability reported on the statement of net position represent a liability to employees for pension and OPEB benefits provided through the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions – between an employer and its employees – of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions and OPEB are provided to an employee – on a deferred-payment basis – as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

The net pension liability represent MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of OPERS' fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments, salary increases, health care cost trends and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits MORPC's obligation for these liabilities to annually required payments. MORPC cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, MORPC does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pensions.

GASB Statements Nos. 68 and 75 assume the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires OPERS to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, OPERS' board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

b. Plan Description – Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS)

The proportionate share of OPERS' unfunded benefits is presented as a long-term *net pension liability* on the accrual basis of accounting. Any liability for the contractually-required pension and OPEB contribution outstanding at the end of the year is included as a payable on the accrual basis of accounting.

Plan Description - MORPC employees, through Franklin County, participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional pension plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan and the combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with defined contribution features. OPERS also provides postemployment health care benefits (OPEB), including Medicare B premiums, to members who elect to receive them. While members (e.g. MORPC employees) may elect the member-directed plan and the combined plan, substantially all employee members are in OPERS' traditional plan; therefore, the following disclosures focus on the traditional pension plan only.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits, and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional plan. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position that may be obtained by visiting <https://www.opers.org/financial/reports.shtml>, by writing to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 800-222-7377.

Senate Bill (SB) 343 was enacted into law with an effective date of January 7, 2013. In the legislation, members were categorized into three groups with varying provisions of the law applicable to each group. The following table provides age and service requirements for retirement and the retirement formula applied to final average salary (FAS) for the three member groups under the traditional plan as per the reduced benefits adopted by SB 343 (see OPERS' ACFR referenced above for additional information).

Group A	Group B	Group C
Eligible to retire prior to January 7, 2013 or five years after January 7, 2013	20 years of service credit prior to January 7, 2013 or eligible to retire ten years after January 7, 2013	Members not in other Groups and members hired on or after January 7, 2013
State and Local	State and Local	State and Local
Age and Service Requirements:	Age and Service Requirements:	Age and Service Requirements:
Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 60 with 60 months of service credit or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit	Age 57 with 25 years of service credit or Age 62 with 5 years of service credit.
Formula:	Formula:	Formula:
2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 30 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 30	2.2% of FAS multiplied by years of service for the first 35 years and 2.5% for service years in excess of 35

Final average salary (FAS) represents the average of the three highest years of earnings over a member's career for Groups A and B. Group C is based on the average of the five highest years of earnings over a member's career. Members who retire before meeting the age and years of service credit requirement for unreduced benefits receive a percentage reduction in the benefit amount.

When a benefit recipient has received benefits for 12 months, an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) is provided. This COLA is calculated on the base retirement benefit at the date of retirement and is not compounded. For those retiring prior to January 7, 2013, the COLA will continue to be a 3 percent simple annual COLA. For those retiring subsequent to January 7, 2013, beginning in calendar year 2019, the COLA will be based on the average percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, capped at 3 percent.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides statutory authority for local government members and employer contributions to OPERS as follows:

2023 Statutory Maximum Contribution Rates:

Employer	14.0%
Employee	10.0%

2023 Actual Contribution Rates:

Employer:	
Pension	14.0%
OPEB	0.0%
Total Employer	<u>14.0%</u>
Employee	<u>10.0%</u>

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined using the entry age normal cost method and are expressed as a percentage of covered payroll. MORPC's actuarially and statutorily required contribution was \$830,406 for pensions and \$-0- for OPEB in 2022, of which \$-0- is reported as payable at December 31, 2022.

c. Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pension

The net pension liability for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. Contributions made by MORPC after the measurement date but before the end of the respective reporting period will be recognized as a reduction of the Net Pension Liability in the subsequent fiscal period. MORPC's proportion of the net pension liability was based on MORPC's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to MORPC's proportionate share and pension expense:

	<u>OPERS</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$9,740,248
Proportion of the net pension liability	0.03297303%
Pension expense	\$1,343,759

At December 31, 2023, MORPC reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>OPERS</u>
<u>Deferred outflows of resources:</u>	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$323,530
Net differences between expected and actual earning	\$2,776,277
Change in assumptions	102,899
MORPC contributions subsequent to the measurement date	830,406
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$4,033,112</u>
 <u>Deferred inflows of resources:</u>	
Change in proportionate share	281,289
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 281,289</u>

\$830,406 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from MORPC contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending December 31, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	<u>OPERS</u>
Year Ending December 31:	
2024	182,051
2025	562,158
2026	817,195
2027	1,360,013
Total	<u>\$2,921,417</u>

d. Net OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

The net OPEB liability for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2022, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021, which was rolled forward to December 31, 2022. MORPC's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on MORPC's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. The OPEB liability exceeded the Plan Fiduciary Net Position resulting in a net OPEB liability this year, which is a change from the previous year in which the Plan Fiduciary Net Position Exceeded the OPEB liability resulting in an OPEB asset. Following is information related to MORPC's proportionate share and OPEB expense:

	<u>OPERS</u>
Proportionate share of the net OPEB Liability	\$203,351
Proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.03225137%
OPEB expense	(\$323,105)

At December 31, 2023, MORPC reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<u>OPERS</u>
<u>Deferred outflows of resources:</u>	
Difference between projected and actual earnings	\$ 403,864
Change in assumptions	198,618
Difference between expected and actual experience	0
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 602,482</u>
<u>Deferred inflows of resources:</u>	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 50,724
Change in proportionate share	3,780
Change in assumptions	16,343
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>\$ 70,847</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as OPEB expense in future years as follows:

Year Ending December 31:	<u>OPERS</u>
2024	63,505
2025	147,092
2026	125.939
2027	195.099
Total	<u>\$ 531,635</u>

e. Actuarial Assumptions – OPERS and OPEB

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the values of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include

assumptions about future employment, mortality, and cost trends. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review or modification as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation. The total pension liability in the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial Cost Method	Individual Entry Age
Investment Rate of Return for Pension	6.90 percent
Investment Rate of Return for OPEB	6.00 percent
Single Discount Rate	5.22 percent
Future Salary Increases, including inflation	2.75 percent to 10.75 percent
Municipal Bond Rate	4.05 percent
Health Care Trend Rate for OPEB	5.50% initial, 3.50% ultimate in 2036
Wage Inflation	2.75 percent
Cost of Living Adjustments	Pre 1/7/2013 Retirees:3.00 percent, simple Post 1/7/2013 Retirees:3.00 percent, simple Through 2023, then 2.05 simple

Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on 130% of the Pub-2010 General Employee Mortality tables (males and females) for State and Local Government divisions and 170% of the Pub-2010 Safety Employee Mortality tables (males and females) for the Public Safety and Law Enforcement divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates are based on 115% of the PubG-2010 Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. Post-retirement mortality rates for disabled retirees are based on the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality Tables (males and females) for all divisions. For all of the previously described tables, the base year is 2010 and mortality rates for a particular calendar year are determined by applying the MP-2020 mortality improvement scales (males and females) to all of the above tables.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended December 31, 2020. The long term expected rate of return on defined benefit investment assets was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected real rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage, adjusted for inflation.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in the OP&F's Statement of Investment Policy. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes. A summary of best estimates of the long-term expected geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of December 31, 2022 (measurement date) are summarized as follows:

OPERS

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Geometric)</u>
Fixed Income	22.00%	2.62%
Domestic Equities	22.00	4.60
Real Estate	13.00	3.27
Private Equity	15.00	7.53
International Equities	21.00	5.51
Risk Parity	2.00	4.37
Other Investments	<u>5.00</u>	<u>3.27</u>
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

OPEB

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Weighted Average Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Geometric)</u>
Fixed Income	34.00%	2.56%
Domestic Equities	7.00	4.60
Real Estate	13.00	4.70
International Equities	25.00	5.51
Risk Parity	2.00	4.37
Other Investments	<u>6.00</u>	<u>1.81</u>
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

Discount Rate OPERS - A discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.90 percent. The projections of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and those of the contributing employers are made at the contractually required rates, as actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefits payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Discount Rate OPEB - A discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at December 31, 2022 was 4.27 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from employers and from members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by state statute. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the longer-term assumed investment rate of return of 7.50 percent. Based on those assumptions, OP&F's fiduciary net position was projected to not be able to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, a municipal bond rate of 3.65 percent at December 31, 2022 was blended with the long-term rate of 7.50 percent, which resulted in a blended discount rate of 4.27 percent.

Sensitivity of MORPC's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 6.9 percent, as well as what

MORPC's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5.9 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (7.9 percent) than the current rate:

:

	1% Decrease 5.9%	Current Discount Rate 6.9%	1% Increase 7.9%
MORPC's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$14,590,566	\$9,740,248	\$5,705,653

Sensitivity of MORPC's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' net OPEB liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 6 percent, as well as what MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (5 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (7 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 4.22%	Current Discount Rate 5.22%	1% Increase 6.22%
MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$692,114	\$203,351	(\$199,958)

Sensitivity of MORPC's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate - The following table presents MORPC's proportionate share of OPERS' net OPEB liability calculated using the current healthcare cost trend rate of 5.22 percent, as well as what MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a trend rate that is one-percentage-point lower (4.22 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (6.22 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 4.5%	Current Trend Rate 5.5%	1% Increase 6.5%
MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$190,606	\$203,351	\$217,697

7. CONTINGENCIES

Federal, state and local contracts and utility contracts are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designees. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenses disallowed under terms of the grant. There are no such claims pending and no known situations that would lead to such a claim. In addition, based upon prior experience and audit results, management believes that such disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

In the normal course of its business activities, MORPC may become subject to claims and litigation relating to contract, employment or other matters. In the opinion of management, the resolution of any such claims pending would not likely have a material impact on MORPC's financial position.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

MORPC is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts, theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disasters.

MORPC self-insures its workers' compensation costs by participating in the Franklin County Workers' Compensation self-insurance program. The County establishes rates for its member agencies based on an independent actuarial evaluation, and those charges are intended to cover administrative costs and maintain a sufficient reserve. The reserve is intended to cover costs in excess of \$100,000 per claim; MORPC is liable to cover any individual claim costs up to \$100,000 per occurrence. MORPC's related rate charge liability to the County as of December 31, 2023, was approximately \$110 and was included in the balance of accrued liabilities - payroll and fringe benefits.

MORPC has insurance for both general liability and automobile claims and hospitalization and medical benefit coverage to all of its full-time employees. There were no significant changes in the above policies during 2023. During 2023, insurance coverage, after meeting any applicable deductibles, was sufficient to cover all losses.

9. NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

In compliance with GASB Statement No. 87 and GASB Statement No. 96, MORPC has reported obligations for leases and SBITAs payable in the schedule below. For the current SBITAs, MORPC does not have non-current liabilities payable.

The changes in MORPC's noncurrent liabilities for the year ended December 31, 2023, are as follows:

	Beginning Balance December 31, <u>2022</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	Ending Balance December 31, <u>2023</u>	Current Portion December 31, <u>2023</u>
Paid Time Off (PTO)	\$ 584,931	\$ 606,860	\$ (579,702)	\$ 612,089	\$ 90,000
Sick leave	<u>35,102</u>	<u>18,729</u>	<u>(26,433)</u>	<u>27,398</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Accrued PTO and sick leave	620,033	625,589	(606,135)	639,487	100,000
Lease Liability	5,614,005	73,958	(506,244)	5,181,719	529,639
SBITA Liability	-	209,357	(102,068)	107,289	107,289
Net pension and Net OPEB liab	<u>3,089,268</u>	<u>6,854,331</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,943,599</u>	<u>-</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	\$ 9,323,306	\$ 7,763,235	\$ (1,214,447)	\$ 15,872,094	\$ 736,928

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF MORPC'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY
OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST NINE YEARS (1)**

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021 (6)</u>	<u>2020 (5)</u>	<u>2019 (4)</u>	<u>2018 (3)</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016 (2)</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
MORPC's proportion of the net pension liability:	0.03297303%	0.03550718%	0.03589335%	0.03335500%	0.03804571%	0.03290582%	0.03163505%	0.03127997%	0.03519806%
MORPC's proportionate share of the net pension liability:	\$9,740,248	\$3,089,268	\$5,315,024	\$6,592,842	\$10,419,950	\$5,162,285	\$7,183,782	\$5,418,085	\$4,245,280
MORPC's covered payroll:	\$5,305,693	\$5,007,979	\$5,033,357	\$5,083,621	\$4,501,479	\$4,193,685	\$4,031,617	\$3,895,282	\$4,297,843
MORPC's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a % of covered payroll:	183.58%	61.69%	102.06%	129.69%	231.48%	123.10%	178.19%	139.07%	98.78%
Plan fiduciary net position as a % of the total pension liability:	75.74%	92.62%	86.88%	82.17%	74.70%	84.66%	77.39%	81.08%	86.45%

Notes:

- (1) Amounts are calculated as of the OPERS measurement date, which is December 31 of the calendar year shown. MORPC's corresponding net pension liability is as of December 31 of the succeeding year. Data prior to 2013 is not available.
- (2) In 2016, OPERS revised actuarial assumptions which impacted the net pension liability valuation. The most significant changes in assumptions were: wage inflation was reduced from 3.75% to 3.25%; the range of projected salary increases was revised from 4.25 - 10.05% to 3.25% - 10.75%; the actuarial rate of return on investments was reduced from 8.00% to 7.50%; and the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant mortality tables replaced the RP-2000 mortality tables used in previous years.
- (3) In 2018, OPERS revised actuarial assumptions which impacted the net pension liability valuation. The actuarial rate of return on investments and the discount rate were reduced from 7.50% to 7.20%.
- (4) In 2019, OPERS revised actuarial assumptions which impacted the net pension liability valuation. The cost-of-living adjustments for post-1/7/2013 retirees was reduced from 3.00% prior to 2018 and 2.15% afterwards, to 1.40% prior to 2020 and 2.15% afterwards.
- (5) In 2020, OPERS revised actuarial assumptions which impacted the net pension liability valuation. The cost-of-living adjustments for post-1/7/2013 retirees was reduced from 1.40% prior to 2019 and 2.15% afterwards, to 0.5% prior to 2021 and remain the same 2.15% afterwards.
- (6) In 2021, OPERS revised actuarial assumptions which impacted the net pension liability valuation. The cost-of-living adjustments for post-1/7/2013 retirees was increased from 0.5% prior to 2020 and 2.15% afterwards, to 3.0% prior to 2022 and decreased to 2.05% afterwards. Investment rate of return decreased from 7.2% down to 6.9%. Wage inflation decreased from 3.25% down to 2.75%.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF MORPC PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST NINE YEARS**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Statutory required contribution	\$ 830,406	\$ 742,797	\$ 701,117	\$ 704,670	\$ 711,707	\$ 630,207	\$ 545,179	\$ 483,794	\$ 467,525
Contributions in relation to the statutory required contribution	\$ (830,406)	\$ (742,797)	\$ (701,117)	\$ (704,670)	\$ (711,707)	\$ (630,207)	\$ (545,179)	\$ (483,794)	(467,525)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
MORPC covered payroll	\$ 5,931,471	\$ 5,305,693	\$ 5,007,979	\$ 5,033,357	\$ 5,083,621	\$ 4,847,746	\$ 4,543,158	\$ 3,896,043	\$ 4,297,843
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	13.00%	12.00%	12.42%	10.88%

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF MORPC'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY (ASSET)

OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

LAST SIX YEARS (1)

	<u>2022 (5)</u>	<u>2021 (4)</u>	<u>2020 (3)</u>	<u>2019 (2)</u>	<u>2018 (1)</u>	<u>2017</u>
MORPC's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset):	0.03225137%	0.03475358%	0.03512965%	0.03367407%	0.03730121%	0.03225737%
MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset):	\$ 203,351	\$ (1,088,535)	\$ (625,863)	\$4,651,263	\$4,863,198	\$3,502,913
MORPC's covered payroll:	\$ 5,305,693	\$ 5,007,979	\$ 5,033,357	\$5,083,621	\$4,501,479	\$4,193,685
MORPC's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset): as a % of covered payroll:	3.83%	-21.74%	-12.43%	91.50%	108.04%	83.53%
Plan fiduciary net position as a % of the total OPEB liability (asset):	94.79%	128.23%	115.57%	47.80%	46.33%	54.14%

Notes:

(1) In 2018, OPERS revised several actuarial assumptions which impacted the net OPEB liability valuation.

The most significant changes in assumptions were: the health care cost trend rate was reduced from an initial rate of 10.00% down to 7.50%, then declining to 3.25% through 2029; the actuarial rate of return on investments was reduced from 6.50% to 6.00%; and the discount rate was increased from 3.85% to 3.96%.

(2) In 2019, OPERS revised several actuarial assumptions which impacted the net OPEB liability valuation.

The most significant changes in assumptions were: the health care cost trend rate was increased from an initial rate of 10.00% to 10.50%, then declining to 3.50% through 2030; and the discount rate was decreased from 3.96% to 3.16%.

(3) In 2020, OPERS reported a change from a net OPEB liability of \$13.8 billion to a net asset of \$1.8 billion. This also resulted in a large increase in deferred inflows.

(4) In 2021, OPERS revised several actuarial assumptions which impacted the net OPEB liability valuation.

The most significant change in assumptions was: the health care cost trend rate was reduced from an initial rate of 8.5% down to 5.50%, then 3.50% through 2034.

(5) In 2022, the net OPEB liability for OPERS was measured as of December 31, 2022 and the total OPEB liability

used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2021, which was rolled forward to December 31, 2022. The OPEB liability exceeded the Plan Fiduciary Net Position resulting in a net OPEB liability this year, which is a change from the previous year in which the Plan Fiduciary Net Position Exceeded the OPEB liability resulting in an OPEB asset.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF MORPC OPEB CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST FIVE YEARS**

	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>	
Statutory required contribution	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contributions in relation to the statutory required contribution	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
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MORPC covered payroll	\$	5,931,471	\$	5,305,693	\$	5,007,979	\$	5,033,357	\$	5,083,621
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance over / (under)</u>
Revenue			
Planning, Mapping & Transportation	\$ 8,038,910	\$ 14,492,452	\$ (6,453,542)
Residential Services	4,972,098	6,567,881	(1,595,783)
Services to Members & Development	1,213,038	1,221,486	(8,448)
Other	906,230	934,380	(28,150)
Total operating revenues	15,130,276	23,216,198	(8,085,922)
Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	8,827,068	9,919,582	(1,092,514)
Materials and Supplies	139,914	201,977	(62,063)
Consultants, services and other	6,204,844	12,921,924	(6,717,080)
Depreciation and Amortization	866,416	188,231	678,185
Total operating expenses	16,038,242	23,231,714	(7,193,472)
Operating gain/(loss)	(907,966)	(15,516)	(892,450)
Interest income	93,710	15,516	78,194
Interest expense on leases	(116,409)		(116,409)
Decrease in net position	<u>\$ (930,665)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (930,665)</u>

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The accounting principles employed by MORPC in its budgetary accounting and reporting are the same as those used to present financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Outlined below are the annual procedures MORPC follows to establish the expense budget data.

By December of the preceding year, the Finance Director develops a comprehensive operating and capital budget for the following calendar year with detailed estimated revenue and expenses by source for each half calendar year. Detailed direct and indirect cost allocations by grant are included. This budget, including appropriations, is presented to MORPC's Executive Committee of the Commission for review and then submitted to the full Commission for adoption.

MORPC appropriates at the major account group level, which includes personal services, materials and supplies, services and charges, capital expenditures, debt service, and interfund transfer. The Executive Committee can approve transfers among the appropriation accounts within the total appropriated by MORPC, which is the legal spending limit.

Each spring the federal transportation planning work program is submitted along with contract applications for federal planning funds for the next July through June fiscal year. The indirect cost allocation plan is submitted for negotiation in the summer or autumn, for the following calendar year.

If necessary during the year, MORPC's calendar year budget and appropriations are revised by the Finance Director, reviewed by the Executive Committee and adopted by the full Commission.

Appropriations lapse at year-end. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditures of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed in conjunction with the Franklin County Auditor as an extension of formal budgetary control.

Interim financial statements comparing budget to actual in the same level of detail as the budget are prepared monthly on the accrual basis. These statements, along with narrative variance analyses, are reviewed four times during the year by the Executive Committee.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Details of Indirect Cost Allocation and Fringe Benefits Allocation
Year-to-date as of December 31, 2023

	Estimated CY 2023	Actual CY 2023	Difference (Over Bdgt.) Under Bdgt.
Wages paid for time worked:			
Direct Labor	\$ 4,284,207	\$ 3,972,898	\$ 311,309
Indirect Labor	\$ 1,657,089	\$ 1,543,997	\$ 113,092
Total Labor - base for fringe allocation	\$ 5,941,296	\$ 5,516,895	\$ 424,401
Fringe Benefits			
PTO leave	\$ 347,295	\$ 367,140	\$ (19,845)
Holidays, funeral, jury, other leave	\$ 305,839	\$ 270,551	\$ 35,288
Sick Leave	\$ 18,150	\$ 21,756	\$ (3,606)
Retirement PTO/Sick Leave	\$ 5,500	\$ (3,027)	\$ 8,527
PTO/Sick Carryover	\$ 226,410	\$ 239,720	\$ (13,310)
Subtotal Fringe Benefit Wages	\$ 903,194	\$ 896,140	\$ 7,054
Other Fringe Benefits			
OPERS	\$ 990,866	\$ 872,116	\$ 118,750
Workers Comp	\$ 88,376	\$ 58,224	\$ 30,152
Unemployment Compensation	\$ 17,100	\$ 12,447	\$ 4,653
Medicare	\$ 102,106	\$ 87,428	\$ 14,678
Group Medical Insurance	\$ 1,276,873	\$ 1,172,006	\$ 104,867
Group EAP Insurance	\$ 57,350	\$ 60,336	\$ (2,986)
Group Life Insurance	\$ 3,835	\$ 3,558	\$ 277
Group Optical Insurance	\$ 10,633	\$ 9,812	\$ 821
Group Dental Insurance	\$ 58,919	\$ 54,086	\$ 4,833
Group Prescription Insurance	\$ 267,577	\$ 245,576	\$ 22,001
Benefits Administrative Fee	\$ 67,984	\$ 62,942	\$ 5,042
Employee Health Incentive	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000
Employee Group Insurance Cost Sharing	\$ (371,720)	\$ (326,151)	\$ (45,569)
ST/LT Disability Insurance	\$ 50,000	\$ 57,887	\$ (7,887)
Benefit Consultant for Alternatives		\$ -	\$ -
Estimated Employee Turnover	\$ (223,283)	\$ -	\$ (223,283)
<i>Prior Year Rate Adjustment (use only with fixed rate)</i>	\$ 111,435	\$ 111,435	\$ -
Subtotal Other Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,513,051	\$ 2,481,702	\$ 31,348
TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 3,416,245	\$ 3,377,842	\$ 38,402
Indirect Costs			
Salaries - Indirect Only	\$ 1,657,089	\$ 1,543,997	\$ 113,092
Fringe Benefits for Indirect Salaries	\$ 952,826	\$ 945,356	\$ 7,470
Materials & Supplies	\$ 140,460	\$ 106,685	\$ 33,775
Services & Charges	\$ 857,303	\$ 959,832	\$ (102,529)
Rent & Utilities	\$ 435,850	\$ 512,957	\$ (77,107)
Other General Overhead	\$ 32,803	\$ 26,299	\$ 6,504
<i>Prior Year Rate Adjustment (use only with fixed rate)</i>	\$ 140,936	\$ 140,936	\$ 0
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 4,217,267	\$ 4,236,061	\$ (18,794)
Direct Labor Costs by Department:			
Transportation Infrastructure & Development	\$ 3,350,042	\$ 2,729,932	\$ 620,110
Residential Services	\$ 891,563	\$ 872,203	\$ 19,360
Member Dues	\$ 336,489	\$ 337,745	\$ (1,256)
Other Grants/Programs	\$ 24,004	\$ 33,018	\$ (9,014)
Less Estimated Turnover	\$ (317,891)	\$ -	\$ (317,891)
TOTAL DIRECT LABOR COSTS	\$ 4,284,207	\$ 3,972,898	\$ 311,309

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Details of Indirect Cost Allocation and Fringe Benefits Allocation
Year-to-date as of December 31, 2023

	Estimated CY 2023	Actual CY 2023	Difference (Over Bdgt.) Under Bdgt.
Calculated Direct vs. Indirect Fringe Benefits Costs			
Direct Labor Fringe Benefits	\$ 2,463,419	\$ 2,432,486	\$ 30,933
Indirect Labor Fringe Benefits	\$ 952,827	\$ 945,356	\$ 7,472
TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 3,416,245	\$ 3,377,842	\$ 38,402
Fringe Benefit Cost Rate Computation			
TOTAL Fringe Benefit Costs /	\$ 3,416,245	\$ 3,377,842	
TOTAL Labor Costs (Direct & Indirect)	\$ 5,941,296	\$ 5,516,895	
= Fringe Benefit Cost Rate	57.50%	61.23%	
Estimated Fringe Benefit Cost Recovery Comparison (Direct Labor Portion Only)			
Should have recovered in fiscal year	\$ 2,432,486	61.23% of Direct Labor	
Amount actually recovered in fiscal year	\$ 2,284,416	57.50% of Direct Labor	
Prior Year Net (Over) / Under Recovery	\$ 111,435		
Prior Year (Over) / Under Recovery Posted to Cost Pool	\$ 111,435		
Total - (Over)/Under Recovery of Fringe Benefits	\$ 148,070	A (over)/under	
Indirect Cost Rate Computation			
TOTAL Indirect Costs /	\$ 4,217,267	\$ 4,236,061	
DIRECT Labor + Direct Labor Fringe Benefits	\$ 6,747,626	\$ 6,405,384	
= Indirect Cost Rate	62.50%	66.13%	
Estimated Indirect Cost Recovery Comparison (All Indirect Costs, Indirect Labor & Indirect Labor Fringe Benefits)			
Should have recovered in fiscal year ((Actual Direct Labor + Actual Direct Labor Fringe Benefits)	\$ 4,236,061	66.13% of Direct Labor + Direct Labor Fringe Benefits	
Amount actually recovered in fiscal year ((Actual Direct Labor + Direct Labor Fringe Benefits)	\$ 3,910,822	62.50% of Direct Labor + Direct Labor Fringe Benefits	
Prior Year Net (Over) / Under Recovery	\$ 140,936		
Prior Year (Over) / Under Recovery Posted to Cost Pool	\$ 140,936		
Total - (Over)/Under Recovery of Indirect Costs	\$ 325,239	B (over)/under	
Estimated			
Fringe Benefit Cost (Over)/Under Recovery	\$ 148,070	A (over)/under	
Indirect Cost (Over)/Under Recovery	\$ 325,239	B (over)/under	
Net (Over)/Under Recovery	\$ 473,309		
Summary			
Fringe Benefit Rate	57.50%	61.23%	
Indirect Cost Rate	62.50%	66.13%	
Total Overhead Cost Rate	120.00%	127.36%	

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMISSION
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
For Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 116044 Consolidated Planning Grant SFY23	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 118130 Consolidated Planning Grant SFY24	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 114263 Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization SFY23	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 118375 Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization SFY24
Revenues:				
Federal	\$ 1,589,373	1,360,002	83,758	90,352
State	198,673	169,932	10,470	11,294
Local	198,701	169,928	10,469	11,293
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,986,747	1,699,862	104,697	112,939
Expenditures:				
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,189,175	1,002,502	63,786	69,020
Consultants	25,237	42,607	381	-
Other Direct	29,100	28,189	664	781
Indirect Costs	743,235	626,564	39,866	43,138
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,986,747	1,699,862	104,697	112,939

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMISSION
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
For Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 105638	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 110232	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 105645	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 110234
	Rideshare Program SFY23	Rideshare Program SFY24	Supplemental Planning SFY23	Supplemental Planning SFY24
Revenues:				
Federal	\$ 317,318	374,667	185,594	207,096
State	-	-	-	-
Local	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 317,318	374,667	185,594	207,096
Expenditures:				
Salaries and benefits	\$ 153,479	185,715	106,720	117,898
Consultants	61,942	59,349	12,143	15,492
Other Direct	5,972	13,531	31	20
Indirect Costs	95,925	116,072	66,700	73,686
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 317,318	374,667	185,594	207,096

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMISSION
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
For Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 105649	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 110225	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 110240	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 110241
	Air Quality Awareness SFY23	Air Quality Awareness SFY24	Insight2050 Technical Assistance SFY23	Insight2050 Technical Assistance SFY24
Revenues:				
Federal	\$ 273,430	274,163	128,872	138,401
State	-	-	-	-
Local	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 273,430	274,163	128,872	138,401
Expenditures:				
Salaries and benefits	\$ 132,097	142,482	78,942	84,518
Consultants	55,606	40,937	-	188
Other Direct	3,166	1,693	591	871
Indirect Costs	82,561	89,051	49,339	52,824
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 273,430	274,163	128,872	138,401

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMISSION
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
For Year Ended December 31, 2023

	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 117035 Central Ohio Greenways Wayfinding Strategy	Federal Highway Administration/Ohio Department of Transportation 115208 LinkUS Regional Corridors Planning SF23
Revenues:		
Federal	\$ 194,562	131,955
State	-	-
Local	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 194,562	131,955
Expenditures:		
Salaries and benefits	\$ -	81,169
Consultants	191,660	-
Other Direct	2,902	55
Indirect Costs		50,731
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 194,562	131,955

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
SCHEDULE OF COSTS BY SUBCATEGORY FOR
US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDED ACTIVITIES
AS DEPICTED IN THE SFY 23 AND SFY 24 PLANNING WORK PROGRAMS
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	<u>SUBCATEGORIES</u>	<u>FHWA</u>	<u>ODOT</u>	<u>MORPC</u>	<u>CMAQ</u>	<u>STP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		80.00%	10.00%	10.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
601	Short Range Planning SFY 23	\$ 160,905	\$ 20,113	\$ 20,113	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 201,131
	Short Range Planning SFY 24	\$ 154,171	\$ 19,258	\$ 19,259	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 192,688
	Short Range Planning - CORPO SFY 23	\$ 20,201	\$ 2,525	\$ 2,525	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,251
	Short Range Planning - CORPO SFY 24	\$ 14,086	\$ 1,761	\$ 1,761	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,608
602	Transportation Improvement Program SFY 23	\$ 134,460	\$ 16,808	\$ 16,808	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 168,076
	Transportation Improvement Program SFY 24	\$ 135,470	\$ 16,920	\$ 16,920	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 169,310
	Transportation Improvement Program CORPO SFY 23	\$ 18,687	\$ 2,336	\$ 2,336	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,359
	Transportation Improvement Program CORPO SFY 24	\$ 19,546	\$ 2,443	\$ 2,443	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,432
605	Continuing Planning - Surveillance SFY 23	\$ 645,015	\$ 80,627	\$ 80,606	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 806,248
	Continuing Planning - Surveillance SFY 24	\$ 587,440	\$ 73,389	\$ 73,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 734,216
	Continuing Planning - Surveillance CORPO SFY 23	\$ 5,930	\$ 741	\$ 741	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,412
	Continuing Planning - Surveillance CORPO SFY 24	\$ 21,436	\$ 2,680	\$ 2,679	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,795
610	Long Range Planning SFY 23	\$ 532,787	\$ 66,599	\$ 66,650	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 666,036
	Long Range Planning SFY 24	\$ 271,843	\$ 33,980	\$ 33,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 339,803
	Long Range Planning CORPO SFY 23	\$ 38,940	\$ 4,868	\$ 4,867	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,675
	Long Range Planning CORPO SFY 24	\$ 35,284	\$ 4,411	\$ 4,409	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44,104
625	Service SFY 23	\$ 94,133	\$ 11,767	\$ 11,765	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,665
	Service SFY 24	\$ 176,091	\$ 22,011	\$ 22,010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 220,112
665	Special Studies -						
	LinkUS 2022	\$ 131,955	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,955
	Insight2050 - Technical Assistance SFY 23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 128,872	\$ 128,872
	Insight2050 - Technical Assistance SFY 24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 138,401	\$ 138,401
	Regional Supplemental Planning SFY 23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185,594	\$ 185,594
	Regional Supplemental Planning SFY 24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,096	\$ 207,096
	COG Wayfinding Strategy SFY23				\$ -	\$ 194,562	\$ 194,562
667	Gohio Activities SFY 23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 317,318	\$ -	\$ 317,318
	Gohio Activities SFY 24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 374,667	\$ -	\$ 374,667
	Air Quality SFY 23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 273,430	\$ -	\$ 273,430
	Air Quality SFY 24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 274,163	\$ -	\$ 274,163
						\$ -	\$ -
697	Program Administration SFY 23	\$ 22,073	\$ 2,759	\$ 2,759	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,591
	Program Administration SFY 24	\$ 34,987	\$ 4,373	\$ 4,373	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43,733
Total		\$ 3,255,440	\$ 390,369	\$ 390,391	\$ 1,239,578	\$ 854,525	\$ 6,130,303

III. STATISTICAL SECTION

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Statistical Section

This part of MORPC's annual comprehensive financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about MORPC's overall financial health. These tables are presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 44, *Economic Condition Reporting: The Statistical Section*.

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These schedules contain trend information to help understand how MORPC's financial performance and wellbeing have changed over time.

Revenue Capacity

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These schedules contain information to help access MORPC's most significant local revenue sources. MORPC does not have the authority to assess property taxes.

Debt Capacity

N/A

The Ohio Revised Code does not provide MORPC the power to incur debt.

Demographic and Economic Information

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These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which MORPC's financial activities take place.

Operating Information

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These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in MORPC's financial report relates to the services MORPC provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the annual comprehensive financial reports for the relevant year.

Table 1

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Net Position by Component
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2014 (1)	2015	2016	2017 (2)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 218,275	\$ 203,061	\$ 127,540	\$ 84,438	\$ 131,338	\$ 113,458	\$ 1,024,304	\$ 1,584,979	\$ 1,448,135	\$ 1,380,411
Restricted for community development projects	255,750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted for regional transportation programs	-	-	-	-	157,586	193,592	1,371,773	\$ 3,696,639	\$ 3,226,073	\$ 2,373,198
Unrestricted	653,274	468,671	68,161	(3,841,545)	(4,906,790)	(8,139,267)	(10,957,333)	(6,682,084)	(4,162,230)	(4,172,296)
Total net position	\$ 1,127,299	\$ 671,732	\$ 195,701	\$ (3,757,107)	\$ (4,617,866)	\$ (7,832,217)	\$ (8,561,256)	\$ (1,400,466)	\$ 511,978	\$ (418,687)

(1) Includes a \$3,633,652 reduction of unrestricted net position due to a change in accounting principle. In 2015, MORPC implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, and restated 2014 unrestricted net position due to the recognition of the pension-related deferred outflow of resources and pension liability, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68. Information does not exist to restate any other prior years' net position.

(2) Includes a \$3,198,774 reduction of unrestricted net position due to a change in accounting principle. In 2018, MORPC implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions* [OPEB], and restated 2017 unrestricted net position due to the recognition of the OPEB-related deferred outflow of resources and net OPEB liability, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75. Information does not exist to restate any other prior years' net position.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Changes in Net Position - Revenue and Expense by Program
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2014 (2)	2015	2016	2017 (3)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Revenue										
Transportation (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transportation Infrastructure & Development,										
Planning & Sustainability, Data & Mapping (1)	5,193,972	5,103,694	5,616,497	6,565,020	6,870,247	7,398,240	6,606,985	7,385,643	8,419,221	8,038,910
Center for Energy and Environment (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy & Air Quality (1)	2,997,302	3,888,322	3,428,978	3,863,710	4,588,226	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Services - Weatherization (1)	-	-	-	-	-	3,312,042	2,719,687	3,046,061	3,171,315	3,188,849
Residential Services - Housing Rehabilitation	2,665,982	1,294,752	1,072,460	761,578	1,171,071	909,541	457,523	644,957	1,645,919	1,783,249
All Other	992,318	613,352	171,563	1,376,128	1,328,518	1,535,060	1,990,121	4,315,949	1,609,880	2,119,268
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 11,849,574	\$ 10,900,120	\$ 10,289,498	\$ 12,566,436	\$ 13,958,062	\$ 13,154,883	\$ 11,774,316	\$ 15,392,610	\$ 14,846,335	\$ 15,130,276
Expenses										
Transportation (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transportation Infrastructure & Development,										
Planning & Sustainability, Data & Mapping (1)	5,179,295	5,116,383	5,582,701	6,479,282	6,866,645	7,397,208	6,606,739	7,324,918	8,451,417	8,613,838
Center for Energy and Environment (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy & Air Quality (1)	3,230,208	3,877,695	3,795,914	4,141,726	4,768,357	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Services - Weatherization (1)	-	-	-	-	-	4,069,916	3,000,858	3,237,359	3,171,856	3,482,299
Residential Services - Housing Rehabilitation	2,493,046	1,655,871	1,070,943	762,223	1,173,160	909,615	457,523	644,924	1,626,418	1,783,249
All Other	1,079,474	708,157	329,781	1,972,250	2,070,727	4,066,779	2,459,177	(2,490,085)	(413,419)	2,158,856
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 11,982,023	\$ 11,358,106	\$ 10,779,339	\$ 13,355,481	\$ 14,878,889	\$ 16,443,518	\$ 12,524,297	\$ 8,717,116	\$ 12,836,273	\$ 16,038,242
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (132,449)	\$ (457,986)	\$ (489,841)	\$ (789,045)	\$ (920,827)	\$ (3,288,635)	\$ (749,981)	\$ 6,675,494	\$ 2,010,062	\$ (907,966)
Interest Income	1,859	2,419	13,810	35,011	60,068	74,284	20,942	23,610	20,014	93,710
Interest expense on leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(117,632)	(116,409)
Federal SBA Paycheck Protection Program Loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	461,686	-	-
Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Increase (Decrease) in net position	\$ (130,590)	\$ (455,567)	\$ (476,031)	\$ (754,034)	\$ (860,759)	\$ (3,214,351)	\$ (729,039)	\$ 7,160,790	\$ 1,912,444	\$ (930,665)
Net Postion - beginning of year	\$ 4,891,541	\$ 1,127,299	\$ 671,732	\$ 195,701	\$ (3,757,107)	\$ (4,617,866)	\$ (7,832,217)	\$ (8,561,256)	\$ (1,400,466)	\$ 511,978
Change in Accounting Principle	(3,633,652)	-	-	(3,198,774)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Position - end of year	\$ 1,127,299	\$ 671,732	\$ 195,701	\$ (3,757,107)	\$ (4,617,866)	\$ (7,832,217)	\$ (8,561,256)	\$ (1,400,466)	\$ 511,978	\$ (418,687)

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Table 3

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Changes in Net Position - Revenue by Source, Expense by Program
Last Ten Years
(accrual basis of accounting)

	2014 (2)	2015	2016	2017 (3)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Revenue										
Federal grants and contracts	\$ 6,607,866	\$ 5,943,391	\$ 5,352,234	\$ 6,134,429	\$ 6,550,872	\$ 6,561,391	\$ 5,579,546	\$ 6,561,472	\$ 8,590,996	\$ 9,062,346
Members' per capita fees	839,887	895,596	935,719	1,010,708	1,098,711	1,205,596	1,302,023	1,305,458	1,400,304	1,492,125
State grants and contracts	646,189	404,367	426,498	560,566	560,408	613,564	411,798	506,793	746,617	985,476
Local contracts and other	1,277,348	634,199	571,356	1,720,386	2,203,898	1,923,491	2,233,834	4,694,505	2,182,228	1,709,190
Foundations/corporate contributions	341,525	208,055	584,907	347,729	222,988	179,236	41,572	76,237	116,135	158,396
Utility company contracts	2,136,759	2,814,512	2,418,784	2,792,618	3,321,185	2,671,605	2,205,543	2,248,145	1,810,054	1,722,742
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 11,849,574	\$ 10,900,120	\$ 10,289,498	\$ 12,566,436	\$ 13,958,062	\$ 13,154,883	\$ 11,774,316	\$ 15,392,610	\$ 14,846,335	\$ 15,130,276
Expenses										
Transportation (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Transportation Infrastructure & Development, Planning & Sustainability, Data & Mapping (1)	5,179,295	5,116,383	5,582,701	6,479,282	6,866,645	7,397,208	6,606,739	7,324,918	8,451,417	8,613,838
RideSolutions *	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Center for Energy and Environment (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy & Air Quality (1)	3,230,208	3,877,695	3,795,914	4,141,726	4,768,357	-	-	-	-	-
Air Quality Awareness/Greenways**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Energy Conservation**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Residential Services-Weatherization (1)	-	-	-	-	-	4,069,916	3,000,858	3,237,358	3,171,856	3,482,299
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Federal SBA Paycheck Protection Program Loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	461,686	-	-
Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gain on Sale of Building	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Revenue Base and Revenue Rates
 Estimated Population by Member Jurisdiction Used for Per Capita Membership Fees

Table 4

Governmental Unit	2014	2015	2016	2017 (2)	2018	2019	2020	2021 (3)	2022	2023 (6)
Cities										
* Bellefontaine	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,174	13,174	14,025	13,996
Bexley	13,070	13,074	13,074	13,233	13,278	13,386	13,370	13,370	13,862	13,517
Canal Winchester	7,326	7,385	7,750	7,919	8,679	8,828	9,093	9,093	9,469	9,604
* Chillicothe	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,342	21,342	21,940	21,811
* Circleville	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,610	13,610	13,873	13,862
Columbus	802,912	810,200	818,912	861,141	881,859	902,674	914,450	914,450	909,686	912,274
Delaware	35,469	35,885	36,263	37,853	39,214	39,937	41,407	41,407	42,252	44,122
Dublin	43,648	44,375	44,641	47,325	48,550	49,905	50,593	50,593	49,221	48,807
Gahanna	33,323	33,359	33,382	33,984	34,194	36,075	36,018	36,018	35,746	34,778
Grandview Heights	6,840	6,845	6,859	7,284	7,860	8,483	8,559	8,559	8,078	8,370
Grove City	36,079	36,459	36,720	37,138	41,546	42,400	42,766	42,766	41,323	42,757
Groveport	5,540	5,597	5,604	5,638	5,801	5,867	5,860	5,860	5,981	6,127
* Heath	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,430	10,402
Hilliard	28,723	28,952	29,331	30,694	37,109	38,106	38,244	38,244	37,094	37,639
* Johnstown	4,922	4,944	4,944	4,973	5,340	5,390	5,491	5,491	5,315	5,868
* Lancaster	-	-	-	-	40,391	40,888	40,561	40,561	40,813	41,219
* London	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,424	10,112
* Marysville	22,534	22,765	23,023	23,286	23,559	24,224	24,505	24,505	25,873	28,081
* Mount Vernon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,991	17,028
New Albany	8,391	8,953	9,101	9,457	10,717	10,897	10,980	10,980	10,863	11,188
* Newark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,842
Obetz	4,564	4,591	4,591	4,665	5,069	5,226	5,339	5,339	5,632	5,324
Pataskala	15,281	15,392	15,508	15,611	17,175	17,565	18,426	18,426	18,079	18,634
Pickerington	18,938	19,316	19,508	19,718	21,219	22,443	23,096	23,096	23,395	24,923
Powell	12,429	12,660	12,983	13,153	14,238	14,464	14,613	14,613	14,192	14,455
Reynoldsburg	36,013	36,102	36,185	36,540	37,168	37,571	37,650	37,650	40,901	40,548
Sunbury	-	4,928	5,022	5,085	5,219	5,457	6,028	6,028	6,955	6,846
Upper Arlington	33,895	33,964	33,976	34,562	35,207	35,555	35,542	35,542	36,618	35,694
Westerville	36,876	36,918	37,272	37,895	38,623	39,955	40,656	40,656	39,163	38,498
Whitehall	18,084	18,091	18,091	18,433	18,388	18,531	19,406	19,406	20,254	19,968
Worthington	13,581	13,596	13,596	13,650	14,303	14,440	14,509	14,509	14,709	14,359
Total Cities	1,238,438	1,254,351	1,266,336	1,319,237	1,404,706	1,438,267	1,505,288	1,505,288	1,543,157	1,600,653
Villages										
* Ashville	4,097	4,104	4,104	4,104	4,133	4,088	4,104	4,104	4,518	4,488
Brice	114	114	114	114	-	-	-	-	-	-
* Buckeye Lake	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,559	2,568
Crooksville	-	-	-	2,478	2,499	-	-	-	-	-
Galena	-	747	763	781	799	823	865	865	1,014	1,916
* Gambier	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,414	2,414	2,212	2,222
* Granville	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,292	6,292	5,942	6,057
Harrisburg	320	320	320	320	325	-	-	-	-	-
* Hebron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,449	2,345	2,518
Lithopolis	1,206	1,250	1,250	1,399	1,492	1,545	1,668	1,668	2,223	2,388
Lockbourne	237	237	237	237	241	276	276	276	235	234
Marble Cliff	573	573	573	573	583	587	586	586	630	622
Minerva Park	1,272	1,272	1,272	1,272	1,359	1,557	1,554	1,554	2,069	2,034
* New Lexington	-	4,768	4,768	-	-	-	-	-	4,407	4,405
* Plain City	-	-	-	-	-	4,460	4,623	4,623	4,208	4,487
Riverlea	548	548	548	548	564	569	568	568	596	581
Shawnee Hills	729	745	765	776	800	805	808	808	831	832
* Somerset	-	1,466	1,466	1,466	1,517	1,517	1,514	1,514	1,472	1,471
* South Bloomfield	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,119
Urbancrest	960	960	960	967	981	991	989	989	1,025	1,022
West Jefferson	4,222	4,226	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Villages	14,278	21,330	17,140	15,035	15,293	17,218	26,261	28,710	36,286	40,964
Townships										
Bloom	7,085	7,124	7,136	7,218	7,494	7,623	7,601	7,601	7,677	7,592
Blendon	7,808	7,808	7,808	7,866	7,978	8,054	8,055	8,055	8,105	7,922
Clinton	4,109	4,109	4,109	4,130	4,193	4,226	4,221	4,221	4,476	4,374
Etna	8,657	8,723	8,847	8,928	9,538	9,801	9,942	9,942	9,882	9,991
Franklin	-	-	-	-	9,813	9,905	9,887	9,887	10,445	10,200
* Granville	4,187	4,190	4,225	4,259	4,322	4,375	4,432	4,432	4,319	4,317
Jackson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,235	4,154
Jefferson	-	-	-	-	12,124	12,612	13,281	13,281	13,830	14,211
Jerome	-	5,407	5,844	6,210	6,309	6,970	8,173	8,173	9,048	11,270
Liberty	-	16,000	16,212	16,525	16,894	17,338	17,677	17,677	17,677	-
Madison	10,800	10,800	10,807	10,814	11,008	11,101	11,087	11,087	11,041	10,780
Mifflin	2,462	2,462	2,466	2,470	2,513	2,533	2,531	2,531	2,625	2,600
Perry	3,637	3,641	3,641	3,661	3,717	3,749	3,745	3,745	4,210	4,420
Plain	2,142	2,142	2,142	2,149	2,236	2,256	2,267	2,267	1,977	1,943
Prairie	16,498	16,498	16,505	16,681	16,790	16,946	16,931	16,931	17,406	17,041
Truro	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,334	1,334	1,414	1,379
Violet	-	-	-	-	20,240	20,540	20,429	20,429	20,432	21,360
Washington	19,249	19,349	19,420	19,602	-	-	1,018	1,018	1,002	981
Total Townships	86,634	108,253	109,162	110,513	135,169	138,029	142,611	142,611	149,801	134,535
Counties (1)										
Delaware County	116,777	118,659	120,224	122,210	124,763	127,294	124,541	124,541	124,789	132,436
** Fairfield County	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,399	81,399	82,098	82,692
Franklin County	102,230	102,468	102,664	103,598	106,217	108,030	103,478	103,478	105,285	104,163
* Hocking County	-	-	-	-	21,544	21,544	21,146	21,146	20,637	20,531
** Knox County	-	-	-	-	-	45,347	43,670	43,670	45,790	46,096
Licking County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,860	86,144
* Logan County	-	-	-	-	-	32,802	31,485	31,485	31,872	32,014
** Madison County (5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,850	33,420
** Marion County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,095
** Morrow County	-	-	-	-	-	35,192	35,193	35,193	34,960	35,313
* Perry County	-	-	-	35,945	36,182	36,172	36,103	36,103	35,460	35,441
Ross County	56,163	56,335	56,392	56,571	58,266	-	-	-	-	-
** Union County	29,190	29,802	30,364	31,364	29,446	30,331	31,349	31,349	33,198	34,555
Total County	304,360	307,264	309,644	349,688	376,418	436,712	508,363	508,363	633,799	671,900
Total full member population (4)										
	1,643,710	1,691,198	1,702,282	1,794,473	1,931,586	2,030,226	2,182,523	2,184,972	2,363,043	2,448,052
Revenue Rates										
MPO member per capita rate	\$ 0.490	\$ 0.505	\$ 0.520	\$ 0.5375	\$ 0.555	\$ 0.565	\$ 0.575	\$ 0.575	\$ 0.600	\$ 0.615
Non-MPO per capita rate	\$ 0.310	\$ 0.310	\$ 0.325	\$ 0.3425	\$ 0.360	\$ 0.370	\$ 0.380	\$ 0.380	\$ 0.400	\$ 0.410
CORPO per capita rate	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.470	\$ 0.480	\$ 0.480	\$ 0.500	\$ 0.515

Notes (1) Above county populations exclude city populations. Beginning in 2014, the counties' members dues calculations used the non-city population plus an additional 10% of the populations of cities located within the county.
 (2) Beginning in 2017, net international migration population from U.S. Census estimates is included in all jurisdictions.
 (3) Population estimates were not updated for purposes of charging membership fees in 2021 so as to provide members with financial relief during the COVID pandemic.
 (4) The total full member population amounts will double count the populations for villages and townships that are members because they are also included in the population figures for counties that are members.
 (5) Full member in 2022. Previously, it was a limited member only involved in CORPO.
 * 2023 Non-MPO members - These members are outside the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) area and pay the Non-MPO rate.
 ** 2023 CORPO members - Non-MPO member is in the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization, with CORPO rates beginning in 2022.
 (6) Populations estimates were prepared with an updated methodology for 2023 that included other year-over-year changes such as household size, housing occupancy, migration estimates, and housing construction permits which contributed to the change in overall amounts in member population from prior year's estimates.

Table 5

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Benefits of Membership - Flow of Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Members/Governmental Unit	Member Dues Billed & Investments	Return Flow of Funds from Federal, State and Utility Companies				
		TOTAL	Transportation	Infrastructure & Conservation	Housing Rehabilitation	Residential Weatherization*
Dues						
The City of Bellefontaine	\$5,754	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Bexley	\$8,462	\$28,145	\$0	\$0	\$28,145	\$0
The City of Canal Winchester	\$5,821	\$6,990	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,990
The City of Chillicothe	\$8,993	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Circleville	\$5,783	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Columbus	\$558,657	\$29,229,397	\$20,299,138	\$7,816,435	\$32,800	\$1,081,024
The City of Delaware	\$26,321	\$18,609,158	\$18,609,158	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Dublin	\$30,129	\$100,686	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$686
The City of Gahanna	\$21,729	\$999,999	\$0	\$999,999	\$0	\$0
The City of Grandview Heights	\$5,398	\$2,729,696	\$0	\$2,725,993	\$0	\$3,703
The City of Grove City	\$25,556	\$3,534,555	\$0	\$3,499,999	\$0	\$34,556
The City of Groveport	\$3,675	\$71,918	\$68,318	\$0	\$0	\$3,600
The City of Heath	\$4,972	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Hilliard	\$22,744	\$118,492	\$72,000	\$0	\$29,174	\$17,318
The City of Johnstown	\$2,225	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Lancaster	\$16,852	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of London	\$4,274	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Marysville	\$11,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Mount Vernon	\$6,966	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of New Albany	\$6,716	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Newark	\$15,390	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Obetz	\$3,333	\$220,511	\$90,986	\$0	\$129,525	\$0
The City of Pataskala	\$11,240	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Pickerington	\$14,732	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Powell	\$8,781	\$414,697	\$414,697	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Reynoldsburg	\$25,280	\$26,398	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,398
The City of Sunbury	\$4,132	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The City of Upper Arlington	\$22,346	\$5,459,918	\$5,453,209	\$0	\$0	\$6,709
The City of Westerville	\$23,933	\$64,478	\$48,800	\$0	\$0	\$15,678
The City of Whitehall	\$12,325	\$4,118,350	\$0	\$3,793,085	\$325,265	\$0
The City of Worthington	\$8,985	\$19,325	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,325
The Village of Ashville	\$1,879	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Buckeye Lake	\$1,049	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Galena	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Gambier	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Granville	\$2,502	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Hebron	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Lithopolis	\$1,314	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Lockbourne	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Marble Cliff	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Minerva Park	\$1,220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of New Lexington	\$1,802	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Plain City	\$1,702	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Riverlea	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Village of Shawnee Hills	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Somerset	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of South Bloomfield	\$750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
The Village of Urbancrest	\$1,000	\$39,875	\$0	\$0	\$39,875	\$0
Blendon Township	\$4,950	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bloom Township	\$4,688	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Clinton Township	\$2,734	\$99,750	\$0	\$0	\$99,750	\$0
Etna Township	\$6,123	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Franklin Township	\$6,380	\$250,925	\$0	\$0	\$250,925	\$0
Granville Township	\$1,772	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jackson Township	\$2,587	\$122,175	\$0	\$0	\$122,175	\$0
Jefferson Township	\$8,662	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jerome Township	\$5,665	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Madison Township	\$6,746	\$104,923	\$0	\$0	\$104,923	\$0
Mifflin Township	\$1,617	\$131,557	\$0	\$0	\$131,557	\$0
Perry Township	\$2,571	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Plain Township	\$1,204	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Prairie Township	\$10,645	\$87,045	\$0	\$0	\$87,045	\$0
Truro Township	\$1,000	\$86,903	\$0	\$0	\$86,903	\$0
Violet Township	\$8,264	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Washington Township	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Unincorporated Franklin County	\$139,571	\$6,808,957	\$0	\$6,808,957	\$0	\$0
Delaware County	\$85,019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fairfield County ***	\$4,442	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fairfield County	\$49,703	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hocking County	\$8,788	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Knox County	\$24,524	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Licking County	\$41,698	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Logan County	\$13,702	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Madison County	\$17,970	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Marion County	\$15,630	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Morrow County	\$18,097	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Perry County	\$14,502	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Union County	\$19,492	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Associate Members	\$8,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$1,492,202	\$74,234,823	\$45,906,306	\$25,644,468	\$1,468,062	\$1,215,987
Returns-not broken out by community						
COTA and DCT	na	\$40,106,430	\$40,106,430	na	na	na
Other/Regional **	na	\$539,645,887	\$29,836,930	\$9,808,957	na	na
Subtotal	na	\$579,752,317	\$569,943,360	\$9,808,957	\$0	\$0
Investments						
MORPC Transportation Planning	\$3,931,566	na	na	na	na	na
MORPC Housing Admin	\$552,841	na	na	na	na	na
MORPC Infrastructure & Clean Ohio Admin	\$128,355	na	na	na	na	na
MORPC Energy Conservation Admin	\$1,567,474	na	na	na	na	na
Subtotal	\$6,180,236	na	na	na	na	na
GRAND TOTAL	\$7,672,439	\$653,987,140	\$615,849,666	\$35,453,425	\$1,468,062	\$1,215,987

na = not applicable
*Residential Weatherization flow of funds by governmental unit are estimated.
**Some activities represented under one governmental unit have benefits regionally that are not included in other governmental unit lines.
This report is compiled from accounting and other financial data and should be considered a non-GAAP report.

Table 6

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Principal Payers - Members' Per Capita Fees

Governmental Unit			Governmental Unit		
	2014	% of full members' dues		2023	% of full members' dues
1. Columbus	\$ 393,427	46.8%	1. Columbus	\$ 558,657	37.6%
2. Unincorporated Franklin County	101,419	12.1%	2. Franklin County	139,571	9.4%
3. Delaware County excluding cities	60,530	7.2%	3. Delaware County	85,019	5.7%
4. Dublin	21,388	2.5%	4. Fairfield County	49,703	3.3%
5. Ross County	18,090	2.2%	5. Licking County	41,698	2.8%
6. Westerville	18,069	2.2%	6. Dublin	30,129	2.0%
7. Grove City	17,679	2.1%	7. Delaware City	26,321	1.8%
8. Reynoldsburg	17,646	2.1%	8. Grove City	25,556	1.7%
9. Delaware City	17,380	2.1%	9. Reynoldsburg	25,280	1.7%
10. Upper Arlington	16,609	2.0%	10. Knox County	24,524	1.7%

Source: MORPC Finance Department

**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
MORPC Membership Population
Columbus M.S.A. Estimated Civilian Labor Force
and Annual Average Unemployment Rates
2014-2023**

Table 7

Year	MORPC Membership Population (4)	(Labor Force in Thousands)				U. S. Unem- ployment rate (3)
		Columbus	M.S.A. (1)	Ohio		
		Labor force (2)	Unem- ployment rate (3)	Labor force (2)	Unem- ployment rate (3)	
2014	1,608,742	1,034.1	3.9	5,725.8	5.1	5.6
2015	1,629,159	1,044.8	3.9	5,694.0	4.8	5.0
2016	1,639,446	1,049.1	3.9	5,686.7	5.0	4.7
2017	1,730,525	1,080.0	3.7	5,782.0	4.9	4.1
2018	1,779,073	1,087.9	4.1	5,757.5	4.6	3.9
2019	1,922,494	1,105.9	3.2	5,811.8	4.1	3.5
2020	2,048,895	1,105.5	4.4	5,763.3	5.6	6.7
2021	2,278,446	1,121.1	2.9	5,741.3	4.5	3.9
2022	2,363,043	1,118.6	3.1	5,484.5	4.1	3.5
2023	2,482,305	1,119.4	2.7	5,793.7	3.6	3.7

- (1) The Columbus M.S.A. includes Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Hocking, Licking, Madison, Morrow, Perry, Pickaway and Union counties.
- (2) Civilian labor force is the estimated number of persons 16 years of age and over, who are are working or seeking work.
- (3) The unemployment rate is equal to the estimate of unemployed persons divided by the estimated civilian labor force.
- (4) The MORPC membership population is the unduplicated population of MORPC's current member jurisdictions.

Sources: Membership population, MORPC
Labor statistics, U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Per Capita Income and Total Personal Income
2014-2023

Year	Columbus M.S.A. (1)		Ohio	
	Per Capita Income	Total Personal Income (Millions)	Per Capita Income	Total Personal Income (Millions)
2014	\$45,181	\$90,513.7	\$42,278	\$496,069.1
2015	\$46,931	\$95,257.0	\$43,801	\$515,871.4
2016	\$47,740	\$98,107.1	\$44,576	\$526,177.2
2017	\$49,080	\$102,377.8	\$46,116	\$546,006.0
2018	\$50,564	\$106,583.8	\$47,822	\$569,184.0
2019	\$52,018	\$110,697.6	\$49,404	\$586,784.0
2020	\$55,902	\$119,727.8	\$52,879	\$623,206.7
2021	\$60,579	\$130,059.5	\$57,026	\$665,374.4
2022	\$61,228	\$132,344.1	\$57,777	\$680,435.4
2023	N/A	N/A	\$60,402	\$711,894.8

(1) The Columbus M.S.A. includes Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Hocking, Licking, Madison, Morrow, Perry, Pickaway and Union counties.

(2) Information updated: new statistics for 2022; revised statistics for 2014-2021

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis,
City of Columbus ACFR, Table 25, page 314

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Principal Employers in the Greater Columbus Area

Name of Employer	Number of Employees (FTE's)	% to Total	Name of Employer	Number of Employees (FTE's)	% to Total
	2014			2023	
1. Ohio State University	28,710	2.97%	Ohio State University	34,661	3.20%
2. State of Ohio	23,692	2.45%	State of Ohio	23,410	2.16%
3. JPMorgan Chase & Co.	20,475	2.12%	OhioHealth Corp.	21,950	2.02%
4. OhioHealth Corp.	19,652	2.03%	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	18,600	1.71%
5. Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.	12,433	1.29%	Nationwide Children's Hospital	14,242	1.31%
6. Kroger Co.	11,068	1.15%	Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.	11,000	1.01%
7. Mount Carmel Health System	8,362	0.87%	Kroger Co.	10,925	1.01%
8. Nationwide Children's Hospital	8,243	0.85%	Amazon	9,262	0.85%
9. Columbus City Schools	8,195	0.85%	City of Columbus	8,855	0.82%
10. Honda North America, Inc	7,900	0.82%	Columbus City Schools	8,235	0.76%

Source: City of Columbus 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, Page 311, Table 22

Source of FTE's and Rank: "Largest Central Ohio Employers Ranked by Number of Central Ohio Employees", Business First of Columbus. © Copyright 2023, Business First of Columbus Inc. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission.

Source of 2023 "% to Total": Percentage calculated using Columbus MSA labor force number of 1,129,200 provided by the City of Columbus, minus 44,500 combined labor force of Hocking, Morrow and Perry Counties, which is included in Columbus MSA but not in Business First data.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Table 10

Area in Square Miles by Member Jurisdiction

As of December 31, 2023 and 2014

<u>Governmental Unit</u>	2014 Area In <u>Square Miles</u>	2023 Area In <u>Square Miles</u>
Licking County		557.72
Knox County		518.83
Logan County, less City of Bellefontaine		456.44
Madison County		447.37
Hocking County		423.41
Delaware County less Cities of Columbus, Delaware, Dublin, Powell, Sunbury, Westerville; Villages of Galena, Shawnee Hills	389.52	414.81
Perry County		409.75
Fairfield County, less City of Lancaster		409.00
Morrow County		407.48
Marion County		404.14
Union County, less Cities of Marysville and Dublin, and Township of Jerome	416.00	383.77
City of Columbus	223.85	226.81
Unincorporated Franklin County		
Blendon Township		5.70
Franklin Township		6.69
Jackson Township		16.54
Jefferson Township		14.25
Madison Township		22.89
Mifflin Township		1.91
Perry Township		2.24
Prairie Township		18.42
Truro Township		0.51
Washington Township		2.67
ALL OTHER TOWNSHIPS		<u>56.58</u>
Total Unincorporated Franklin County	182.90	177.87
Bloom Township	35.61	35.37
Jerome Township		33.29
Liberty Township	27.84	
City of Pataskala	28.85	29.05
Violet Township	29.53	28.80
City of Dublin	25.80	24.91
City of New Albany	11.10	21.89
City of Newark		21.51
Granville Township, less Cities of Heath, Newark; Village of Granville	21.10	21.09
Etna Township	20.76	20.76
City of Delaware	19.21	20.24
City of Lancaster		19.09
City of Grove City	16.68	18.95
City of Marysville	16.22	16.85
City of Hilliard	15.62	14.39
City of Westerville	12.50	12.76
City of Gahanna	11.54	12.60
City of Reynoldsburg	11.92	11.58
City of Heath		11.50
City of Chillicothe		10.82
City of Pickerington	9.68	10.19
City of Bellefontaine		10.02
Village of West Jefferson	7.02	9.91
City of Mt. Vernon		9.86
City of Upper Arlington	9.91	9.77
City of Groveport	9.32	8.89
City of London		8.41
City of Canal Winchester	7.46	7.95
City of Circleville		7.31
City of Obetz	6.62	6.11
City of Powell	5.19	5.81
City of Worthington	6.41	5.56
City of Whitehall	5.34	5.34
City of Sunbury		4.95
Village of Granville		4.87
Village of South Bloomfield		3.93
City of Johnstown	3.01	3.01
Village of Hebron		2.96
Village of Plain City		2.78
City of Bexley	2.45	2.44
Village of Ashville	2.21	2.38
Village of Lithopolis	2.19	2.27
Village of Buckeye Lake		1.99
Village of New Lexington		1.85
Village of Galena		1.82
City of Grandview Heights	1.35	1.31
Village of Somerset		1.15
Village of Gambier		0.93
Village of Lockbourne	0.74	0.75
Village of Minerva Park	0.49	0.65
Village of Urbancrest	0.49	0.57
Village of Shawnee Hills	0.44	0.44
Village of Marble Cliff	0.31	0.28
Village of Riverlea	0.20	0.15
Ross County, less City of Chillicothe	682.11	-
Village of Harrisburg	0.14	-
Village of Brice	0.11	-
Total area in square miles	<u>2,279.74</u>	<u>5,693.58</u>

Source: County Engineers, MORPC and Member Communities

Certain 2013 estimates have been revised to correspond with current measurement methodology.

**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Employees by Function/Activity
Last Ten Years**

Table 11

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Transportation Infrastructure & Development	16.75	14.50	17.50	18.00	18.50	15.00	16.30	16.50	20.00	19.00
Data & Mapping	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.25	7.25	7.50	7.00	6.00	13.50	11.50
Planning & Sustainability	7.75	8.50	9.50	9.25	7.00	12.55	11.25	10.50	10.75	10.50
Residential Services	23.50	21.00	19.75	20.50	21.50	16.10	17.10	15.75	16.75	16.50
Member Services and Administrative	16.00	17.00	18.25	16.75	21.50	21.50	22.80	20.50	23.00	25.25
Total	71.00	68.00	71.50	70.75	75.75	72.65	74.45	69.25	84.00	82.75

Source: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Operations Department
Method: Percentage of time generally worked in area.

Table 12

**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Operating Indicators
Last Ten Years**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Federal transportation projects completed	5	9	6	6	8	9	8	8	7	6
Cost of Fed transportation projects completed	\$ 4,325,383	\$5,062,584	\$4,378,713	\$4,628,796	\$5,277,238	\$5,386,611	\$5,392,081	\$4,572,774	\$4,789,750	\$4,731,613
Housing Repair Programs										
Franklin County Single Family Rehab units completed	16	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Franklin County Urgent Repair Program	62	63	41	42	43	60	15	17	61	67
COCIC Exterior Home Repair	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	8	2	5	9	9
ODH Lead Remediation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Healthy Homes Production Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
PACT/Homeport Home Repair Program	N/A	4	4	15	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
United Way Home Repair Program	15	7	11	3	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Weinland Park Home Repair Program	9	10	5	6	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeport/Milo Grogan Home Repair Program	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Home Weatherization Programs										
Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) completed weatherizations	70	78	49	53	52	47	30	49	59	88
WarmChoice Program inspections	485	502	324	427	519	465	502	546	393	302
WarmChoice Program completions	351	505	421	402	506	415	325	538	419	378
AEP Community Assistance Program (Households) (1)	358	311	429	397	426	339	125	N/A	N/A	N/A
Electric Partnership Program (Households) (2)	63	229	328	104	231	409	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Notes:

(1) Program was discontinued during 2020

(2) Program was discontinued in 2019, and closed in 2020

Source: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Residential Services department

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Capital Assets
Last Ten Years

	2014	2015 (1)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021(4)	2022(5)	2023(6)
<u>Planning & Sustainability, Data & Mapping, and Transportation & Infrastructure Development (2)</u>										
Computers	37	15	15	15	15	15	15	-	-	1
SBITAs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Vehicle Lease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Vehicles	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-
Eco-counter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	3
<u>Residential Services - Weatherization (3)</u>										
Computers	23	2	2	2	2	2	2	-	-	-
Vehicles	13	13	13	13	11	9	11	3	8	7
Blower Door	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer Analyzer	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infrared Cameras	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	-	-	-
<u>Residential Services - Housing</u>										
Computers	15	2	2	2	2	2	2	-	-	-
XRF Spectrum Analyzer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1
Vehicles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
<u>All Other</u>										
Computers	64	19	19	20	24	26	26	5	5	5
EV Charging Stations	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3	3
Building Lease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Copier Leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Leasehold Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	15	17

Notes:

- (1) In 2015, the expenditure threshold was increased from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for an item to be recorded as a capital asset. As a result, all previously-capitalized assets with both an acquisition cost of <\$5,000 and a net book value of \$-0- at January 1, 2015 were written off. Capital assets remaining on the books and included herein either have an acquisition cost of >\$5,000 or were still being depreciated as of January 1, 2015.
- (2) The name for this group was changed to Planning & Sustainability, Data & Mapping, and Transportation & Infrastructure Development in 2019 to reflect organizational changes.
- (3) The name for this group was changed to Residential Services - Weatherization in 2019 to reflect organizational changes.
- (4) In 2021, the building and contents were renovated and fully depreciated equipment was disposed.
- (5) In 2022, MORPC implemented GASB Statement No. 87, Leases. According to this Statement, the lessee should recognize an intangible Right-to-Use lease asset as a capital lease. As a result, certain leases for buildings and equipment are now included as part of capital assets.
- (6) In 2023, MORPC implemented GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements. According to this Statement, the lessee should recognize an intangible Right-to-Use asset for certain software subscriptions. As a result, certain software subscriptions are now included as part of capital assets.

Source: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission capital asset records.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Schedule of Insurance Coverage

December 31, 2023

Existing coverage - policies in force (1)		Limits of liability
1.	Type	Commercial Umbrella
	Each Occurrence	\$6,000,000
	General Aggregate	\$6,000,000
2.	Type	Commercial General Liability
	General Aggregate (Other than Products-Completed Operations)	\$3,000,000
	Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000
	Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
	Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
	Fire Damage Limit (Any One Fire)	\$1,000,000
	Deductible	\$0
3.	Type	Public Officials
	Limit of Liability	\$2,000,000
	Deductible	\$10,000
	Insurance Company	<i>Darwin Select Insurance Company</i>
	Expires	<i>October 31, 2024</i>
4.	Type	Employer's Liability
	Employer's Liability Stop Gap	\$1,000,000
	Deductible	\$0
5.	Type	Employee Benefits Liability
	Aggregate Limit	\$3,000,000
	Each Claim Limit	\$1,000,000
	Deductible	\$1,000
6.	Type	Crime Coverage
	Limit of Liability	\$250,000
	Faithful Performance of Duty	\$25,000
	Finance Director	\$75,000 (excess)
	Executive Director	\$75,000 (excess)
	Accountants (2)	\$25,000 (excess)
	Deductible	\$5,000
7.	Type	Cyber Liability
	Aggregate Limit	\$2,000,000
	Each Claim	\$1,000,000
	Retention	\$10,000
8.	Type	Miscellaneous
	Computer Coverage	\$475,000
	Camera Equipment	\$73,758
	Valuable Papers and Records - Cost of Research	\$500,000
	Fine Arts	\$25,000
	Miscellaneous Equipment	\$6,000
	Contractors' Equipment Coverage	\$72,147
	Deductible	\$500

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Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Schedule of Insurance Coverage (continued)

December 31, 2023

Existing coverage - policies in force (1)		Limits of liability
9.	Type	Commercial Property Coverage
	Blanket Buildings and Business Personal Property	\$1,505,220
	Personal Property - 111 Liberty Street	Included
	Deductible	\$1,000
10.	Type	Lead Abatement Coverage
	General Aggregate	
	General Aggregate Limit (Other than Products-Completed Operations)	\$1,000,000
	Products-Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	\$1,000,000
	Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
	Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
	Fire Damage Limit	\$50,000
	Medical Expense Limit	\$5,000
	Bodily Injury & Property Damage Deductible	\$5,000
	Insurance Company	<i>Admiral Insurance Company</i>
	Expires	<i>October 31, 2024</i>
11.	Type	Automobile
	Limit of Liability	\$1,000,000
	Auto Medical Payments (Each Person)	\$5,000
	Deductible - Comprehensive Coverage	\$500
	Deductible - Collision Coverage	\$500
12.	Type	Architects & Engineers Errors & Omissions Insurance
	Each Claim	\$1,000,000
	Annual Aggregate	\$1,000,000
	Deductible	\$10,000
	Insurance Company	<i>The Hanover Insurance Group</i>
	Expires	<i>October 31, 2024</i>

Notes: (1) Unless indicated otherwise, all policies are carried by the *Selective Insurance Company* and all coverage expires on November 1, 2024. MORPC does not engage in risk financing activities where it retains the risk (i.e., self-insurance).

Source: MORPC insurance policies.

IV. SINGLE AUDIT SECTION



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Franklin County
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To the Board of Commissioners:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Franklin County, (the Commission) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Commission's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Commission's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Commission's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Commission's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

June 5, 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
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To the Board of Commissioners:

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We have audited the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's, Franklin County, (the Commission) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2023. The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's major federal program is identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings.

In our opinion, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Commission and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Commission's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

The Commission's Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Commission's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Commission's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Commission's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Commission's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the Commission's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of this testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

June 5, 2024

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
Year-to-Date as of December 31, 2023

Federal grantor / pass-through grantor / program title	Federal ALN Number	Grantor's Pass-through Number	Program or award amount	Federal Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
Federal Highway Administration:					
Passed through Ohio Department of Transportation:					
Highway Planning and Construction Cluster					
Highway Planning & Construction -					
Rideshare Program FY 2023	20.205	105638	\$700,000	\$317,318	-
Rideshare Program FY 2024	20.205	110232	750,000	374,667	-
Supplemental Planning FY 2023	20.205	105645	350,000	185,594	-
Supplemental Planning FY 2024	20.205	110234	400,000	207,096	-
Air Quality Awareness FY 2023	20.205	105649	550,000	273,430	-
Air Quality Awareness FY 2024	20.205	110225	575,000	274,163	-
Consolidated Planning Grant FY 2023	20.205	116044	2,703,004	1,589,373	-
Consolidated Planning Grant FY 2024	20.205	118130	3,305,447	1,360,002	-
Central Ohio Regional Planning Organization FY 2023	20.205	114263	178,609	83,758	-
Central Ohio Regional Planning Organization FY 2024	20.205	118375	178,609	90,352	-
inSight2050 Technical Assistance 2023	20.205	110240	250,000	128,872	-
inSight2050 Technical Assistance 2024	20.205	110241	275,000	138,401	-
Central Ohio Greenways Wayfinding Strategy	20.205	117035	290,000	194,562	-
Linkus Regional Corridors Planning	20.205	115208	500,000	131,955	-
Total Highway Planning and Construction Cluster				5,349,542	-
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration					
CORPO Safe Streets For All	20.939	(1)	200,000	41,858	-
Total U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway ALN No.20.939				41,858	-
Federal Transit Administration:					
Transit Services Programs Cluster					
Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals With Disabilities FY 2022 - 2028	20.513	(1)	516,806	132,567	-
Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals With Disabilities FY 2022 - 2028	20.513	(1)	2,031,581	418,978	394,690
Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals With Disabilities FY 2019-2023	20.513	(1)	1,155,277	41,307	41,307
Total Transit Services Programs Cluster				592,852	435,997
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:					
Passed through Franklin County:					
CDBG - Entitlement Grants Cluster					
Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Grants -					
Home Repair 2020	14.211	(2)	800,000	150,579	-
Home Repair 2021	14.211	(2)	925,000	559,810	-
Home Repair 2019	14.211	(2)	800,000	10,945	-
Home Repair 2023	14.211	(2)	940,000	387,730	-
Total CDBG - Entitlement Grants Cluster				1,109,064	-

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MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (continued)
Year-to-Date as of December 31, 2023

Federal grantor / pass-through grantor / program title	Federal ALN Number	Grantor's Pass-through Number	Program or award amount	Federal Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:					
Healthy Homes Production	14.913	(1)	2,000,000	214,812	-
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development - ALN No. 14.913				214,812	-
U.S. Department of Energy:					
Passed through Ohio Department of Development:					
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons FY 2022	81.042	D22-140	249,128	73,187	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons FY 2023	81.042	D23-140	265,771	248,555	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons GLS FY 2023	81.042	D23-240	386,963	165,455	-
Total U.S. Department of Energy - ALN No. 81.042				487,197	-
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services:					
Passed through Ohio Department of Development:					
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance -					
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons FY 2022	93.568	H22-140	367,974	328,191	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons FY 2023	93.568	H22-140	620,962	202,898	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons GLS FY 2023	93.568	H23-240	949,727	98,809	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons - Enhancement FY 2022	93.568	HE22-140	254,432	168,966	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons - Enhancement FY 2023	93.568	HE22-140	423,954	87,817	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons - Enhancement GLS FY 2023	93.568	HE23-240	644,643	79,702	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons - WRF 22	93.568	HR22-140	12,525	12,525	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons - WRF 23	93.568	HR23-140	27,620	-	-
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons GLS - WRF	93.568	HR23-240	42,243	-	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - ALN No. 93.568				978,909	-
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency					
Ambient Air Monitoring in Underserved Communities 2023-26	66.034	(1)	600,000	7,682	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - ALN No. 66.034				7,682	-
American Farmland Trust	66.475	(2)	75,000	23,728	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - ALN No. 66.475				23,728	-
Brownfields Assesment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements	66.818	(1)	600,000	33,139	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - ALN No. 66.818				33,139	-
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant	66.046	(2)		19,850	-
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - ALN No.66.046				19,850	-

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MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (continued)
Year-to-Date as of December 31, 2023

Federal grantor / pass-through grantor / program title	Federal ALN Number	Grantor's Pass-through Number	Program or award amount	Federal Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Commerce					
Economic Adjustment Development Assistance	11.307	(1)	400,000	156,948	-
Total U.S. Department of Commerce - ALN No. 11.307				156,948	-
U.S. Department of the Treasury:					
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ARPA	21.027	(3)		44,510	-
Total U.S. Department of Treasury - ALN No. 21.027			-	44,510	-
Total Federal Financial Assistance				\$9,060,091	\$435,997

Notes:

- (1) Program funds are not passed through, but provided directly from the federal agency.
- (2) Not applicable - none assigned by pass-through agency.
- (3) Not applicable - none assigned by pass-through agency; cash not received by MORPC, but instead received and disbursed by Franklin County.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information on this Schedule is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of MORPC it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of MORPC for the year ended December 31, 2023.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures shown on the accompanying Schedule are reported on using the accrual basis of accounting, which is described in note 1 to MORPC's financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized according to the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures may or may not be allowable or may be limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through grant identifying numbers are presented when available. MORPC has elected not to use the ten percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

3. MATCHING REQUIREMENTS

Certain federal programs require MORPC to contribute non-federal matching funds to support the federally funded programs. MORPC has met its matching requirements for the year ended December 31, 2023. The accompanying Schedule does not include the expenditure of non-federal matching funds.

**MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
FRANKLIN COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
2 CFR § 200.515
DECEMBER 31, 2023**

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

(d)(1)(i)	Type of Financial Statement Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(ii)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iii)	Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any material weaknesses in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(iv)	Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?	No
(d)(1)(v)	Type of Major Programs' Compliance Opinion	Unmodified
(d)(1)(vi)	Are there any reportable findings under 2 CFR § 200.516(a)?	No
(d)(1)(vii)	Major Programs (list):	Highway Planning and Construction Cluster
(d)(1)(viii)	Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs	Type A: > \$ 750,000 Type B: all others
(d)(1)(ix)	Low Risk Auditee under 2 CFR § 200.520?	Yes

**2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

None.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

None.



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