MID-OHIO REGIONAL
MORPC
PLANNING COMMISSION

MEMBER SERVICES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

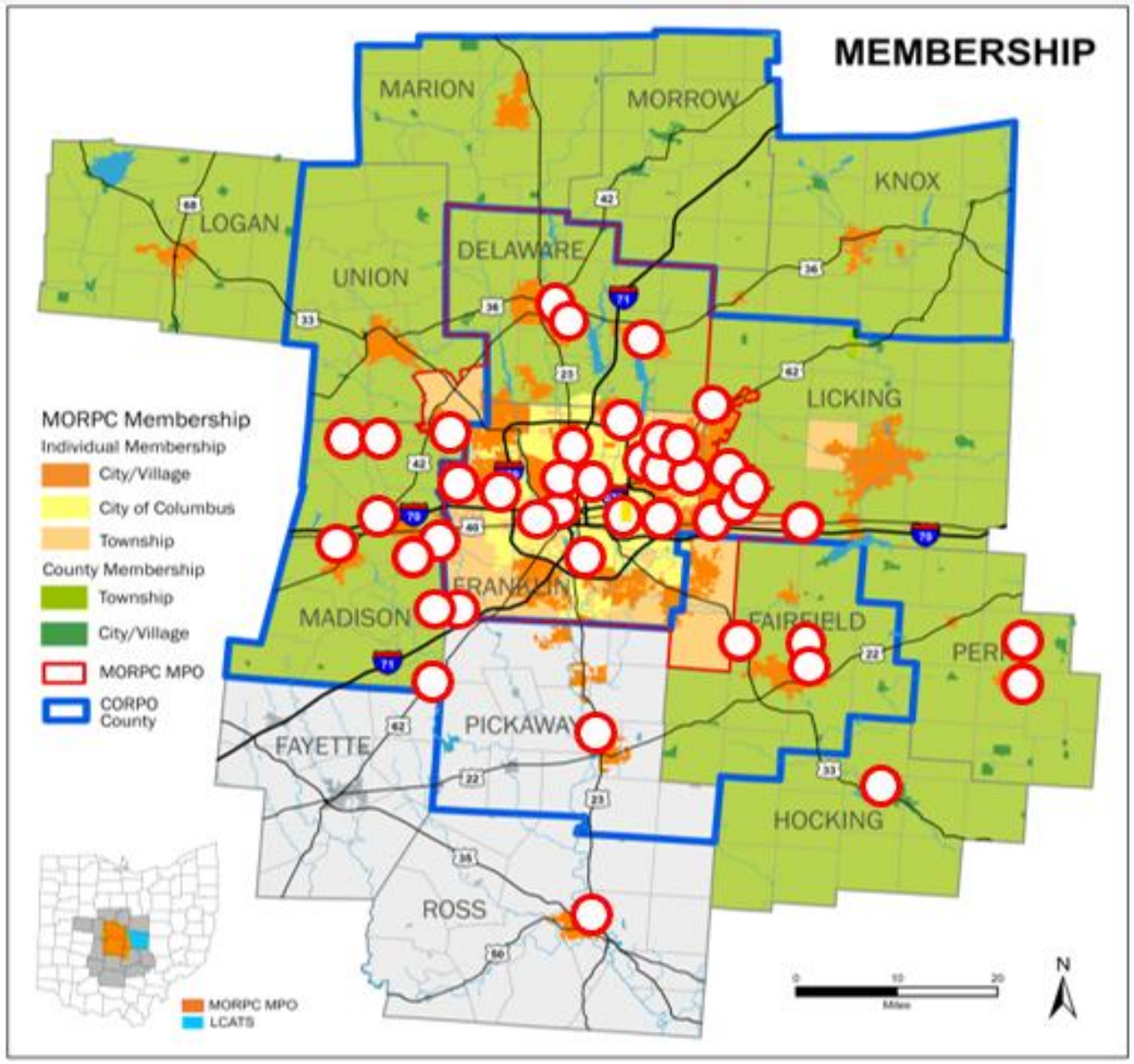
Thursday, August 6, 2026

2026 INTERN CLASS

2026 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

INTERNS	APPLICANTS	COUNTIES IMPACTED
42	1000+	9

MORPC INTERN LOCATIONS



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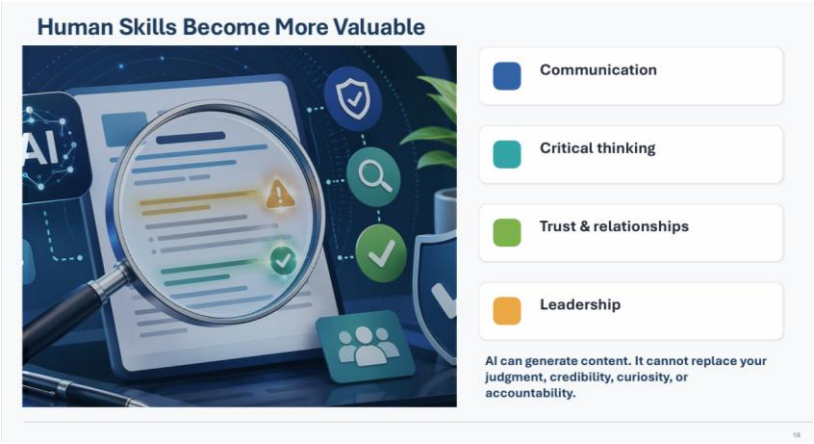

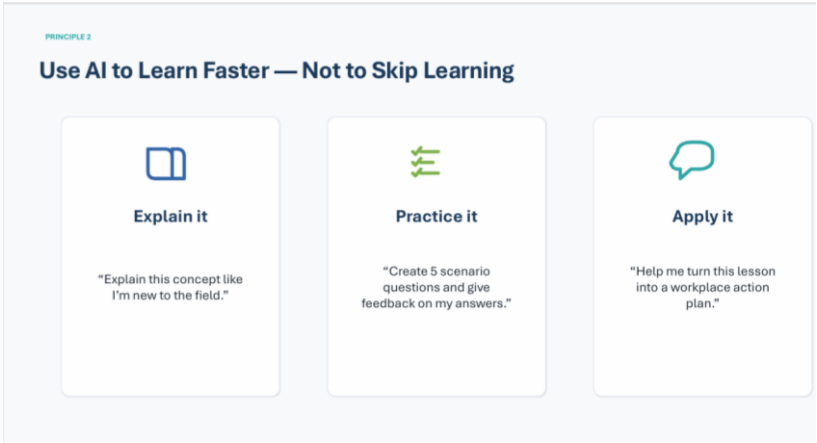

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DIGITAL PORTFOLIOS GIS

Online collection of best work, skills, and past projects

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HUMAN RESOURCES OVERSEES MENTORS

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THANK YOU INTERN PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Alli Mancz

Intern Program Coordinator

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VILLAGE & RURAL FORUM RESULTS

8 NEW MEMBERS IN 2026!

- Village of Baltimore (Fairfield County)
- Village of Centerburg (Knox County)
- Norwich Township (Franklin County)
- Hamilton Township (Franklin County)
- Sharon Township (Franklin County)
- Pleasant Township (Franklin County)
- Village of Commercial Point (Pickaway County)
- Delaware Public Health District (Delaware County)

14 MEMBER VISITS THIS QUARTER

- MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP 5/21
- BEXLEY 5/27
- MADISON TOWNSHIP 5/27
- OBETZ 5/27
- COMMERCIAL POINT 5/27
- MOUNT STERLING 5/27
- PICKERINGTON 7/8
- VIOLET TOWNSHIP 7/8
- SHARON TOWNSHIP 7/15
- DELAWARE CITY 7/16
- DELAWARE PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT 7/16
- ETNA TOWNSHIP 7/22
- GAHANNA 7/22
- PATASKALA 7/22

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