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Congressman Brad Wenstrup Field Representative Juli Stephens, Speaker of the House Jason Stephens, Gallia County Commissioner Leslie Henry, and Senator Shane Wilkin spent time at the 2023 Gallia County Fair last week with Gallia County residents and other elected officials.

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CCAO Service Corporation launches cybersecurity program

After hearing of multiple counties getting hit hard with cyber attacks, CCAOSC has decided to launch a County Cyber Protection Program. According to Embroker, Cyber attacks have been rated the fifth top rated risk in 2020 and become the new norm across public and private sectors. This risky industry continues to grow in 2023 as "Internet of Things" cyber attacks alone are expected to double by 2025. Additionally, the World Economic Forum's 2020 Global Risk Report found that the rate of detection (or prosecution) is as low as 0.05% in the U.S.

To help counties prepare for and protection against this rising security threat, the CCAO Service Corporation has partnered with HG Consulting to provide cybersecurity services.

The services include endpoint security, Microsoft Office365 security engagement, network security engagement, general consulting, and a partnership to reduce cybersecurity product hardware and software licensing fees.

You can learn more about the CCAOSC partnership with HG Consulting here. If you have questions, please contact either CCAOSC Manager Steve Caraway or CCAO Operations Manager Tim Hoverman.

County agencies among recipients of $35 million for first responder retention

Last week, Governor Mike DeWine announced the latest round of retention incentives to first responder organizations under the Ohio First Responder Recruitment, Retention, and Resilience Program.

The retention incentive awards total $35 million and will go to more than 300 agencies to help retain more than 10,300 first responders statewide. Thirty-four of these awards, totaling more than $5.1 million, will go to county agencies and help retain an estimated 1,476 county first responders. These county agencies include sheriffs' offices, county 911 centers, county EMS departments, and county public safety offices.

You can view the full list of awards here.

Save the Date! CCAO/CEAO Central District Meeting on October 6

Knox County will host the CCAO/CEAO Central District Meeting on October 6.

The program is currently slated to include a light breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a program from 9 - noon at the Heartland Commerce Park in Mount Vernon, located at 105 North Sandusky Street.

More information will be announced as the date approaches. If you have questions concerning the event, please contact Knox County Commissioner Teresa Bemiller or Knox County Administrator Jason Booth.

SAVE THE DATE!
Summer Symposium
August 16–18, 2023
Economic Development Strategies: Ohio Counties Reaching Forward
For County Commissioners, County Executives and County Council Members and Their Key Staff
Early Bird Registration Opens Early June
AREAS OF INTEREST
Economic Development Practices
Workforce Development Case Studies
Successful Landbank Practices
Expanding Broadband Services

Register today for CCAO's 2023 Summer Symposium!

Registration for CCAO's 2023 Summer Symposium is now open! Taking place at Cherry Valley Hotel in Newark from August 16 to August 18, the symposium is titled Economic Development Strategies: Ohio Counties Reaching Forward and will feature sessions on broadband, landbanks, case studies of economic development successes in counties around the state, and more.

Confirmed speakers for the event include Mark Barbash, Director of the Ohio Economic Development Institute; Shawn Carvin, Executive Director of the Ohio Land Bank Association; presenters from BroadbandOhio, AT&T, Charter Communications; and Ohio cabinet directors Anne Vogel (Ohio EPA), Brian Baldridge (Agriculture), and Lydia Mihalik (Development). *Speakers may be subject to change.*

Registration for the event can be completed on CCAO's site.

Research and Education Foundation looks to the future; needs your help

As CCAO works to revitalize the Research and Education Foundation, plans are underway to raise the necessary funds to invest in the mission.

Already this year, the Foundation has undertaken a generous scholarship project, awarding five scholarships to Ohio students. We are also working on several research and educational projects that will serve our counties and the people of Ohio.

Spots are filling up quickly for the County Classic to be held on Wednesday, August 16th at the Clover Valley Golf Club with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Dinner will be served after the round.

Reserve your spot to play golf here.

If you cannot attend, but still would like to support the important work of the foundation, please donate by clicking here.

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Director of Administrative Services Kathleen Madden sends letter regarding MARCS system

Director of the Department of Administrative Services Kathleen Madden recently sent a letter to MARCS subscribers regarding the system, changes made in the recent budget bill, and the program's future. The letter is reproduced below.

Greetings,

DAS is exceedingly proud to be the home of Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS). The MARCS Program Office within the DAS manages the wireless digital communications system statewide that operates 24x7 to connect first responders through 300+ towers that support over 140,000 voice units from more than 3,000 public service agencies statewide. This service is critical to saving lives and maximizing effectiveness in both normal operations and emergency situations. In the last two years, we've identified opportunities for improvements in the MARCS program while affirming our strong commitment to ensuring an efficient and affordable solution for law enforcement and first responders.

We are elated that Governor DeWine's proposals for additional funding for first responder communication programs were included in the FY24-FY25 operating budget. With this additional funding, local government MARCS subscriber fees will be cut in half. The rate for local users will fall from $10 to $5 per month per radio.

It is vital for our first responders to be able to communicate readily and rapidly across jurisdictions. Reducing monthly subscriber fees will ease the financial burden on local governments while allowing more agencies to join the system and supporting the work of Ohio's first responders to protect citizens and save lives.

Last year, in anticipation of the upcoming biennial budget, we reviewed our historical revenue and expenditures and existing user base. Knowing Governor DeWine and Lieutenant Governor Husted's primary goals were to lower the cost of critical, life-saving communication services, we requested that Ohio Auditor of State Keith Faber's Performance Audit Team conduct a review of MARCS. We wanted to better understand the current and future financial condition of MARCS. We requested that the AOS provide financial modeling of the MARCS operational budget and information regarding the funding for similar programs in other states.

In April, Auditor Faber's team released the results of that performance audit. Financial modeling conducted indicated that the program can meet financial obligations into 2027, and that to ensure future stability of the MARCS program beyond that year, DAS should work to secure the program's future financial stability now.

Succinctly, this recommendation was the catalyst for our requested review. During the performance audit, Governor DeWine proposed eliminating subscriber fees for state and local government users. We know and understand that the biennial budget and increased funding for MARCS subscriber fees will increase interest in joining the MARCS program. The MARCS program can reliably sustain additional users without impact to the infrastructure. Future capital budget requests will address any necessary additional infrastructure or system capacity.

Secondarily, the AOS team recommended that we develop a formal policy to address delinquent accounts. Historically, we communicated with subscribers with outstanding accounts via telephone or letters before certifying the accounts for collection to the Ohio Attorney General. The audit found some MARCS user accounts went unpaid beyond the allowable period, and that we should improve this process.

As we reconcile our financial records from last fiscal year, we will also be amending our current process in accordance with the recommendations to seek collection of delinquent accounts more directly. With the reduction in subscriber fees, we anticipate far less issues with outstanding delinquent accounts over the biennium.

We extend our deepest gratitude to all of you for your partnership and look forward to working with you in the coming months and years as we solidify the financial footing of the MARCS program and expand its footprint across our great state.

Sincerely,

Kathleen C. Madden
DAS Director

Federal advocacy reminder: Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy

NACo and CCAO are providing a reminder to members about an important piece of federal legislation that needs county support. Bipartisan bills in both the US Senate and the US House of Representatives would address the Medicaid Inmate Exclusion Policy (MIEP).

MIEP revokes access to federal health benefits upon arrest, which causes financial strain on jailing entities; in Ohio, this often falls on counties. Without access to federal health benefits, counties bear the cost for care that would otherwise be covered by the federal government.

There are two bills that would address this issue:

- Due Process Continuity of Care Act (HR 3074 & S 971): Would allow pretrial detainees to receive Medicaid benefits at the option of the state and provide $50 million in planning dollars for implementing the MIEP repeal.
- The Reentry Act (HR 2400 & S 1165) would allow Medicaid payment for medical services furnished to an eligible incarcerated individual during the 30-day period preceding their release.

Both of these bills are bipartisan and have Ohio sponsors. The Due Process Continuity of Care Act was introduced in the House in part by Ohio Representative Mike Turner while the Reentry Act was introduced into the Senate by both of Ohio's senators, Sherrod Brown and J.D. Vance, and in the house by Ohio Representative Mike Turner.

NACo has advocated for this issue alongside the National Sheriffs' Association, the Major Cities Chiefs Association, and the Major County Sheriffs of America.

More resources concerning MIEP can be found on NACo's website.

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Visit the Grants and Funding Opportunities page on the CCAO website for a detailed listing of open grant programs.

Department of Development hosting webinars on Lead Safe Ohio, pre-application survey now available

The Department of Development has released application instructions and a program overview for the Lead Safe Ohio Program, both accessible on the department's website.

Additionally, the department is hosting two webinars for interested communities to learn more about the program and the application. The first will be held tomorrow at 9:00 a.m., while the second will be held on Monday August 14, at 1:30 p.m.

If you are interested in applying for a Lead Safe Ohio grant, we highly encourage viewing at least one of these two webinars.

Each interested community must complete a brief survey no later than August 15 in order to apply. The webinars will include information on how best to complete the survey.

Recording of Conservation Ditch Program announcement webinar available

The Ohio Department of Agriculture recently held a webinar regarding the 2023 H2Ohio Conservation Ditch Grant Program which is now available to view online.

The webinar, accessible here, provides an in-depth overview of the program and is highly encouraged viewing for interested counties.

Only county engineers and soil and water conservation districts may apply for the grants and the projects must be self-forming or two-stage ditch designs. While county commissioners are not able to apply, we still encourage you to familiarize yourself with the program and, if you believe there are eligible projects in your county, to recommend your county engineer or SWCD apply.

If you have questions concerning the program, please contact either Department of Agriculture Conservation Engineer Justin L. McBride or CCAO Policy Analyst James Kennedy.

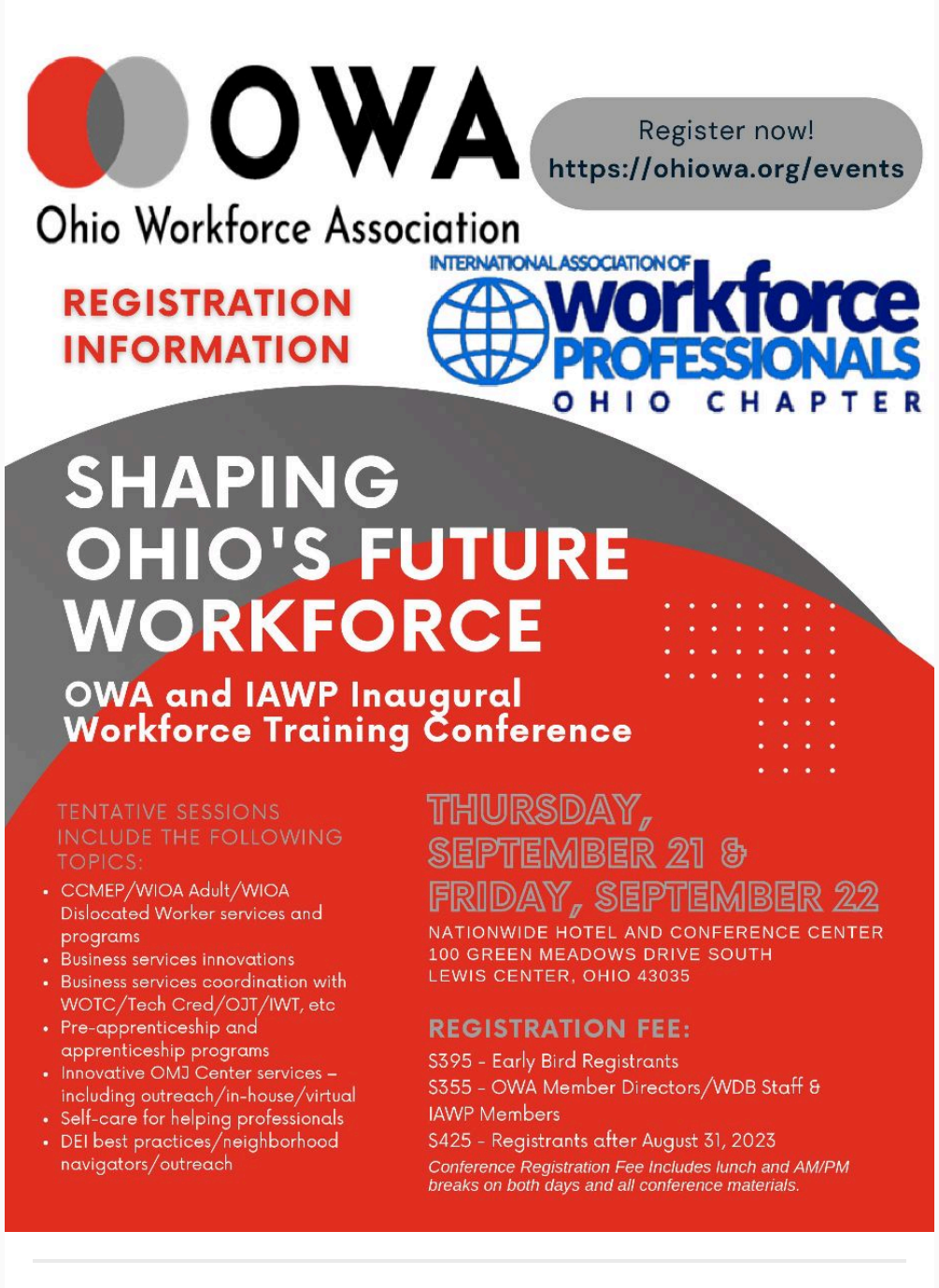
Registration now open for inaugural Ohio Workforce Association training conference

The Ohio Workforce Association (OWA), in partnership with the International Association of Workforce Professionals, is hosting an inaugural workforce training conference on September 21 and 22.

Registration for the event, to be held at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center in Lewis Center, Ohio, is open now and can be completed here. Registration fees are $395 for registrants before August 31, $355 for OWA member directors, WDB staff, and IAWP members, and $425 for registrants after August 31.

Tentative sessions include business services innovations, self-care for professionals, highlighting of innovative Ohio Means Jobs Center services, and more!

More information regarding the event, including how to book hotel rooms at a reduced rate, can be found on OWA's website.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SHAPING OHIO'S FUTURE WORKFORCE
OWA and IAWP Inaugural Workforce Training Conference
TENTATIVE SESSIONS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:
CCMEP/WIOA Adult/WIOA Dislocated Worker services and programs
Business services innovations
Business services coordination with WOTC/Tech Cred/OJT/IWT, etc
Pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs
Innovative OMJ Center services – including outreach/in-house/virtual
Self-care for helping professionals
DEI best practices/neighborhood navigators/outreach
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 & FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
NATIONWIDE HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER
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LEWIS CENTER, OHIO 43035
REGISTRATION FEE:
$395 - Early Bird Registrants
$355 - OWA Member Directors/WDB Staff & IAWP Members
$425 - Registrants after August 31, 2023
Conference Registration Fee includes lunch and AM/PM breaks on both days and all conference materials.

Recording, slides available from CCAO budget overview webinar

Earlier this week, CCAO policy staff held a webinar to provide an overview of key takeaways from the recently passed state operating budget and discuss the budget's impact on counties. The webinar reviewed topics such as Indigent Defense, Next Generation 9-1-1, Human Services, H2Ohio, the Local Government Fund, procurement, and changes in tax laws.

You can access the slide deck from the webinar here and view the recording here.

You can also access these materials and materials from other CCAO-held webinars on our website.

Grant round-up: cemeteries, ambulances, reconnecting communities, and homeless youth

CCAO has posted a number of grant availabilities on its website. A brief listing of some of these grants is provided below, with information about the grants' purpose, funding available, and application deadline.

- Justice Assistance Grant Program (Federal)
    - Purpose: To advance work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.
    - $103 million available
    - Deadline: August 24
- Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program (Federal)
    - Purpose: To support planning and capital construction activities that aim to restore community connectivity through the removal, retrofit, mitigation or replacement of highways, roadways, or other infrastructure facilities that create barriers to mobility, access or economic development.
    - $198 million available
    - Deadline: September 28
- Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (Federal)
    - Purpose: To quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.
    - $3.1 billion available.
    - Deadline: September 28

You can view the full listing of available grants and funding opportunities on the Grants and Funding Opportunities page on the CCAO website.

OPEA to host eBusiness center webinar on August 22

On August 22, the OEPA will host a webinar regarding its eBusiness center and how it can be used to report and submit applications, report non-compliance, and more. The webinar will provide one hour of continuing education credit for wastewater operators and is currently in pending review for an hour of continuing education credit for registered environmental health specialists. You can register for this webinar here.

NACo offering cyberattack simulation training to NACo members

CCAO is highlighting three NACo cybersecurity offerings that it will host this year, all of which are cyberattack simulations. The simulations are designed and presented in partnership with the Professional Development Academy, risk managers, chief information security officers, chief information officers, and more.

Registration is open only to NACo members and a single event registration costs $150 per individual.

The second, scheduled for September 11 to September 15, is a simulation of a ransomware attack. Ransomware attacks involve a virus typically disguised as a harmless file that prohibits access to vital and sensitive files until the owner pays a ransom to regain access. If the ransom is not paid, the files may be permanent erased or released to malicious third parties.

The third simulation is scheduled for December 4 to December 8 and will focus on the employee management aspect of cyberattacks and how an aware and conscious workforce can help prevent cyberattacks.

If you are interested in joining NACo to gain access to useful trainings such as these, please contact CCAO Assistant Director John Leutz, CCAO Service Corporation Manager Steve Caraway, or CCAO Boards Liaison and Events Manager Robin Garrett.

SAM.gov, federal grant portal, walkthrough available; grant writing resources available

Last month, the US General Services Administration hosted an online forum to help walk state and local officials through how to use SAM.gov. The website is the primary portal for intergovernmental assistance from the federal government to state and local governments.

The Administration has made the presentation slide deck and the recording of the session available for download, as well as a one-page guide.

Grants are a valuable resource for counties to utilize, but knowing how best to develop competitive applications can be difficult and the learning curve cause counties to lose out on grants. Luckily, federal agencies and nonprofits offer resources to assist in developing competitive applications. Federal agency websites point to internal and external sources and many conduct free training and targeted one on one or small group technical assistance. Here are some current resources to explore:

- Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse
- Great Lakes Community Action Partnership
- Local Infrastructure Hub
- National Wildlife Federation
- Rural Community Assistance Partnership
- State and Community Energy Programs-Tools and Resources
- US Department of Transportation
- USDA Rural Development
- 10,000 Communities Initiative

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This section of *Counties Current* will be a permanent fixture for the foreseeable future to help counties with the ins and outs of the American Rescue Plan Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. These two laws provide a once-in-a-generation investment.

Updated comparison of state and federal procurement law available

Bricker Graydon has shared a revised comparison of Ohio procurement law and federal uniform guidance. The document is intended to provide a comparison of the procurement rules and regulations prescribed by both federal law and state law, as they relate to Ohio counties using ARPA funds. Counties must comply with both state and federal law, where possible. Where federal requirements are more restrictive than state law, federal law must be followed. Where state law is more restrictive than federal requirements, state law must be followed.

The key revision regards state term contracts (page 8), which counties may participate in but Bricker Graydon suggests exercising caution and reviewing Auditor of State training materials before doing so.

The information presented in the chart was prepared by Bricker Graydon LLP as a service to CCAO. This information is intended solely for informational purposes of CCAO and its members and is not intended to constitute legal advice to, and may not be relied upon by, any party. Readers should engage legal counsel to provide legal advice related to any specific transaction.

Federal legislation increases ARPA flexibility for infrastructure, disaster response, and CDBG projects

The federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 was signed into law on December 29, 2022. The legislation contains important updates to how counties and other local governments may use their ARPA funds. First, the Act codifies the standard allowance included in the US Department of the Treasury's Final Rule that permits counties to use up to $10 million for the provision of government services under the "revenue loss" eligibility category without having to demonstrate losses through a complicated formula. This codification means that the Treasury Department cannot alter the standard allowance in any subsequent rulemaking.

The Act also permits counties to use the greater of $10 million or 30 percent of their total ARPA allocation for federal infrastructure projects, responding to natural disasters, or Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects. Counties must expend these funds no later than September 30, 2026, rather than the standard date of December 31, 2026. Eligible natural disaster responses include emergency relief and the negative economic impacts of natural disasters, including temporary emergency housing, food assistance, financial assistance for lost wages, or other immediate needs. CDBG projects must meet the requirements of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

Some of the federal infrastructure programs eligible for ARPA match include the National Highway Performance Program; Bridge Investment Program; Surface Transportation Block Grant Program; and, the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program. More information, and a complete list of eligible transportation programs, is available from NACo at this link.

Resources for ARPA Reporting and Compliance

The most recent version of the US Treasury Reporting Guidance was published September 20, 2022. Counties and other local governments with populations greater than 250,000 or ARPA distributions greater than $10 million are required to file Project and Expenditure Reports no later than 30 days after the end of each quarter throughout the grant period. Other recipients will file Project and Expenditure Reports annually by April 30.

Members are urged to consult resources from US Treasury, NACo, and the Ohio Office of Budget and Management for more information about reporting and how to use ARPA funds. CCAO maintains a list of ARPA links and resources, including a comparison of state and federal procurement laws, at the ARPA Resources page.

Ohio Ethics Commission issues statement regarding stimulus funds

Last week the Ohio Ethics Commission released a statement ensuring that public officials are aware that stimulus funds, such as those received under the federal American Rescue Plan Act and the funds that communities will receive under Governor Mike DeWine's Appalachian investment program, are public funds and that conflict of interest laws must be observed.

To that effect, the Commission also recirculated its Advisory Opinion No. 2009-006, issued in 2009 regarding stimulus funds made available to governments under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. It provides a more in-depth examination of potential conflicts of interest with stimulus funds, including a discussing regarding vendors.

CCAO encourages members refamiliarize themselves with this Advisory Opinion and conflict of interest laws to ensure good stewardship of ARPA and Appalachia funds.

Guidance and overview of available BIL funding available from NACo and the Ohio Department of Transportation

NACo and ODOT each host a resource page providing information to counties about the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The pages are rich with information including multiple tables providing overviews and links to funding opportunities, a timeline of upcoming grant programs, and much more.

The NACo website can be found here and the ODOT website can be found here.

CCAO strongly encourages counties to frequently visit the sites and apply for funding through the myriad of programs to bring valuable federal funds to Ohio communities.

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Each week Counties Current highlights the happenings in our counties in the words of their local media. One county from each of the CCAO's five districts is highlighted.

Northwest District

Commissioners approve funding for soil samples, ground testing at new Lucas County jail site

WTOL, August 1, 2023

Lucas County commissioners passed a resolution Tuesday to start moving on the new county jail project, which is expected to be completed by October 2026.

The resolution awards a $501,782 contract to Toledo-based CT Consultants, Inc. for soil samples and ground testing at the location announced in May, 12 parcels of land it purchased from law firm Shumaker, Loop and Kendrick in downtown Toledo bounded by 12th Street, Southard Street, Canton Street and the alley just north of the firm's building on Jackson Street.

This resolution is the first step toward preparing the site for the construction of its future parking lot. It will also include water diversion at the site.

The new $187 million jail, which will replace the current Speilbusch Avenue hail, will have 430 beds, plus 24 medical beds and a mental health wing.

In April, county commissioners said they planned to break ground on the construction of a new jail by the end of 2023. Commissioners have said they plan to eventually tear down the current jail building, but have not yet budgeted for that demolition.

Northeast District

Remainder of ARP funds more than announced

Tribune Chronicle, August 2, 2023

Trumbull County officials have found more than $2 million, and expect to find more, of the American Rescue Plan Act money that might have been allocated, but not spent.

Commissioners might be able to use the money to fulfill requests made by various townships and nonprofits still waiting to learn if they will receive a portion of the nearly $39 million in federal relief funds.

Attorney James Misocky, special projects administrator, last week told commissioners during a workshop meeting there was approximately $459,000 of ARPA money in the county's general fund still available to distribute; and another $6 million under its revenue loss category.

Those estimates were well below the $15 million that commissioners believed remained from the ARPA funds.

Since that meeting, county Auditor Martha Yoder, Misocky and commissioners board President Denny Malloy have spent time reviewing all requests made for the federal funds, allocations approved by the county and actual money spent to find out how much money they actually have to work with going forward.

Central District

Licking County officials opened a century-old courthouse safe. Here's what they found

Newark Advocate, August 4, 2023

It took four hours, but the opening of an 1873 safe Wednesday in the Licking County Courthouse revealed a six-shooter, several documents marked "evidence," a Christmas list, some pills and a drug-testing kit.

The only dates visible on the documents were from the 1970s, not the 1870s. One empty envelope was labeled "coins and gold nuggets." A piece of fabric attached to wood, possibly from a chair, had what appeared to be bullet holes in it. There were also a box of cigarettes and some personal notes.

"My assumption is it was evidence used and then stored for safe-keeping, pending appeal. Then out of sight and mind, forgotten about," Licking County Commissioner Tim Bubb said.

Bubb always wanted to open the 5,000-pound safe in the Juvenile Court clerk's office, at one time the county treasurer's office. He said he's known about the safe since becoming commissioner in 2005.

Southwest District

Economy, market trends discussed at commissioners' meeting

News Journal, August 3, 2023

At the Wednesday morning session of the Clinton County Commissioners meeting, attendees were treated to an informative presentation by Scott Keller, investment officer at Peoples Bank, and Chris White, vice president of financial planning at Peoples Bank. They provided an update on the Clinton County Foundation Legacy Fund investments, shedding light on recent developments and market trends.

The presentation commenced with Keller taking the floor to share insights on the current market scenario and economy. Keller's presentation centered on the performance of the investment account and highlighted changes that have been implemented since their last interaction with the commissioners.

The Legacy Fund, dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for Clinton County citizens through project-based funding, aims to strengthen the local community across economic, physical, and social dimensions. As a platform for local economic growth, the fund seeks to drive positive, lasting change within the county.

Keller initiated his market update by recollecting his remarks from the previous year, noting that the market had exceeded expectations. He noted that the past year had been particularly remarkable, showcasing the strongest seven-month start to a year since 1997. He addressed the concern of market leadership being narrow, with only a few technology giants driving performance.

Southeast District

Ohio State Auditor Keith Faber urges local governments to look out for fraud

Marietta Times, August 4, 2023

Fraud is still a big game across Ohio, State Auditor Keith Faber says.

But his office and local prosecutors are fighting back as lying, cheating and stealing shift to newer financial technology.

One particular type of fraud occurring is "redirects," where a fraudulent customer calls or emails a financial institution and directs that their paycheck or other funds be redirected to a different bank account, he said during a roundtable discussion at the Washington County Commissioners' office Thursday. It's not until later that the money is missing and the fraud is discovered.

"The moral of this story," Faber urges local governments, "is to follow a two-person verification rule. Never accept a bank transfer request by email or phone call, even if you know the person."

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Please view the CCAO Calendar for a comprehensive list of events to note.

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Special Election

AUGUST 9
CCAO-CEAO Northwest District Meeting

AUGUST 11
CORSA Board of Directors Meeting

AUGUST 16
County Classic Golf Outing

AUGUST 16 - 18
CCAO Summer Symposium (Newark, Ohio)

AUGUST 25
CEBCO Board of Directors Meeting

SEPTEMBER 4
Labor Day

SEPTEMBER 8
CORSA Annual Meeting

County Fair Dates:
You can access a full schedule here.

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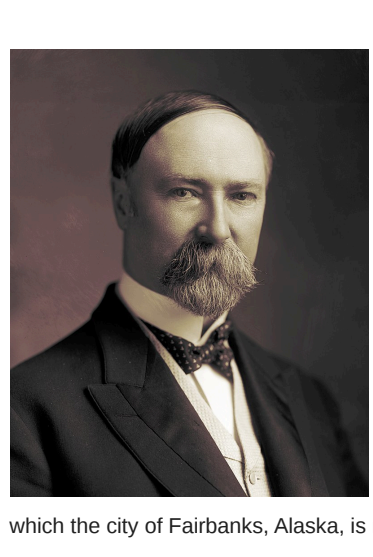
Muskingum County, Union County, and Washington County

While it's well-known that Ohio was the birthplace of seven US Presidents, it is less well-known that Ohio was also the birthplace of three US Vice-Presidents. However, despite their birthplaces being Ohio, none made their primary career in the state.

Thomas Hendricks, the 21st Vice-President of the United States, was born in Muskingum County, but his family moved to Indiana when he was less than a year old. He served nine months as Grover Cleveland's VP before dying of a heart attack in office on November 25, 1885.



Charles Fairbanks was the 26th Vice-President, serving under President Theodore Roosevelt for the entirety of Roosevelt's elected term (1905 to 1909). Fairbanks was born in Union County, attended Ohio Wesleyan where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees, and earned a law degree from the Cleveland Law School. Despite spending much of his youth and early adulthood in Ohio, he moved to Indiana where he was elected Senator and later selected as Roosevelt's running mate in 1904. During his time in the Senate, he helped resolve the Alaska territory border dispute with Canada, in recognition of which the city of Fairbanks, Alaska, is named after him.

Finally, Charles Dawes was the 30th Vice President, serving under President Calvin Coolidge from 1925 to 1929. Dawes was born in Washington County and spent his childhood and early adulthood in Ohio, graduating from Marietta College and earning his law degree from the Cincinnati Law School. He went on to make his primary residence in Chicago, Illinois. Dawes is most well-known for winning the Nobel Peace Prize in 1925 for the Dawes Plan, which helped Germany recover its industrial capacity while making reparation payments after losing the first World War.

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