



### 2022 Executive Meetings

- January 12
- February—no meeting
  - March 16
- April—No meeting
  - May 11
  - June 15
- July— No meeting
  - August 10
  - September 14
- October- No meeting
  - November 16
- December- No meeting

### 2022 Full Commission Meetings

- January—No meeting
  - February 23
- March— No meeting
  - April 27
- May- No meeting
- June— No meeting
  - July 27
- August— No meeting
- September— No meeting
  - October 26
- November— No meeting
- December— No meeting





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### Motto

*“Protect & Promote People and Place”*



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## Who We Are

Created in 1959, RCRPC deals with issues ranging from infrastructure to zoning across jurisdictions and political boundaries within Richland County.

The Commission employs a staff of professionals and technicians to undertake a variety of programs and projects, including:

The objective of the RCRPC is to determine the people's needs, problems and hopes, and to plan the environment in accordance with them.

- Community Development
- Land Use Planning
- Transit Planning
- Transportation Planning (MPO)

The Commission is comprised of 54 individuals and represents a diverse cross section of the governmental, business and civic leadership of Richland County.

### Vision

*"We envision a robust and resilient Richland County, engaged in enhancing quality of life and building sustainable communities with vibrant economies; through cooperation and public participation in regional planning".*



Mobility Management

A variety of Public Transportation and Human Service Transportation are available in Richland County for seniors and those with disabilities. The ATAC (Active Transportation Advisory Committee) Mobility Manager was formed to coordinate existing routes and vehicles to bring efficiency to the roster of transportation services available. Social service agencies within the county can contact the Mobility Manager to schedule medical, grocery, or work/training trips with one of the 7 area transportation companies.

Active Transportation

RCRPC, in conjunction with Richland Public Health, seeks to create a regional document known as the Active Transportation Plan. This plan is intended to guide and identify necessary bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the county, provide guidance on developing programs that educate and encourage residents to walk and bike as healthy, enjoyable, and efficient transportation choices, and focus on ways to improve, expand and connect existing bicycle, pedestrian and transit networks.



Community Block Development Grant

The CBDG Provides communities with a flexible housing and community development resource that can be used to address locally identified needs that qualify under the national objective of Low/Moderate Income (LMI) Benefit and Elimination of Slum and Blight.

The CDBG Grant funds have been administered by RCRPC for nearly 30 years. This program has funded over \$8 million in community projects to benefit the LMI population of the region.

Ohio Public Works Commission

The OPWC was created in 1987 to administer the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP), later joining with the Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP). SCIP is a grant/loan program for roads, bridges, water supply, wastewater treatment, storm water collection and solid waste disposal. LTIP is a grant program for roads and bridges only.

RCRPC serves as the liaison for District 16. We are the main resource for management of the district and a point of communication between the District membership and the OPWC.

Transportation Planning (MPO)

RCRPC was chosen as the most appropriate existing agency in Richland County in 1975 to take on the Comprehensive Land Use and Transportation Study as a committee known as the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

There are 5 core functions of the RCRPC MPO:

- Evaluate transportation alternatives, scaled to the size of the complexity of the region, to the nature of its transportation issues, and funding resources.
- Establish and provide a fair and impartial setting for effective decision making.
- Develop and maintain a Long Range transportation Plan, to span a planning horizon of at least 20 years.
- Develop a Transportation Improvement Plan, a 4 year project implementation program that is based on the Long Range Transportation plan.
- Involving the public to ensure they have the opportunity to be actively involved in the core functions that have been listed.

Transit Planning

RCRPC provides administrative services for the Richland County Transit Board, which oversees the public transportation services of the Richland County Area.

Regional Planning staff provides grant management and financial functions, service oversight and evaluation, asset procurement and management, and required planning and civil rights activities for the Transit Board.

Community Development

RCRPC oversees the Community Development Block Grant Program for Richland County, which funds projects to benefit low and moderate income persons; and the District 16 Public Works Integrating Committee.

RCRPC also supervises the Revolving Loan Fund, which assists small business in financing their job creating projects, administers Enterprise Zone Program for the County, which provides tax incentives for business expansion, and maintain a cooperative relationship with all Richland County development organizations.

Land Use Planning

RCRPC is responsible for the development and administration of the Richland County Subdivision Regulations. The Commission also provides assistance, advice, and recommendations to municipalities and townships concerning their zoning and subdivision matters.

RCRPC is also responsible for the preparation of various plans, studies and reports including the Richland County Regional Comprehensive Plan which identifies strategies with goals across 6 categories:

- Land Use Regulations
- Infrastructure
- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Housing
- Community Quality of Life

HISTORY & TIMELINE:

- Established in **1959**
- Early **1960's**, Carroll V. Hill & Associates, a private consulting firm, created the very first Comprehensive Plan
- **1975**– The first Richland County Long Range Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Plan were adopted.
- **1998**– Stanton Transit Center is completed and was Mansfield's first transit center
- **2003**– The 1970's update of the first Comprehensive Plan was again updated to be the 2035 Comprehensive Plan of Richland County
- **2005**– US 30's new alignment was completed and consisted of construction of a 4 lane divided highway
- **2008**– Grade Separation for Illinois Avenue over Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks was completed
- **2009**– RCRPC celebrated 50 years of business
- **2013**– Middle Bellville Road updated & improved and includes the county's first roundabout.

Mission

"We will provide innovative information and regional planning services, in a professional and ethical manner, to our community partners and the general public, to facilitate implementation of regional and local goals".