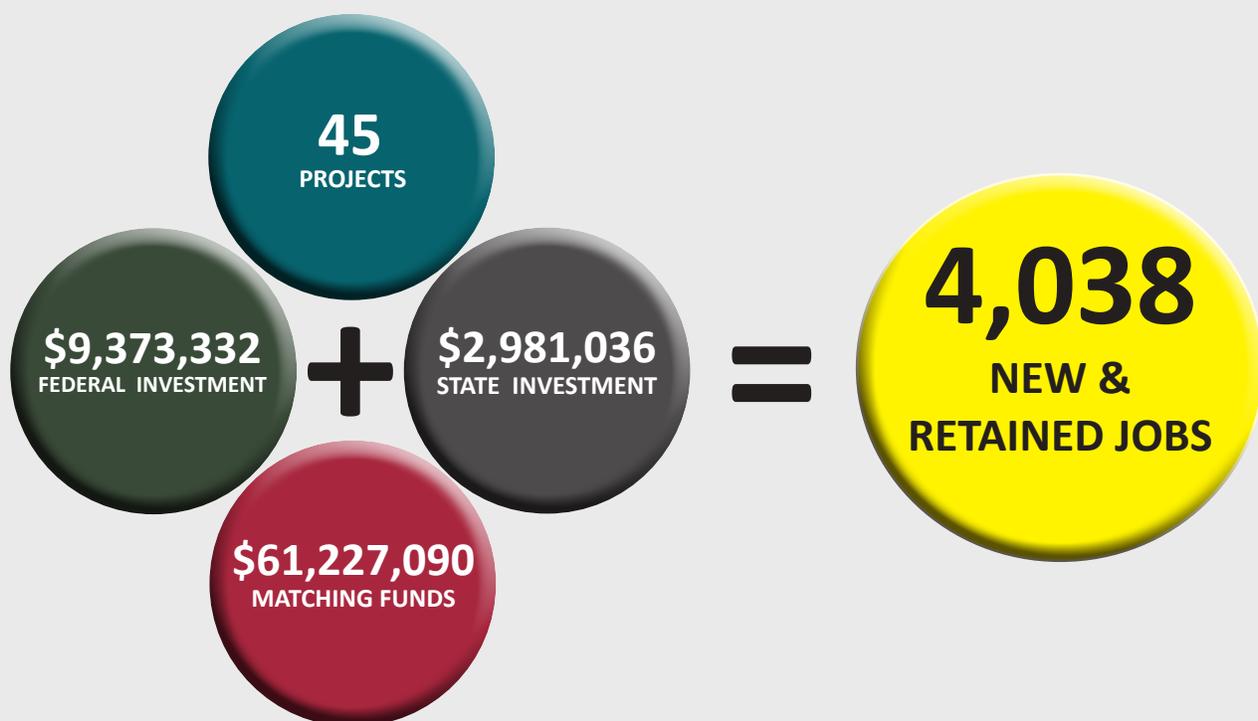


Ohio's Appalachian Regional Commission Local Development Districts

Return On Investment

2015



In 2015, Ohio's LDDs administered 45 ARC projects with \$76,562,494 in total project costs which resulted in 659 new jobs and another 3,379 jobs retained in the region.

LDDs secured \$65 in Direct Project Dollars for every \$1 spent on administration.

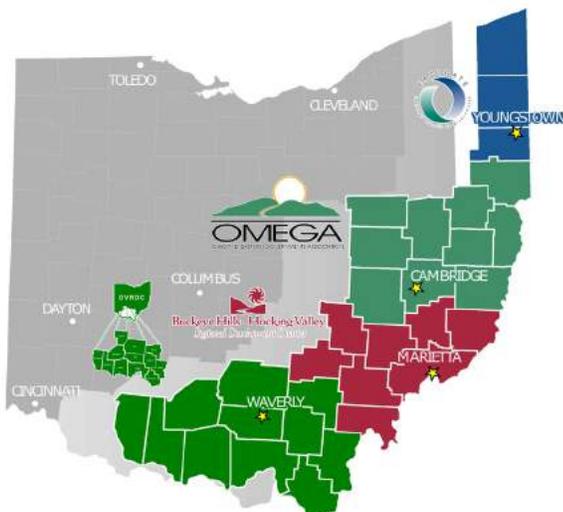
The Appalachian Region is home to more than **25 million people** covering **420 counties** in **13 states** from New York to Mississippi.



Appalachia is a region of great opportunity. For 50 years, the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) has invested in the efforts of its local, regional, and state partners to transform Appalachian communities and advance its mission of helping the region achieve socio-economic parity with the rest of the nation.

Since 1965, ARC has made nearly 25,000 targeted investments and invested more than \$3.8 billion in the region. These investments were matched by \$9 billion in other federal, state, and local funding sources. Since 1978, when ARC began tracking leveraging data, every dollar invested by ARC has leveraged an average of \$6.40 from the private sector.*

Ohio's four Local Development Districts (LDDs) **serve 32 counties** and administer the federal ARC & Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia (GOA) grant programs across the region.



REGIONAL PROJECTS

Ashtabula County

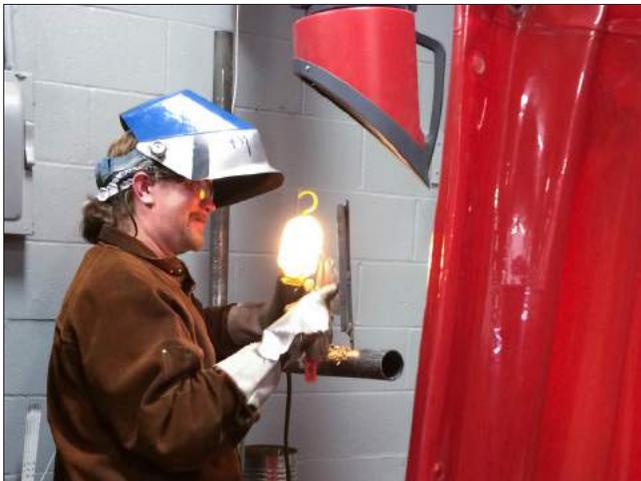
ASHTABULA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE TRAINING PROGRAM

The training program received a grant of \$99,000 from the Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia to purchase equipment for a customized industrial maintenance program. Utilizing top ten in-demand skill sets, this program serves nine local manufactures and will train 19 employees annually. This project will establish a new training program and will create six jobs and retain 55 over a three-year period.

Athens, Hocking & Perry Counties

TRI-COUNTY ADULT CAREER CENTER WELDING

The Tri-County Adult Career Center Industrial Welding program received an equipment grant of \$100,000 from the Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia. The grant replaced the original fume control system (from 1968) with much-needed state-of-the-art upgrades. The 12-month program trains and certifies students with industry credentials including structural steel welding and pressure pipe and OSHA certifications.



Belmont County

U.S. 40 MALL ROAD CONNECTOR PHASE I

The Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia provided \$225,000 for the first phase of this two-phase project that will improve access in and around the south-eastern portion of St. Clairsville, to provide greater connectivity, better traffic circulation, improved traffic safety, and relieve congestion and air pollution. In addition, this project will open approximately 95 acres of land planned to serve the St. Clair Commons Health & Wellness Campus, which promises to serve as a national model for rural healthcare and address the needs of a designated medically underserved area. St. Clair Commons services will include physician offices, health and wellness programs, physical therapy and cardio rehabilitation, occupational health, ambulatory surgery, imaging, women's health, urgent care expandable to an emergency department, lab services, cardiology/pulmonary care, behavioral health, and primary care. Beyond the St. Clair Commons Health & Wellness Campus site is an additional developable 100 acres which will be primed for economic development and accessed by the US 40 Mall Road Connector.



Ohio's Appalachian counties cover an area larger than the state of Massachusetts, Connecticut & Rhode Island combined.**

Belmont, Columbiana, Holmes, Jefferson, Muskingum & Tuscarawas Counties

WSOS – OHIO RCAP GIS/GPS DATA COLLECTION (GROUP 3)

The project will assist small local governments and utilities in creating an up-to-date asset inventory and maps of their utility assets. Ohio RCAP staff will scan and digitally preserve paper as-built drawings, collect Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) coordinates that will enable operators to readily find assets in the field, and to prepare Geographic Information System (GIS) datasets that will be ready for use in a GIS computer program. As part of the project, most of the participating communities elected to receive GNSS units or new computers for use after the project is finished to improve their emergency response and operational efficiency. The project will also enable communities to participate in a cooperative GIS service for on-going access and maintenance of their GIS data. This project received \$98,910 from the Appalachian Regional Commission and impacts 11 communities in six counties serving a combined population of 44,000+ and over 36,500 utility connections.

Coshocton County

CITY OF COSHOCTON OTSEGO AVENUE REHABILITATION

Otsego Avenue is an important inter-city connector route and is critical for ease in transportation through the City of Coshocton. Over 35 local businesses and the Coshocton County Fairgrounds are reached by traveling Otsego Avenue. The street also connects to the Coshocton City Schools, major community subdivisions, the downtown area, an outdoor recreational park and the Second Street shopping area. The route is used as a staging area for Kraft Foods Group. The Coshocton Kraft facility has been chosen to be Kraft's sole bacon manufacturing facility in the country and with the planned expansion will create 300 new well-paying jobs and retain 372 jobs. In addition, Otsego Avenue serves as a connector to State Route 83 south which allows residents to travel south and west to various locations such as Zanesville, Newark and Columbus. This project received \$299,992 in Appalachian Regional Commission/ODOT funding.

Highland County

VILLAGE OF GREENFIELD

In fiscal year 2012, the Economic Development Administration awarded approximately \$2.5 million to the Village of Greenfield for its Greenfield Rail Line Improvements project. The nearly \$4 million project included 29 miles of rail line improvements in Highland and Clinton Counties that serve numerous industries along that distance. Over the past decade, the railroad had deteriorated to the point that derailments were occurring and the rail line was unusable at times, hurting industries such as Johnson Controls, Huhtamaki, and Candle-Lite, that depended upon the railroad to ship materials and products in and out. Due to additional requirements before the

project construction could begin, the project did not move forward until 2015, and because of this time lapse, construction costs had gone up. The Village of Greenfield was left with a \$205,000 funding gap that needed to be filled or the Village was going to lose their EDA funding. The Governor's Office of Appalachia came in to be that gap financier and provided the needed funds for the project to move forward. The construction on the railroad is set to be completed in early 2016. Because of the GOA grant, \$14 million in private investment for the region was protected, 765 jobs were retained and 94 jobs will be created.



Mahoning County

YOUNGSTOWN BUSINESS INCUBATOR (YBI) TECH BLOCK BUILDING FIVE EQUIPMENT

This project received \$175,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission to purchase additive and post-processing manufacturing equipment to be used by local technology companies to promote economic growth and improve business operations. The project is a partnership between YBI and Youngstown State University to enhance the business incubator to attract new manufacturing and technology companies to the region. This project will serve five incubator participants and create nine jobs.



YOUNGSTOWN
BUSINESS INCUBATOR

Jackson County

CITY OF JACKSON

The Appalachian Regional Commission awarded \$250,000 to the City of Jackson for upgrades to its wastewater treatment plant. This \$5,205,000 project was funded with matching dollars from the Community Development Block Grant Program and the Ohio EPA Water Pollution Control Loan Fund. Upgrades include consolidation of the two influent pumping stations and capacity increase to 12 MGD, removal and replacement of the main influent screen, a new pump station force main routed to a new flow splitter structure, refurbishment of two final clarifiers including structural repairs and weir brackets, an oxidation ditch motorized influent gate and instrumentation control, new aerated sludge holding tank and aeration supply, upgrade of the mixing system of the existing sludge holding tank from mechanical to diffused aeration, and replacement of the digested sludge pump. The project serves 2,586 residential customers, 467 commercial customers, and nine industrial customers, ensuring that 1,350 jobs are retained.



Meigs County

MEIGS COUNTY EMS/MED FLIGHT SERVICES

On his journey through Ohio, ARC Executive Director Scott Hamilton visited the construction site for the new Meigs County EMS/Med Flight services facility. The Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia provided a \$250,000 grant to assist in equipping approximately 7,000 sq. feet of space for the 24-hour on-call EMS operation. Shown at right from left is Jason Wilson, of the Ohio GOA and ARC's Scott Hamilton getting a tour of the Life Flight AC130 Airbus with its mini ICU.





Meigs County

OHIO RIVER MEDICAL MISSION ~ INNOVATIVE READINESS TRAINING

The Meigs County Commissioners received \$110,000 from the Ohio Governor's Office of Appalachia to support the Ohio River Medical Mission, an Innovative Readiness Training (IRT). The event was in cooperation with the 7241st Medical Support Unit, Army Reserve Medical Command from Lexington, Kentucky, with sister services from the U.S. Navy and 24th Medical Detachment from Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. The Mission provided at no charge medical, dental, vision and veterinary services to a total of 2,952 patients and animals with an estimated total cost savings to the community of \$739,357. Volunteers were another critical part of the Mission's success. Through a coordinated effort, 390 volunteers served more than 3,300 hours (a value of nearly \$77,500 to the community).

View the Mission video at www.facebook.com/OHRiverMedicalMission/ (Click on View Video Button)

2,952 PATIENTS & ANIMALS SERVED FROM 61 TOWNS ACROSS 20 COUNTIES IN 4 STATES	844 DENTAL SERVICES
3,300 HOURS BY 390 VOLUNTEERS	703 VISION SERVICES w/ 681 PAIRS OF FREE GLASSES
\$739,357 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST SAVINGS TO THE COMMUNITY	646 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES
	343 MEDICATION PRESCRIPTIONS



Shown above (from left) touring the training program are ARC Federal Co-Chair Earl Gohl; Bobby Cole of the Local 577 and U.S. Congressman Bill Johnson (6th District).

Scioto County

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 577

The Appalachian Regional Commission awarded \$100,000 for welding equipment for the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 577 located in Portsmouth, Ohio. Equipment purchased will include a metal cutting band saw, pipe beveling machine, and a Tig wet tungsten grinder. This equipment will be used to start a new accelerated welding program for apprentices to expand the number of qualified welders needed to fill the shortage of welders in the 577's working jurisdiction. The program will be taught at the 577's training facility in Portsmouth, giving participants the opportunity to train locally. Because of this award, which was matched with \$63,028 from the grantee, 12 people will have the opportunity to train as welders at no cost to them and the Local 577 will subsequently place them into jobs that will give them the opportunity to earn (on average) \$78,000 annually. The implementation of the program also creates one job for a welding instructor.



Trumbull County

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LITTLE SQUAW CREEK INTERCEPTOR PHASE 5 PROJECT

The Appalachian Regional Commission awarded \$175,000 to the project that will improve economic development and address public health concerns with the construction of a 13,000 LF sanitary sewer line within the consent decree area with failing septic systems in Vienna Township. This project will serve ten existing businesses, two mobile home parks, 39 households, six government buildings and the regional airport.

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ARC counties make up 17% of Ohio's population.***

*ARC's Five-Year Strategic Plan (2016-2020)

** Annie E. Casey Foundation's Kids Count Report (2001)

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