METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) REPORT

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MID-OHIO REGIONAL MORPC PLANNING COMMISSION





- Attributable Funding
- Technical Assistance Program
- Transportation Review & Advisory Council (TRAC)
- Safety Summit
- LinkUs

SAFE STREETS CENTRAL OHIO 2024







September 26, 2024 Wigwam Event Center Pickerington, Ohio

Hear from engaging speakers, participate in a Safe System Approach Implementation workshop, share resources and ideas, and network with colleagues from around Central Ohio on various aspects of traffic safety.









COTA LINKS US TO MORE TRANSIT, SIDEWALKS AND TRAILS



LINKUS MESSAGING TRIANGLE

BUILDING MORE SIDEWALKS, BIKEWAYS AND TRAILS

- 500+ miles of sidewalks, bikeways and trails with \$60M dedicated annually
- Improves infrastructure to protect pedestrian safety

LinkUS is vital to our region's growth and prosperity

EXPANDS COTA SERVICES

- Faster, more reliable transit
- Improves connections to work, home and entertainment creating more walkable communities

CREATES OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

- Improves Central Ohio's infrastructure to help grow our economy
- Supports existing communities

















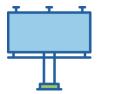
Collateral Creation

Public Engagement

Video Production

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Digital Ads



OTT/CTV







Owned Channels

Transition to deeper engagement activation and COTAxLinkUS messaging across agency and partner channels, including:

- New defined content plan and schedule \bullet
- Customized partner toolkits

Public Engagement/ Earned Media

- Targeted stakeholder outreach and ۲ engagement
- Editorial engagement, targeted proactive pitches and response management

Paid Media

Curate content for COTAxLinkUS campaign and amplify through paid media

Proposed Media Breakdown

Tactics in development



TOWN HALL MEETINGS DATES

July 25: West High School | 6-7:30 p.m. | 179 S. Powell Ave

August 8: Impact Community Action | 6-7:30 p.m. | 711 Southwood Ave

August 17: Columbus Urban League | 10-11:30 a.m. | 788 Mt. Vernon Ave

September 12: Carriage Place Community Center | 6-7:30 p.m. | 4900 Sawmill Rd

September 23: CML Northern Lights Branch | 6-7:30 p.m. | 4093 Cleveland Ave

October 5: CML Main Library | 10-11:30 a.m. | 96 S. Grant Ave

October 9: Reynoldsburg High School | 6-7:30 p.m. | 6699 E. Livingston Ave

EQUITABLE TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

- August 30 LinkUS Financial Sub-Committee meeting
- September 4 ETOD Advisory Group Meeting
 - Columbus Main Library (10 a.m. Noon)
- **September –** Action Plan Release

- West Broad BRT Corridor ETOD Pilot Grant awarded from the FTA - \$1.2M work to begin Fall '24
- Applying for E Main BRT Corridor ETOD
 Pilot Grant from FTA ask for \$1.2M award announced Q1 or Q2 '25

TSI 2026-2030 DRAFT <u>ACTIVE</u> PROGRAM



83 projects total

- 65 under construction by 2030
- Projects with sidewalks (29),
 bike/shared paths (74), transit
 stop improvements (2)
- 35 jurisdictions with projects
 - 55 multi-jurisdictional projects
- 150+ miles of new facilities

NEXT STEPS TSI PROGRAM



Community Engagement

- Virtual Public Open Houses
- Synthesize comments, share with working groups
- Coincide with TSI-specific media strategy

Capital Improvements Program

- Draft CIP Public Engagement: Late July through August
- Technical working groups to review any proposed changes to draft CIP
- Final CIP: August/September
 - Coordinating Committee, Leadership
 Committee to review changes, adopt CIP



MORPC.org/MoreSidewalks

SUBURBAN LINKUS

TOOLKITS

OBJECTIVE: Create content in partnership with suburbs on "What's in it for me?" with a focus on sidewalk, bikeway and road (TSI) improvements and how they create opportunity.

CREATIVE DIRECTION: Mini Explainer/Vox style series with a familiar face, Javier, as host. Similar to our Explainer videos in breaking down LinkUS concepts and outcomes, but shorter and location specific. We will create individual videos for several suburbs at locations slated for TSI improvements with on-location B-roll and graphics to support.

DELIVERABLES:

- 30-second videos for 12 communities
- A one pager for each community
- Landing page outline and assets each community can customize and use to host LinkUS information, their video and one pager

EXECUTION: Local communities will post and tag LinkUS and COTA at their discretion on timing. LinkUS will post and tag a different suburb every few days until all videos are released on LinkUS social channels.

GENERAL TIMELINE:

Filming	July 18-19 / August 2-5
Toolkit announced	July 25
Videos delivered	August 31 (in time for project announcements post-public comment period)

Will post on LinkUS socials a few per day until all posted