



Member Agencies

AMATS – Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study
BELOMAR – Belomar Regional Council and Interstate Planning Commission
BH-HVRDD – Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District
BHJMP – Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission
CCSTS – Clark County-Springfield Transportation Study
EASTGATE – Eastgate Regional Council of Governments
ERPC – Erie Regional Planning Commission
KYOVA – KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission (Kentucky, W. Virginia, and Ohio counties)
LACRPC – Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
LCPC – Licking County Planning Commission
LUCRPC – LUC Regional Planning Commission
MORPC – Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
MOVRC – Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Planning Commission
MVPO – Maumee Valley Planning Organization
MVRPC – Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission
NEFCO – Northeast Ohio Four-County Regional Planning & Development Organization
NOACA – Northeast Ohio Area Coordinating Agency
OKI – Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments
OVRDC – Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission
OMEGA – Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association
RCRPC – Richland County Regional Planning Commission
SCRPC – Stark County Regional Planning Commission
TMACOG – Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments
WWWIPC – Wood-Washington-Wirt Interstate Planning Commission



The Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) is comprised of regional agencies that serve governments and represent over 10 million residents across Ohio.



Who We Are

The Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) comprises 24 agencies serving more than 1,500 municipalities, villages, townships and counties and representing over 10 million residents of those communities around the state. Regional councils coordinate and work to streamline statewide services at the regional level, leverage federal resources and serve as stewards of Ohio's limited resources.

What We Do

Ohio's regional councils serve as a conveners, consensus builders, facilitators and leaders in order to target limited regional resources to deliver the best return on investment for the region.

The Role of Ohio Regional Councils

Regional councils have been an integral part in helping various state administrations over the last five decades implement their programs and policies at the local level, including transportation, job development, environmental protection, aging services, housing, weatherization, and local government collaboration.

Regional councils have enormous potential in helping make state and local government more efficient and effective in the delivery of services. Some of the areas where Regional councils have a role include:

- Job Creation & Economic Development
- Transportation
- Environmental Planning

OARC Membership



Most of Ohio's regional councils are either Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) or Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs) that bring local officials together to determine transportation priorities and how to allocate federal transportation dollars. Six of the councils are Areawide Water Quality Management Planning Agencies, designated under the Clean Water Act and certified by the Governor of Ohio. However, all the councils have long histories of coordinating transportation, environmental, and land-use planning, and helping local initiatives within the framework of state policy.