



Workforce Development Area 1

WIOA Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 26, 2025
Workforce Board Office
Agenda

Welcome

Holly Johnson

Minutes

Motion Required

Monthly Reports

Crystal Keaton

Audit Update

One-Stop Procurement—Evaluation & Selection

Motion Required

Brown Co ESC/GRIT Project MOU

Motion Required

Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce/GRIT Project MOU

Motion Required

Tech Cred application for AI Business Certification

Motion Required

New Business

Workforce Development Board Meeting Dates 2025

Wednesday, May 28, 2025
Wednesday, July 23, 2025
Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Wednesday, November 19, 2025

WIOA Board Meeting
January 22, 2025
WDB 1 Board Office and Via Zoom Link
4057A Gallia Pike, Franklin Furnace, OH 45629
Minutes

In attendance:

Board Members: Holly Johnson, Kyle Copley, Jeff Hamilton, Matt Louanglath, Chuck Taylor, Todd Cron, Josh Renison, Mary Armstead, Paul Worley, Joe Dillow, Trampas Puckett, and Tim Grooms

Staff: Crystal Keaton, Michelle Cutlip, and Sarah Carver

Guest: Debora Plymail, Susan Huff, Jeanette Langford, Luanne Valentine, Leslie Mingee, Sarah Redoutey, Brady Carter, Jason Iles, Mindy Purpero, Lisa Tumbleson-Davis, Lisa Pfeifer, Carolyn Fyffe, and Cindy Lindamood

Excused: Dwayne Alexander (staff) and Paula Baumgardner (board member)

Matt Louanglath called the meeting to order in the absence of Vice Chair Wes Davis. Matt welcomed the group and presented the group with the meeting minutes from December 4, 2024.

Matt. then asked for any changes that needed to be made in the minutes from the December 4, 2024 Board Meeting. No changes were made, Holly Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. Joe Dillow seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Crystal Keaton went over the monthly traffic report for the OhioMeansJobs centers. Total numbers for each county, Adams has had a total of 941 visits with 89 new clients. Brown County has had 821 visits with 54 new clients. Pike County has had 1156 total visits with 129 new clients and Scioto County has had 1498 total visits and 295 of those visits are new clients. That gives all four counties a total of 4416 visits. These numbers are from July 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024.

Crystal discussed the GRIT Project from July 1, 2023 thru November 30, 2024. We have assessed 8604 In school youth, 2922 Adults and 207 Professional development staff. Crystal notified the group the GRIT Conference will be held Feb 26 & 27, 2025 in Warren, Ohio. Josh Rension asked why Area 1 is operating the GRIT Project in other Areas. Crystal explained the GRIT Project is a grant through Ohio's Dept of Development and not a WIOA Formula funding.

Crystal discussed the RESEA program report from January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024. There have been 219 individuals from Area 1 that has been referred to Sarah Carver and she has selected them all. In addition to the 219, Sarah also receives referral virtual referrals from OMJ Hamilton. In total, 309 have completed their initial appt. and 293 have completed their subsequent appt.

The Car Repair Pilot began in April 2024 to help individuals get the repairs they need to keep their job, obtain a job or continue their schooling, 539 participants have been services from April 2024 thru December 2024. Number of repaired cars- 490; Number of employed participants- 307; Number of participants in training- 35; Number of participants job seeking- 36, Number still in follow-up 161. They can receive up to \$2,500 in car repairs and/or insurance.

Crystal Keaton, Director discussed The Business Resource Network (BRN) from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 has completed 680 follow up visits with businesses, 663 reporting growth, and 17 reporting to be "at risk". There are also 896 Job postings & Resume screenings and 511 Adult/Youth in Work Experience. The BRN program is currently being funded with WIOA money, BRN funds have ended.

WDA#1 has taken on a UI Pilot program. All four Counties have WDA Staff working as UI customer service reps, talking in person and over the phone UI claims. The staff's 1st day out of training was October 7, 2024. From October 7, 2024 thru November 30, 2024, Area 1 staff have served 632 On-line customers; 278 customers have been in person. For a total of 910 and an average of 25 customers daily.

Crystal provided the group with a financial report from CFIS (report WR501), showing each grant group, end date/liquation date, allocation amount, drawn amount to date, available to draw amount, revenue, disbursements, adjustments, ceiling excess and the Over/Under. This report was as of December 31, 2024 and printed January 21, 2025.

The Audit is still ongoing, Crystal reminded Board Members that if they haven't filled out the FRAQ survey they have to fill it out for the audit to be finalized. AOS has asked Crystal to prepare a draft Corrective Action plan, which is included in today's packet for review. Crystal will be submitting this draft to AOS following today's meeting.

The next item on the agenda is the election of Board Chair. Nominations for Chair was taken from the floor. Matt Louanglath nominated Holly Johnson, AEP Ohio. Kyle Copley seconded the nomination of Holly Johnson. Holly accepted the nomination. Crystal asked for additional nominations twice and hearing none the nomination of Holly Johnson was put to a vote. All presented members voted in favor of Holly Johnson being the WDB1 Board Chair. Her term starts immediately. Wes Davis will continue on as Vice-Chair.

Crystal asked for permission to put out One-Stop OhioMeansJobs Center Operator Request for Proposals. Josh Renison made the motion that the One-Stop/OMJ Center Operator be put out for bid through a Request for Proposal process. Matt Louanglath seconded the motion. Holly called for a vote on the motion; motion passed.

Crystal asked for the area to participate in the Ohio Workforce Association's Redistribution Policy to Accept 2nd Year WIOA formula funds from other underspending Ohio WIBs. Crystal stated that Area 1 would like to request to accept up to \$269,000 in WIOA Adult and \$217,800 Dislocated Worker funds. Crystal explained to the group this is not a guarantee of funds as other others would need to release funds in the process as well. In the past, areas from received any where from 0% to 60% of their ask. Matt Louanglath made the motion for Area 1 to participate in the process as presented. Joe Dillow seconded the motion. Holly put motion to a vote; motion passed.

Crystal brought a modification to the GRIT Project's MOU with Highland County CAC to the board. The modification would be a no cost change to the budget, allowing for \$10,000 to be decreased from the Adult Training line item and the \$10,000 being increased to Staffing/Indirect/Outreach/Operations line item. Budget total being \$227,523. Matt Louanglath made the motion to modify MOU budget as previously described. Joe Dillow seconded motion. Holly put the motion to a vote; motion passed.

Crystal then brought forth a new GRIT Project MOU with Bright Local Schools. The purpose of this MOU is to establish a partnership under which the GRIT Project's Virtual Job Center initiatives can be met. Bright Local has additional property at 44 N. High St., Mowrystown, Ohio that is available for development. Currently at this site a K-12 public school exists, sport complex, and school board offices. The addition of the remote work center with additional supports will add to the availability of services to the students and community of Mowrystown in Highland County. Bright Local will construct a 6000 sq. ft. post and frame building built on a footer, that will include approximately 2000 sq. feet for cubical style work and training spaces, 2000 sq. ft. for a medical and behavioral health center with medical lab and receptionist space, 1000 sq. ft. for a coffee shop,

breakroom, stockroom and restrooms and 1000 sq. ft. open space that can be utilized for specialized virtual and hand-on trainings, workforce readiness activities, life skills education, meeting space with training providers and employers all to form an accessible and successful remote work ecosystem. See attachment #1 proposed layout of center. Total cost of MOU is no more than \$400,000. Project needs to be completed by June 30, 2025. Discussion has held on rather a school district was held to Prevailing Wage requirements. Tim Grooms made the motion to accept the MOU as presented to the board, Matt Louanglath seconded the motion. Holly put the motion to a vote, motion passed.

Crystal notified the group that the Future Plans contract for GRIT Services was available for the second 1-year extension. Future Plans continues to meet the goals and performance measures of the GRIT Project funding. If the extension is approved to June 30, 2025, then an RFP process would need to occur in the Summer 2025. Joe Dillow made the motion to approve the contract extension to June 30, 2025. Matt Louanglath seconded the motion. Holly put the motion to a vote; motion passed.

Crystal then presented the board with a modification to the lease with Adams County Commissioners for space at the Adams County Training and Business Center. The amount of lease space will be decreased from 900 Sq Ft to 720 Sq Ft; resulting in a decrease of lease amount from \$1500 to \$1200 per month. Crystal and Paul Worley explained the need for the modification, was to allow for a Driving Test Center to be added to the building. Currently Adams Co residents would have to travel to Scioto or Highland County to complete a driving test, by WDB 1 releasing the 180 sq ft small conferenced room the testing center can be established and improving services for the community. WDB 1's need for a conference room can be resolved by scheduling a common area within the Adams County Training and Business Center for use as needed. Matt Louanglath made the motion to except the Adams Co Commissioners lease modification as presented. Josh Rension seconded the motion. Holly put motion to a vote; motion passed.

No new business presented to the board. Todd Cron made motion to adjourn meeting. Joe Dillow seconded the motion. Holly put motion to vote; motion passed.

Holly Johnson, Board Chair

Michelle Cutlip, Area 1 Admin. Asst.

OhioMeansJobs Center Customer Traffic
July 1, 2024 thru February 28, 2025

	Adams	Brown	Pike	Scioto	Totals
Total Visits	1269	1090	1448	1799	5606
Total Clients	685	564	879	1061	3189
New Clients	104	691	148	335	1278
Returning Clients	581	547	731	726	2585
Veteran Clients	14	17	9	14	54

					Totals
Attend Job Fair	44		31		75
Attend Job Search Workshop		9		255	264
Info on Supportive Services	224	261	85	495	1065
Info on Unemployment	179	1696	161	7	2043
Partner Services	692	900	380	355	2327
Resource Room Services	925	1131	496	397	2949

JULY 1, 2024 thru February 28, 2025

Funding Name	Adams			Brown			Pike			Scioto		
	Enrolled	Closed	Total	Enrolled	Closed	Total	Enrolled	Closed	Total	Enrolled	Closed	Total
WIOA Adult	28	38	66	33	55	88	73	16	89	274	148	422
WIOA Dislocated Worker	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	5	0	5
CCMEP Youth	7	3	10	8	2	10	31	7	38	187	29	216
CCMEP TANF	89	23	112	99	29	128	88	16	104	167	20	187
Fresh Start	2	1	3	6	5	11	139	57	196	34	22	56
Car Repair Program	13	29	42	11	35	46	121	0	121	80	106	186
Adults served out of Dislocated Worker funds	28	38	66	33	55	88	8	0	8	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Participants Placed in Employment	51			69			97			166		
Total Unduplicated Participants	134			159			452			644		

Car Repair Program (4/1/24 to 02/28/25)

Category	Count	Category	Count
Total Participants	740	Employed Individuals	532
Repairs Completed	668	Participant in Training	84
		Job Seekers	124

Area 1 RESEA (01/01/24 to 03/09/25)

Category	Count	Percentage of Completion
Selected Customers	91	
Initial Sessions Completed	80	88%
Subsequent Sessions Completed	76	95%

GRIT Project (07/01/23 to 01/31/25)

Category	Count
In-School Youth (High Schoolers)	10,903
Adult Population	3118
Professional Development	207

Area 1 UI Pilot Report (10/01/24 to 01/31/25)

Month	# of Online UI Customers Served	# In-Person UI Customers Served	Total UI Customers Served	Daily Average
Oct 24	314	120	434	23
Nov 24	318	158	476	26
Dec 24	437	224	661	30
Jan 25	520	361	881	42

03/26/2025

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CFIS Web
S0199 - FA Sub-Area - CAO of Scioto County, Inc.
Over/Under Reconciliation



Sub-Area: S0199 - FA Sub-Area - CAO of Scioto County, Inc.
Quarter Ending: March 2025
Report Option: By Sub-Area

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Grant Group	End Date/ Liquidation	Budget		Draw		Financials by Account Type				Ceiling Excess	(Over) /Under
		Allocation	Available to Expend	Drawn	Available to Draw	Revenue Account=4...	Disbursements Account=5...	Adjustments Account=8...	Total		
NDWVG Opioid Fresh Start Inc 2 Admin	03/2025	107,877.30	2,356.17	106,324.04	1,553.26	0.00	105,521.13	0.00	105,521.13	0.00	(802.91)
	03/2025										
RESEA Admin	03/2024	7,963.00	0.00	7,963.00	0.00	0.00	7,963.00	0.00	7,963.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
RESEA Program	09/2025	26,204.14	12,568.64	16,262.20	9,941.94	0.00	13,635.50	0.00	13,635.50	0.00	(2,626.70)
	09/2025										
WIOA Adult Admin	03/2024	71,668.00	0.00	71,668.00	0.00	0.00	71,668.00	0.00	71,668.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	09/2025	235,841.22	73,511.95	164,675.92	71,165.30	0.00	162,329.27	0.00	162,329.27	0.00	(2,346.65)
	09/2025										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2024	98,354.00	0.00	98,354.00	0.00	0.00	98,354.00	0.00	98,354.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2025	80,602.00	0.00	80,602.00	0.00	0.00	80,602.00	0.00	80,602.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2025										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2026	84,619.00	7,831.22	79,349.43	5,269.57	0.00	76,787.78	0.00	76,787.78	0.00	(2,561.65)
	09/2026										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2024	83,815.00	0.00	83,815.00	0.00	0.00	83,815.00	0.00	83,815.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2025	64,115.00	0.00	64,115.00	0.00	0.00	64,115.00	0.00	64,115.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2025										
WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin	06/2026	82,640.50	4,163.25	78,027.83	4,612.67	0.00	78,477.25	0.00	78,477.25	0.00	449.42
	09/2026										
Not Subject to Allocation-LOCAL-100%		0.00	1,972,508.61	0.00	0.00	(5,340,671.89)	3,368,163.28	0.00	(1,972,508.61)	0.00	0.00
NDWVG-Opioid Fresh Start Admin	03/2025	54,638.00	0.00	54,638.00	0.00	0.00	54,638.00	0.00	54,638.00	0.00	0.00
	03/2025										
PY22 CCMEP WIOA Youth Admin	06/2024	99,350.00	0.00	99,350.00	0.00	0.00	99,350.00	0.00	99,350.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
NDWVG - Quest Admin	06/2025	9,704.00	585.56	8,115.35	1,588.64	0.00	9,118.44	0.00	9,118.44	0.00	1,003.08
	09/2025										
SFY24 Business Resource Network	06/2024	19,300.00	0.00	19,300.00	0.00	0.00	19,300.00	0.00	19,300.00	0.00	0.00
	09/2024										
OMJ Branding	06/2025	1,000.00	228.71	152.61	847.39	0.00	771.29	0.00	771.29	0.00	618.68
	06/2025										
PY23 CCMEP WIOA Youth Admin	06/2025	80,196.00	0.00	68,715.78	11,480.22	0.00	80,196.00	0.00	80,196.00	0.00	11,480.22
	09/2025										

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SPY24 State Special Projects	06/2024 09/2024	431,758.00	197,625.25	234,132.75	197,625.25	0.00	234,132.75	0.00	234,132.75	0.00	0.00
SPY24 State Special Projects Admin	06/2024 09/2024	76,088.00	16,244.23	59,843.77	16,244.23	0.00	59,843.77	0.00	59,843.77	0.00	0.00
PY24 CCMEP WIOA Youth Admin	06/2026 09/2026	84,445.00	36,532.88	64,872.98	19,572.02	0.00	47,912.12	0.00	47,912.12	0.00	(16,960.86)
SPY25 State Special Projects	06/2025 09/2025	1,948,634.00	691,352.87	1,437,566.25	511,067.75	0.00	1,257,281.13	0.00	1,257,281.13	0.00	(180,285.12)
SPY25 State Special Projects Admin	06/2025 09/2025	292,740.00	225,799.10	78,846.41	213,893.59	(3,500.67)	70,441.57	0.00	66,940.90	0.00	(11,905.51)
S0199 Total:		4,041,552.16	3,241,308.44	2,976,690.33	1,064,861.83	(5,344,172.56)	6,144,416.28	0.00	800,243.72	0.00	(203,938.00)

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- Learn from real success stories of companies benefiting from fair hiring practices
- Discover resources to help you implement fair chance hiring policies

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**THE GRIT
PROJECT**

April 23rd, 2025

10 am - 2 pm

Adams County Business and Training Center

107 E Walnut St. West Union, OH 45693

One-Stop Operator RFP
Evaluations

March 26, 2025

Proposer	Evaluation % #1	Evaluation % #2	Evaluation % #3	Evaluation % #4	Met Required 75%
ABCAP	93%	92%	98%	86%	Yes
				Average %	92%



Workforce Development Board Area 1

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(740) 239-6943

Crystal Keaton, Director
Holly Johnson, Board Chair

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Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into on March 26, 2025 through June 30, 2025 between Workforce Development Board Area 1 (WDB1), 4057A Gallia Pike, Franklin Furnace, OH 45629 and Brown County Education Service Center (Brown Co. ESC), 9231 Hamer Road, Georgetown, OH 45121.

The above-named organizations agree that upon the commencement date they shall be deemed to have formed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Purpose of the Collaborative Brown County ESC will develop partnerships with K-12 school districts in Adams, Brown, Clermont and Highland Counties, OhioMeansJobs Adams Brown Counties, GRIT Project and regional businesses to establish the essential functions of:

- Exposing K-12 Students and Educators to in-demand STEAM occupations and industries
- Connecting STEAM career paths to K-12 classroom learning
- Developing lesson plans for 25-26 school year related to STEAM career paths in the region
- Earning Ohio's Academic and Gifted Standards requirements for Educators

Timeline The implementation of the project will occur between March 26, 2025 through June 30, 2025.

Financial Agent will be Brown Co. ESC who will act as the fiscal agent and employer for this consortium. Brown Co. ESC will request funds via invoice submission to WDB 1's GRIT Project for funding up to \$10,000 for the March 26, 2025 through June 30, 2025 time period. See Attachment A (Budget), and Attachments B & C (planned events).

By signing, each party affirms that this MOU accurately describes the negotiated responsibilities and costs.

Representative from WDB 1 Signature

Date

Printed Name and Title

Representative from Brown Co. ESC

Date

Printed Name and Title



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Locations: Adams County

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Winchester, OH 45697

937-695-0316
800-233-7891

Brown County

406 W. Plum Street
Georgetown, OH 45121

937-795-0316
800-553-7393 Ext 261

Pike County

941 Market Street
Piketon, OH 45661

740-289-2371

Scioto County

433 Third Street
Portsmouth, OH 45662

740-354-7544

Attachment A

2025 Little State Steam and Steamology Budget.

Little State Steam May 8, 2025	Expenditure	Total
Meals for 350 presenters and volunteers	350 Meals x \$15.00	\$5,250
Steamology 1st June 2-13, 2025	Expenditure	Total
Bus transportation and mileage reimbursements	Bus and mileage reimbursements	\$3550.00
80 meals (two days of meals each week)	80 x \$15.00	1200.00

Grand Total

\$10,000.00

Brown County Educational Service Center

9231 Hamer

Georgetown, Ohio 45121

937.378.6118

Ext. 532



Attachment B

Little State STEAM

Hosted by Brown County ESC STEAMology



When: May 8, 2025 | 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Where: Brown County Fairgrounds

Join us in shaping the future workforce by participating. This event connects 6th–9th grade students with real-world STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) applications through interactive experiences provided by businesses like yours.

Students from Brown, Adams, Highland, and Clermont counties will engage with hands-on exhibits, equipment demonstrations, and career exploration activities. Your business has the opportunity to bridge the gap between classroom learning and career readiness by showcasing industry tools, skills, and career pathways in an engaging, meaningful way.

SHOWCASE YOUR INDUSTRY

Students will have the opportunity to interact directly with professionals through hands-on activities and career insights tailored to bring real-world applications to life.

ENGAGE & INSPIRE

The more interactive, the better! Real-world simulations, Q&A sessions, and engaging demos will allow students to develop a clearer vision of their future while exposing them to careers they may have never considered.

By participating, you can inspire the next generation and introduce students to multiple career pathways, including:

- **Future Workforce Development** – Early exposure to STEAM careers increases interest in technical and skilled professions, strengthening the talent pipeline.
- **Industry Readiness** – With nearly 70% of STEAM graduates finding employment in their field, this is a chance to connect with your future workforce early.
- **Technical & Military Career Opportunities** – Many STEAM skills align with careers in engineering, cybersecurity, and other technical fields, including military enlistment.

Link to Register:

For Questions Contact: [Stephanie Wagoner](mailto:stephanie.wagoner@brownesc.net)
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STEAMology

Attachment C



Brown County Regional Network

Teacher STEAM Week

This could be you 



EXPERIENCE LOCAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

"I ABSOLUTELY LOVED THIS WEEK. I ENJOYED THE GIFTED TRAILING AND THE FIELD TRIPS WERE VERY INTERESTING. I APPRECIATE HOW ORGANIZED THE ENTIRE WEEK WAS. IT WAS ACTION-PACKED AND FUN. THE LUNCHESES WERE ALSO AMAZING! MRS. SHUMATE"

WHAT I WILL LEARN

Explore local businesses to understand the skills needed for operation. Make connections and identify strategies to transform the student learning experience, including work-based learning opportunities and enduring partnerships between the school and local industries. Experience STEAM/Gifted lessons to utilize in your classroom. Develop friendships to last a lifetime.

DETAILS

- Week 1 - June 2 to June 6 8:30 to 3:00
OR
- Week 2 - June 9 to June 13 8:30 to 3:00
- 4 Gifted Hours (Must attend all days)
- 11 Gifted Hours - Extension Activity/ Apply/ Reflect
- 15 Gifted Hours total
- Lunch will be provided each day
- A limited number of Brown County Educators each week (35)
- May purchase Ashland credit hours



**REGISTRATION WILL
OPEN ON APRIL 3 AT
2:00 PM
bit.ly/BCESCSTEAM**



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Memorandum of Understanding Between Workforce Development Board Area 1 (WDA 1) And Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce

Parties:

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MOU) is made and entered into by and between the Workforce Development Board Area 1 (hereinafter referred to as WDB1), whose address is 4057A Gallia Pike, Franklin Furnace, OH 45629 and the Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as HHCC) whose address is 96 W Hunter St., Logan, OH 43138

Purpose:

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a partnership under which the GRIT Project's Virtual Job Center initiatives can be met. HHCC has secured funding through the ARPA Appalachia Community Plan fund to remodel their second floor into a co-working space (virtual job center). The funds can only be utilized at 96 W Hunter St, Logan, OH location for remodeling. Parking for the co-working center is needed as Logan, OH as limited on-street parking and municipal parking. Currently HHCC as 4 on-street parking space available and 1 ADA parking space. Hocking Chamber has purchased two joining properties next door to their location to turn into a multi-space parking lot with additional ADA parking. The purpose of this MOU is to subgrant GRIT funds to HHCC to construct a new parking lot, provide ADA entrance to 96 W Hunter St—2nd floor (through the backside of the building that is street level), provide a deck/landing space that is ADA accessible, provide video conferencing equipment, additional tables/seating for training purposes and other supplies for training space (smart board, printer, toner, etc.)

Term of MOU:

This MOU is effective as of May 22, 2024 and shall remain in full force and effect for not longer than June 30, 2025. This MOU may be terminated without cause, by either party upon fourteen (14) days written notice, which notice shall be delivered by hand or by certified mail to the address listed above.

HHCC Responsibilities:

HHCC will expand the parking next to their 96 W Hunter St. property. This will provide adequate parking for the Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce Co-Working Space. Hocking Chamber will do so through contracting with service vendors to prepare the space adequately utilizing their procurement and financial policy/procedures. Hocking Chamber is responsible for all liability of the project during and after this MOU. The parking lot project is not to exceed more than \$268,952 for the following: demolition, excavation, disposal, site set up, infill, site



Adams, Brown, Pike & Scioto Counties
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Locations: Adams County

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406 W. Plum Street
Georgetown, OH 45121

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Pike County

941 Market Street
Piketon, OH 45661

740-289-2371

Scioto County

433 Third Street
Portsmouth, OH 45662

740-354-7544

grading, asphalt, concrete sidewalks and curbs, retaining walls, precast concrete parking bumpers, parking spots striping, ADA parking signage, landscaping, building permits, architectural fees, and contractor costs (overhead/labor at prevailing wage). In addition, HHCC can utilize funds for ADA entrance to 96 W Hunter St—2nd floor (through the backside of the building that is street level), provide a deck/landing space that is ADA accessible, provide video conferencing equipment, additional tables/seating for training purposes and other supplies for training space (smart board, printer, toner, etc.)

HHCC will operate, maintain, and be fully responsible for the virtual/remote work space and parking lot.

HHCC must invoice WDB1 for all cost related to the Virtual Job Center project no later than June 30, 2025.

Responsibilities of WDB1:

Providing technical assistance with using GRIT Grant funds. Reimbursing invoices related to project within 30 days of receiving invoices; all invoices must be received by June 30, 2025 and shall not cost more than \$268,952 for the following: Construction of a parking lot as described previously; and provide ADA entrance to 96 W Hunter St—2nd floor (through the backside of the building that is street level), provide a deck/landing space that is ADA accessible, provide video conferencing equipment, additional tables/seating for training purposes and other supplies for training space (smart board, printer, toner, etc.) Also includes architect, permits and contractors fees; project is prevailing wage.

General Provisions:

Either party may request changes to this MOU. Any changes, modifications, revisions or amendments to this MOU which are mutually agreed upon by and between the parties to this MOU shall be incorporated by written instrument, and effective when executed and signed by all parties to this MOU.

By signing, each party affirms that this MOU accurately describes the negotiated responsibilities and costs.

Representative from WDAB 1 Signature

Date

Printed Name and Title

Representative from Hocking Hills Chamber of Commerce

Date

Printed Name and Title



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