

## Maumee AOC Advisory Committee

*Facilitating Organization's Update, December 2015*

### Update

- **Facilitating Organization's Report**
  - Status update on current Ohio EPA grant(s), activities, monies remaining, extension(s) – previous grant closed Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, all money was spent out. Final reports were submitted.
  - New short-term funding: Sept 16 – Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> 2016 (~ 5 months, ~\$46,000, retro-active)
    - To support committee meetings & sub-committee meetings
    - To support the application process for 2016 committee
    - To support work to develop BUI 14
    - To support work to develop next steps (identify work beyond Feb 2016)
    - To develop a simple BUI/AOC Report Card
    - To continue planning for 2016 outreach activities, such as Patch Day & Storm Drain Marking
    - To continue to maintain and add new tools and data to the DMDS, Version 2
    - To continue supporting planning for 2016, identifying new grant opportunities, and developing future AOC projects.
  - Future support funding has not been secured. Ohio EPA expects to secure a 3-year grant from US EPA by April. Ohio EPA will ask for and review requests from local Facilitating Organizations and the Committee for their next steps and deliverables. The amount available for local support and activities is unknown at this time.
- **Highlights of the 2015 Accomplishments**
  - In 2015, to support the activities in the AOC, including (but not limited to) the MAAC, PCS:
    - Assisted in re-forming the MAAC through planning meetings, preparing and distributing materials, reviewing applications and notifying applicants
    - Assisted with preparing for and facilitating 6 MAAC meetings
    - Worked with Ohio EPA and Davey Resource Group (our contractor) to develop and launch the DMDS (additional funding above the facilitation grant)
    - Prepared and maintained a new MaumeeRAP.org page, while developing a more robust draft CMS and template for the new MaumeeRAP.org website
    - Launched and maintained two new social media feeds specific to the AOC
    - Outreach and engagement, & supporting Aesthetics BUI with
      - 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Patch Day (Mar) – over 70 local youth
      - Storm Drain Marking (GYSD-Sept) – over 140 volunteers, 652 drains
      - 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Get the Lead Out (June-Aug) – 35 volunteers, 17 recycling bins installed
      - 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Clean Your Streams (Sept) – 971 people, over 13,500 lbs
      - New programs to address Aesthetics BUI developed (i.e. CYS 365)
      - Posting 3 new signs informing public about the AOC
      - Prepared & used an AOC tabletop display while at multiple public events



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- Assisted with hosting the US EPA AOC Conference in Toledo
- Boat Cruise on the Maumee River to discuss the challenges with the public, 50 people, front page Blade coverage
- Assisted MAAC and Ohio EPA with delisting one BUI
- Stayed informed of program guidance and direction
- Maintained dialogue between locals and Ohio EPA
- Assisted MAAC with a process to select and award a small grant from previous RAP SEP monies
- Maintained financial and structural documents
- Prepared reports for Ohio EPA
- Finished two significant grants related to BUIs and secured outside funding to support additional work towards Aesthetics BUI (accomplished through other funding sources)



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