



Dennis Miller
Executive Director
Maumee Valley Planning Organization

Dennis is a 1977 graduate with a Bachelor of Science from the Bowling Green State University Geography Program. He has served on the staff of the Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) since November of 1977. In this 47-year period he has grown the five-county regional organization to a staff of twelve planners and administrators. The Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is a voluntary association of local governments designated as an Ohio Regional Planning and Development organization. MVPO received Regional Planning and Development Organization (RPDO) Certification from Governor Rhodes on April 24, 1975, formed under Section 713.21 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). The region served includes Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams Counties.

MVPO goals include making and implementing joint regional decisions; providing management, planning and technical services to local governments; identifying and solving short and long-term problems best addressed at the regional level; bringing together local elected officials on a regular basis, giving them an opportunity to form working relationships; assisting planning efforts in community and economic development; providing a regional forum for sharing information and ideas; and promoting cooperative solutions to regional issues.

Dennis leads the economic, community development and regional strategic planning efforts of the Maumee Valley Planning Organization. The Maumee Valley Planning Organization is a regional planning commission serving the northwest Ohio counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams.

Responsible for the overall agency policies and programs, Dennis serves the following roles at MVPO:

- 1) Serves as the District 5 OPWC Liaison for the State Capital Improvement (SCIP) and Local Transportation Improvement (LTIP) Programs and Clean Ohio Program,
- 2) Manages the delivery of Community and Economic Development Services for the Five County Region, including CDBG Allocation Funds, Critical Infrastructure Funds, CDBG Residential Public Infrastructure Fund, CDBG Flex Program funds and CDBG Economic Development Loan and Infrastructure funds,
- 3) Oversees seven Revolving Loan Funds (RLF) in the Region,

- 4) Facilitates Water and Sewer program funding available through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and US Department of Agriculture Community Facilities and Water and Sewer Programs,
- 5) Leads the Regional Transportation Planning Organizational efforts including long and short range planning and capital funding services to regional entities, and
- 6) Secures and Administers funding available through the State of Ohio and US EPA to remediate Brownfields.