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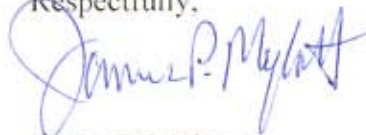
Visitors:

The overarching goal of our work at the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council is to achieve growth through partnership for our communities and the region as a whole. Regionalism is working together and sharing resources to meet needs and take advantage of opportunities. Through regional councils, cities and counties can:

- Work with one organization to secure and administer grants and loans from various sources.
- Support a shared staff of professional talent to supplement local capabilities.
- Participate in cooperative programs that are efficient and effective because of "economies of scale."
- Share information and solutions about common problems or issues which are not confined by political boundaries.
- Stimulate overall economic growth and development of infrastructure and workforce.
- Promote coordination of public and private interests and investments.
- Avoid duplication of services and facilities.

It is not easy to make regionalism work. However, the advantages are clear -- communities can solve problems and provide higher quality services at a reduced cost. We are all committed to a share goal of growth and are prepared to continue to do the hard work to keep the Mid-Ohio Valley of West Virginia a wonderful place to call home for this and future generations.

Respectfully,



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