

# MID-OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MOVRC Monthly Newsletter  
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Janelle Comstock, WDB MOV Director, traveled to East Lost Angeles/West Sea Gabriel Valley to attend the National Association of Job Training Assistance conference. One Stop Coordinators, Amber Jackson (Region 4) and Amber Pierson (Region 6) also attended this conference.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The modern May holiday of Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother at St. Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, WV. "The best mother who ever lived—your mother" A. Jarvis

# Workforce News

The Workforce Development Board (WDB) has continued to be very busy as it begins the final quarter of the program year. All funds for the Adult/Dislocated Worker program have been fully obligated for this fiscal year. In April, the WDB contracted multiple On the Job Trainings with Armacell, Niche Polymer, & Star Plastics. These trainings allow participants to gain permanent employment. Another new opportunity this month included a transitional job with Workforce WV. This provides 100% subsidized work experience for the customer.

Happy  
Mother's Day!



# “Gift Card”



And So MUCH More!

June 16, 2018

Doors Open at Noon

Bingo Starts at 1pm

Buckhannon Moose Lodge

**Game Prizes Include: \$100 Gift Cards, Baskets, Trips/ Events**

**Cost: \$20 for 20 games**

**Tickets can be purchased by calling (304) 641-8434 or Tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the event.**

*The Senior Companion Program is in 22 counties of West Virginia and all funds generated by this Bingo Event will benefit the Senior Companion Program which enables low-income senior citizens to volunteer their time to help others throughout their communities.*





## BAD Buildings 101

Webinar  
May 30, 2018  
2 pm - 3 pm

For more information visit [www.wvbadbuildings.org](http://www.wvbadbuildings.org)

The Community Development Staff is proud to say that efforts to encourage comprehensive planning by communities in the region got another boost with the award of Flex-E Grants to the Calhoun (\$9000) and Wirt County (\$8,000) Commissions this year. Calhoun County will be continuing with Phase 2 of their comprehensive plan which will involve more public input and the plan publication by the WVU Land Use Staff. Wirt County will be funded to begin the process of working with WVU Land Use Staff and will form a planning commission to undertake those efforts.

MOVRC has been awarded a \$10,000 forgivable loan through the Code Enforcement Technical Assistance program at the WV Housing Development Fund. MOVRC was the only successful applicant in the first request for proposals round of this new funding, and the WVHDF staff said we were exactly the type of programming they hoped to see when they designed this funding opportunity. The funds are hoped to count as match toward the ARC grant MOVRC will be waiting to hear about through the latter half of 2018 which would establish the position of a regional code enforcement officer.

The Bad Buildings program is still anxious to hear from MOVRC communities who would benefit from their help in cataloguing and assessing their dilapidated and underused structures (hint—all of you! - Luke) . Please let Luke Peters know of your interest or call Shae Strait at 304-293-7043 or email [shae.strait@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:shae.strait@mail.wvu.edu). **Consider joining this May 30th webinar!**

## BAD Buildings 101 Webinar

WVU BAD Building will be hosting a webinar on the basics of the BAD Buildings Model on May 30th. To attend please sign up here:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3596025736282240257>



# Senior Corps on the Radio



The Senior Corps Programs of the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council will make their debut on K-LOVE radio. The Senior Companion Program, Foster Grandparents Program and Retired Senior Volunteer Program took part in an interview with Phil O'Bryan of K-LOVE AIR 1 Radio on May 10, 2018. The interview highlighted all three programs. Sharon Ball, Senior Companion Volunteer & Team Leader, was also featured. Although the official dates have not yet been released, the talk show should air on Sundays in June. Thanks to Phil O'Bryan for featuring the 3 Senior Corps Programs.



## Dates to Remember



May 30, 2018 Bad Buildings Webinar

June 16, 2018—Gift Card Bingo 1:00 pm

Buckhannon Moose Lodge

Buckhannon, West Virginia

June 20, 2018—West Virginia Day

June 21, 2018—1st Day of Summer