



**Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
Strategy Committee Meeting**

Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.
Second Floor Conference Room
1300 E. Second Street Defiance, Ohio

1. Introductions
2. Overview of Last Meeting
 - a. The Committee met on January 17, 2018 to formulate the goals and objectives for the CEDS update. The Committee was given the existing goals and objectives from the 2012 CEDS. The Committee also discussed projects to be included within the CEDS. Five overarching goals were agreed upon, some modified from the existing CEDS as well as a new goal concerning internet connectivity.
3. Performance Measures
 - a. The action plan was completed since the last Committee meeting. In order to implement the action plan and ensure successful implementation of the CEDS overall, performance measures are needed to track progress. The Committee discussed performance measures and determined they must be quantitative in order to be replicated annually. Data concerning employment, jobs, and site selection, as well as marketing studies were discussed for inclusion within the CEDS performance measures.
4. Projects
 - a. The Committee was asked to submit projects for inclusion in the final CEDS document that Projects should 1) Implement the goals and objectives of the CEDS; 2) Project the number of jobs as a result of the project, program, or activity; and 3) Outline the lead organization responsibilities for execution.
5. Technology Committee Formation
 - a. The need for a Technology Committee was discussed at the previous meeting. Committee members suggested local individuals that could potentially be on the Technology Committee to share their insight on broadband availability and connectivity in the region. It was determined that the meeting would be

scheduled in the next month and the results of the meeting would be shared with the Strategy Committee at their next meeting.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. The next meeting is TBA.