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## **City of Steubenville Receives State Appalachian Development Grant** *Funding will support waterline improvements*

**COLUMBUS** – Today Jason Wilson, director of the Governor’s Office of Appalachia, announced that the city of Steubenville has received a grant for \$150,000 through the State Appalachian Development Grant Program. The grant will support improvements to aging waterlines and replace fire hydrants in three neighborhoods and commercial areas.

“Infrastructure projects, such as this one, position communities within the Appalachian region for economic growth,” said Jason Wilson, Director of the Governor’s Office of Appalachia.

**City of Steubenville** (Jefferson County) received a \$150,000 grant that will be used to upgrade waterlines in three neighborhoods and commercial areas (East Carlton Road, Bryden Road, Aberdeen Road, Lauretta Drive, St. Charles Drive, Garfield Avenue, and Rosemont Avenue). The project also will install new waterlines near Buena Vista Boulevard to improve water delivery to area residents and the Trinity Medical Center, benefiting 400 residents.

“It is always exciting when a community can partner with state government on improving its infrastructure. Our ongoing collaboration with the Ohio Development Services Agency and the Governor’s Office of Appalachia has been beneficial to both our residents and businesses” said Domenick Mucci, Jr., mayor of the city of Steubenville. “I would like to thank Director Jason Wilson for his keen insight and understanding of our needs.”

Director Wilson also announced that the Fourth Street Health Center and the YMCA Wellness Center at St. John Arena received State Appalachian Development Grants. The Health Center received \$7,500 to help make roof improvements, and the YMCA received \$30,000 to replace indoor turf field with a multifunctional indoor sports court that will allow for year-round youth programs.

### **About Ohio’s Governor’s Office of Appalachia**

*As an advocate for Ohio’s 32 Appalachian counties, the Governor’s Office of Appalachia administers grant programs of the Appalachian Regional Commission in Washington, D.C. to promote the region’s assets and to support local, regional, state, and federal initiatives. These initiatives contribute to the economic, educational, and community prosperity of the people of Ohio’s Appalachian region.*

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