AN UPDATE ON WARREN COUNTY

FROM OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FALL 2024



SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED!

Warren County Children Services is looking for Christmas sponsors. Through the generosity of community members, Children Services staff is committed to making Christmas special for the children they serve. Each year the program continues to grow and it cannot be done without the partnership of those willing to sponsor a child!



Interested in getting involved?
Email Warren Donations@jfs.ohio.gov



WARREN COUNTY RESOURCE RALLY

Warren County agencies hosted their second resource rally this October! Seeking to inform and engage the public, the participating organizations set up their booths and shared about the services available to Warren County residents. The event has been a huge success and will likely continue to gain momentum. The resource rally is a great way to not only build strong connections with our residents but also between many of our county agencies.



STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS

RECAPPING THE YEAR AND LOOKING AHEAD



The Commissioners gave the State of the County address at the Area Progress Council's annual event. Discussing the county's fiscal health and strategic community investments, the board was pleased to report that the state of the county is strong! Highlighting some of the new roles being filled in the Commissioners' office, as well as several county elected officials who are retiring at the end of their terms, the Commissioners noted that it is a year of transition. Adding to that, they spoke on the county's continued growth and emphasized the importance of Warren County leadership being proactive when planning for the future of the county.

Scan the QR code to watch the full recording of the Board of **Commissioners' State of the County presentation!**



MAKING ROOM FOR GROWTH

UPDATE ON THE COUNTY FACILITY MASTER PLAN



As part of the county's facilities master plan, demolition work has been taking place on the old jail and court house. Over the past few years, the county has had some major facility upgrades, including the construction of the new jail and sheriff's office, along with

the expansion and renovation of the Juvenile and Probate Court. Knowing that other buildings have reached or are nearing capacity, the Commissioners are committed to taking the time to address the needs of today and for years to come. With demolition work wrapping up on the old jail, the expansion of county court is coming into full swing.

HOME TO THE CINCINNATI OPEN

CINCINNATI OPEN UNVEILS FACILITY UPGRADES

Celebrating 125 years, the Cincinnati Open welcomed attendees from all 50 states and 46 countries to Warren County! Holding the event this year was a milestone in more ways than one, after the strong collaboration between the state, county, and city of Mason, to secure the tournament's location for the next 25 years. Noticeable investments have already been made with roughly 20% of the renovations unveiled this past August. The full overhaul and facility upgrades are on track to be complete in time for the 2025 tournament, which will expand to two weeks.









COUNTIES FOR CAREER SUCCESS COHORT

WARREN COUNTY RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Joel King (Warren County Career Center), Josh Hisle (OhioMeansJobs), and Tanya Sellers (Children Services), have partnered together for the Counties for Career Success Cohort. Warren County was one of only eight counties in the nation to be selected by the National Association of Counties (NACo) for this opportunity. A key piece of the cohort is engaging in peer learning sessions to sharpen best practices and share innovative ideas. The project that brought these three organizations together seeks to link Career Center students directly with employment opportunities. The team also strategically identifies students who are likely eligible for temporary assistance (TANF). By doing so, they unlocked an existing funding stream to support costs associated with their employment, such as uniforms, transportation, and wages.





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COUNTY COLLABORATION

MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR BUSINESSES AND COMMUNITY



Warren County partners across private and public sectors have continued meeting to address workforce challenges in our region. Commissioner Shannon Jones acts as the leading convener of this initiative and has garnered the participation of roughly 30 key organizations and individuals in the county. The first iteration of this work uncovered a need to establish an organizing entity to oversee and direct this effort. Following a roadmapping session, led by Dr. Tim Rahschulte, a lead strategist at NACo, the group actively put a plan forward to assign an advisory committee under the governing body of the Warren County Port Authority. The next phase will further define the goals, vision, and structure of this needed organization.

CHAMBER ALLIANCE 10TH DC FLY-IN

10 YEARS ADVOCATING WITH ONEVOICE!



Congressman Greg Landsman addressing attendees of 10th Annual Chamber Alliance DC Fly-In

MADE CHAMBER

COMMISSIONER JONES SHARES LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP

The Warren County Chamber Alliance hosted its 10th Annual DC Fly-In this September! Since it was created, the Chamber Alliance has had a three-pronged mission to better educate, communicate and advocate on behalf of Warren County. With 85 attendees from education, nonprofit organizations, public and private leaders, the Fly-In has

grown over the years and continues to be a successful community and regional event. While in DC the group met with Congressman Greg Landsman on several occasions, heard from Senator Sherrod Brown, Congressman Warren Davidson, and Fox News Correspondent, Jennifer Griffin, to name a few. Additionally, attendees were divided into smaller groups for federal agency breakout meetings to hone in on matters impacting their organizations and priorities that effect all of Warren County.

Commissioner Shannon Jones was invited to be the September keynote speaker for the MADE Chamber Women Impacting Mason & Deerfield event. This particular series seeks to equip and empower women by hearing from other influential women in the area. Commissioner Jones shared about lessons she has learned from her many years in public leadership. Most notably, she expressed the importance of building up a strong trusted network, being transparent, and having courage in any leadership role.

COMMISSION LEADERSHIP IN 2024

This year Commissioner Dave Young was appointed as President of the Board, and Commissioner Tom Grossmann was appointed to serve as Vice President.

Commissioner Shannon Jones was elected to the CCAO Board of Directors and was appointed as Chair of the NACo Human Services & Education Committee, and elected to NACo's Board of Directors.







Stay connected with us! We value our relationships with our residents, businesses, community organizations and fellow elected officials. Contact us with your input, questions or concerns.

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS







David G. Young

Shannon Jones

Tom Grossmann

The Warren County Board of Commissioners meets on most Tuesdays at 9:00 AM, with an additional regular session meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

The Board also meets as needed on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

Meetings are held in room 128 of the County Administration Building and live streamed to www.youtube.com/channel/UC1ELh0jGpXd4 VV2DTgsuqPA

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