

## LORAIN COUNTY

# Workforce topic of next pillar discussion

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Following the Future Summit and launch of the Lorain County Strategic Plan, the Lorain County Board of Commissioners will host a series of six Strategic Pillar Discussion Workshops from April to June 2024, according to a news release

The second Pillar Discussion Workshop will focus on Workforce Development and Education and will take place from 10 a.m. to noon, April 29, in Room 208, Spitzer Conference Center, Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Road in Elyria.

The two-hour workshop will cover what is happening in the county relating to Workforce Development and Education, best practice models, opportunities to collaborate and formation of a Workforce Development and Education task force, according to the release.

The workshops are open to anybody who wants to attend.

Registration is required.

For more information about the Lorain County Strategic Action Plan Project, contact Special Projects Coordinator/Manager David Greenspan at 440-420-1773 or visit [eventbrite.com](https://eventbrite.com).

## ROUNDUP

### North Ridgeville appeals decision in lawsuit by police chief

The city of North Ridgeville has appealed to the Ninth District Court of Appeals in the lawsuit between the city and North Ridgeville Police Chief Mike Freeman.

Freeman sued the city in July over a three-day suspension that he received in June.

He attempted to appeal the decision to the city's Civil Service Commission but was unable to because of a commission rule that only suspensions of five days or more could be appealed.

On Feb. 13, Lorain County Common Pleas Court Judge James Miraldi ruled in Freeman's favor, determining that the North Ridgeville rule was in violation of Ohio Revised Code, which states that any suspension can be appealed.

North Ridgeville Law Director Brian Moriarty filed an appeal one month later on March 14, asking the Ninth District Court to overturn Miraldi's decision.

Miraldi's decision did not overturn the suspension itself, but rather confirmed that Freeman had a right to appeal the suspension when it was put in place in June.

Court costs were also placed on the city.

Freeman is represented by attorney David Comstock Jr. of the Canfield-based law firm Bonezzi, Switzer, Polito and Perry.

### Main Street Lorain receives national accreditation

LORAIN — Main Street Lorain received national accreditation last week.

The statewide Main Street organization Heritage Ohio announced the 2023 certification of Lorain as a National Main Street Community.

According to the news release, Main Street Lorain exhibited programs working toward downtown revitalization. This is Main Street Lorain's fifth year. It became a member of the Ohio Main Street program in 2019.

### Lorain County to host second strategic plan 'pillar' discussion April 29

The Lorain County Board of Commissioners will host the second of six discussions on the "pillars" of the county Strategic Action Plan — this one focusing on workforce development and education — from 10 a.m. to noon Monday, April 29, in room 208 of the Spitzer Conference Center at Lorain County Community College.

The two-hour workshop will cover what is happening in workforce development and education in the county, best practice models, opportunities to collaborate and the formation of a workforce development and education task force.

The workshop is open to anybody who wants to attend, but registration is required. To register, go online to [tinyurl.com/bpbxfrfr](https://tinyurl.com/bpbxfrfr).