

Jared Ebbing, PE

Director – Mercer County Community/Economic Development

Jared holds a Bachelor of Civil Engineering degree from the University of Dayton and a Master of Business Administration from Wright State University.

As Community and Economic Development Director, Jared works with all the communities within Mercer County to plan for future projects and to locate the funding necessary to complete them. In addition, Jared works with all our local school districts to ensure every student has the knowledge and awareness regarding the many career opportunities that exist in the area. To accomplish this, he created *HometownOpportunity.com* as a critical tool for the region's workforce development efforts.

On the business development side, Jared works closely with local companies throughout the county by regularly communicating and addressing their needs. The goal is to ensure every local business possess the tools (including people with the appropriate skills) necessary to grow within the region. This is accomplished by meeting regularly with companies, conducting retention & expansion surveys, holding business breakfast forums, and constantly posting news & updates on the county's newsletter, website and social media.