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DAYTON AREA CHAMBER LEADER SELECTED FOR EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP
Stephanie Keinath one of 21 nationwide selected to participate

DAYTON, Ohio (July 27, 2018) — Stephanie Keinath, Public Policy & Economic Development Director at the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce, has been selected by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE) to study education attainment along with 20 chamber of commerce professionals from communities throughout the United States.

The Fellowship for Education & Talent Development is an immersive executive development program that provides chamber of commerce professionals with education and tools to improve the birth-to-career education pipeline in the communities they serve.

“Education is a critical component of our economy. Meeting the skills needs of our business community allows them to grow, and their growth brings a better quality life in every facet in the Dayton region,” said Phil Parker, president & CEO, Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Throughout the year-long Fellowship for Education & Talent Development, participants are required to develop a regional action project that focuses on addressing specific education attainment or workforce development issues in their communities.

“We have been overwhelmed by the enthusiastic response to this executive leadership training initiative and the high caliber of applicants,” said ACCE President Sheree Ann Kelly. Speaking on the need for businesses to be more engaged in talent development discussions and outcomes, Fleming says his organization assists its members through various learning opportunities and best practice sharing. “This latest step in our strategy to engage business leaders and advocates in education attainment maximizes the linkage between qualified talent and economic development goals.”

ACCE’s Fellowship for Education and Talent Development is designed to advance a chamber of commerce’s already-defined education attainment goals and ultimately help the business associations nationwide build replicable programs and processes.

Leaders selected to participate in the 2018 Fellowship represent communities including Binghamton, New York; Salina, Kansas; Fort Worth, Texas; Cleveland, Ohio; Charlotte, North Carolina; Fullerton, California; Louisville, Kentucky; Dayton, Ohio; Spokane, Washington; Omaha, Nebraska; Lafayette, Louisiana; Nashville, Tennessee; Bristol, Tennessee; Springfield, Oregon; Spartanburg, South Carolina; Austin, Texas; Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Greenville, South Carolina; San Jose, California; Arvada; Colorado; Charleston; South Carolina.###

About Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce

The Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce brings together more than 2,400 businesses and organizations in a 9 county area surrounding Dayton, Ohio. The Chamber strives to improve the region’s business climate and overall standard of living through public policy advocacy, economic development initiatives and providing networking and training opportunities for its members. Nationally awarded with “5-Star Accreditation” from the United States Chamber of Commerce, the Dayton Chamber is widely recognized for its innovative programs and outstanding contribution to

positive change in the region. Information about the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce is available at daytonchamber.org or 937-226-1444.

About the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives

The Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives, founded in 1914, serves more than 7,500 chamber of commerce professionals, and 1,300 chambers of commerce or similar organizations, around the world. ACCE's members come from nearly each of the largest 100 metropolitan regions in the United States. Based in Alexandria, Virginia, the mission of ACCE is to support chamber professionals so they can lead their communities. Learn more about us by visiting www.ACCE.org.

For more information about ACCE's Education Attainment Division, visit www.ACCE.org/EAD.