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Ms. Amy Schrimpf
Dayton Development Coalition
1401 South Main Street
Suite 200
Dayton, OH 45409

Dear Ms. Schrimpf:

I am very pleased to submit this letter of support for the Dayton Dragons and Fifth Third Field PDAC application for facility improvements of the Ballpark.

The area surrounding Fifth Third Field has come a long way since ground first broke for the Ballpark in 1999. It all started with the \$23 million stadium project, but so much has changed since the first Opening Day in April 2000. The eastern portion of Downtown Dayton, anchored by Fifth Third Field, is now home to a host of residential, shopping, dining, recreational, nightlife and office options. Over \$1 billion of projects have been undertaken in the surrounding areas since the opening of Fifth Third Field.

The Dayton Dragons continue to have a tremendous economic impact in the Dayton region annually. In addition to bringing in over half a million fans downtown for baseball games during the summer, the Dayton Dragons employ 50 full time staffers and more than 700 seasonal employees. The Dayton Dragons also rely on many local vendors to provide an amazing experience at the Ballpark. The Dayton Dragons organization has become a regional asset attracting fans and impacting the economy of 32 counties in the Southwest Ohio Region.

I appreciate your consideration in the grant application submitted by the Dayton Dragons. This funding will help sustain the life of Fifth Third Field and the quality family experience of the Dayton Dragons for years to come. Thank you for your continued service and please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Turner
Member of Congress



October 8, 2019

Mr. Robert Murphy
Dayton Dragons Professional Baseball Team
Fifth Third Field
220 North Patterson Boulevard
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Dear Mr. Murphy:

On behalf of the Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley, we are pleased to submit this letter of support for the Dayton Dragons and Fifth Third Field PDAC application for the facility improvements for the ballpark.

There is no shortage when it comes to the number of great charitable organizations, causes and groups in the Miami Valley. Throughout the summer, the Dragons not only make an impact on the playing field, but also with so many great charitable functions. As part of the fabric of the Dayton community, the Dragons and Fifth Third Field have made it a priority to give back in support of so many causes. Whether it was visiting or speaking at an event in the community, serving as active members of business groups, hosting organizations for a fun day at Fifth Third Field, visiting with fans prior to the game, Dragons players and staff make it a point to be incredibly active and support those many organizations in need.

Since the opening of Fifth Third Field in April of 2000, Dragons baseball has become an ingrained summertime tradition and has woven itself into the fabric of the Miami Valley business community. This is evident in not only the professional record for consecutive sold-out games and being a leader in minor league attendance, but also through being an incredible active leader in the community.

During the last 20 seasons, whether it is the action on the playing field, the entertainment between innings, delicious concessions, excellent service, the fans continue to come out in droves to Fifth Third Field. We appreciate that the Dayton Dragons invest considerably with multiple local businesses for products and services to produce an entertainment experience that is one of the best family entertainment options in the region. Fifth Third Field continues to be a community and regional asset that not only positively affects the economics of local businesses, but also the quality of life for the many residents of our surrounding communities.

We support this endeavor of the Dayton Dragons application for 2020 PDAC funding in order to sustain the life of Fifth Third Field and keep this a community and regional asset that continues to positively affect the quality of life for years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura J. Roesch". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Laura Roesch
CEO, Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley



Elizabeth J. Lolli, Ph.D.
Superintendent

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October 10, 2019

Mr. Robert Murphy
Dayton Dragons Professional Baseball Team
Fifth Third Field
220 North Patterson Boulevard
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Dear Mr. Murphy:

On behalf of Dayton Public Schools, we are pleased to submit this letter of support for the Dayton Dragons and Fifth Third Field PDAC application for the facility improvements for the ballpark.

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth J. Lolli, Ph.D.
Superintendent
Dayton Public Schools

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To equip our students to achieve success in a global society by implementing an effective and rigorous curriculum with fidelity



**Miami Valley
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Association
(MVDSA)**

*Improving the lives of individuals
with Down syndrome.*

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*Serving the counties of Auglaize,
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The MVDSA provides information,
resources and support to individuals
with Down syndrome, their families
and their communities.

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October 8, 2019

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Sincerely,

Willie Cox

Executive Director, Miami Valley Down Syndrome Association

October 8, 2019



Mr. Robert Murphy
Dayton Dragons Professional Baseball Team
Fifth Third Field
220 North Patterson Boulevard
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Dear Mr. Murphy:

On behalf of the American Cancer Association North Central Region, we are pleased to submit this letter of support for the Dayton Dragons and Fifth Third Field PDAC application for the facility improvements for the ballpark.

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Sincerely,

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Senior Manager, Community Development
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October 8, 2019

Mr. Robert Murphy
Dayton Dragons Professional Baseball Team
Fifth Third Field
220 North Patterson Boulevard
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Dear Mr. Murphy:

On behalf of the American Heart Association of the Miami Valley, we are pleased to submit this letter of support for the Dayton Dragons and Fifth Third Field PDAC application for the facility improvements for the ballpark.

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Sincerely,

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Kelli Dixon
Executive Director, American Heart Association

The Construction of Fifth Third Field was expected to result in additional development/redevelopment in and around the stadium location (Webster Station). Since 2016, that additional investment is approaching \$300M.

Currently Underway – Total \$21.5M

- 537 East Monument Avenue
- Centerfield Lofts (507 East First Street)

Design Phase with Anticipated Start – Total \$106.6M

- 601 East Third Street
- Mendelson's Redevelopment (340 East First Street)
- Tech Town – Webster Station Landing

Completed 2016-2019 – Total - \$147.8M

- 607 East Third Street (Avant Garde)
- 811, 817, & 905 East Third (Atta Girl Complex)
- CareSource Office Building
- Water Street Apartments Phases 1 & 2
- Water Street Hotel
- 444 East Second Street
- Dayton Power and Light Steam Building (617 East Third Street)
- DELCO Building Development (329 East First Street)
- Brownstones at Second Street Housing

Additional Infrastructure Investments – Total \$14.75M

- East Second Street Cycle Track
- Riverfront Master Plan
- River Run Project
- Webster Street Bridge Replacement



DEVELOPMENT & ECONOMIC IMPACT

The area surrounding Fifth Third Field has come a long way since the stadium ground breaking.

Of course, it all started with the \$23 million stadium project, but so much has changed since our first Opening Day in April 2000. The eastern portion of Downtown Dayton, anchored by Fifth Third Field, is now home to a host of residential, shopping, dining, recreational, nightlife, and office options. There have been over **\$1.5 billion** of projects since baseball began.



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The Dragons have a tremendous economic impact in the Dayton Region annually. In addition to bringing well over a half million fans downtown for games during the summer, the Dragons employ 50 full time staffers and more than 700 seasonal employees. We also rely on many local vendors to help us provide an amazing Dragons game experience. The Dragons worked with the Wright State University Applied Policy Research Institute to determine the economic impact; they documented a **\$27.5M** annual effect/impact to the region.