



2026 OFCA Winter Symposium

Collaboration for a stronger future

Tuesday, March 10th

1:00 p.m.	Symposium Opening and Welcome from Sponsor, Cenovus Chief Joe Kitchen, OFCA President Mitch Beekman, VP, Health, Safety, Environmental, and Regulatory, Cenovus Energy
1:15 – 2:15 p.m.	Effective Collaboration within Local Government <i>Strategies for inter-agency cooperation</i> Panelists: State Representative Cindy Abrams, City Manager Jonathan Westendorf, City Manager Kurt Althouse, City Administrator Brian Uhl, Director Brian Baldridge Moderator: Administrator Steve Kelly
2:15 – 3:15 p.m.	Property Tax Reform in Ohio <i>Understanding the implications for fire departments</i> Panelists: State Representatives Thomas Hall, Bill Roemer, and David Thomas Moderator: Chief Steve Agenbroad
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Community Paramedicine Update <i>Expanding access to healthcare through innovative programs</i>
4:15 - 4:30 p.m.	Legislative Update <i>Key legislation impacting fire services</i> Speakers: Chief Steve Agenbroad and Executive Director Michelle Fitzgibbon
4:55 - 6:30 p.m.	Statehouse Legislative Reception <i>Networking with legislators and colleagues</i>

Wednesday, March 11th

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Networking Breakfast
8:30– 10:00 a.m.	OFCA Hot Topics Panel <i>Discussion on current challenges and opportunities</i> Panelists: Chief Steve Agenbroad, Chief Nicholas Hosford, and Chief Bradford Shull Moderator: Chief Joe Kitchen
10:00– 11:30 a.m.	HR Issues Update <i>Best practices in human resources management</i> Speaker: Jonathan Downes, Attorney with Zashin & Rich