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## Blue Chip Economic Forecast

January 5, 2022



### Bill LaFayette, Ph.D.

Founder & Owner, Regionomics

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Bill LaFayette, Ph.D. is the founder and owner of Regionomics®, a consulting firm focused on helping clients understand and thrive in small-area economies. Services include economic development strategy, workforce strategy, economic impact analysis, economic and demographic analysis, and fiscal analysis. LaFayette brings to his work nearly 25 years of experience in economic development and economic analysis in central Ohio.

LaFayette earned a Ph.D. in real estate economics from The Ohio State University in 1994. He also holds an M.B.A. in investment management and a B.S., Summa cum Laude, in finance and accounting, both from Wright State University. He is a 2004 graduate of Leadership Columbus and the 2018 inductee into the Leadership Columbus Hall of Fame. He is a former member of the CMC Board of Trustees and current member of the Program Committee.



### Doug Buchanan

Editor in Chief, Columbus Business First

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Doug Buchanan started with Columbus Business First in 1998, first as a Reporter and Editor, then Managing Digital Director, ultimately taking his current role as Editor in Chief in 2017.

Prior to this, he was a writer for The Daily Reporter, the Delaware Gazette, and held a temporary assignment at the Associated Press. After college, Buchanan taught English as a second language and worked for the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Education in Oita, Japan.

Buchanan received a Bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies from Wittenberg University a Master's degree in journalism from The Ohio State University.



### Fadel Kaboub, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Economics, Denison University, President, Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity

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Fadel Kaboub is an associate professor of economics at Denison University, and the president of the Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity. He has also held research affiliations with the Levy Economics Institute, the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and the Economic Research Forum.

Kaboub is an expert on Modern Monetary Theory, the Green New Deal, and the Job Guarantee. His work focuses on public policies to enhance monetary and economic sovereignty in the Global South, build resilience, and promote equitable and sustainable prosperity. His academic work has been published in the Journal of Economic Issues, Review of Keynesian Economics, Review of Radical Political Economics, Review of Social Economy, International Journal of Political Economy, Middle East Development Journal, and International Labour Review. His recent work has been featured in the New York Times, Financial Times, Bloomberg, Le Monde, Al Jazeera, France 24, and CGTN.



### Mark Williams

Business Reporter, The Columbus Dispatch

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Mark Williams has been a business reporter with The Columbus Dispatch since 2010. He writes about employment, banking, insurance, and personal finance. Before joining the newspaper, he worked for The Associated Press for 14 years, the last two as a national energy writer.

He has a Bachelor's Degree in history from Miami University and a Master's Degree in journalism from Ohio University. Williams and his wife have had 12 exchange students (not all at once!) and have raised 13 puppies for Pilot Dogs.

# Today's Attendees

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022

## Black Girl Rising: Placing Black Girls At Promise

Featuring **fran frazier**, Principal Investigator, Black Girl Rising, **Camille R. Quinn, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor, College of Social Work, The Ohio State University, **Aliya Horton**, Charter Member, Rise Sister Rise Black Girl Think Tank, and host **Tonisha Johnson**, Anchor/Reporter, Spectrum News.



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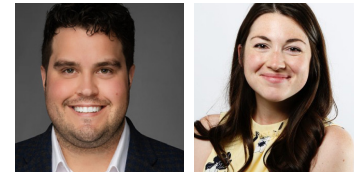
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022

## The Future of Work: The Office of Tomorrow

Featuring **Diane Flinders**, Vice President of Sales, King Business Interiors. Inc., **Ira Sharfin**, CEO, Continental Office, and **David White**, Director of Workforce and Talent Solutions, One Columbus, with host **Bonnie Meibers**, Reporter, Columbus Business First.



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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022

## Organizations Laser-Focused On Social Impact

Featuring **Greg Bixler, Ph.D.**, Co-Founder and CEO, Design Outreach, **Vicki Bowen Hewes**, CEO, SocialVentures, **Ann Bischoff**, CEO, Star House, with host **Deborah Aubert Thomas**, President and CEO, Philanthropy Ohio.



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- WCBE 90.5 Radio airs CMC Forums on Saturdays at 10:00 AM. CMC Forums are available on the WCBE Podcast Experience website at [wcbe.org/programs/columbus-metropolitan-club](http://wcbe.org/programs/columbus-metropolitan-club).
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