State of the City May 21, 2025

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

2024 Annual Report All Funds Revenue Summary

	ACTUAL REVENUES			ACTUAL REVENUES LAST YEAR	
	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Change from Previous Year
Revenues					
1.Income Taxes	\$7,182,992	\$7,719,352	\$7,806,601	\$9,728,182	24.61%
2.Charges for Services	\$4,571,829	\$5,217,730	\$5,152,114	\$5,105,815	-0.90%
3.1.Property Taxes	\$1,472,763	\$1,824,557	\$1,826,013	\$1,849,469	1.28%
3.2.Other Taxes	\$716,951	\$702,590	\$833,837	\$920,264	10.36%
3.3.TIF/RID	\$211,297	\$233,853	\$246,007	\$274,074	11.41%
4.Grants, Loans, Bonds	\$1,382,413	\$689,024	\$764,921	\$1,135,557	48.45%
5.Court Costs & Fines	\$1,245,852	\$1,209,744	\$1,151,700	\$1,223,959	6.27%
6.Interest Earnings	\$66,016	\$113,096	\$318,164	\$685,142	115.34%
7.Transfers In	\$2,548,221	\$4,055,660	\$3,751,461	\$4,095,526	9.17%
8.Other	\$585,775	\$562,997	\$861,937	\$796,180	-7.63%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$19,984,107	\$22,328,603	\$22,712,758	\$25,814,168	13.65%

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Actual Income Tax 2019-2024

	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Actual
MUNICIPAL INCOME TAXES	\$6,721,955	\$6,385,192	\$7,182,992	\$7,719,352	\$7,806,601	\$9,728,182
TOTAL	\$ 6,721,955	\$6,385,192	\$7,182,992	\$7,719,352	\$7,806,601	\$9,728,182

25% increase from 2023 but a large portion of this increase was attributed to a one-time catch-up payment by a taxpayer.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

2025 Capital Projects-High to Low

Proposal Name	Name of Department Requesting	Request Type/Project Phase	2025 Expenses
Street Maintenance-State Route Resurfacing SR 44 & US 6	682- Street Maintenance	Construction	4,520,690
Street Maintenance-#9 5 Ton Dump Truck	682- Street Maintenance	Replacement of Existing Vehicle	322,000
Street Maintenance Program-Specific Roads	682- Street Maintenance	Construction	200,000
Street Maintenance Program-Crack Seal, Reclamite, Striping	682- Street Maintenance	Construction	140,000
Gen Admin-IT Upgrades	799- General Administration	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	75,000
Police Patrol Car#3	110- Police	Replacement of Existing Vehicle	73,500
Water#14: 3/4 Ton Pickup Truck w/ Plow	574- Utility Operating	Replacement of Existing Vehicle	63,500
Street Maintenance-Salt Barn Roof Repairs	682- Street Maintenance	Maintenance to Existing Building	60,000
Traffic Signs and Signals-Traffic Signalization	684- Traffic Signs & Signals	Design/Engineer	50,000
Street Maintenance-Sidewalk Maintenance Program	682- Street Maintenance	None	50,000
Recreation-Mel Harder Park 2" overlay asphalt or chip seal	340- Parks	Construction	48,875
Lands and Buildings-Truck	794- Land and Buildings	New Vehicle	42,100
Water-Steel Siding for Water Treatment Plant	574- Utility Operating	Construction	40,000
Recreation-Truck Ford Ranger	340- Parks	Replacement of Existing Vehicle	37,965
Traffic Signs and Signals-Traffic Signal North Street	684 Traffic Signs & Signals	New Machinery or Equipment	35,000
Sewer-Back-Up Pumps	574- Utility Operating	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	30,000
Lands and Buildings-Restroom at 105 Garage	794-Land and Buildings	Remodel Existing Space	29,000
Sewer-Aerators/Mixers for EQ Basin	574- Utility Operating	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	25,000
Lands and Buildings-Fire Dept Stucco repairirear door replacement	120- Fire	Maintenance to Existing Building	22,904
Police-Access Door Control Addition	110- Police	New Machinery or Equipment	20,000
Sewer- Manhole East King	574- Utility Operating	Construction	20,000
Water- Plug Hug	574- Utility Operating	New Machinery or Equipment	18,500
Court-Copier	795- Municipal Court	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	17,000
Water-Zero Turn Mower	574- Utility Operating	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	15,000
Police-Municipal Building Emergency Radio Study-Upgrade	110- Police	Design/Engineer	15,000
Recreation-Land Improvements for Maple Highlands Trail	342- Recreation	New Machinery or Equipment	15,000
Lands and Buildings-Split HVAC Systems (2) Municipal Center	794- Land and Buildings	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	12,075
Police-Ballistic Shields	110- Police	New Machinery or Equipment	9,500
Water/Sewer-Copier	574- Utility Operating	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	7,000
Court-Door Access Control	795- Municipal Court	New Machinery or Equipment	7,000
Lands and Buildings-Theater chiller pump assembly	794- Land and Buildings	Replace Existing Machinery or Equipment	6.000

- \$175,500 increase related to SR/US 6
- \$444,200 increase related to Courthouse (Total of up to \$2,000,000 has not changed, just the years it will be spent/budgeted)
- \$20,000 increase to salt barn roof repairs since this was not completed in 2024
- \$7,262 increase related to final payment for RTU's purchased in prior year budget

Lands & Buildings – new trash bins, front doors and digital sign board panel







Lands & Buildings





Streets



Streets - New Equipment





Streets







Water & Sewer - new aerator/mixers for EQ basin



Water & Sewer - 119 Moffett Avenue & 335 E King main

repairs





Water & Sewer - Colonial Park Liftstation upgrade

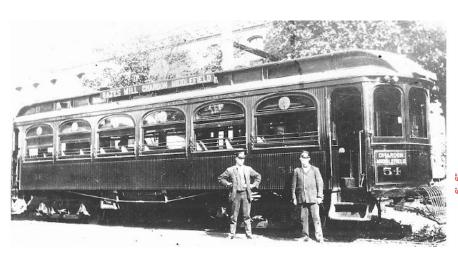


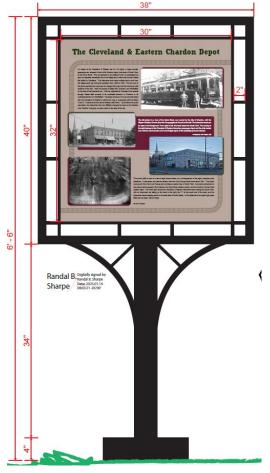
Water & Sewer – 494 Cricket Drive water leak repair





Maple Highland Trail - Interpretive Signs







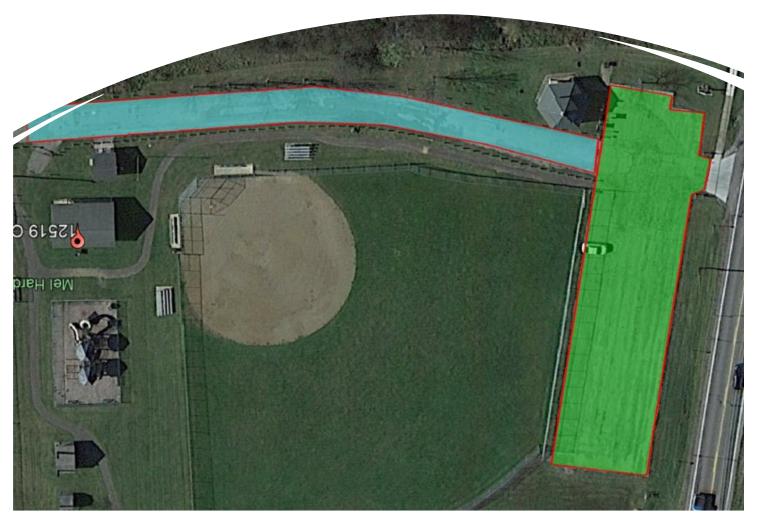
Maple Highland Trail - Brick Building







Mel Harder Park – Parking Lot Resurfacing



Programs



Child and Parent

Parent and child learn together in order to increase the child's comfort in the water. Instructors help develop knowledge of basic skills and help increase swimming confidence and comfort. This class takes place in both the baby pool and the main swimming pool. Parents are encouraged to accompany children in the water and instructors will also be in the water with the children.

Monday - Friday Session 1: June 2- June 13 Session 2: June 16 - June 27 (no class 6/19)

Session 3: June 30 - July 11 (no class 7/4)

Session 4: July 14 - July 25

Time: 11:50am - 12:20am

Fee: \$30 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents

LEVEL 1: Beginning Swimming Children will begin to learn about water safety and develop basic water and swimming skills (submerging underwater, floats, and front crawl/back crawl). Children signed up for this level should be fairly

comfortable in the pool. Instructors will be in the water with students during this lesson.

Monday - Friday Session 1: June 2- June 13

Session 2: June 16 - June 27 (no class 6/19) Session 3: June 30 - July 11 (no class 7/4)

Session 4: July 14 - July 25 Time: 11:15am - 11:45am

Fee: \$30 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents

LEVEL 2: Advanced Beginning Swimming Children signed up for this level should be comfortable in the pool. This level continues to develop swimming skills and children will be expected to become more independent when completing these skills (floats, front crawl/back crawl, and treading) as the class goes on. Instructors will be in the water with students during this lesson. Monday - Friday

Session 1: June 2- June 13

Session 2: June 16 - June 27 (no class 6/19) Session 3: June 30 - July 11 (no class 7/4)

Session 4: July 14 - July 25 Time: 10:40am - 11:10am

Fee: \$30 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents

LEVEL 3: Intermediate Swimming Children signed up for this level should be very comfortable in the water (both shallow and deep). They should also be able to swim 1 lap of the pool independently. This level focuses on developing the swimming strokes and learning new floats, kicks, and basic dives. Instructors will NOT be in the water with students for this lesson.

Monday - Friday

Session 1: June 2- June 13

Session 2: June 16 - June 27 (no class 6/19) Session 3: June 30 - July 11 (no class 7/4)

Session 4: July 14 - July 25 Time: 10:05am - 10:35am

Fee: \$30 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents

LEVEL 4: Swimmer

Children signed up for this level should be extremely comfortable in the water (both shallow and deep). They should also be able to swim at least 1 lap of the pool independently. This level continues to focus on developing strokes and solidifying knowledge of different kicks, strokes, and dives, Instructors will NOT be in the water with students for this lesson.

Monday - Friday

Session 1: June 2- June 13

Session 2: June 16 - June 27 (no class 6/19)

Session 3: June 30 - July 11 (no class 7/4)

Session 4: July 14 - July 25 Time: 9:30am - 10:00am

Fee: \$30 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents

*EMETHGYM We welcome kids of all ages, building them into confident, fit, and focused leaders for life.



- · Classes for toddlers through high school • 12,000 sq. ft. facility
- · Preschool, Olympic, and Ninja equipment
- Recreational and team aumnastics Open Gym for members and nonmembers
- Birthday parties
- · Camps & Clinics

FREE trial classes!

Chardon Parks & Rec Special: Save 10% on your first month of class tuition.





Manners Around Town

Come and join us around town while we introduce you and your pup to basic outside manners. We will use force-free methods to get you started on behaviors such as loose leash walking, leave it, relaxation in public spaces, and polite greeting. This is a beginners' level class consisting of 4 one-hour sessions in different locations around town. Sadly, we won't be able to address reactivity in this class but if your dog struggles with it, please contact us at the Cold Nose Companions training center for help. All family members are welcome but for safety one adult able-bodied person needs to be in charge of only the dog at all times. You will need a harness or regular collar (no choke, prong, or e-collars), 4-6foot leash (no retractable), a treat pouch, lots of very small, delicious treats, and poop bags. If kids under 15yrs will be part of your group and would like to participate, please bring a second leash.

Ages: dogs 5 months of age and older Dates: Saturdays, May 3 - May 24

Time: 9:00am - 10:00am

Dates: Tuesdays/Thursdays June 3 - June 12

Time: 8:00am -9:00am

Fee: \$130

Location: Chardon Square, Chardon Township Park, Mel Harder Park, Community Meeting room on 107 South Street in case of rain.

Registration information: register by emailing info@coldnosecompanions.com,

calling (855) 286 3647, or through our website www.coldnosecompanions.com



follow link to register online

2025 Summer Football Camp

Join Elite Sports Performance for our 3-Day Summer Football Camps!

We are hosting 2 separate camps, one in Mentor and one in Chardon. Sign up for one or both! Designed for both youth athletes aged 6-8 and advanced athletes aged 9-12+, this camp is your chance to enhance your football skills, compete with local athletes, learn from experienced coaches, measure your football combine metrics, and have a fantastic time on the field.

MENTOR CAMP DETAILS:

When: June 10, 11, 12 (Tuesday to Thursday) Time: 10:00-1:00

Where: Ridge Elementary School Football Field Price: \$99 early bird special (ends May 1st), \$129

Register before 4/1 and receive a camp t-shirt!

CHARDON CAMP DETAILS:

When: June 18, 19, 20 (Wednesday to Friday) Time: 10:00-1:00

Where: Mel Harder Park

Price: \$99 early bird special (ends May 1st).

\$129 regular price

Register before 4/1 and receive a camp t-shirt!



Follow Link to register online

2025 Summer Soccer Camp

This camp is open for boys and girls ages 6-10. All skill levels welcome. We have experienced coaches who strive to create a fun and no stress environment for kids to improve their skill on the ball, and confidence in themselves.

Players will get age appropriate technical and tactical work, with small sided games and competitions to fuel their love for the game! Camp Details:

When: June 3, 4, 5 (Tuesday to Thursday)

Times: 1:00-3:00 PM

Where: Ridge Elementary School Football Field Ages: 6-10

Price: \$99 early bird special (ends May 1st) / \$129

Register before 4/1 and receive camp t-shirt!

Chardon Parks and Recreation - www.chardon.cc - 440 286 2630

Around Town





June 6 - Vinyl Arcade - 70's & 80's

Food Truck: Stewart's Smokin Backyard BBQ / King Kone

June 13 - Liverpool Lads

Food Truck: Brooks Homestyle BBQ / King Kone

June 20 - The Mourning Glory Band -Electric Mix

Food Truck: TBA / King Kone

June 27 - Pieces of Eight -

Classic Rock, 70's, 80's Motown & Country

Food Truck: The Bus Stop / King Kone

July 3 (Thursday) - Chardon Polka Band -Polka/Variety

Food Truck: Willy Nilly's Wood Fired Pizza

July 11 - Hip to That - Jazz Quartet

Food Truck: TBA / King Kone

July 18 - Abbey Rodeo - 60's

Food Truck: Brooks Homestyle BBQ / King Kone

July 25 - Take Me Back - Tribute to Chicago

Food Truck: The Bus Stop / King Kone

August 1 - Big North Band - Country

Food Truck: Stewart's Smokin Backyard BBQ / King Kone

August 8 - Those Men Inside My Brain -

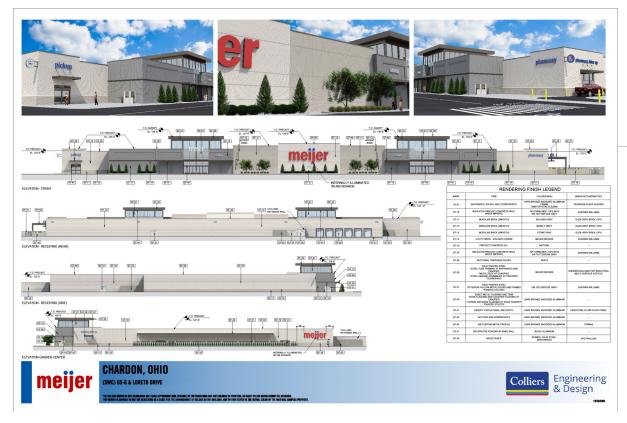
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August 15 - Word of Mouth -Classic Rock/Americana

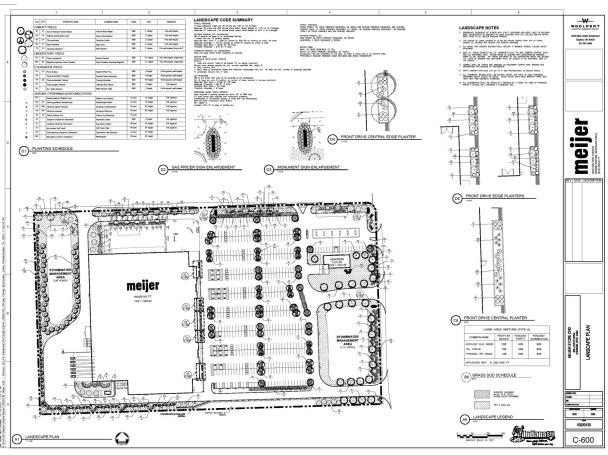




All Friday night concerts are performed at the bandstand (weather permitting) on Chardon Square at 7:00 p.m.

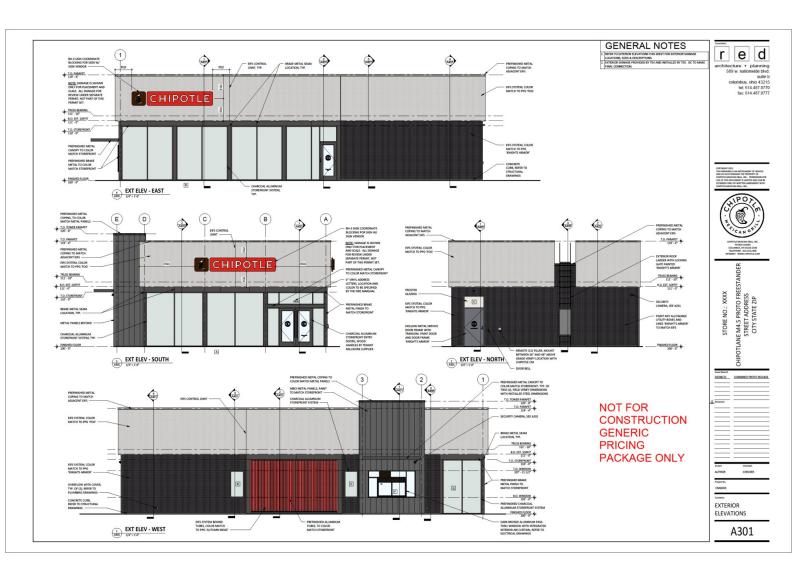


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Opens July 2025!



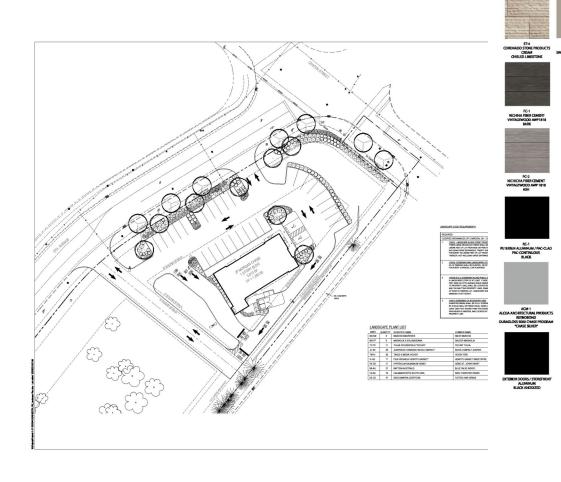


TRASH ENCLOSURE

FRONT ELEVATION

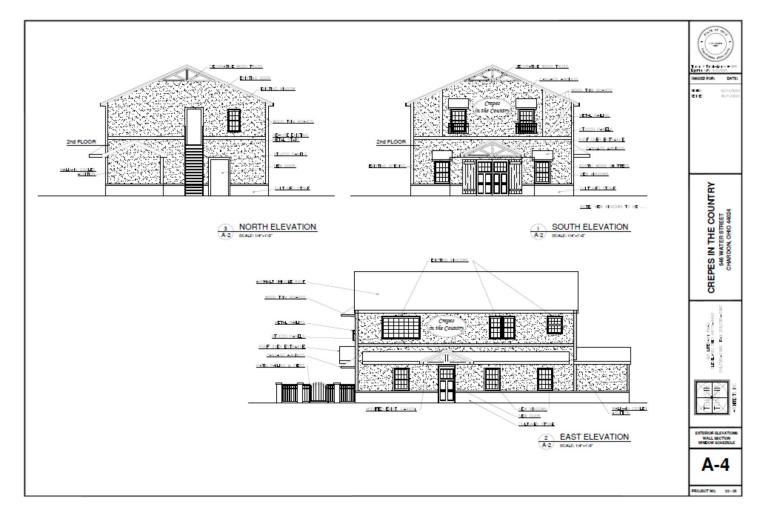
501 Fifth Avenue







Crepes in the Country – 546 Water Street

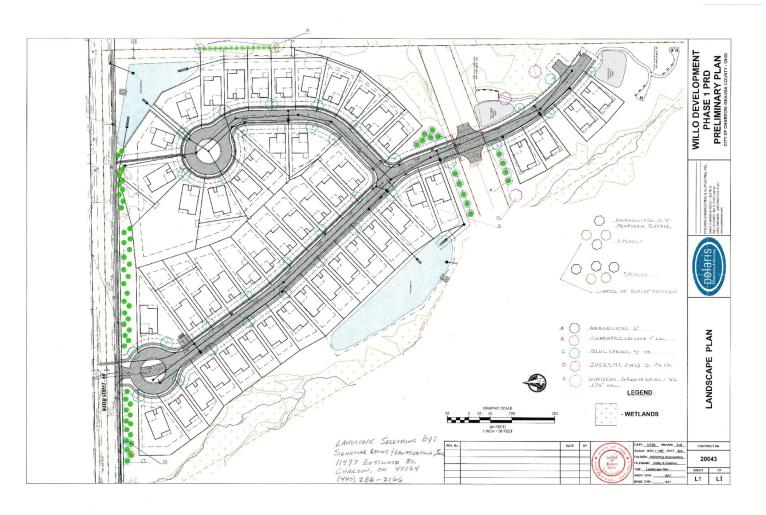


Maple Trace PRD Subdivision – Final Phase Under Construction



Willo Tree PRD - Phase 1 Under Construction





Coming Soon!



CREPES
IN THE
COUNTRY

Chardon Custom Polymers





New Businesses 2024

The Learning Café

Fairmount Center for the Aarts

Chase Bank

Walls to Walls Painting

Horseman Axe Throwing

Cottage Collectibles of Chardon

Peps Plumbing

Redwood Apartments

Pastor Photography

Solvin Autos

Omorfo Derma Aesthetics



2024 Snapshot



Incidents - 8,521 down from 9,223 (-702)

Crashes - 229 down from 267 (-38)

Injury Crash - 41 up from 23 (+18)

Private Property – 91 up from 68 (+23)

Traffic Stops – 1,449 down from 1,459

OVI Arrests – 24 down from 25 (-1)

23 Felony arrests & **15 Grand Jury** (+11/+1)

190 Misdemeanors down from 237 (41)

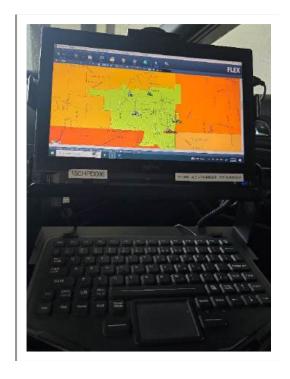
Update - Lobby Security, Phone Car MDC's











Police Officers

Two full-time officers left the department during 2024 to pursue opportunities with other agencies.

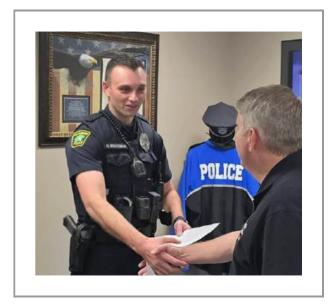
We replaced the 2 officers and added an officer position. (2 Sergeants – 11 Patrol Officers)

New officers welcomed to the department are:

Ofc. Jake Mullet

Ofc. Ben Wilcox

Ofc. Nick Bruckman





Training

24 hours of State Mandated Professional Continuing Education

Active Shooter & Mass Casualty training at Perry High School; VEG at University School

Other trainings:

2 Ofc. - ALICE Instructor

15 Ofc. Judgmental Shooting Simulator

Autism & First Responder

Supervising Critical Incidents (NTOA)

4 Ofc. ARIDE - OVI Enforcement

Crisis Intervention Team Training

Firearms & Defensive Tactics



School Resource Officer – Jasen Elam



SRO Involved Incident Reports

THC vaping & Vaping

Student groups: AC4P, ASAP

Internet safety presentation 4th & 7th grade

DARE: 7th grade – 5 classes

DARE: 5th grade – St. Mary's

Safety planning - drills

Added detail coverage at CMS

2024 AAA "Platinum Award" Traffic Study

The American Automotive Association (AAA) recognized the Chardon Police Department with their prestigious "Platinum Award" for 2024

The highest honor in their Community Traffic Safety Program awards program

Departments are considered for various awards based on statistical evidence presented and documentation of the efforts directed towards traffic safety and community education



2025 Goals



- 1. COMPLETE LEXIPOL POLICY ROLL-OUT
- 2. ACHIEVE OHIO COLLABORATIVE ACCREDITATION
- 3. PLAN FOR ADDITION OF A PATROL OFFICER
- 4. CONDUCT EMERGENCY OPERATION TABLETOP CHARDON SCHOOLS
- 5. DEDICATION OF JOHN BOHL MEMORIAL



- 1. INCREASE FELONY INDICTMENTS THROUGH CASE DEVELOPMENT
- 2. ACHIEVE GREATER VISIBILITY ON SQUARE AND RESIDENTIAL AREAS
- 3. PROACTIVE ENFORCEMENT THROUGH DIRECTED PATROL EFFORTS
- 4. INCREASE PROACTIVE TRAFFIC / PARKING ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS



- 1. ADD SEXTING PRESENTATION FOR ALL 7TH GRADERS
- 2. SPEAK TO PHYSICAL SCIENCE CLASSES ON CRASH INVESTIGATION
- 3 VISIT HISTORY CLASSES DURING THE TOPIC OF PROHIBITION
- 4. INCLUDE DRIVING SIMULATOR AS PART OF SAFE DRIVING

May 15th National Police Memorial Day

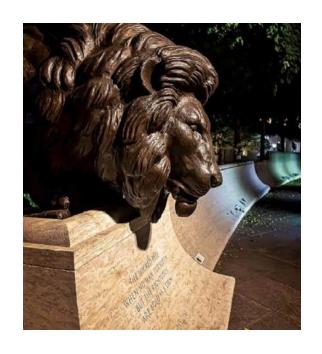


345 Names being added to the Memorial

148 Officers Killed in the line of duty 2024

21 K-9 LOD deaths in 2024

24,412 Officer names on the wall



Peace Officers Memorial Day and **Police Week** is an observance in the United States that pays tribute to the local, state, and federal peace officers who have died, or who have been disabled, in the line of duty.

Thank you – We Appreciate Your Support!













Proudly protecting the lives and property of our families, friends and all who visit our community.



\$1.5 million additional levy passed.



Additional Staffing: 2 full-time & part-time overnight. Still waiting on funds.



Why more staff? 2,398 calls in 2024, increase of 100 calls/year. Currently on pace for 2,500. Influx of new residents.



Replacement of 2002 ladder truck.



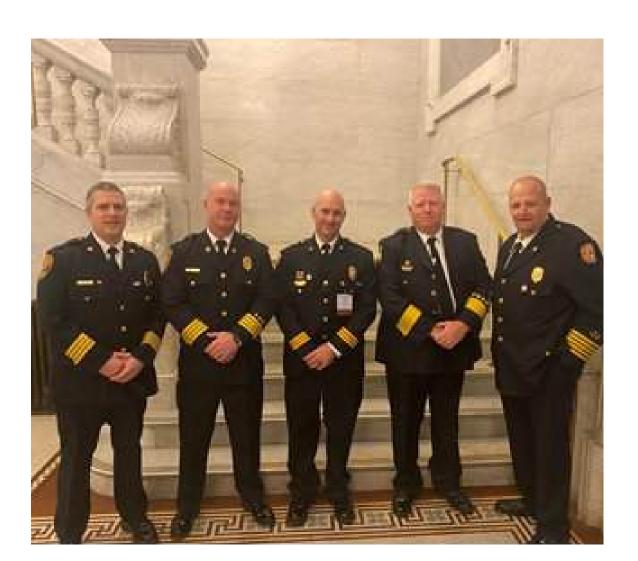


Special Teams: Increased funding and participation in county special teams. Dive, FIU and Hazmat.



Training: 1,295 hours in 2024. Increased training

hours.



2024 Department Goals:

- Addition of 2 full-time members (3 full-time firefighter/paramedics per shift.
- Increase staffing 1800 0600 from 5 to 6.
- Increase wages, employee retention and recruitment.
- Meet the needs of our growing community.

2025 Objectives: Continue best possible service, increase training, increase staffing, replace outdated equipment and search for additional funding sources.



2025 EVENTS



JUNE

- CSA's Family Market Every Saturday, 5/10 - 8/23, 8am
- Friday Night Concerts Every Friday, 6/6 - 8/15, 7pm
- CSA's Flea Market Sun. 6/1, 9am
- CSA's Kids Fest & Flea Market -Sat. 6/14, 10am
- Geauga Pride Sat. 6/21, 2pm

AUGUST

- CSA's Arts Festival Sun. 8/3, 10am
- National Night Out Tues. 8/5, 6pm
- Health & Wellness Sampler Event
 Sun. 8/17, 10am

JULY

- Fireworks Thurs. 7/3 at dusk. Location TBA
- Old Glory Day Fri. 7/4, 1pm
- Dog Day of Summer Sat. 7/12, 2pm

Classic Car & Bike Show - Sun. 7/13 LOCATION: 100 7TH AVE -ISSQUARED



SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

- CSA's Harvest Handmade Market
 Sun. 9/14, 10am
- Fall Festival Sat. 10/4, noon
- Cryptid Con & Curios Festival -Sat. 10/11, 10am
- Halloween on the Square Fri. 10/31, 7:30pm

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QUESTIONS



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