

Regular Meeting #24 - 2020
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office
June 2, 2020

Review

The Commissioners met at 9:02 a.m. to review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, John Kochis, Mark Conrad, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Chief Lape, Bennet Neiswanger, Lt. Hodder. Joining via teleconference were Tom Lininger, Tony Vogel, Jason Dolin, Aunie Cordle, Dave Burgei, and Jeff Barron.

- Welcome

Commissioner Davis welcomed everyone. He stated the Commission is on their way to normalizing meeting protocols. The live stream is no longer available, but the meetings are available via "Go to Meeting."

- Legal Update

Mr. Horacek did not have a legal update.

- COVID-19 Update

Jon Kochis, EMA Director, provided an update. The numbers have ticked up a bit due to a nursing home in the area having a few positive cases for residents and staff. There was also a DRC inmate that was released to CTC, and this person was positive. EMA has worked to provide more PPE. The results were for yesterday's county, but Ohio won't integrate the total until today. There was about a 20+ increase in total. Still averaging less than 5%.

Mr. Davis asked with the number of tests in Fairfield County, while the state is talking about greatly enhancing their capacity by doubling or tripling, is that happening here.

Mr. Kochis replied there are more being done every day, but it hasn't doubled. They average 100-125 tests a day (up from around 80 a day), with most of those done at FMC.

Mr. Levacy asked to be kept informed when broad tests are available.

Mr. Hanna did not have an update outside of Mr. Kochis' update. The slight uptick is due to a facility in Pickerington, but it is under a different health jurisdiction. The health department is working on a contract to hire contact tracers and a supervisor for those tracers. They have resumes and are preparing for interviews. The training regimen is already in place so things should move quickly as soon as they are hired. They plan to bring on at least five people for this purpose.

Mr. Levacy thanked Mr. Hanna and the Health Department for their work.

- Administration and Budget Update/Carri's List

- a. Announcements & Date Reminders

Anyone can email or text a question anytime:

Carri.Brown@FairfieldCountyOhio.gov

(740) 777-8552

- Date Reminders and Calendar Review

- June 3 – Wear Purple – Honor of Elder Abuse Awareness and Prevention

- b. Highlights of Resolutions

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Dr. Brown highlighted 14 resolutions for the voting meeting.

We had a resolution to appoint Matt Wideman to the Library Board filling an unexpired term of Ron Keaton, who passed recently. The library sent a letter of support requesting this appointment.

We had a resolution to adopt an updated Prevention, Retention, and Contingency Plan.

The County Engineer proposed a contract and notice to commence with Bud's Inc. for the WAL-38, FAI-TR473-00.57 South Bank Road over a Tributary to Buckeye Lake Bridge Replacement Project, following a competitive process.

There were *financial and grant related resolutions* to approve, such as:

- Approval of CDBG related grant allocations (following the CDBG hearing, two resolutions);
- Establishing a CARES Act fund for the Airport Authority;
- Reductions in general fund appropriations (HR and JFS – This is for about \$33K now; last week we had reductions of \$44 K; and with the saved expenditures from the TCAP grant, we are at nearly an additional \$100 K conserved with these measures);
- Repayment of an advance for Juvenile Court;
- Appropriations for FCFACF and the County Engineer;
- An account to account transfer of appropriations for FCFACF and IT; and
- The payment of bills.

In queue, there were four resolutions for child protective services for protective placement in network, two resolutions about agreements for Engineer projects, and five financial resolutions.

c. Administrative Approvals, Program, & Budget Update

Administrative & Program Updates

Administrative Approvals and Update

Dr. Brown drew attention to the review packet which contained a list of administrative approvals. There were no questions.

There have been 24% more administrative approvals completed (with same day service) in 2020, as compared to 2019, thus far, and many have related to contracts and new grants.

We are no longer tracking every workload measure as a new normal is settling in during the pandemic.

Dr. Brown connected with HR and the Sheriff's Office to schedule antibody testing for the Sheriff's Office. Lt. Hodder is the point of contact for the testing with Diley Medical Services. Testing is expected on June 8 and June 11 (at two shifts, beginning at 7 am and 3 pm) at the Sheriff's Office. Informally, there is strong interest in the antibody testing. Here is the general information:

For the individual, the only expectation is to continue to follow current procedures to maintain multiple, recommended safe work practices. One action step (if an active virus is discovered) could be to have the employee telework. This implies we need to know who tests positive for the virus. Otherwise, the information will be available to employees (to evaluate individually) and for the organization as a whole, at least in a deidentified way. From an organizational perspective, we would like information (such as the number tested and outcomes). We understand Diley Medical Services will have forms for employees to sign. They will be

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available for questions and will bill us directly. Right now, Diley Medical Services is the only vendor available to us. There may be additional options in the future.

Ditch Maintenance Districts

An administrative meeting is scheduled June 5th to review County Engineer recommendations for ditch maintenance districts.

Future Meetings & Workforce Center

The Workforce Center is nearly ready for reservation in the FMX rotation. There will be an announcement soon. The Port Authority has received the state funding for Ohio University and Hocking College. The group is working on preparing for workers.

We will hold the August 6th roundtable at the Workforce Center.

In July, Commission meetings will return to the Administrative Courthouse. We will also have a navigator (temporary receptionist) to help with foot traffic in the building, especially at a time when we will be accepting property tax payments (from 9-3 daily).

Patriotic Mural

The Patriotic Mural project is on track for launching at the end of June. The review packet includes a summary. The website includes a summary, too.

The concept of for "Hometown Heroes" grew from a respect for our Veterans and our fallen heroes and especially those from Fairfield County. At its core, the mural is depicted in a style reminiscent of antique advertisements found on the sides of buildings throughout Main Street. And with those as a reference, it demonstrates the longevity of this message: We will always honor our Veterans and those how have fallen and served our country. Numerous patriotic elements and references to Fairfield County are carried throughout.

The project timeline is:

Purchase of supplies	6.29
Begin painting	7.06
Retouching	7.15
Completion	8.01

We will issue press releases and will plan a dedication.

May 2020 Idea Box Summary

Idea 38: An employee suggested a magnet or an electronic communication that would include insurance information for all contacts, as well as for the HR Department. This would be upgrading the current magnet that has been distributed for the Wellness Clinic.

Response: Thank you for your idea. HR will have a magnet (or electronic communication) prepared and will provide it to all employees by the end of the year.

Idea 39: For altered operations during the pandemic, an employee at the Administrative Courthouse suggested that one employee per each building be designated to make deposits to the bank for all offices in that building.

Response: For many people in buildings, going to another location to make deposits for the County Treasury is not unusual, and they have organized ways to

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manage this function, making the deposit to the bank, as opposed to the County Treasurer. We have shared this idea with the financial officers, though, and we encourage shared duties whenever it makes sense for the responsibility and schedules.

The County Treasurer will begin accepting deposits on site again in June.

39 ideas have been received in the electronic idea box. 37 of those ideas have been implemented and/or addressed in detail.

One idea from April 2019 is under review with the County Auditor and a vendor (Tyler Technologies). A recommendation from April 2019 is under review with the County Auditor who has been working with Tyler Technologies on the recommendation, which was to include a memo item on County Auditor warrants (checks) for efficient communication with vendors. The County Auditor has been working with the vendor (Tyler Technologies).

Given the idea is aged, we requested a summary from the County Auditor who will continue to work with the vendor. For more information about this idea, please contact the County Auditor directly. When we have the summary, we will share it.

Another idea is under review with IT: A recommendation relating to password processes (from January 2020) was presented to IT and to the Data Board. This is under review. The topic is on the next Data Board agenda.

Budget Update

We have talked about the 2021 parameters at length. Initial parameters for 2021 are flat parameters, with the exception of insurance, for which a 2% increase is anticipated. The deadline for Level 2 is June 16, and additional guidance has been provided. We have had cooperation with the hiring freeze.

In an astounding verbal announcement, Ohio EMA reported that CARES Act funding COULD be used to match Stafford Act grant dollars. This means that PPE previously purchased will ultimately have no local costs. We await more information about SB 310. In multiple ways, we continue to advocate for state and federal support.

Mr. Fix asked if the county had heard anything about the ability to test others outside of the Sheriff's Office.

Dr. Brown replied it appeared that would be allowed through SB 310 funds based on the US Treasury guidance.

d. BRAVOs

Thanks for Common Pleas Court for using a portion of TCAP funding to offset some general fund costs of about \$20,000. Thanks to Jill Boone and Shannon Seesholtz!

Excellent work to JFS for setting up "drive-thru" genetic testing on Fridays. The process for paternity testing has been successful and convenient for the public. The process includes oversight by a lab technician and proper chain of custody for the testing materials.

Thanks to JFS for thoughtful opening of the Ohio Means Jobs Center. Once a video is available by a link, we will share it with all staff.

Thank you to Dennis Keller for working with the state on trying to use the Liberty Center parking lot for state drivers examiners so that residents do not have to go to

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Columbus for their exam. An area at Liberty Center will be organized for the state to review drivers during an exam.

Mr. Vogel reported that his son, Bryce, was valedictorian at Fisher Catholic and graduated last Sunday. The Commissioners congratulated Mr. Vogel on Bryce's success.

- Old Business (none)
- New Business (none)
- General Correspondence Received
 - a. Regional Planning Commission Packet
 - b. Fairfield County Engineer's Annual Report for 2019
- Calendar Review/Invitations Received (none)
- FYI
 - a. Jail Population – 210
 - b. Thank you for PPE from PRN Medical
 - c. Cancellation Notice for Columbia Gas Transmission
 - d. Empower Retirement presentation scheduled for June 9th

Jay Arbuckle with Empower Retirement will provide an update and attend the virtual meeting of June 9. CCAO recommended this. CCAO will offer a webinar on CCAO's Deferred Compensation Plan – Building Retirement Income for County Employees Webinar, Wednesday, June 10 at 9:30 a.m.
 - e. 911 Planning Committee notes. Thank you to Joe Morris for leading that meeting.

Mr. Fix thanked everyone, on behalf of Pickerington, for the work that went into the meeting.
 - f. Notice of Class IA Modification from Retrieval Technologies
 - g. Anytime, a public records request or a question can be posed to Rachel.Elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov or Carri.Brown@fairfieldcountyohio.gov
- Open Items

Ms. Elsea reported she expects to have the annexation from Pickerington on for next week's agenda.

Executive Session – Security Arrangements

On the motion of Steve Davis and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss security arrangements at 9:25 a.m.

Discussion: Commissioner Davis stated that the following people be included in the executive session: Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Levacy, Commissioner Fix, Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, and representatives from the Prosecutor's Office, representatives from the Sheriff's Office, and representatives from EMA.

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Roll call on the motion as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Jeff Fix

On the motion of Steve Davis and second of Dave Levacy, the Board voted to exit Executive Session at 9:57 a.m.

Roll call on the motion as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Steve Davis, Dave Levacy, and Jeff Fix.

Review (continued)

The Commissioners met at 9:57 a.m. to continue review legal issues and pending or future action items and correspondence. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jon Kochis, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Chief Lape, and Bennet Neiswanger. Joining via teleconference were Tom Lininger, Tony Vogel, Aunie Cordle, and Jeff Barron.

Commissioner Davis stated at 9:57 a.m. that the Commission would take a short recess.

Commissioners' Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m., with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Jon Kochis, Joshua Horacek, Amy Brown-Thompson, Chief Lape, Jon Kochis, Bennet Neiswanger, Randall Hunt, Jeremiah Upp, and Donna Fox-Moore. Joining via teleconference were Aunie Cordle, Jason Dolin, Tom Lininger, Tony Vogel, and Jeff Barron.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Davis led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Announcements

Commissioner Davis asked if there were any announcements.

There were no announcements.

Public Comment

Commissioner Davis asked if anyone from the public who would like to speak or offer comments.

Approval of Minutes for May 26, 2020

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, May 26, 2020 Regular Meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Auditor's Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Auditor's Office resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major expenditure object categories for General Fund #1001 – Fairfield County Auditor/Information Technology; see resolution 2020-06.02.a.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

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Approval of the Commissioners' Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Commissioners' Office resolutions:

- 2020-06.02.b A resolution to approve the appointment of Mr. Matthew Wideman to the Fairfield County District Library Board [Commissioners]
- 2020-06.02.c A resolution to authorize the establishment of a new agency fund for the Federal CARES Act for the Fairfield County Airport Authority [Commissioners]
- 2020-06.02.d A resolution authorizing the reduction appropriations in major expenditure object categories for transfers for the JFS allocation and Fringe Benefits for Human Resources - General Fund # 1001 - Fairfield County Commissioners [Commissioners]

Discussion: Mr. Davis stated he thought very highly of Mr. Wideman and supported his appointment to the Library Board and any board he would like to serve on.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Engineer's Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Engineer's Office resolutions:

- 2020-06.02.e A Resolution to Approve the Contract with BUD's, Inc. for the WAL-38, FAI-TR473-00.57 South Bank Road over a Tributary to Buckeye Lake Bridge Replacement Project. [Engineer]
- 2020-06.02.f A Resolution to Approve the Notice to Commence for the WAL-38 Bridge Replacement Project [Engineer]
- 2020-06.02.g A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for comp payout [Engineer]

Discussion: Mr. Upp reported once the contract was in place for the WAL-30 bridge they will notify the contractor who will provide a schedule. Mr. Upp will share that schedule once they have it.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Family, Adult, and Children First Council Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Family, Adult, and Children First Council resolutions:

- 2020-06.02.h A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated funds in a major category expense for the Fund# 7521, subfund# 8156 – Family Adult Children First (FACF) [Family, Adult and Children First Council]
- 2020-06.02.i A resolution approving an account to account transfer in a major object expense category for Fund# 7521, Subfund# 8188 – Fairfield Parent Education/Lancaster CDBG grant – Fairfield County Family Adult Children First [Family, Adult and Children First Council]

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Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Job and Family Services Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Job and Family Services resolution regarding approval of the Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) Plan for Fairfield County Job and Family Services; see resolution 2020-06.02.j.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Juvenile/Probate Court Resolution

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Juvenile/Probate Court resolution authorizing the approval of repayment of an advance to the General Fund from Fund #2865 Child Abuse & Neglect Discretionary Fund; see resolution 2020-06.02.k.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Approval of the Payment of Bills

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Payment of Bills resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval; see resolution 2020-06.01.l.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Commissioner Davis stated at 10:17 a.m. that the Commission would take a short recess.

Public Hearing – CDBG

The Commissioners met at 10:30 a.m. to for the CDBG Public Hearing. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Loudan Klein, James Mako, Randall Hunt, Donna Fox-Moore, Bennet Neiswanger, Pam Redding, Clint Davis, Mary Boring, Tim Morris, Deborah Boring, Cenell Boch, and Gary Silcott.

The CDBG hearing was the second public hearing for program year 2020. Per program guidelines, the county is required to hold a minimum of two public hearings. The main objective was to select a slate of projects and funding levels for FY2020's Allocation, Critical Infrastructure and Residential Public Infrastructure grant applications. Draft resolutions were ready.

Mr. Mako reviewed the attached presentation including the funds, projects, and recommendations for projects to be funded by Regional Planning.

Mr. Davis asked if there were individuals in attendance who represented projects that were not recommended for funding.

There were proposals from the Village of Bremen, and one project was recommended for funding while others were not. The representative for the village agreed with the priority funding of the one project over the others. They would like to know where else they can apply to get the second project funded. Mr. Mako will discuss that with them at a later time.

Mr. Mako received the other projects that did not receive a recommendation to be funded.

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Mr. Davis asked for if there were people representing projects recommended to be funded and if they would like to speak.

Mr. Silcot for the Village of Carroll has been working to address their sanitary sewage system. They spend \$30,000 a year maintaining the pumps. Phase one is currently underway. This project will also allow opportunities for growth. The project funded is a second phase. The project will be a third of the way complete after the second phase. The village is very grateful for the funding.

Walnut Township thanked the Commissioners and RPC for reviewing their proposal. Their project would eliminate the last two gravel roads in Walnut Township.

The Village of Thurston's project is to replace fire hydrants and the first stage of their new water treatment plant.

The Village of Bremen appreciates all of the funding granted to them. The new playground will be great for the area.

Mr. Levacy recommended Bremen reach out to ODNR regarding their need to fund their walking path project.

Ms. Fox-Moore thanked everyone involved for the opportunity to apply for and be awarded funding to support the parenting education the agency offers. The classes are all evidenced-based curricula. This enables them to take away all the barriers for parents who have challenges taking the classes as the classes are free.

Mr. Davis thanked everyone for their participation and collective partnerships.

Mr. Mako provided information for the next steps. The Commission will consider two resolutions to formally adopted the projects recommended by RPC.

Approval of the Regional Planning Commission Resolutions

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Dave Levacy, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following Regional Planning Commission resolutions:

2020-06.02.m A resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program Application [Regional Planning Commission]

2020-06.02.n A resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Community Development Block Grant Allocation and Critical Infrastructure Programs [Regional Planning Commission]

Discussion: Mr. Davis expressed his appreciation for the courtesy and professionalism from RPC staff and the participating communities and agencies.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Public Hearing – CHIP

The Commissioners met at 11:06 a.m. for the CHIP Public Hearing. Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order with the following Commissioners present: Steve Davis, Jeff Fix, and Dave Levacy. Also present were Carri Brown, Rachel Elsea, Donna Fox-Moore, Clint Davis, and Randall Hunt

The CHIP application process requires two public hearings. The first one was to inform the public that the County will be applying for CHIP funding for the 2020 Program Year. The first objective was to explain the CHIP program and make the public aware of the eligible activities that the County can apply for in the CHIP program. A second objective was to get public input.

Mr. Hunt presented the attached presentation including the application process, funding sources, eligible activities, finance mechanisms, CHIP income guidelines, leverage resources for CHIP activities, and Fairfield County CHIP outcomes to date.

Mr. Hunt replied they were experiencing those changes. The Habitat leadership has reached out to Mr. Hunt with interest in doing a new build with HOME funds.

Review Continued

Adjournment

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Dave Levacy, and Steve Davis

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
that the June 2, 2020 minutes were approved by the following vote:

NAYS: None

Dave Levacy
Commissioner

Jeff Fix
Commissioner


Rachel A. Elsea, Clerk

Fairfield County Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program

June 2, 2020

2020 CHIP Program Year Application Public Hearing #1
(In conjunction with RPC CDBG Public Hearing)



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CHIP Funding

Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development

- Fairfield County, maximum request: \$400,000
- Highly competitive application
 - Only 60-65% of applications will be funded at maximum request.
 - Approximately \$20.5 million expected to be allocated.
 - 77 Counties are eligible to apply for this round of funding.
- Multi-year grant period – September 1, 2020 – April 30, 2023
- Applications due on June 24, 2020



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CHIP Program Funding Sources

- CDBG – Federal Community Development Block Grant
- HOME – Federal
- Ohio Housing Trust Funds – State
- The Ohio Development Services Agency specifies the funding source for each activity in the grant agreement. Federal regulations limit the use of HOME funds to the Home Ownership and Private Owner Rehab, New Construction - Habitat for Humanity – New Construction and Tenant Based Rental Assistance activities.

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Eligible CHIP Project Categories/Activities

Primary Housing Activities

- Rehabilitation Assistance (HOME/CDBG)
 - Owner Rehab
 - Rental Rehab
- Repair Assistance (CDBG/OHTF)
 - Owner Home Repair
 - Rental Home Repair
- Homeownership Assistance (HOME)
 - Down Payment Assistance/Rehabilitation
 - New Construction with Habitat for Humanity
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (HOME)

Supportive Activities

- Fair Housing
- Administration



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Finance Mechanisms

- For Private Owner Rehabilitation, the County provides a no-interest forgivable deferred loan (for 75% of the Rehab Cost) over five years for the cost of the rehabilitation; the remaining 25% is paid back to the Program at the time the home is sold or transferred.
- Home repairs are conducted in the form of a grant.

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CHIP Income Guidelines

(2019 HUD Income Limits)

Household Size	Home Repair: 50% of Area Median Gross Annual Income	Rehabilitation: 80% of Area Median Gross Annual Income
1 person	\$27,300	\$43,700
2 people	\$31,200	\$49,950
3 people	\$35,100	\$56,200
4 people	\$39,000	\$62,400
5 people	\$42,150	\$67,400

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Median Household Income

Source: censusreporter.org

Community	2018 ACS
Fairfield County	\$67,144
State of Ohio	\$56,111

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Owner Occupancy Percentages

- Fairfield Co overall is 77% owner-occupied
- Lancaster – 52%
- Pickerington – 75%
- Violet Township – 81%
- State of Ohio– 66%

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Owner - Renter Occupancy

Fairfield County

2018 ACS Data (source – Censusreporter.org)

- Owner-Occupied Units – 43,081
- Renter-Occupied Units – 12,853
- Percent Owner Occupied – 77%
- Total Units – 55,934

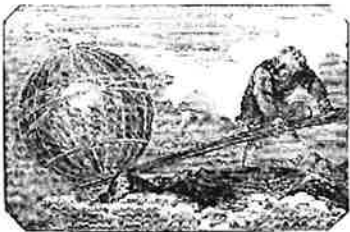
State of Ohio 2018 ACS Data (source – Censusreporter.org)

- Owner-Occupied Units – 3,086,226
- Renter-Occupied Units – 1,599,221
- Percent Owner Occupied – 66%
- Total Units – 4,685,447



Leverage Resources for CHIP Activities

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home Weatherization Assistance (LFCAA)• USDA Rural Development, Low-interest Mortgage Loans• Columbia Gas Warm Choice (LFCAA)• Meals on Wheels• Fairfield Center for disAbilities• Fairfield County RPC - partnership in targeting CHIP resources for Neighborhood Revitalization Program communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy (LFCAA)• ODSA Homeless Assistance• Fairfield County Health Dept.• Habitat for Humanity |
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Fairfield County CHIP Outcomes To Date

(Total through May 2020)

- Private Owner Rehabilitation – 49
- Homeownership – 32
- Home Repair – 143

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2020 CHIP Application Public Hearings

Public Hearing #1 (in conjunction with RPC 's CDBG Hearing)

June 2, 2020 at 10:30 AM
EMA Building
240 Baldwin Drive, Lancaster OH

Public Hearing #2 (2020 CHIP Application Activities)

June 16, 2020 at 10:30 AM
County Commissioner's Hearing Room
210 E. Main Street, Lancaster OH

CHIP Application due to ODSA on June 24, 2020

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Collaboration & Outreach Efforts



- Community Partnership Referrals
- Fairfield County Housing Coalition
 - 30 organizations
 - 50 members

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Thank you for your participation.

Questions?



Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Agency
Randall Hunt
Deputy Director/Housing Director
Rhunt@faircaa.org
(740) 653-4146

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Public Hearing
June 2, 2020, 10:30 a.m.
Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Building
240 Baldwin Drive, Lancaster, Ohio
Community Housing Impact & Preservation Program Grant Application
Sign-In Sheet

[illegible]

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program PY2020 Second Public Hearing

2020 CDBG

- Fairfield County wishes to participate in three CDBG grant programs offered by the Ohio Development Services Agency in PY2020:
 - Allocation Program (non-competitive)
 - Critical Infrastructure Program (competitive)
 - Residential Public Infrastructure Grant (competitive)

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

- Fairfield County is allocated \$390,000 for PY2020
- County can do up to 6 projects
- 13 requests for funding have been received in excess of \$1 million

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

Among the 13 requests, 2 communities are requesting Allocation funding as match for competitive grants

- A request from the Village of Carroll for matching funds for their Critical Infrastructure Grant Program application
- A request from the Walnut Creek Sewer District for matching funds for their Residential Public Infrastructure Grant application

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

Regional Planning Staff Recommendation

- Carroll Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project \$125,000
 - Competitive program match-Allocation funding helps the application with competitive scoring
 - Village has not received any type of CDBG funding since 2014

- Walnut Creek Sewer District WWTP Project \$100,000
 - Competitive program match-has the ability to leverage \$750,000 in additional grant funding
 - Will serve both Pleasantville and Thurston villages

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

Regional Planning Staff Recommendation (Cont.)

- Fairfield Beach Road Improvement Project \$60,000
 - Project will improve gravel roads in Fairfield Beach which are structurally deficient
 - Walnut Township has not received any type of CDBG funding since 2016

- Bremen Playground Improvement Project \$49,000
 - Project will address deteriorated playground in Bremen
 - Bremen has not received any type of CDBG funding since 2012

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

Regional Planning Staff Recommendation (Cont.)

- Family, Adult & Children First Council; \$7,000
 - Would be a public service project

- Administration and Fair Housing \$49,000

[2020 CDBG-Allocation Program]

- If the Critical Infrastructure grant for Carroll and/or the Residential Public Infrastructure Grant for the Walnut Creek Sewer District are not approved by the state the county has to have a contingency plan in place (per the Development Services Agency).

- The following projects will be funded in order of priority:
 - Village of Thurston Waterline Improvement Project
 - Village of Pleasantville Sidewalk Improvement Project

Community

Development Block

Grant (CDBG) Program PY2020

Second Public Hearing

**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING
FY2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
ALLOCATION PROGRAM AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
PROGRAM**

June 2, 2020

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