Welcome to the 2017 State of the County Address
Video
The state of Fairfield County remains STRONG.
Public Well Being
Symposium Addressing the Opioid Epidemic

SAVE THE DATE
AUG. 17 & 18
for an
Opioid Addiction Symposium

Location: Crossroads
2095 W. Fair Ave., Lancaster
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
Time: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Cost: $25 for one day/$40 for both days

The opposite of addiction is connection.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY • OHIO

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Local Economies
The financial position is healthy.

- $10+ M carryover
- Bond rating - Aa2
- Low sales tax rate
- 2nd lowest property tax rate
- Low unemployment
- Growing population
Fairfield County Population

• Growth of 8% over the past decade

• 2040 - 35% increase expected over 2015

• 2040 - more than 210,000 people
Population Growth

• About half of all counties in the nation experienced population growth in 2016, as compared to the prior year.

• Fairfield County is one of those counties.
Population Growth

• In contrast, 60% of counties in the Midwest saw decreases in population.
## Population Comparisons

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<th>County</th>
<th>2016 Population (Thousands)</th>
<th>Percentage Change From the Prior Year</th>
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<tr>
<td>Licking</td>
<td>172.2</td>
<td>0.8%</td>
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<td>Fairfield</td>
<td>152.6</td>
<td>0.8%</td>
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<td>Ross</td>
<td>77.0</td>
<td>-0.2%</td>
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<td>Pickaway</td>
<td>57.6</td>
<td>1.0%</td>
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<td>Perry</td>
<td>35.9</td>
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<td>Hocking</td>
<td>28.3</td>
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<td>Franklin</td>
<td>1.3 M</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cuyahoga</td>
<td>1.2 M</td>
<td>-0.05</td>
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Trends

- Population growth, above state average
- Older, more diverse
- Lower per capita income
- Higher median household income
- Poverty & unemployment below state averages
## County Employees and Population

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<th>Employees by Category</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>Percentage Change</th>
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<td>Human Services</td>
<td>225</td>
<td>206</td>
<td>-8%</td>
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<td>Health</td>
<td>159</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>26%</td>
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<td>Public Safety</td>
<td>168</td>
<td>185</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Legislative / Executive</td>
<td>107</td>
<td>111</td>
<td>4%</td>
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<td>Judicial</td>
<td>87</td>
<td>93</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Public Works</td>
<td>59</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>-5%</td>
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<td>Enterprise</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>-16%</td>
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<td><strong>Total Fairfield County</strong></td>
<td>830</td>
<td>872</td>
<td>5%</td>
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| Fairfield County Population   | 140,591 | 151,408 | 8% |


Dedication of Resources

• Controlled growth in number of employees
• Concentrated growth in categories of:
  – Health
  – Public Safety
  – Judicial
Proximity to Franklin County

• Population Growth
  • Challenges
    – meeting mandates
    – providing essential services
  • Opportunities
    – employment
    – development
    – infrastructure improvements
Highlights of Brilliant Ideas
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Efficiency

CRMS – Commissioners Resolution Management System
Highlights of Brilliant Ideas
Highlights of Brilliant Ideas – Collaboration
Press Release about the Records Center
Engineer Projects & Other Initiatives
2016 Bridge Projects

- Two bridges received 95% Federal funding in the amount of $1,054,376 with a total cost of $1,119,869.

  Madison Twp #34 – CR 78 Landis Road

  Hocking Twp #26 – TR 160 Duncan Road
2016 Bridge Projects

• Two bridges received 70% Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) funding in the amount of $454,820 with a total cost of $723,375.

Bloom Twp #8 - CR 23 Winchester Road

Hocking Twp #28- TR 173 Duncan Road
2016 Bridge Projects

• One bridge was replaced with local funding.

Amanda Twp #11 –
CR 16 Amanda-Northern Road
2016 Road Resurfacing

2016 - $1.1 million in road resurfacing.
Pearl House Early Head Start
Community Housing Impact and Prevention Program (CHIP)
Highlights of Brilliant Ideas - JFS

1. Child Protective Services “Champions”
2. Job Fairs with Rapid Response
3. Accepting Credit Card Payments
4. Medicaid applications with a virtual call center
Investments in Technology

• Cyber security training
• Improvements in technology
• A must for government infrastructure
• Adopt a forever friend today

• [http://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/dog](http://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/dog)

• Safe, healthy community
Brilliant Ideas

• Improved ADA compliance
• Job Fusion
• County Health Benefits Plan
• Wellness Clinic
• Resource Booklets
Buckeye Lake State Park Region
Phase II

Docks in rendering are representational only.
Phase II

• Continued soil mixing
• Support the cutoff wall
• Asphalt access path
• Sidewalk
• Beginning now – April 2017
• Completed late in 2018
BL 2030 Vision

• The Buckeye Lake Region will be the most popular year round tourism destination in the Midwest.
Long Term Results – BL 2030

- 3,900 – 6,300 new jobs
- $11 M - $17 M direct property tax from new lodging & housing
- Tourism revenues of $240 M - $390 M
- Economic growth of 250% - 400%
## 2016 Development – Regional Planning Approved Plats

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<th>Political Unit</th>
<th># of Lots</th>
<th>Acres</th>
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<td>Canal Cove Section 3</td>
<td>Canal Winchester</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>12.17</td>
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<td>Lithopolis</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>13.70</td>
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<td>Bluebird Estates</td>
<td>Lithopolis</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>39.82</td>
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<td>Spring Creek Section 2 Phase 4</td>
<td>Violet</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>11.79</td>
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<td>Heron Crossing Section 1</td>
<td>Violet</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>39.77</td>
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<td>Lithopolis</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>5.81</td>
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<td><strong>2016 Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>218</strong></td>
<td><strong>123.06</strong></td>
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Brilliant Ideas

• Study of Broadband Needs
• “Best Practices” with Juvenile Courts
• Recycling drop off sites - www.fairfieldrecycles.org
• The Fairfield County Land Bank
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Major Construction
Video of Construction
Brilliant Ideas - Public Events

• June 17 – Ribbon Cutting
• September 29 – Building Dedication
Virtual Tour
Thank you to: Granger, Wachtel & McAnally, Dynamix, and Bennett & Williams.
County Engagement

• Every day of the work week, approximately 1,280 people (590 county employees & 690 visitors and customers) come to Lancaster, the county seat, for Fairfield County business.

• Estimated annual employee spending based on county engagement - $1.971 M
County Engagement

• Visitors, customers, and professionals spend an additional $2,375 M annually as a result of county engagement.

• In the future, visitors to the jail (located in the county seat) will spend an additional $270,000 - $348,000 annually.
County Engagement

• In 2016, county employees paid $581,951 in income taxes to the City of Lancaster.

• Fairfield County engagement results in an impact of more than $5.270 M to the local economy, which includes revenues for the City of Lancaster and spending at local businesses.
Enjoy the video.

Thank you!

Thank you to Community Action Recycling Center.

Thank you to Innerphase Video.
Thank you to all elected officials, department heads, and county employees.

Thank you to the Lancaster – Fairfield Chamber of Commerce.
Thank You – Elected Officials

- Commissioner Steve Davis
- Commissioner Mike Kiger
- Commissioner Dave Levacy
- Auditor Jon Slater
- Clerk of Courts Branden Meyer
- Coroner Dr. Thomas Vajen
- Engineer Jeremiah Upp
- Judge Richard Berens
- Judge David Trimmer
- Judge Terre Vandervoort
- Judge Laura Smith
- Prosecutor Kyle Witt
- Recorder Gene Wood
- Sheriff Dave Phalen
- Treasurer Jim Bahnsen
Thank You – Appointed Officials & Department Heads

- County Administrator Carri Brown
- Human Resources – Jeff Porter
- JFS – Aunie Cordle
- Facilities – Dennis Keller
- Economic Development – Rick Szabrak
- IT – Randy Carter
- GIS – Dave Burgei
- Dog Shelter – Todd McCullough
- EMA – Jon Kochis
- Board of Elections – Jane Hanley
- Utilities – Tony Vogel
- ADAMH – Rhonda Myers
- Board of DD – Jon Pekar
- Veterans Service Center – Park Russell
- Airport Authority – Dr. Glenn Burns
- Visitation Center – Mandi Crist
Commissioners’ Administration Team

• **Rachel Elsea** – *Clerk to the Board of Commissioners*
• **Staci Knisley** – *Budget Officer*
• **Christina Foster** – *Payroll Officer*
• **Shar Bails** – *Assistant Clerk*
• **Bob Holland** – *Mail Clerk*
Thank You Chamber Sponsors!

- AT&T
- Bay Food Market
- Buckeye Lake Marina
- Crestview
- Daggar Law
- Fairfield County DD
- Fairfield County Visitors & Convention Bureau
- Fairfield Federal
- Fairfield Medical Center
- Fairfield National Bank
- FairHoPe Hospice
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- Kumbler Collison
- Matt Taylor Kia
- Miller-Lewis
- Minuteman Press
- Peoples Bank
- Personal Touch
- Ruff & Associates
- Sitterly, Vandervoort, & Davis
- South Central Power
- Standing Stone Bank
- Stebelton Snider LPA
- Tiki Lanes
- Wichert Insurance
State of the County
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