Welcome to the 2018 State of the County Address
The state of Fairfield County remains **STRONG** - financially & programmatically.
Healthy Financial Position

- Aa2 Bond Rating
- Highest Financial Indicator Rating
- Cash Carry Over - Exceeded Target – 5 yrs
- Conservative Budgeting Parameters
Population Growth

• Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area – 2.1 M - 9% increase
• 5th Fastest Growing County in Ohio
• 5.7% growth since 2010
Fairfield County is a great place to live!

- Proximity to Franklin County
- Friendliness
- Services
- Schools
- Parks
- Residences
- Civic Groups
- Faith-Based Organizations
- Businesses
- Arts
- Entertainment
Focus on Priorities that Make Fairfield County Great

• Exceptional Service, Friendliness
• Improve the Quality of Life
• Support Business
• Protect Citizens
• Plan for the Future
Serving the Underserved

• National Theme for County Government Awareness
Job & Family Services

• Protective Services
• Community Services
• Child Support Enforcement
• Workforce Development
Video – Serving the Underserved

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocOsqZ0c-E4
Thank you to the voters

• 8 of 10 kids in placement are impacted by parental substance abuse
• Kids are in placement longer as parents recover from addiction
• 65% if elder abuse involves substance abuse and mental illness
We are grateful to the community

The people of Fairfield County support us to:

• Meet responsibilities to investigate
• Expand interventions & treatment
• Increase partnerships

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ADAMH

- Recovery oriented systems of care
- Strategies with community input and feedback
FORT

• Fairfield County
• Overdose
• Response
• Team
Common Pleas Court
Adult Probation
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Adult Probation
Community Services Program
Domestic Relations Court – Supervised Visitation
Juvenile Court

• Developmental approaches so that youth can become productive members of society
Child, Adult, and Family First

• Parenting education
• Safety training
• Early intervention strategies
Community Action

• Homelessness prevention
• Clothing assistance
• Heating and utility assistance
• Food pantry
Early Head Start
More than 1200 individuals & their families are served

Bringing about a VIBRANT community where people lead FULFILLING lives and make MEANINGFUL contributions.
Serving the Underserved

• Meals on Wheels
  – 228,000 meals
  – 5,000 hours of in-home care

• Veteran Services
  – More than 6,600 veterans
  – employment and general assistance
Serving the Underserved

• Workforce Investment Board
  – Connection of Workforce and Economic Development
  – Manufacturing Day
Serving the Underserved

• EMA
  – Preparedness and planning for those in long-term care

• Health Department
  – WIC at Tussing Road in Pickerington
Reentry Program
Coalition of Services/Stepping Up
Dog Adoption Center & Shelter

• Photo Wall
• Impressive Partnerships
• Call 687-DOGS
Fairfield County is leading the way.
The new jail & public safety facility

Revitalization News

Reusing an Existing Site Improves Public Safety and Supports Downtown Revitalization in Fairfield County, Ohio

https://revitalizationnews.com
Focus on Public Safety - MARCS

Multi-Agency Radio Communication System
Continuing Revitalization Efforts
2018/2019 Projects

• Demolish the former Main Street jail and the old maintenance garage on Lincoln Avenue
• Remodel 108 N. High for Real Estate Assessment Offices
• Remodel Chestnut Records /Training Center
• Remodel Baldwin Emergency and Facilities Management Center
Special Announcement – Pine Grove Land Fill – Republic Services

We’ll handle it from here.
Special Announcement

Clarence E. Miller Building
Special Announcement

We present the key to the Clarence E. Miller building to Habitat for Humanity!
May 11th Event

• At Clarence E. Miller Building
• 11:00 AM
www.visitfairfieldcountyoh.org
Ohio’s very first state park
Beautiful Buckeye Lake State Park
Buckeye Lake State Park
Future Representation

Docks in rendering are representational only.
Positive Results Come From Collaboration

Thanks to Congressman Stivers, Senator Troy Balderson, Senator Jay Hottinger, Representative Tim Schaffer, Representative Larry Householder, Representative Scott Ryan, and the Commissioners in Fairfield, Perry, and Licking Counties.
What is the vision for Buckeye Lake?
State Support for Future Projects
“BL 2030”

- 3,900 – 6,300 new jobs
- $11-$17 million tax revenues
- $240-$390 million lodging revenues/visitor spending
- 200% - 400% growth in the regional economy
Critical Infrastructure Grant

- $300,000 – Baltimore, Ohio
- Bridge Replacement
- Waterline Relocation
Land Use Plan

Balances the need to develop for future success with the desire to maintain our agricultural base

www.co.fairfield.oh.us/rpc
Fairfield County Airport

- Alternative to busier airports
- Close to Lancaster and Hocking Hills
US 33 Alliance

• Great place to start a business
• Fast growing area of the Midwest
• Connections with the Port Authority
What’s New with Utilities?

• Greenfield Water and Sewer District
• Wellfield expansion
• Managing new developments
Geographical Information Systems

• Zane Trace
• Buckeye Lake Flood Depths
• County Current Agricultural Use Value Program
Importance of Customer Service

Customer Service Awards
– Josh Horacek, Assistant Prosecutor
– Amy Brown-Thompson, Assistant Prosecutor
– Branden Meyers, Clerk of Courts, & his staff
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- Model the way
- Inspire shared vision
- Challenge processes
- Enable others to act
- Encourage one another
Arts Consortium
Resolution of Support
Violet Township Community Center

The Board of Commissioners wants to be helpful and supportive.

May 10 – Public Meeting
Fairfield County is a great place to live
Thank you for joining us today!

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