City of Maple Heights State of the City Address



Presented by Mayor Annette M. Blackwell



City of Maple Heights Maple Heights City Council

A majority of new Council members and a new Mayor was sworn in on January 6, 2016.



Richard Trojanski Council President



Leonette F. Cicirella Clerk of Council



Stafford L. Shenett, Sr. Ward 1 Councilman



Toni Jones
Ward 2 Councilwoman



Ebony Miller
Ward 3 Councilwoman



Ron Jackson
Ward 4 Councilman



Tanglyn Madden
Ward 5 Councilwoman



Annette M. Blackwell MAYOR



Sharri Thomas Ward 6 Councilwoman



Edwina Agee Ward 7 Councilwoman



Maple Heights Mayor's Court



Hours of Operation:

The Court is located on the SECOND FLOOR of City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, and is open Monday through Wednesday, and Fridays, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM (PLEASE NOTE: The mayor's court office is closed on Thursdays!!):

- * New Year's Day
- * Memorial Day
- * Thanksgiving

- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- * July 4th observation
- * Christmas

- * Good Friday
- * Labor Day

Phone Number: 216-587-9006 Fax Number: 216-587-9047

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The Maple Heights Mayor's Court has limited jurisdiction based on geographic location and type of offense.

All offenses must have occurred in the City of Maple Heights, and some charges may not be filed here because of legal exceptions. The court does not handle any civil or small claims matters. Those cases are referred to the Garfield Heights Municipal Court, which also has jurisidiction over certain other criminal and traffic cases

In some cases, a peson who receives a traffic ticket may plead guilty and pay the fine withough coming to court. This is called "waiving" the charge. The waiver schedule is established below.

Persons who wish to plead not guilty or no contest with an expanation must appear in court before the magistrate. If you were involved in a traffic accident you are also required to appear.

If you plead not guilty, your case will be transferred to the **Garfield Heights Municipal Court** for trial and disposition.





City of Maple Heights Law Department 5353 Lee Road Maple Heights, Ohio 44137 216-587-9002

Email: fconsolo@mapleheightsohio.com

Frank Consolo, Law Director

The Legal Department of the City of Maple Heights is located on the first floor of City Hall, 5353 Lee Road, Maple Heights, Ohio. Office hours are 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The Legal Department is responsible for:

- * Prepare legislation
- * Prosecute
- * Prepare and conduct litigation in all courts where the City, an employee, officer, board, commission or agent of the City is a party
- * Advises the Mayor, Council, administrative officers, administrative boards and administrative and legislative personnel
- * Attend regular meetings of Council
- * Attend special meetings of Council and other meetings of administrative bodies, upon request of the Mayor or Council President
- * Represent the City, its officers, boards, commissions and agents at meetings
- * Prepare or negotiate contracts and agreements on behalf of the City

Fiscal Recovery

David Yost State Auditor

- The debt reduction achieved during the recovery has been >\$600,000
- Income Tax and Property Tax Collection has increased more than 5%
- We continue to adhere to the plan presented by the Maple Heights Financial Planning and Supervision Commission monitored by State Auditor Dave Yost's office; reducing debt and increasing revenue



Juvenile Diversion Program

TIMOTHY J. MCGINTY

- Our city's diversion program is designed as an aggressive mentorship program to equip juveniles with skills and positive experiences through Leadership Workshops and Community Betterment Projects.
- Workshops include Résumé Building, Career Planning, and Interviews Do's and Don'ts seminars.
- Community Betterment Projects are prearranged work project collaborations with local businesses, non-profit organizations and government agencies.

"Today's youth are tomorrow's politicians, doctors, and leaders...
their success is directly linked to a better city!"



Maple Heights Secures a Street Sweeper to Keep your City Clean!

The Employees of the Maple Heights Service Department with the brand new City Street Sweeper.

Pictured from Left to Right (Back Row) (Front Row) Mayor Blackwell, Dennis Lew



Supporting Youth Opportunities Unlimited (Y.O.U.)

Torian Connor is a Y.O.U. student hired by the City of Maple Heights after his summer employment.

Pictured: Torian Connor

City of Maple Heights Maple Heights Police Department

The Maple Heights Police Department and the City Council Community Life Subcommittee host "Hoop It Up - Bridge the Gap" Basketball Tournament

This event was organized in an effort to build the relationship between the Maple Heights Police Department and the youth in the community.



Pictured: Maple Heights Police Officials and Maple Heights Youth Participants







Maple Heights Fire and the American Red Cross Smoke Detector Program

On Thursday April 28th the fire department and Councilman Jackson joined the American Red Cross and Volunteers from "Global Prairie Corp" to continue the much appreciated smoke detector program. The streets of Fairway and Longview from Maple Heights Boulevard to Camden were covered. We were able to install 103 smoke alarms in 33 homes, along with providing helpful fire safety literature and answering fire safety questions for the residents. We thank John Garies from the American Red Cross for planning these events for our residents and he is committed to continuing this program for Maple Heights

Pictured: Maple Heights Fire
Officials and Red Cross Volunteers





The Fire Department recently took delivery of a new rescue squad and pumper



Fire Department Paramedics receive training from the Cleveland Clinic Stroke Unit in preparation for the unit going in service to provide expedient state of the art treatment to victims of a Suspected Stroke in Maple Heights on June 27th 2016



Maple Heights Department of Human Services

Linda M. Vopat, Director of Human Services received the Ed Worley Award at the 6th Annual Healthy Communities Conference.

The Ed Worley Award recognizes an individual who exhibits strong leadership, advocacy and passion within their community in the fight against hunger relief.

Pictured from Left to Right: Linda M. Vopat, Director of Human Services, Phyllis Leanza, Maple Heights Senior Center Volunteer and Kristin Warzocha, President & CEO, Greater Cleveland Food Bank





Maple Heights Department of Human Services

Hundreds of seniors, families and disabled individuals rely on essential services offered at Maple Heights Senior Center.

- The Maple Heights Senior Center (MHSC) serves over 25,000 on-site and home delivered meals each year.
- The MHSC has over 2,500 registered clients.
- The MHSC serves 300 congregate and home bound clients yearly.
- The MHSC provides > 15,000 rides yearly to Maple Heights seniors & disabled residents and has logged > 50,000 miles.
- > The newly opened, monthly mobile food market at Southgate Park Blvd., has served over 300 hundred families and over 1000 individuals in 2016.
- In 8 years our food pantry distributed over 1 million lbs. of food and 1 million meals to Maple Heights residents.









Maple Heights Building Department

SAFEbuilt.

SAFEbuilt provides full-service building department programs, building code plan reviews, complete project support, building code inspections and code enforcement for cities, towns, counties and other public agencies. As of today, they work with more than 250 public communities.

Expanded client services include community planning and zoning. SAFEbuilt employees are considered the best in the industry, and each one possesses the necessary technical skills and the ability to work well with other municipal departments, outside agencies, and applicants to make the process as efficient and customer-friendly as possible.

The Building Department expanded their hours on Friday's from 8:30-12:00 noon, in March to ensure a more customer service oriented experience.





Maple Heights Employee Health and Wellness Program.

Mayor Annette Blackwell receiving a flu shot; offered to all City of Maple Heights Employees.

Pictured from Left to Right: Mayor Annette Blackwell and Jaclyn Randazzo, Walgreens Pharmacy Manager - Maple Heights





Maple Heights Resident Ann Pershern celebrating 100th Birthday!

Mayor Annette Blackwell presented a proclamation to Ann Pershern at a birthday celebration with her family on September 10th, 2016. Family members as far away as Alaska came to this special celebration.

Pictured from Left to Right: Maple Heights resident Ann Pershern and Mayor Annette Blackwell.





Cuyahoga Arts & Culture Listening Session

A Cuyahoga Arts & Culture Listening Session with Maple Heights Residents & Business Owners was held on September 15, 2016 for community input for the purpose of understanding how the residents want arts and culture dollars spent in Maple Heights.

The Cuyahoga Arts & Culture 10year tax levy was passed to support arts and culture in Cuyahoga County.





Forman Mills Grand Opening

Forman Mills Clothing Factory Warehouse is opened its second Ohio discount store on March 11, 2016 in the Southgate USA Shopping Center at 5316 Northfield Rd. Forman Mills was founded in 1981, has 36 stores in nine states.

Pictured in photo: Senator Yuko, Mayor Blackwell, Forman Mills CEO Rick Forman and members of Maple Heights City Council.



New Businesses in Maple Heights

Fannie May Chocolates Reopening

The Fannie May and Harry London Chocolates warehouse and distribution center -- destroyed in a devastating Thanksgiving Day fire in 2014 -- is once again taking orders for Easter bunnies and chocolate eggs. In March of 2016 Fannie May Chocolates had their reopening.

"So here we are saying a big 'Thank you' to the community," he said. "We're so glad to be back in Maple Heights, and we're here to stay."

Pictured in top photo left to right: Fire Chief Vito Collova, Mayor Blackwell, Kevin Coe President of Fannie May Brands and others. Pictured in bottom photo holding the mic, Kevin Coe President of Fannie May Brands, Mayor Blackwell.



Recently Opened New Business



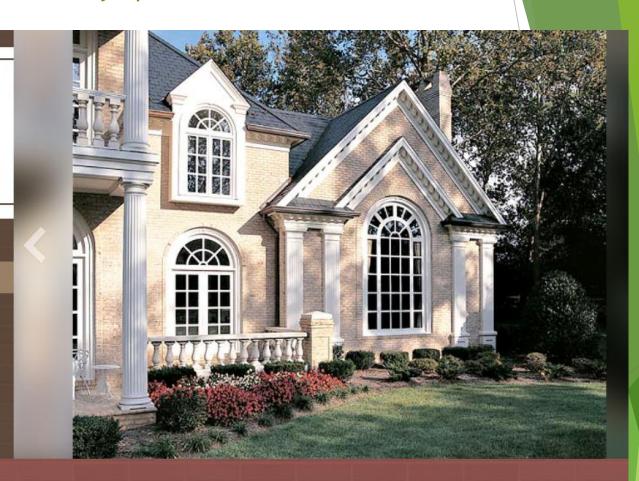
"Bricks, blocks and rocks" 16900 Rockside Rd, Maple Heights, OH 44137

216-791-9800

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25% increase in the Median Sold Price: Aug. 2015 - Aug. 2016

> 78.3% in Properties that went Under Contract: Aug. 2015 - Aug. 2016





Maple Heights Engineering Department

The Maple Heights Engineering Department continues to seek and secure outside funding to reconstruct our roads, sewers, and water mains.

Over \$2,000,000.00 in outside funding was committed towards 2016 projects.



ABOVE - Libby Road - Before & After







ABOVE - Lee Road - Before & After



ABOVE - Auburn Road - Before & After



ABOVE - Mayville Road - Before & After



Stafford Park Cleanup

"Stafford Park Cleanup" held on Saturday, Oct 1. Cleaning and sprucing up Stafford Park, with over 50 volunteers from national mission, Alliance Ministries of Colorado, in partnership with Hope Alliance Bible





UniverSoul Circus visits Maple Heights

The City of Maple Height hosted hundreds of families to the Circus

Hailed as the most interactive circus in the world, UniverSoul Circus played the Cleveland metropolitan area at Southgate Gate USA between Warrensville and Northfield Road in Maple Heights, May 17th May 30th.

"Just like the circular ring in which it sits, UniverSoul celebrates cultures from around the world and brings them together under the big top," said Founder and CEO Cedric Walker. "At this time in our history we need to come together, to embrace and learn from each other. I believe the circus naturally brings people together. In 23 years of searching for talent, I have journeyed to every continent to find a multicultural, multinational mix of talent to showcase".

