



Welcome to the State of North Ridgeville Address

Thursday, March 21, 2024



Kevin Corcoran
Mayor,
North Ridgeville



Roxann Caserio
Superintendent,
North Ridgeville City
School District

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Building Success



Early Childhood Learning Community

Enrollment

- PreK students
 - Sixteen half day classes
- Kindergarten students
 - Six half day classes, nine full day classes



Literacy

- Intervention reading services are provided throughout the district during and after school

Kindergarten Registration

- Currently Open for the 2024-2025 school year



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Liberty Elementary

Classroom Doors

- The district received multiple grants totaling \$750,000 for safety upgrades
- A portion of that money was dedicated to installing 22 doors on Liberty classrooms



Changes for 2024-2025

- Modular units
- Dedicated gym space
- New partition walls



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Ranger High-Tech Academy

Project-Based Learning

- *What does it take to survive?*
 - 8th grade students learned about events that impact safety around the world and collaborated with 3rd and 4th grade Spanish classes to teach them about volcanoes and earthquakes
- *Eclipse Preparations*
 - Lessons have been taught about the solar eclipse
 - Eclipse Party Safety Kits: eclipse viewing glasses, safety information, and fun treats
 - Science backpacks for experiments to send eclipse data to NASA



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Public Works - 2023 Highlights

Streets

- 13 streets paved and City Hall parking lot
- 30,000 lbs of crack seal
- 161 miles/111 hours street sweeping

Water

- 16 new water mains installed
- 27 curb box replacements
- 31 service line repairs/replacements
- 28 fire hydrants replaced

Sanitary & Storm

- 7.3 miles sanitary sewer maintenance
- 9.2 miles storm sewer maintenance
- 12+ miles of ditch cleaning
- 20+ miles of tree clearing/bank work



2023 Capital Improvement Projects

- Barres Road realignment with Stoney Ridge Road
- Center Ridge Road Urban Paving Program
- Full depth concrete repairs - 5 residential streets
- Catch basin rehabilitation - 35 locations



Full depth concrete repairs



Catch basin rehabilitation



Barres Road realignment

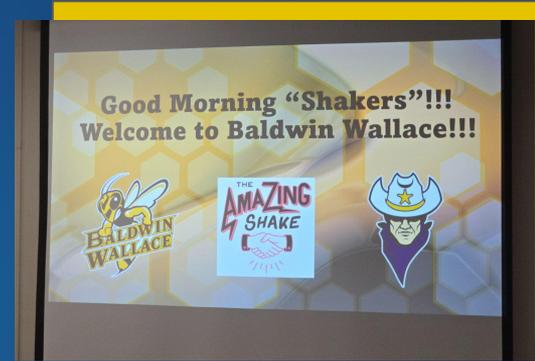
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Ranger High-Tech Academy & North Ridgeville Academic Center

Amazing Shake:

This competition is for all of the district's seventh grade students to learn and develop interpersonal skills. Students visit stations and are scored by staff and community members on things like eye contact, communication skills, and a handshake.



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North Ridgeville Academic Center

Published Authors

- Fifth grade students in 5 Blue wrote and illustrated a book called *The "Problem" with Holidays Around the World*
- The book is about Candy Cane the elf who travels all over the world and encounters real world math problems

Honor Students Recorded Songs

- Students participated in five workshops with a professional songwriter and their poetry was then assembled into a collective song
- Songs were recorded by a music producer and entered into the Maltz Museum Stop the Hate Student Songwriting Contest



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North Ridgeville High School

Honors, AP, and CCP Courses

- 14 Honors courses offered at NRHS
- 19 Advanced Placement courses offered at NRHS
 - 352 2023 high school graduates completed the AP exam with an average score of 3.03
- 18 College Credit Plus courses offered through partnership with Lorain County Community College
- 233 students received 1,998 hours of college credit in the 2022-2023 school year

Class of 2023

- 76% of students are currently attending a university
- 21% of students seeking employment and apprenticeship opportunities
- 3% of students enrolled in a military branch

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North Ridgeville High School

Future Fair

- Annual event for students in grades 8-12
- Allows students to explore all postgraduate opportunities
- Focus on the four Es: Entrepreneurship, Employment, Enlistment, and Enrollment
- Local businesses, agencies, universities and branches of the armed forces attend to highlight what they have to offer students
- This is one way the district is *Empowering students to design their preferred future*



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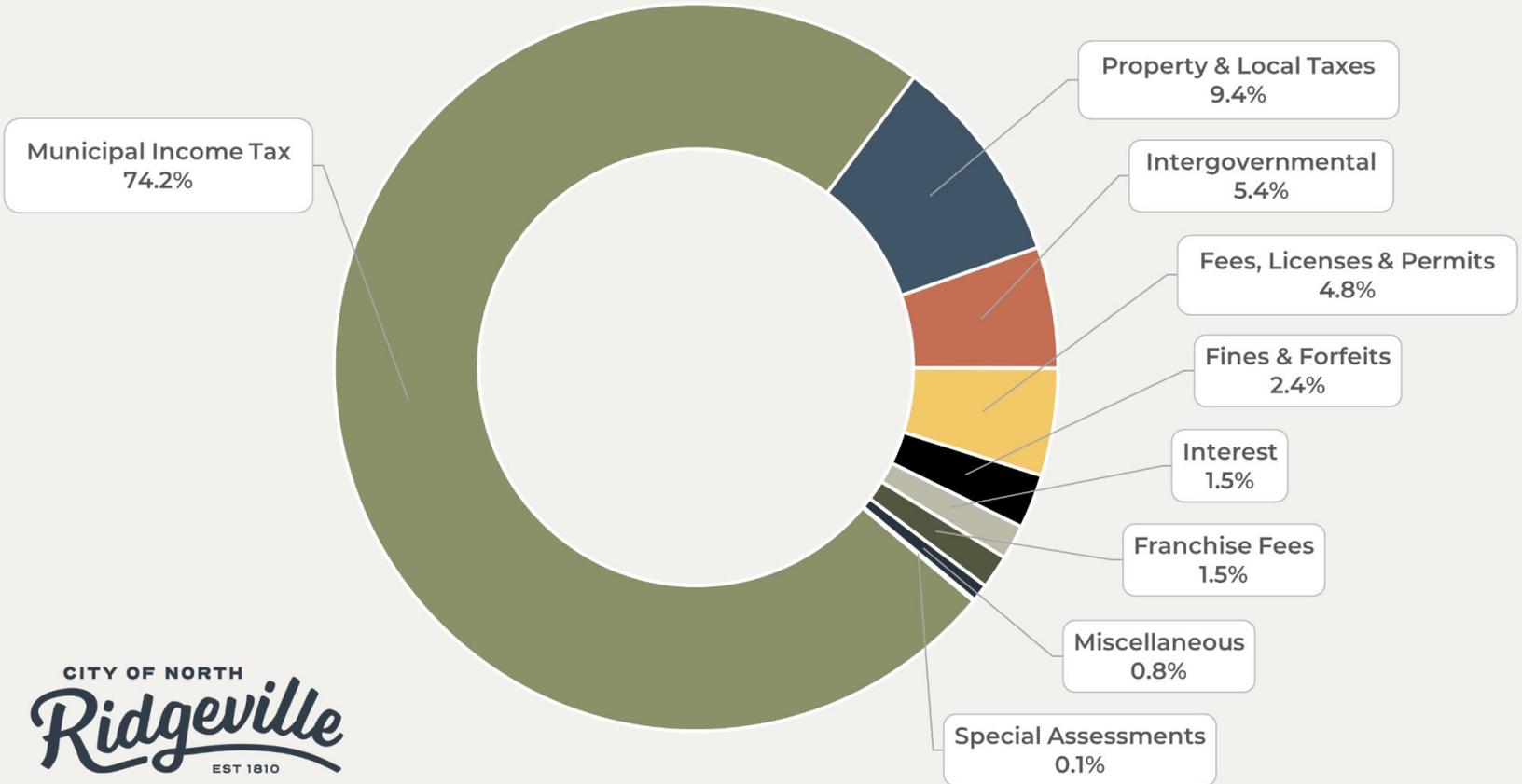
City Finances

- General Fund Revenue
- General Fund Expenditures



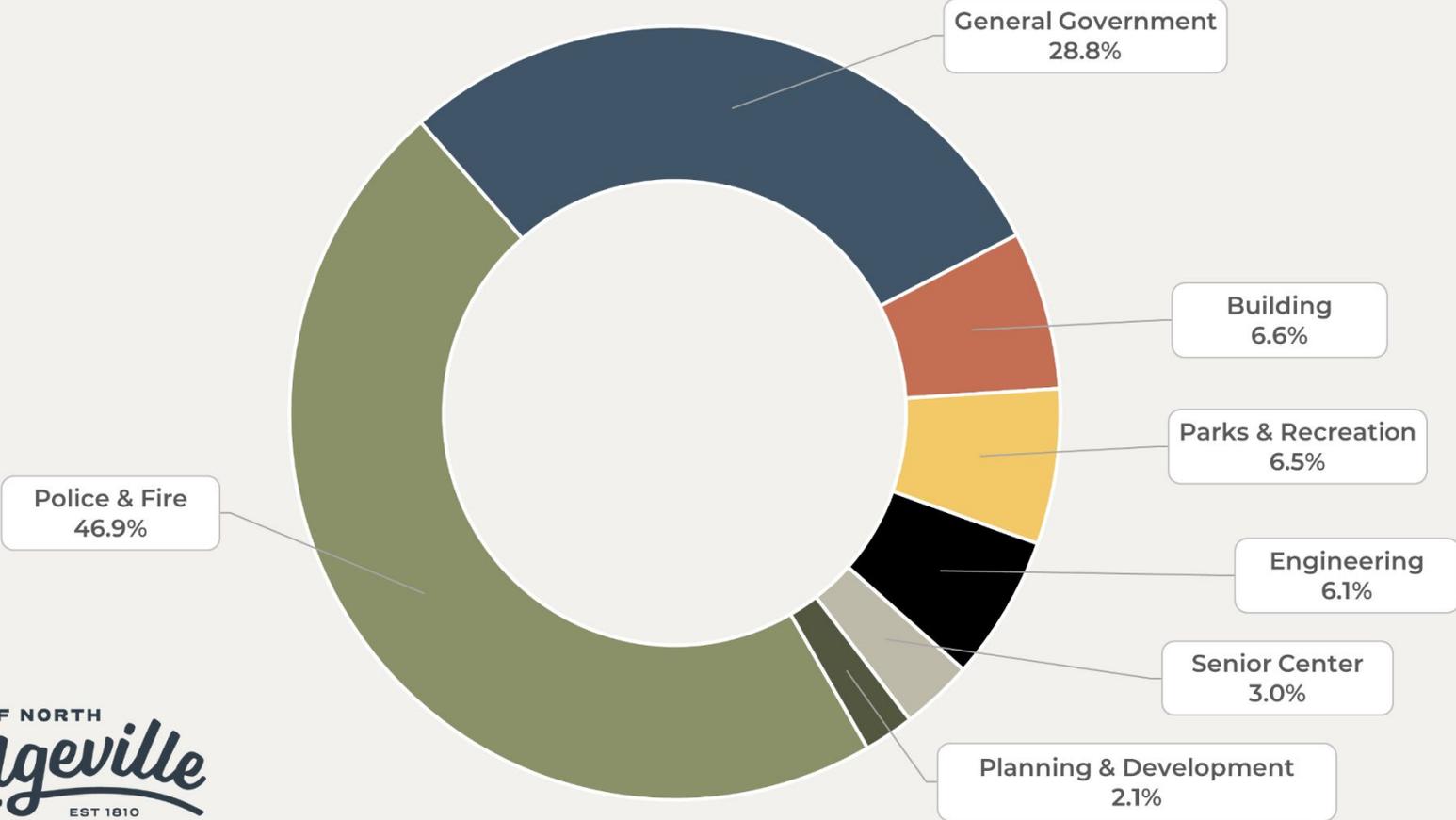
General Fund

Where Does the Money Come From?



General Fund

Where Does the Money Go?



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North Ridgeville Fire Department

- **2023 Calls for Assistance**

EMS 4,490

Fire 770

Total 5,260

- Six new hires
- Renovation Silver Award
 - Fire Station 2 recipient for renovation/addition
 - Featured in Firehouse Magazine
November 2023 issue



Thank you voters for supporting Issue 7!

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North Ridgeville Police Department

2023 Calls for Service = 27,400

It's just not about arrests, but also service to the community...

- 383 vehicle lockouts
- 412 disabled vehicle assists
- 513 ambulance/fire dept. assists
- 407 welfare checks
- 325 premise checks
- 662 school patrols

Safetyville Program - 223 participants

Holidays with Hometown Heroes - 21 shoppers



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Thank you!

Between The Bun

- Through a fundraiser, donated \$1,800 to pay off student lunch debts



VFW

- Donated \$3,000 also for lunch debt
- With their permission, it has been redirected to the eighth grade Washington D.C. trip
- Donated an additional \$4,900



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Inclusivity: See the Able, not the Label

The North Ridgeville City Schools Special Education Department has redefined Intensive Needs classrooms as **ABLE Classrooms**, emphasizing the **Academics Beyond the Learning Environment (ABLE)**

- State Extended Standards
- Ranger Brew Crew
- Reverse Inclusion
- Programming to promote inclusion



Able Every Day

Cultivating Collaboration and Community

- **Able Every Day** is set to kick off with the 2024-2025 academic year
- The program is crafted to expose participants to an array of activities tailored to their interests
- Vocational, Recreation/Leisure, and Life Skills



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Inclusivity

- Able Not Label
- Capable Confections
- Unified Sports
- Sparkle Squad
- AdaptABLE Athletics Day



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EDUCATION STATION

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Parks and Recreation

Shady Drive Complex

- Shade Structures over Diamonds 10 and 11 Jacob Vincent, Troop 153, earned his Eagle Scout Badge

South Central Park

- Partnered with Lions Club to install new roof and decking on Pavilion 2
- Pop Schultz Lane repaved

2023 Participation

- Recreation programs: youth & adult sports, adult education, summer camp, group fitness, tot & youth programs = 4,224 participants
- Special Events = 9 with 4,267 participants



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Office for Older Adults/Senior Center

2023 Services & Programs

- 761 unique individuals served in 2023; Increase of 81% from 2022
- 2,153 meals delivered by Meals on Wheels
- 990 rides through transportation services
- 21 classes/workshops
- 10 health education/screenings
- 17 social events
- 21 field trips

Partnerships

- First annual health fair with Mercy Health/Heart & Sole
- 1,122 pounds of produce distributed from Community Garden
- AARP facilitated free tax preparation services
- FBI, Fifth Third & NRPD offered fraud prevention programs
- Hospice of the Western Reserve held Peaceful & Proud veterans pinning ceremony



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Athletic Highlights- Spring 2023/Fall 2023 Coaches of the Year



Amy McMillan
2023 SWC &
Lorain County
Softball Coach of
the Year



Matt Ponting
2023 SWC Coach
of the Year
Varsity Baseball



George Panagiotou
2023 SWC Coach
of the Year
Varsity Soccer



Bryan Morgan
2023 SWC Coach
of the Year
Varsity Football

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Athletic Highlights- Winter 2024 Coaches of the Year



Russ Markel
SWC Coach of the Year
Women's Varsity
Bowling

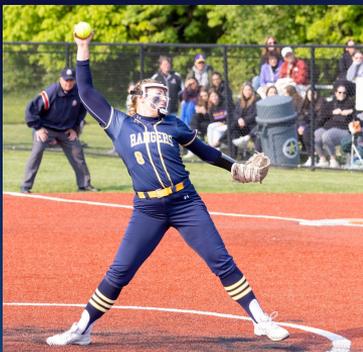


Amy Esser
Lorain County Division I
Coach of the Year
Women's Basketball

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Athletic Highlights- Student Achievements



Varsity Softball
Autumn Behlke
SWC MVP



Varsity Men's Soccer
Undefeated Regular
Season
Logan Margolin
SWC MVP
Aidan Wood
SWC Goalie of the Year



Grace Kingery
Lorain County
Player of the Year &
Ms. Basketball
Lorain County
Leading Scorer,
1,926 career points



Varsity Swimming
Several school
records broken in
relay, backstroke,
breaststroke, fly,
and freestyle

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Athletic Highlights- Student Achievements



Varsity Baseball and Varsity Softball

Both teams were Conference Champions in 2023.

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Arts Highlights

Ohio Music Education Association District 4 Solo and Ensemble Competition

- NRHS Band Program sponsored 22 events
 - 3 Excellent Ratings
 - 18 Superior Ratings
- NRHS Choral Program sponsored 19 events
 - 7 Excellent Ratings
 - 12 Superior Ratings



Ohio Music Education Association Large Group Contest

- Both Concert and Symphonic Bands earned a Superior rating
- Both A Capella and Treble Singers earned a Superior rating
- All four groups qualified to compete in the state competition in April

Severance Hall Performance

- The Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony invited the bands from North Ridgeville High School to perform at Severance Hall for the 20th Annual Northeast Ohio Band Invitational



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Arts Highlights

The 56th Annual Lorain County Regional Scholastic Art Exhibition

North Ridgeville Received:

- 21 *Honorable Mentions*
- 3 *Silver Keys*
- 7 *Gold Keys*

Gold Key winners:

- Katherine Young
- Aleena Sahay
- Mitchell Stewart
- Leah Boutton
- Faith Schneider (2)
- Isla Yost

Faith Schneider also won the American Vision Award
This award signifies her art was one of the top five in show



My Favorite Encyclopedia,
Faith Schneider

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Spelling Bee Winner

Cayley Anne Anderson won the Lorain County Spelling Bee and will represent North Ridgeville in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. the week of May 26. Congratulations!

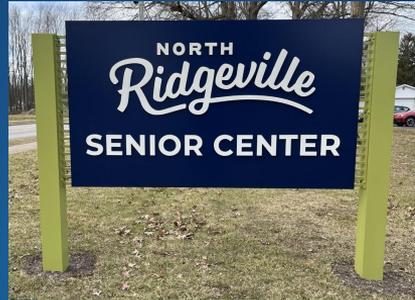


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Branding and Communications

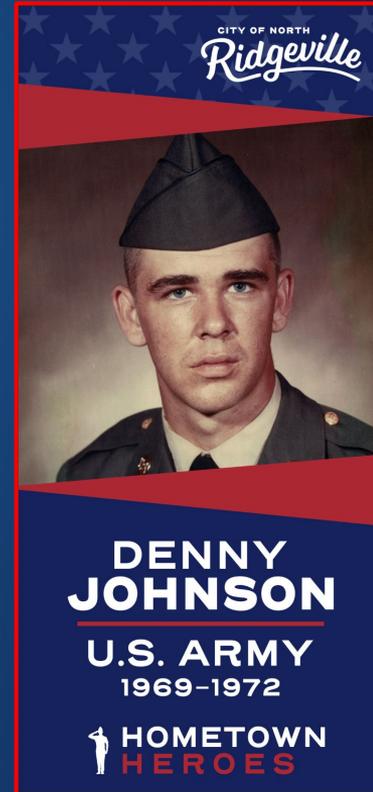
- Gateway, park and facility signs
- Building improvements
- New monthly eNewsletter
- Monthly Coffee and Conversation with the Mayor
- Two city magazines
- Website refresh expected second quarter 2024



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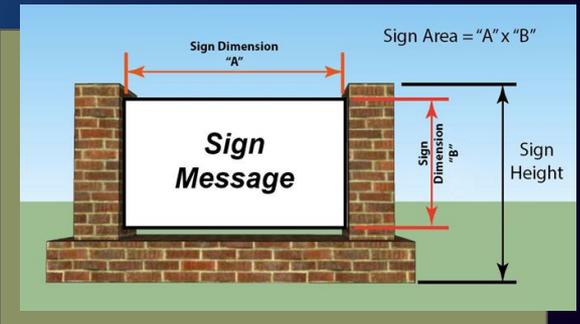
Hometown Heroes Program

- Celebrate the opening of the new North Ridgeville Veterans Memorial at South Central Park
- Streetscape banners along Bainbridge Road will be displayed Memorial Day through Veterans Day
- Sold Out!



Code Updates

- Sidewalks
 - Updated ordinances to expand requirements for installation of sidewalks
- Signs
 - Overhaul of sign code to ensure compliance with case law and best practices
- Parking, lighting and access management
- Property maintenance (2024)
 - Update ordinances establishing minimum requirements for properties
- Complete audit of zoning code & subdivision regulations (2024)



2023 Building Statistics

- New dwellings = 100
- New condos (4+ units) = 3
- Residential alterations = 28
- New commercial buildings = 10
- Commercial alterations = 17
- Sewer taps = 126
- Misc. (decks, sheds, fences, pools, etc.) = 2,678
- Total inspections = 6,942



Millridge Subdivision

Building for the Future



**Construction Project:
How did we get here?**



Space



Safety



Excellence



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thendesign architecture



Building Public Support



Proactive Firm Selection



Meticulous Decision-making



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Comprehensive Interaction with High School Staff



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Experiential Learning through Facility Tours

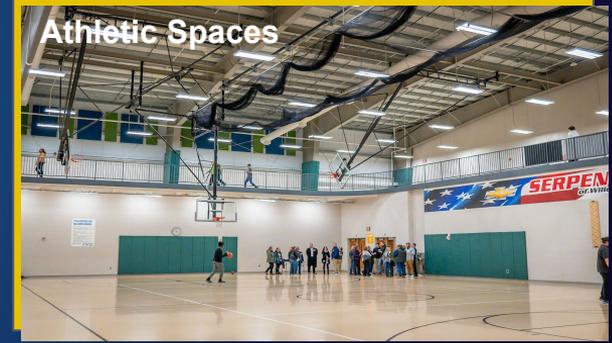
Auditorium



Spirit Shop



Athletic Spaces



Science Rooms



Collaborative Areas



Makers Spaces



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Inclusive Educational Visioning Session



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Construction Project: What is next?

- Selecting a Construction Manager
- *Meet the Architects* Community Night
 - Introductions to the design team
 - Provide input on the project

Meet The Architects
Community Night

NORTH RIDGEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday, April 10

6 PM

NRAC Cafetorium



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Construction Project: Where will the new high school be built?

- Studies are currently being conducted on the school footprint and site layout
- The transportation and maintenance facility will be relocated
- The new high school will be built in front of the existing one
- The existing high school will remain in operation while the new one is built



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Construction Project: Questions or Comments?

You can access our construction web page by visiting **NRCS.net** and clicking on *Construction Project*. Or you can use the QR code below to leave a comment or ask a question about the new building, design and/or construction process, and timeline.

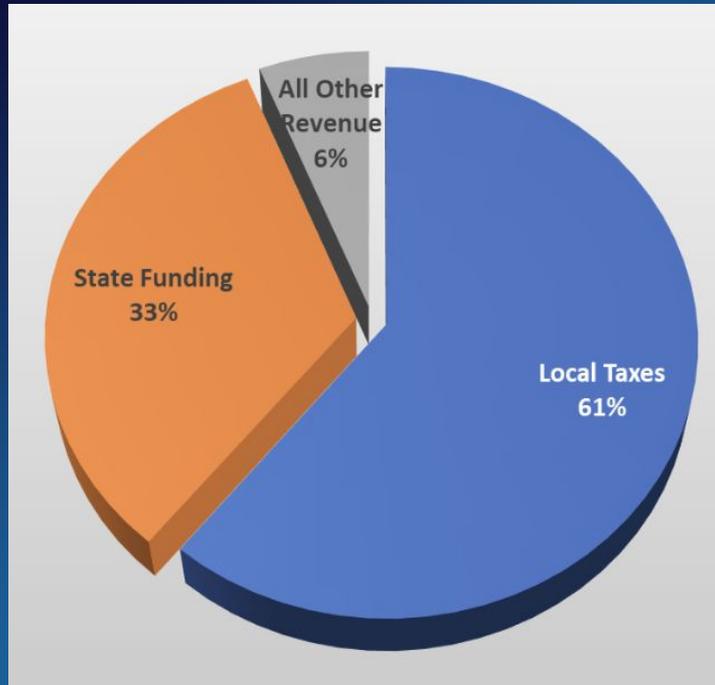
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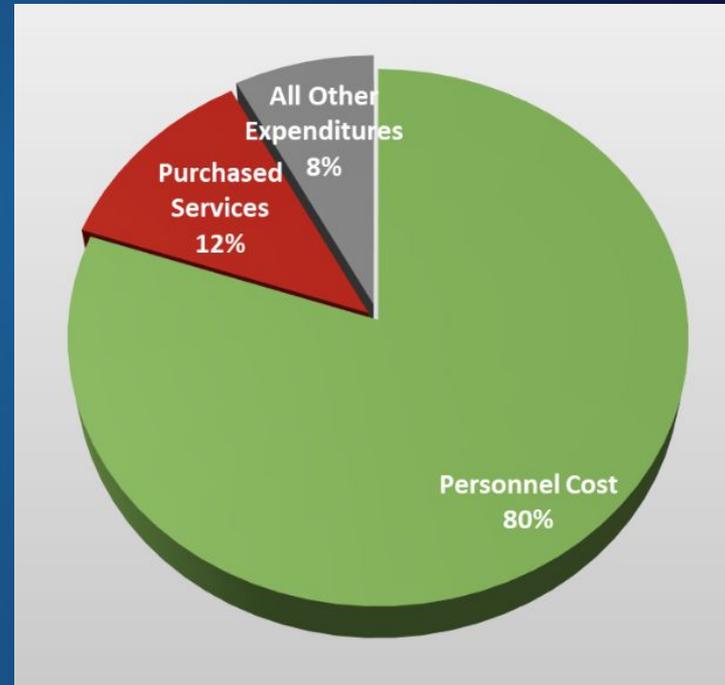
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Projected Revenue



Projected Expenditure



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New Police Station Opened March 18

- Bond issue approved by voters in 2021
- New 21,458 square foot police station located at 7070 Ranger Way
 - Better technology/equipment upgrades for greater efficiency
- New 7,800 square foot pre-engineered metal storage building
 - Evidence processing, training, found property, gear storage and kennel

Save the Date: Grand Opening!
Saturday, April 27 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



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New Businesses

- 2B Clean Auto Detailing
- 3rd Generation Construction
- Bewley LLC
- Biggby Coffee
- Bogner's Life Celebration Center
- Chase Bank
- Chipotle
- Culver's
- Dayton Freight
- Equinox Salon
- Fujisan
- Gradieh's Salon
- KLT Insurance



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New Businesses (cont'd)

- Kennedy Health and Fitness
- Lorain County Health and Dentistry
- NGM Outlet
- Niko's Gyros To-Go
- Ridge Barbershop
- Scooter's Coffee
- State Farm
- Tacos del Pueblos
- The Maker Lab
- Thriving Smiles Pediatric Dentistry
- Transcendence Health
- Underdog Training Academy



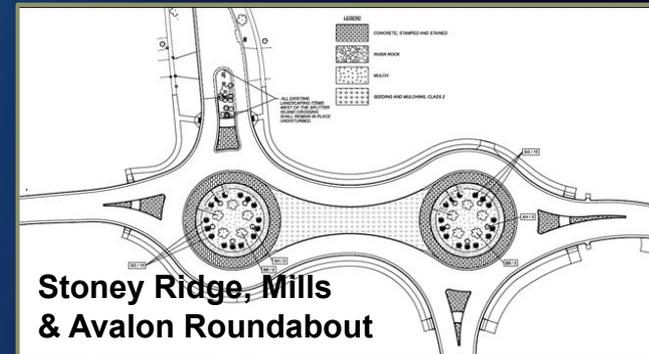
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2024 Capital Improvement Projects

- SR 83 and Chestnut Ridge Road roundabout
- City share \$440,000; ODOT \$1.5 million
- Stoney Ridge Road, Mills Road and Avalon Drive roundabout
- Full depth concrete repairs (approx. \$900,000)
- Crack seal pavement (approx. 50 lane miles)
- Luanne, Monica & Carolyn road rehabilitation
- Lorain County CDBG award of \$150,000 to offset cost
- Mill Creek Conservation and Flood Control



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Roundabout at
SR 83 and Chestnut
Ridge Road



Additional Projects Planned in 2024

- Bridge replacement Chestnut Ridge Road over Dixon ditch (Lorain County)
- Reconstruct the Bagley Road bridge over the Ohio Turnpike (Ohio Turnpike Commission)
- Frontier Communications replace/install approx. 12.1 miles of cable lines - residential streets in Ward 3
- Recycle Ohio Grant Award 2024 - new water fountains to be installed throughout our parks



Single-User Bottle Filler ADA Compliant



Multi-User Bottle Filler w/drinking fountain for dog



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Additional Projects Planned in 2024 (cont'd)

- Additional Old Town Hall repairs planned in 2024
- Repurpose former police station to better serve the public
- Senior Center ADA improvements
- NOPEC Foundation grant received
- Updating our IT infrastructure to better serve the public



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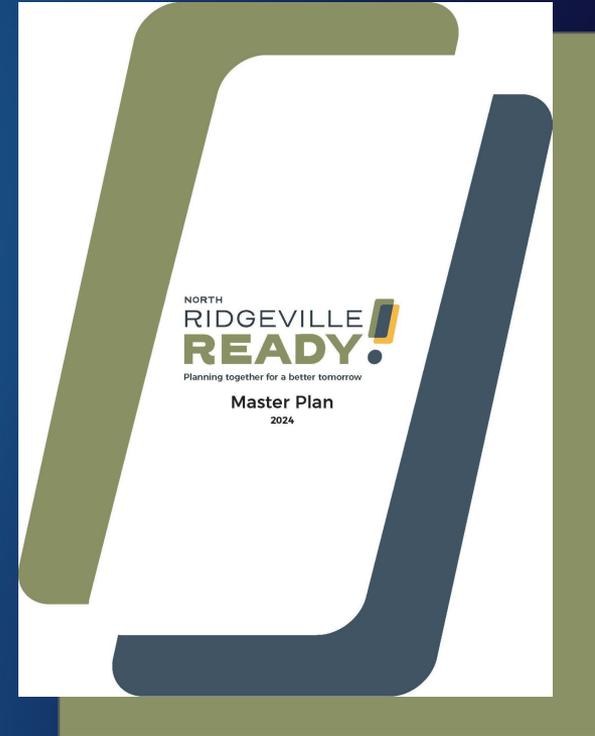
Transportation Plans and Studies

- Active Transportation Plan - NOACA TLCI Project
 - Focus on non-motorized modes of travel (bike, pedestrian) and safe routes to school plan
- Lorain County Safety Action Plan - SS4A Project
 - Focus on eliminating serious injury and fatal accidents in county
- Race Road Grade Separation Study
 - Planning study for grade separation to address concerns with high train volumes and blockages
- Other 2024 Traffic and Safety Studies
 - SR 83/Bainbridge Road/Root Road
 - Lorain Road/Lear Nagle Road area
- GCRTA/Lorain County Transit/LCCC Partnership discussions
 - Transit extension to serve major employers and Lorain County colleges



Ridgeville Ready Master Plan

- Plan developed to respond to city's growth challenges including housing, economic development, infrastructure, recreation and leadership topics
- Robust public engagement helped shape our vision:
 - Three rounds of public engagement, ten Steering Committee meetings, focus groups, project website, etc.
- Adopting resolution was introduced to City Council on March 18

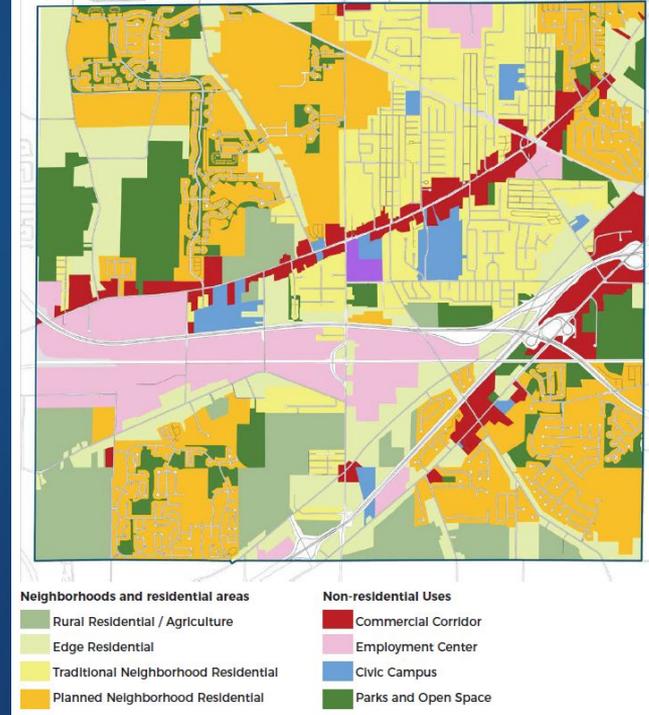


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Ridgeville Ready Master Plan Highlights

- Update zoning code to guide growth and improve development standards
- Preserve/acquire land for employment uses
- Create new tools to support small businesses
- For new subdivisions, require preservation of usable open space
- Improve mobility and connectivity, especially through non-motorized transportation methods
- Plan for additional resources to serve growth

Future Land Use



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