

Defiance County 2020 Annual Report

Defiance County Landfill Expansion, Phase 5 by Vernon Nagel Construction



View of the new liner from the east.



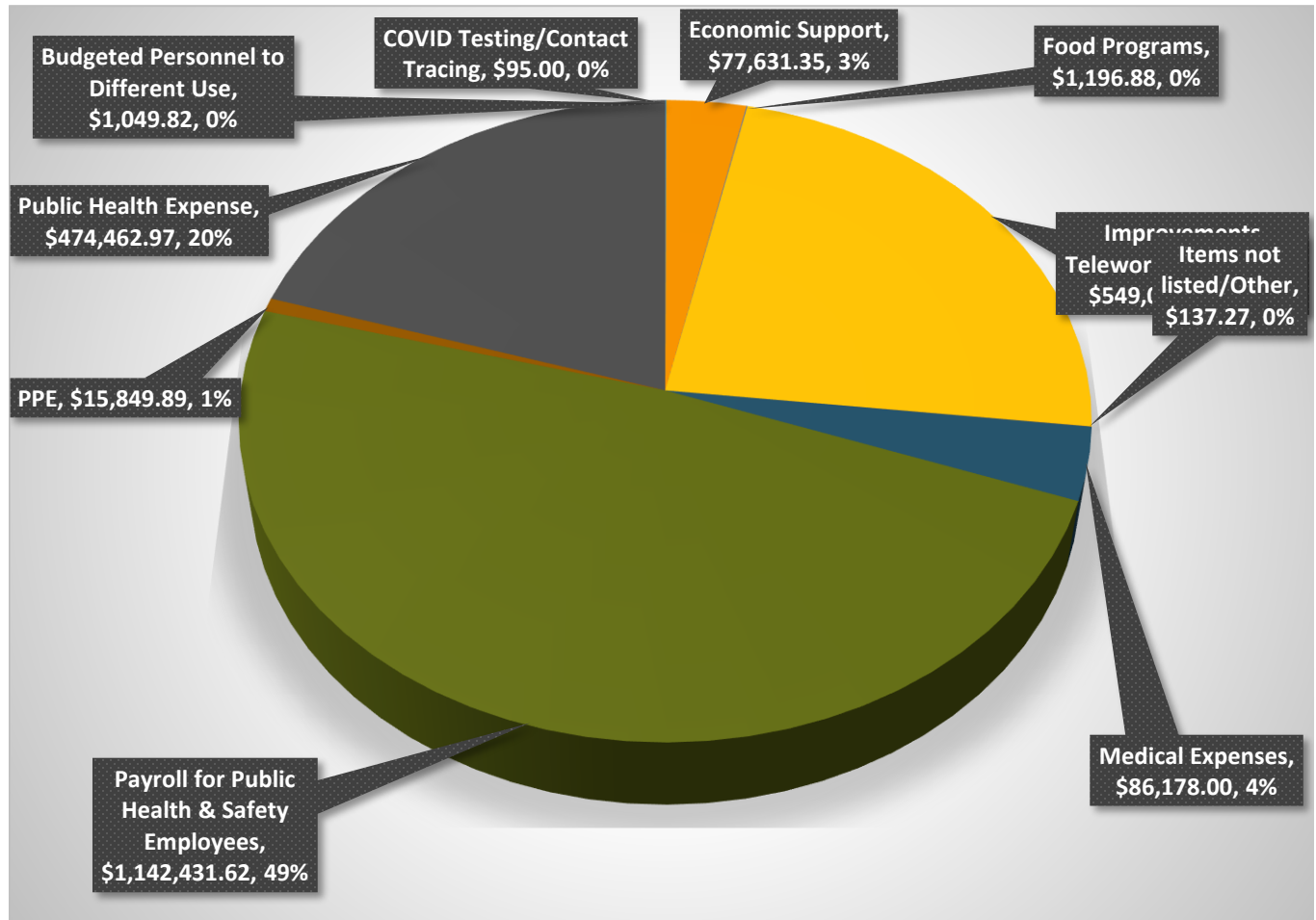
View from the top of the existing Landfill looking southeast towards Cell 5

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CARES Act Expenditures

Defiance County received \$2,398,268.91 from the CARES Act to be used within the guidelines of the program. Below is the breakdown of the funds spent in 2020. Some funds remained to be spent in 2021.

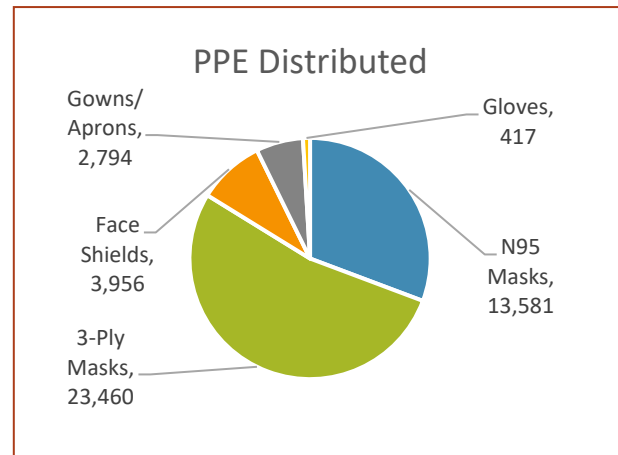
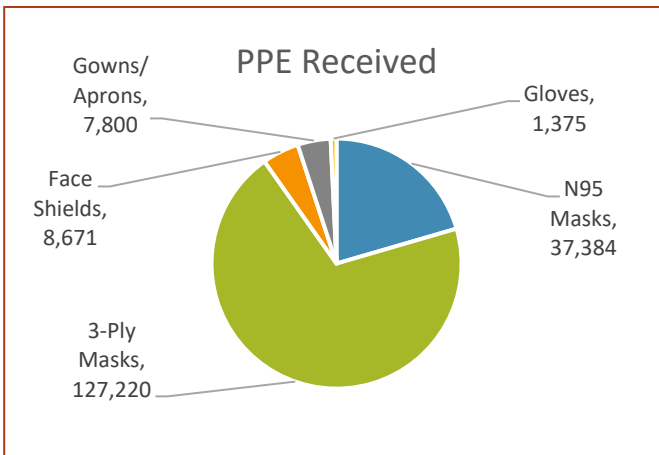


Emergency Management Agency

Julie Rittenhouse, Director

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The Emergency Management Agency (EMA), in conjunction with the Local Emergency Planning Committee, coordinate hazardous material emergency planning and training development for first responders. Even though we were unable to host trainings in 2020 due to COVID-19, we were extremely busy working through the pandemic. We received local donations of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as masks, gloves and hand sanitizer. We received an abundance of PPE from Ohio EMA and FEMA. We distributed PPE to various hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, fire departments, law enforcement agencies and dialysis centers per the mandate by Governor DeWine. We were also able to provide PPE to County Agencies, so they remained open, and to our local funeral homes. The local Emergency Management Agency's responsibility during a pandemic is to assist with resources. If we do not have the resources locally to fulfill a request, then we reach out to our regional healthcare coalition. If the resource is not available in our region, then we submit mission requests to Ohio EMA. All requests for State resources are required to go through the local EMA Office. One example of a mission request that we submitted to Ohio EMA was for ventilators on behalf of a local hospital. We also requested test kits for the Health Department.



Some of the PPE received by Defiance County for response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

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For the COVID response, through the CARES Act, we were able to purchase temperature scanners to monitor anyone who enters our agency. We also purchased a room divider for social distancing. We upgraded our computer equipment to allow participation in virtual meetings. We purchased storage/shelving units to hold all the PPE.

The EMA also prepares for and responds to weather events. The Defiance County Emergency Management Agency responds to flooding, winter storms, tornados, etc. The agency conducts damage assessment and coordinates response and recovery efforts. In 2020, Defiance County was fortunate that there were no natural disasters requiring response.

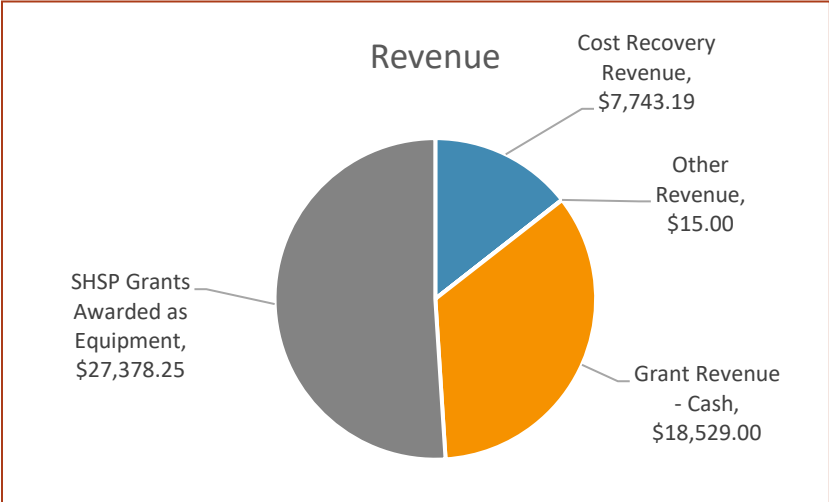
Being part of a Weather-Ready Nation is about preparing for your community's increasing vulnerability to extreme weather events. Defiance County is a *Storm Ready County* designated by the National Weather Service of North Webster Indiana.

The EMA administers the State Emergency Response Commission Grant, Emergency Management Performance Grant, Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning Grant, and the County-Wide Cost Recovery Program for hazardous material response. We responded to four suspected hazardous material incidents in 2020. The office helped collect \$7,743.19 for the County-Wide Cost Recovery Program in 2020.

The County must have a FEMA-approved mitigation plan in place to qualify for federal funding. Our current Defiance County All Hazard Mitigation Plan will expire in October 2023. We contracted with Michael Baker International to update the County's plan and submit it to FEMA for approval in 2023.

Other responsibilities of this agency are administration of workers compensation claims for County employees, all aspects of liability insurance/risk management, and safety planning and training.

2020 Statistics	
Appropriations:	\$132,517.20
Grant Awards:	\$ 45,907.25
Expenses:	\$135,300.00



General Health District

Jamie Gerken, Health Commissioner *Information obtained from their 2020 Annual Report

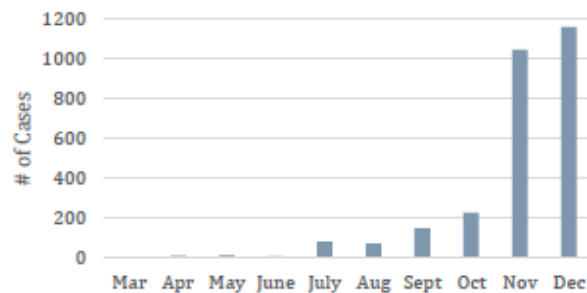
Community Health Statistics

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) was identified in Wuhan, China, in late December 2019. The World Health Organization made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic on March 11, 2020. Defiance County's first case was in March 2020. From March 2020 to December 2020, there were 2,394 lab confirmed cases and 398 probably cases. (A small number of cases from 2020 were still pending at the time of the creation of the annual report.)

COVID-19 RESPONSE:

- A total of 15 out of 19 Defiance County General Health District (DCGHD) employees worked on the COVID-19 response during 2020.
- 11,768 total hours worked on all COVID-19 response in 2020.
- 11 employees conducted case managements, for a total of 3,078.75 hours in 2020.
- 13 employees conducted contact tracing, for a total of 1,966.25 hours.
- \$410,434.81 of COVID-19 related grant funding was received in 2020.

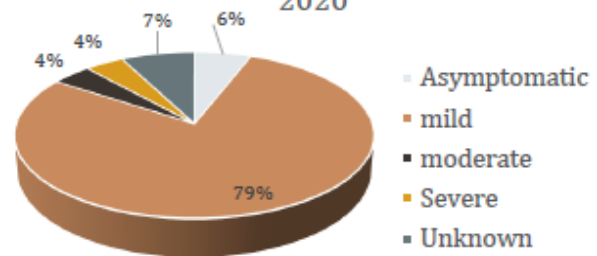
Figure 5. COVID-19 case in 2020 by Month



COVID-19 CASES (LAB CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE)

- 161 - males
- 237 - females
- 214 - hospitalizations
- 84 - cases in ICU
- 88 - deaths

Figure 6. Severity of COVID-19 cases, 2020



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

2,394 COVID-19
152 Chlamydia
41 Hepatitis C (chronic)
22 Gonorrhea

8 cribs distributed through Cribs for Kids.
22 car seats distributed and 6 car seat checks through Child Passenger Safety.

NURSING STATS

220 people served through immunization clinics
52 flu vaccines given
12 Tuberculosis tests
613 families contacted in Children with Medical Handicaps Program

General Health District

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Environmental Health Statistics

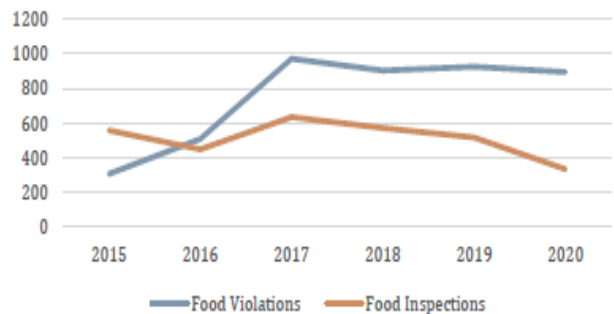
SEWAGE PERMITS ISSUED

New	20
Replacement	8
Alteration	10
Abandonment	8
Contractors Registered	31
Total sewage systems inspected	110

During 2020, there were 334 food inspections completed. Of the food inspections, there were 896 violations. DCGHD is in compliance with the state law and follows up with agencies when critical violations occur. DCGHD investigates each complaint received.

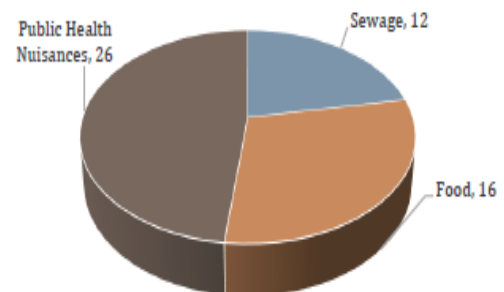
- 56 Water system permits issued
- 43 Water system samples taken
- 46 Septic permits issued
- 1,249 O & M permits issued
- 92 Septic system inspections
- 23 Swimming pool inspections
- \$150,000 WPCLF amount to assist residents

Figure 3. Food Violations and Inspections



- 94 Animal bite investigations
- 26 Nuisance complaint investigations
- 16 Food safety complaints
- 12 Sewage complaints

Figure 4. Types of Complaints, 2020



- 300 Food licenses issued
- 277 Licensed food facilities & mobiles
- 650 Non-critical violations found in food inspections
- 246 Critical violations found in food inspections

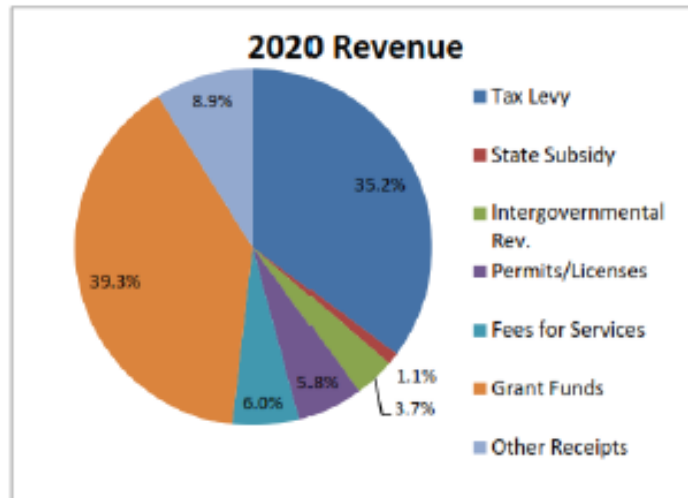
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Fiscal Report

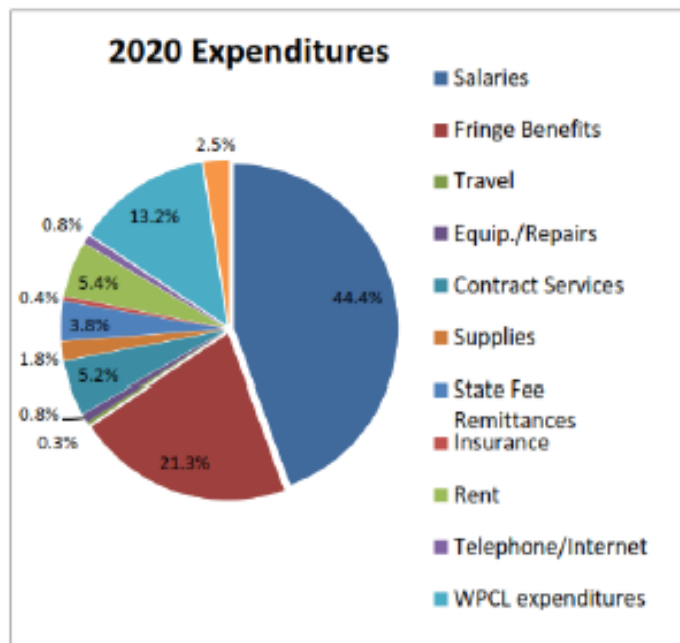
REVENUE

Tax Levy	\$ 804,672	35.2%
State Subsidy	\$ 24,539	1.1%
Intergovernmental Rev.	\$ 83,696	3.7%
Permits/Licenses	\$ 132,119	5.8%
Fees for Services	\$ 137,822	6.0%
Grant Funds	\$ 897,154	39.3%
Other Receipts	\$ 203,715	8.9%
Total Revenue	\$ 2,283,717	



EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$ 847,646	44.4%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 405,431	21.3%
Travel	\$ 6,315	0.3%
Equipment/Repairs	\$ 15,195	0.8%
Contract Services	\$ 99,411	5.2%
Supplies	\$ 34,984	1.8%
State Fee Remittances	\$ 72,709	3.8%
Insurance	\$ 8,316	0.4%
Rent	\$ 102,954	5.4%
Telephone/Internet	\$ 15,290	0.8%
WPCL expenditures	\$ 252,711	13.2%
Other	\$ 46,856	2.5%
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,907,819	



Family & Children First

Julie Voll, Coordinator

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Our Mission: Promote and maximize relationships and collaborations to provide resources and support to the families of the Defiance County community.

Defiance County Family & Children First Council (FCFC) is a partnership of families, community and government working together to promote child and family well-being.

Throughout 2020, FCFC conducted ongoing business as established by Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Family & Children First. Like many others, services provided and contracted by Family & Children First Council were conducted virtually for the majority of calendar year 2020 due to the COVID-19 global pandemic.

Our service includes several impact areas:

*Service Coordination...*A process of service planning to help families whose youth receive services from multiple agencies. It brings the youth, their family and service providers together to foster communication, coordination and collaboration. The process is family-focused, and strengths based. Therefore, it results in a unique set of community services and natural supports individualized for the youth and family to achieve a positive set of outcomes.

*Early Intervention...*A statewide system providing coordinated services to parents of infants and toddlers with disabilities or developmental delays in Ohio. Early Intervention services funded through FCFC were provided locally by Defiance County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

*Family Services Guide...*Our FCFC has a long, established history of providing a resource guide to increase awareness of currently available services to county residents...commonly referred to as the 'orange guide' for its recognizable orange cover. Resources gathered for the current edition of the Family Services Guide were quickly shared with defianceinfo.com when Governor DeWine issued the stay-at-home order in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our goal was to allow current resource information to be accessed by Defiance County residents as needed.



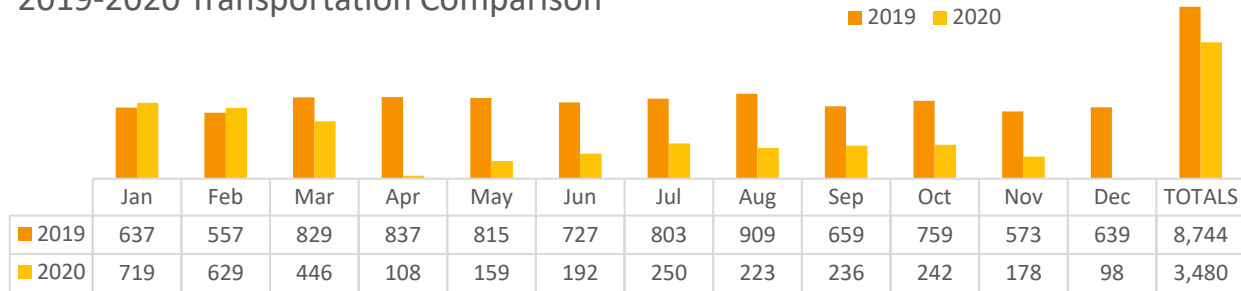
Senior Services

Amy Francis, Director

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Transportation Department

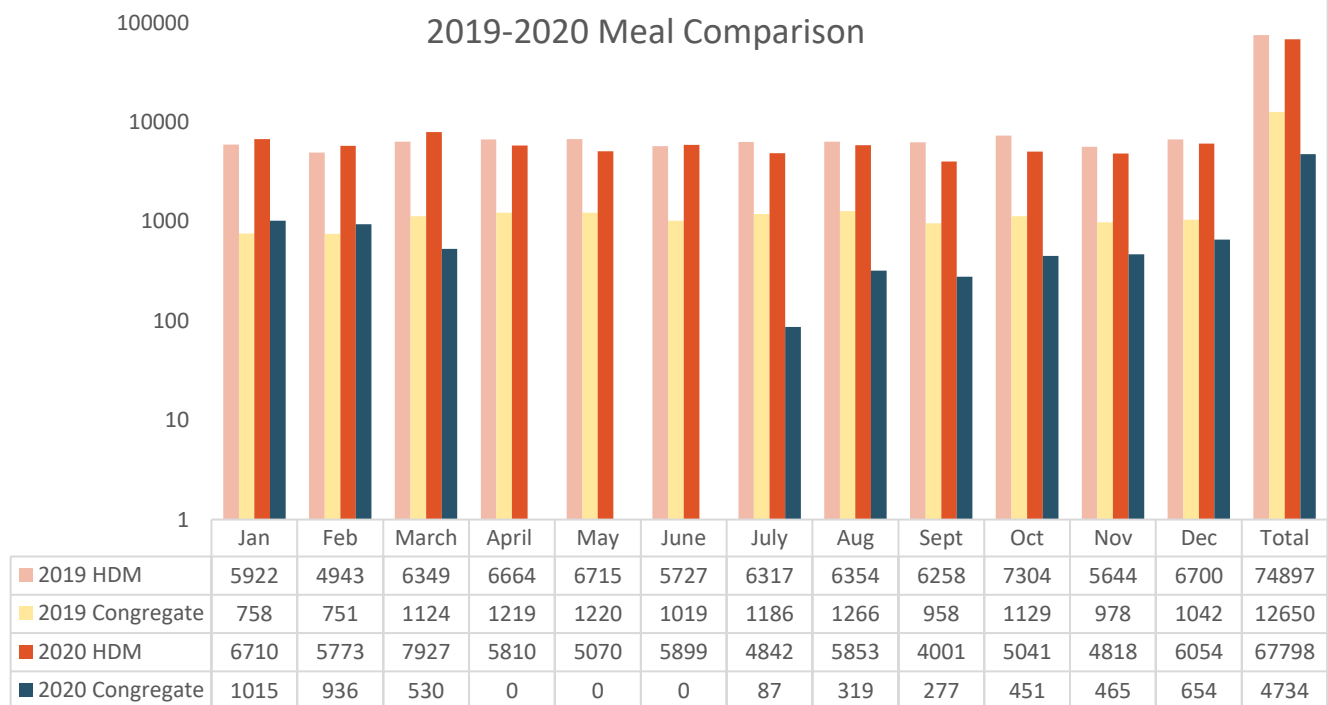
2019-2020 Transportation Comparison



Defiance County Senior Services Transportation Program was limited this past year due to the COVID Pandemic. Transportation services were restricted to one senior per vehicle to keep social distancing. Transports were also reduced to only essential medical appointments, or for seniors to obtain their vaccines. Some groceries ordered on-line by the seniors were picked up and delivered to their homes. There was a two-week period in December that the entire transportation department was placed in quarantine due to a COVID exposure, so transportation had to be suspended due to lack of drivers.

Meal Program

2019-2020 Meal Comparison



The nutrition program at Defiance County Senior Services includes congregated meals at both the Defiance and Hicksville sites and Home Delivered Meals (HDM). Home Delivered Meals include: Shelf Staple Meals, Hospital Meals, Frozen Meals, and Daily Hot Meals. The 2020 Congregate statistics above include Congregate Meals and Grab and Go Meals.

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During the pandemic, there was a transition of delivering Daily Hot Meals to five frozen meals delivered one day a week on Mondays from April through September. The one-day delivery was to keep the exposure of COVID-19 to a minimum with the drivers and seniors in the community. Starting in October, Daily Hot Meals resumed. The Home Delivered Meal Program saw a decrease of meals from the prior year due to the pandemic. Once hot meals were reintroduced, the numbers began to climb again.

Congregate Meals served at the Defiance and Hicksville centers stopped on March 18th as the centers were closed to the public to help contain the spread of the virus. Congregate Meal participants were evaluated and some of the seniors transitioned to the Home Delivered Meal Program from March 18th through mid-July. Starting in July, the Defiance center began offering Grab and Go Meals to seniors who wanted to drive in and pick up a hot lunch. Due to the pandemic and this change to service, the Congregate Meal Program has decreased significantly from the prior year.

In the months of June and July, the Area Office on Aging provided area seniors with a 10-pound box of fresh produce, which included apples, oranges, celery and carrots. This program provided additional fresh nutrition to over 300 seniors in the County.



Drivers packing donated AARP cookies



Grab and Go Meals

Outreach

Defiance County Senior Services' staff members made phone calls to approximately 1,200-1,500 seniors in the community to check on them during the pandemic. The calls were to make sure seniors had sufficient means to obtain groceries, medication and nutrition. These calls also offered socialization to those that were experiencing isolation due to the COVID-19 shutdown. In the early months of the pandemic, Defiance County Senior Services provided weekly education on COVID-19 and other encouraging news by mailing and emailing out newsletters to seniors. An additional 9 newsletters were sent to over 300+ seniors from April through August.

Levy

Thank you to the Defiance County Commissioners and citizens of Defiance County for supporting the 2020 Defiance County Senior Services' levy. Despite the pandemic and the financial uncertainty of the times, the voters passed a renewal 5-year levy, so services could be continued to seniors in Defiance County.

Conclusion

Defiance County Senior Services was able to provide nutrition, transportation, education and other supportive services during this past year despite being closed to the public during the COVID-19 crisis. Cross training of staff during the pandemic has made it possible to continue services despite staffing shortages. The Defiance County Senior Services staff members have shown remarkable resilience and flexibility in the service to seniors in the Defiance County.

Many thanks to all of the various organizations who donated special items for the meal programs to encourage isolated seniors, the AED provided by the Defiance Police Department, Defiance County Senior Services Auxiliary, and general support to making this past year successful for the community.

Common Pleas Court

Judge Joseph Schmenk

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The annual overall caseload of the court decreased in 2020. The total number of cases filed or reopened in both divisions for 2020 was 542 compared to 783 in 2019, which is a 30% decline. The decrease was primarily due to a reduction in foreclosure and civil case filings. Criminal case filings increased by 3.4% from 2019, while domestic relations cases decreased by 11%.

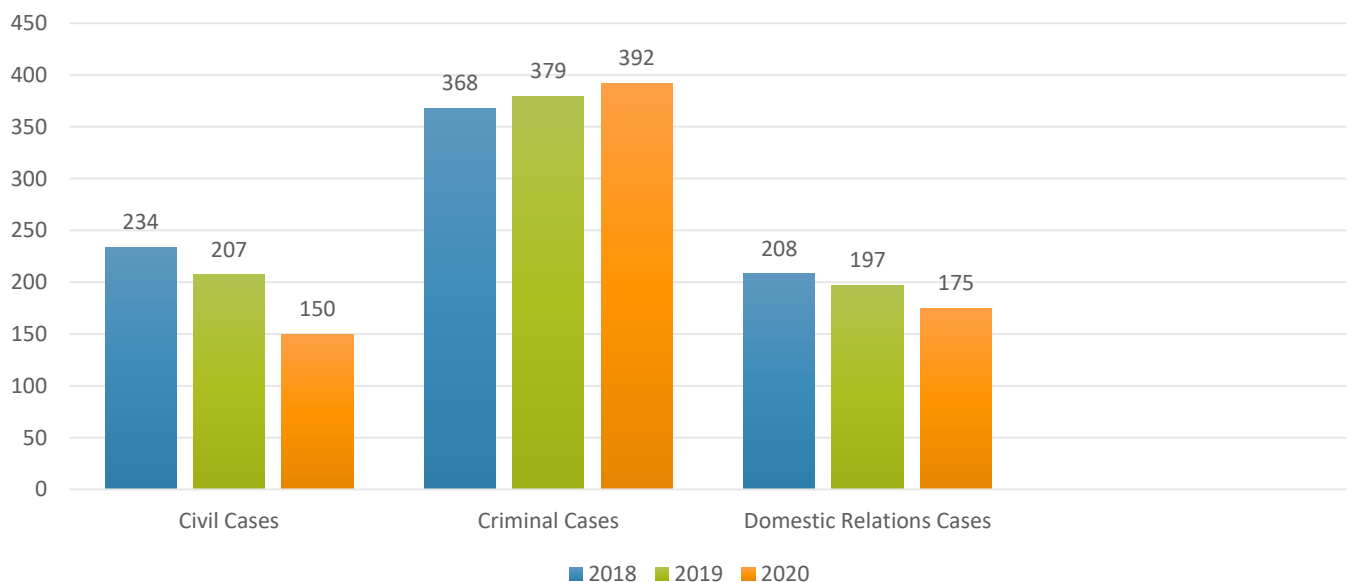
As of December 31, 2020, there were 341 cases pending in the General Division, compared to 301 pending as of December 31, 2019. In the Domestic Relations Division, there were 103 cases pending at the end of 2020 compared to 118 at the end of 2019.

These statistics are based on the requirements for filing case management reports with the Ohio Supreme Court. For criminal cases, a new case represents arraignment on an indictment. The total number of cases does not include indictments that were filed in 2019 with the Clerk, but not served on the defendant. Also, it does not include cases bound over to the grand jury in which indictments were not returned. It should also be noted that these statistics do not include any post-conviction proceedings in criminal cases such as probation violations, judicial release hearings, sealing of records, or any other post-conviction proceedings that occur in many criminal cases after they are closed for Ohio Supreme Court reporting purposes.

2020 COURT VIEW CASELOAD

	Beginning 01-01-2020	Opened Cases	Terminated Cases	Ending 12-31-2020
Civil	140	150	157	133
Criminal	161	392	347	208
Domestic Relations	118	175	190	103
TOTAL	301	542	504	341

New Case Filings



Common Pleas Court

Judge Joseph Schmenk

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THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC / IMPACTS

In late March/early April 2020, most criminal, civil and domestic relations hearings were continued or held via telephone pending further direction from the CDC, with the exception of criminal cases with incarcerated defendants, which were held via video conference. In May 2020, the utilization of video remote hearings greatly increased as the court quickly transitioned to remote hearings via Zoom and WebEx videoconferencing platforms, and slowly began to phase in-person hearings on a case-by-case basis. The Court conducted approximately 703 remote hearings using the Court's video polycom system with inmates at CCNO or prisoners in the State Correctional Facility (compared to 236 remote hearings in 2019, which represents an increase of 197%).

On April 29, 2020, the Court received a grant from the Ohio Supreme Court as part of the CARES Act – Coronavirus Relief Fund Local Government Assistance Program in the amount of \$1,237.82 to purchase a new video web camera and a 1-Year WebEx subscription for video remote hearings. This assisted the Court in conducting remote hearings for those not incarcerated in criminal cases, as well as conducting remote hearings for civil and domestic relations cases.

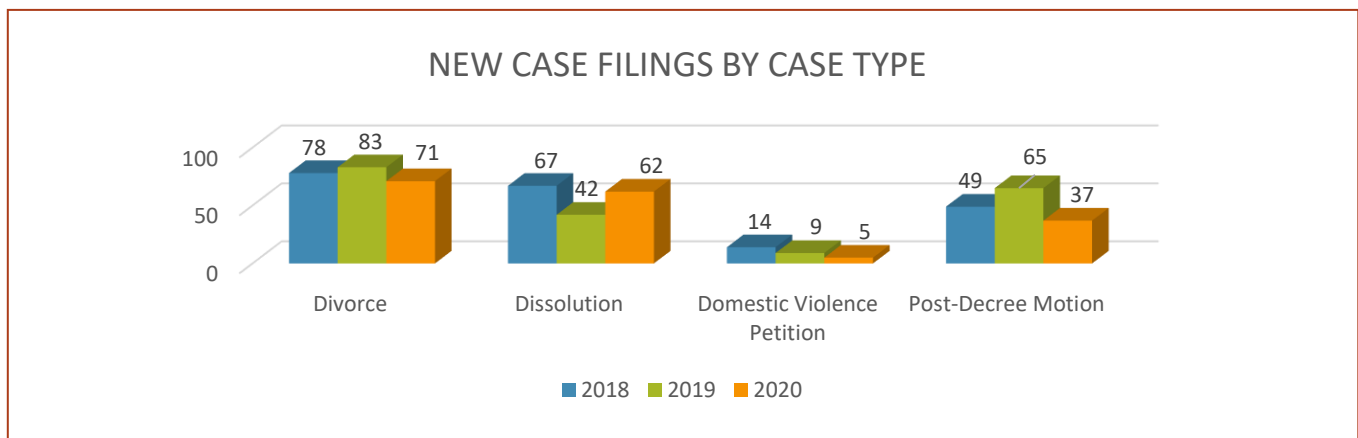
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, civil and criminal jury trials were halted from March 2020 through December 2020 due to public health concerns. A total of 37 prospective petit jurors were summoned to report for jury selection for one (1) jury trial, which occurred in January 2020. In 2019, 228 prospective petit jurors were summoned for six (6) jury trials. A total of 43 jurors served for the Grand Jury in 2020, with 75 jurors summoned.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION

There were 138 new cases and 37 re-opened cases filed in 2020 for a total of 175 cases. Re-opened cases include motions filed after a case was originally completed such as a modification of child custody/parental rights, modification of child support, motions to enforce property issues in a prior decree, or motions to cite for contempt orders in prior decrees.

2020 NEW FILING STATISTICS	
Divorces	71
Dissolutions	62
Domestic Violence Petitions	5
TOTAL	138

2020 POST DECREE MOTION FILING STATISTICS	
Change of Custody	10
Visitation Modification	10
Support Modification	6
Property/Other	11
TOTAL	37



Adult Probation

Judge Joseph Schmenk

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Mid-year 2019, the State of Ohio began a transition of reducing probation services provided by the Adult Parole Authority for various Common Pleas Courts throughout the State. In the Fall of 2019, the Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS) met Judge Schmenk to begin the transition for Defiance County. It was determined by BCS that 3 additional officers would need to be added to the Department in order to absorb the additional caseloads (approximately 300 additional offenders). Therefore, in the Fall of 2019, 3 new probation officers were added to the staff. These officers were required to attend various trainings over 12 months to obtain certified probation officer status, including firearms training.

The Adult Probation Department now supervises all adult felony offenders, including offenses of violence, drug offenses, sex offenses, property crimes, and non-support of dependents. In addition, there has been an increased emphasis by the State to allow various drug offenses to qualify for treatment in lieu of conviction, which is similar to a diversion program that requires offenders to enter and successfully complete treatment and comply with conditions of supervision. If they are successful, there is no felony conviction, and the case is dissolved. In 2020, 11 defendants successfully completed treatment in lieu of conviction, while 10 defendants were unsuccessful.

CASELOAD TOTALS		
	2019	2020
New Supervision Cases	Not reported due to APA transition	222
Pre-Sentence Investigation Reports Ordered	196	218
Home Investigation Reports / Supplemental Reports	1	4
Treatment In Lieu of Conviction Cases	11	15
Caseload Total	102	404

Juvenile Court

Judge Jeffrey A. Strausbaugh

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SUMMARY OF CASES FILED IN 2020

Defiance County Juvenile Court has the responsibility to hear and determine all cases and issues concerning children in Defiance County. In 2020, there were 731 complaints and/or new cases formally filed. This total included: 236 delinquent child complaints; 40 unruly child complaints; 147 juvenile traffic complaints; 48 dependency, neglect and child abuse cases; 6 permanent custody cases; and 254 cases involving custody/visitation, support, paternity and other actions.

DELINQUENCY CASES: Any child under age 18 who violates any state or federal law or any local ordinance or regulation, which would be a crime if committed by an adult, or who violates any lawful court order is a delinquent child. In 2020, the Defiance County Juvenile Court had 236 delinquency complaints filed. Of the 236 complaints filed, 56 were felony charges and 180 were misdemeanors and probation violations.

UNRULY CASES: Any child who violates a law applicable only to a child; who is habitually truant from school and who previously has not been adjudicated an unruly child for being a habitual truant; who does not subject the child's self to the reasonable control of the child's parents, teachers, guardian or custodian by reason of being wayward or habitually disobedient; or engages in other conduct defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 2151.022 is an unruly child. In 2020, the Defiance County Juvenile Court had 40 unruly complaints filed.

JUVENILE TRAFFIC CASES: A child who violates any traffic law, traffic ordinance or traffic regulation of the state or local political subdivision is a juvenile traffic offender. The Defiance County Juvenile Court has exclusive jurisdiction over all juvenile traffic cases. In 2020, there were 147 juvenile traffic cases filed in the Defiance County Juvenile Court.

ABUSE, NEGLECT AND DEPENDENCY: Case management for abuse, neglect and dependency cases is provided by the Defiance County Department of Job and Family Services under the mandates and guidelines of the State of Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. The Defiance County Juvenile Court provides additional support in these cases through the appointment of Guardians Ad Litem (GALs). In 2020, there were 48 abuse, neglect, dependency cases filed in the Defiance County Juvenile Court.

PERMANENT CUSTODY: The Defiance County Juvenile Court has jurisdiction to determine motions for permanent custody that may require the permanent termination of parental rights and placement of a child in the permanent custody of the Defiance County Department of Job & Family Services for eventual permanent adoptive placement of the child. Six (6) new motions for permanent custody were filed in the court in 2020.

CUSTODY/VISITATION/PARENTAGE CASES: The Defiance County Juvenile Court has jurisdiction to hear custody/visitation cases involving children who are not under another Ohio court's jurisdiction. In 2020, there were 73 custody/visitation cases filed in the court.

PATERNITY CASES: Paternity cases determine the parentage of children born out of wedlock. Defiance County Juvenile Court hears paternity matters that are either not determined administratively by the Child Support Enforcement Agency or one of the parties dispute the administrative determination of paternity. In 2020, there were 15 paternity cases filed in the court.

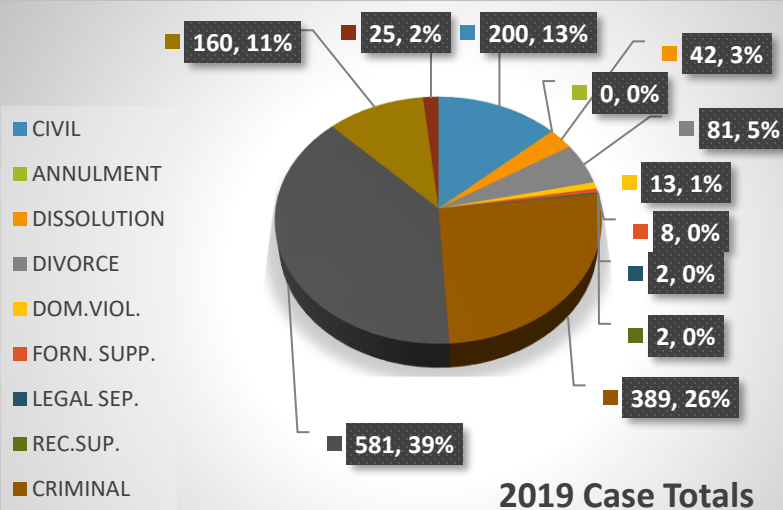
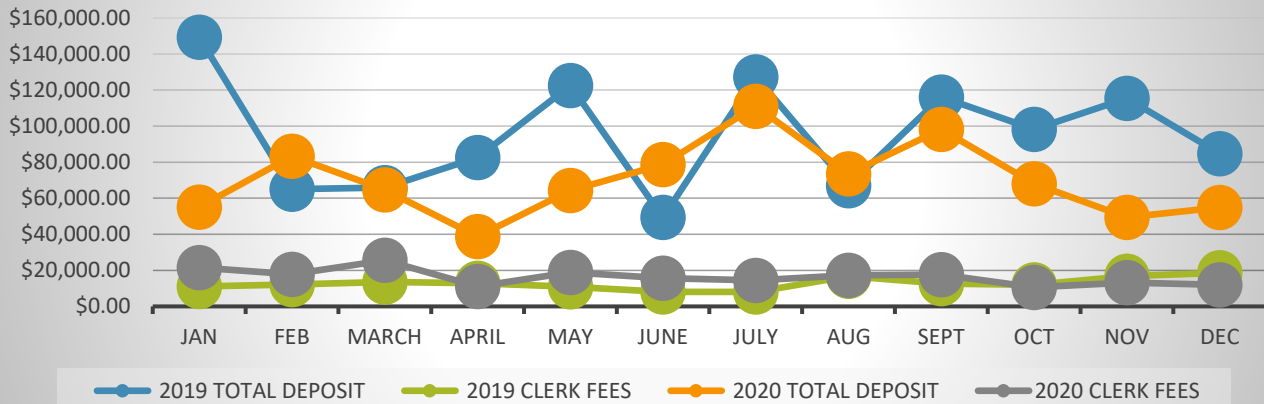
SUPPORT CASES: The Defiance County Juvenile Court has jurisdiction to hear and determine an application for an order of support of any child if the child is not a ward of another court of this state. In 2020, there were 163 support cases filed in the Defiance County Juvenile Court.

Clerk of Courts - Legal Division

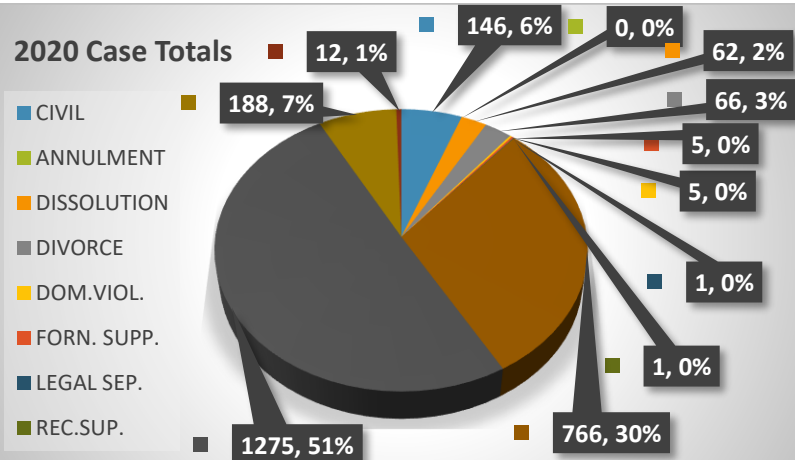
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Legal Financials



2020 Case Totals

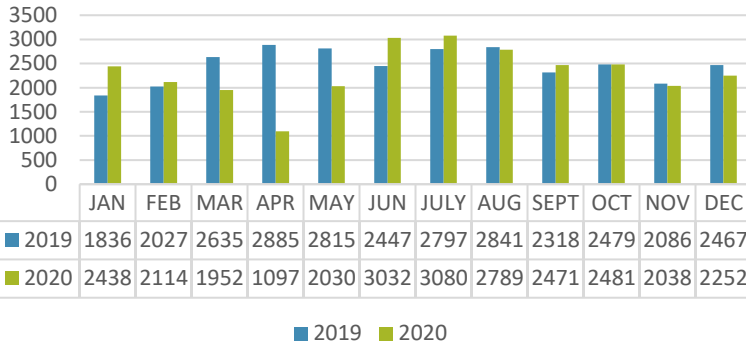


Clerk of Courts - Title Division

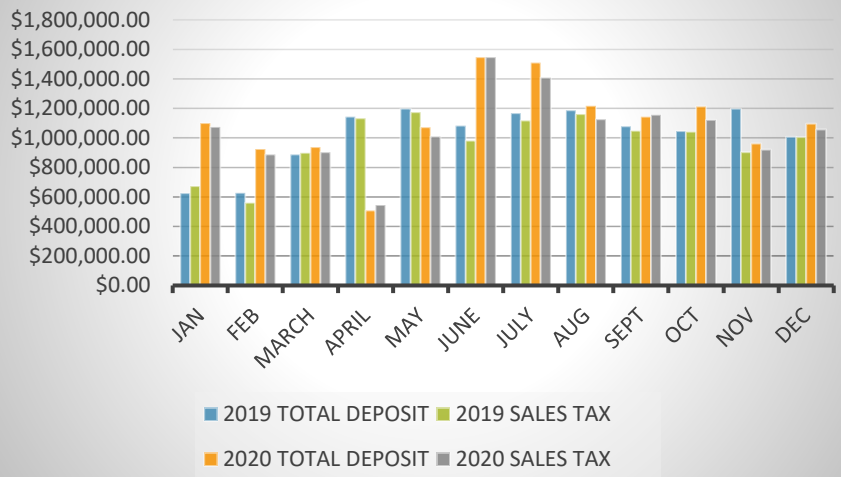
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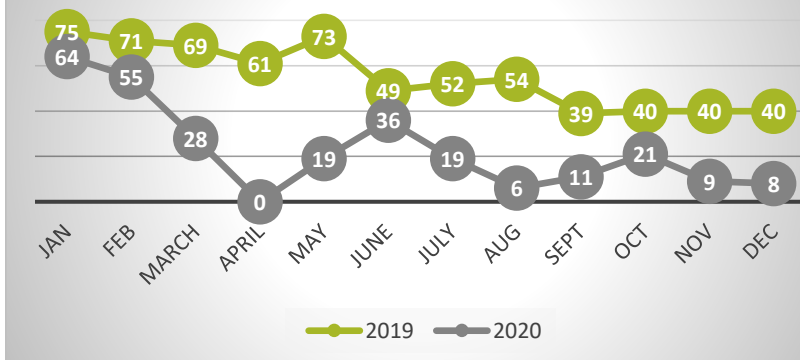
Titles Issued



Title Financials



Passports Issued



Prosecuting Attorney

Morris J. Murray

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The Prosecuting Attorney is, by law, legal counsel for over 40 public clients, including numerous offices, boards and individual elected officials. These include the Board of County Commissioners, the Defiance County Sheriff, and all Township Trustees in Defiance County. The elected County Prosecutors in Ohio's 88 counties are responsible for criminal, civil and child related matters that arise under a wide variety of circumstances.

The Defiance County Prosecutor's Office employs four full-time Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys and seven support staff. In April of 2019, our office welcomed the newest Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Chelsea R. Cereghin, to our team. In addition, our office works with Defiance College in offering field internship positions for students studying Criminal Justice or related majors. In 2019, Allie White, served initially as a paid intern and was subsequently hired as a part-time Legal Assistant. She was later added as a full-time member of our staff following the retirement of long time Senior Administrative Assistant Dawn Hall.

In 2020, the Prosecutor's Office was involved in approximately 200 civil matters, including such actions as tax enforcement, foreclosures, a wide variety of pending litigations, as well as the research, preparation and issuance of formal legal opinions to statutory clients.

In addition to those civil matters, the Defiance County Prosecuting Attorney is responsible for representing the State of Ohio in all felony criminal matters arising from violations of Ohio Law committed in Defiance County. At any given time there are well over 100 open criminal matters pending in some phase of the criminal justice process from initial intake to post conviction proceedings. In 2020, approximately 548 new criminal cases were received and reviewed. Of this number, a majority resulted in indictment by a Grand Jury and the subsequent prosecution and conviction of those offenders. Dozens of cases are also referred for deferral from formal prosecution with the objective of re-directing those offenders to substance abuse or mental health treatment.

In assessing cases for prosecution, accountability and public safety remain top priorities. Treatment and rehabilitation of offenders is also always an objective. The aggressive prosecution of child victim related crimes, sexual assault, domestic violence and drug trafficking offenses continue to be of particular emphasis in our office. The Prosecuting Attorney or his assistants are available to law enforcement 24 hours a day to provide advice and legal guidance in criminal and juvenile investigations and arrests.

The other major area of responsibility for prosecutors is the processing of all Defiance County cases involving the abuse, neglect or dependency of children, as well as delinquency cases, which involve conduct that would otherwise be criminal violations if committed by an adult. In 2020, the Defiance County Prosecutor's Office processed over 300 cases in the Juvenile and Probate Courts.

These are challenging times for law enforcement, and while reform efforts and funding debates are increasingly topics of media attention, we approach our duties with a firm belief in the rule of law. We also respect and appreciate the dedication and sacrifices made by our front-line law enforcement personnel.

Child Support Enforcement Agency

Connie Bostelman, Director

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The following is our program performance percentages for FFY 2020:

Paternity Establishment	100.13%
Support Establishment	95.50%
Collections on Current Support	75.29%
Collections on Arrears	80.94%

2020 Statistics:

Collections	\$6,260,089.72
Expenditures	\$879,935.37
Receipts	\$819,660.44
Average Caseload	2,586
Paternities Established	201
Hearings Held	390

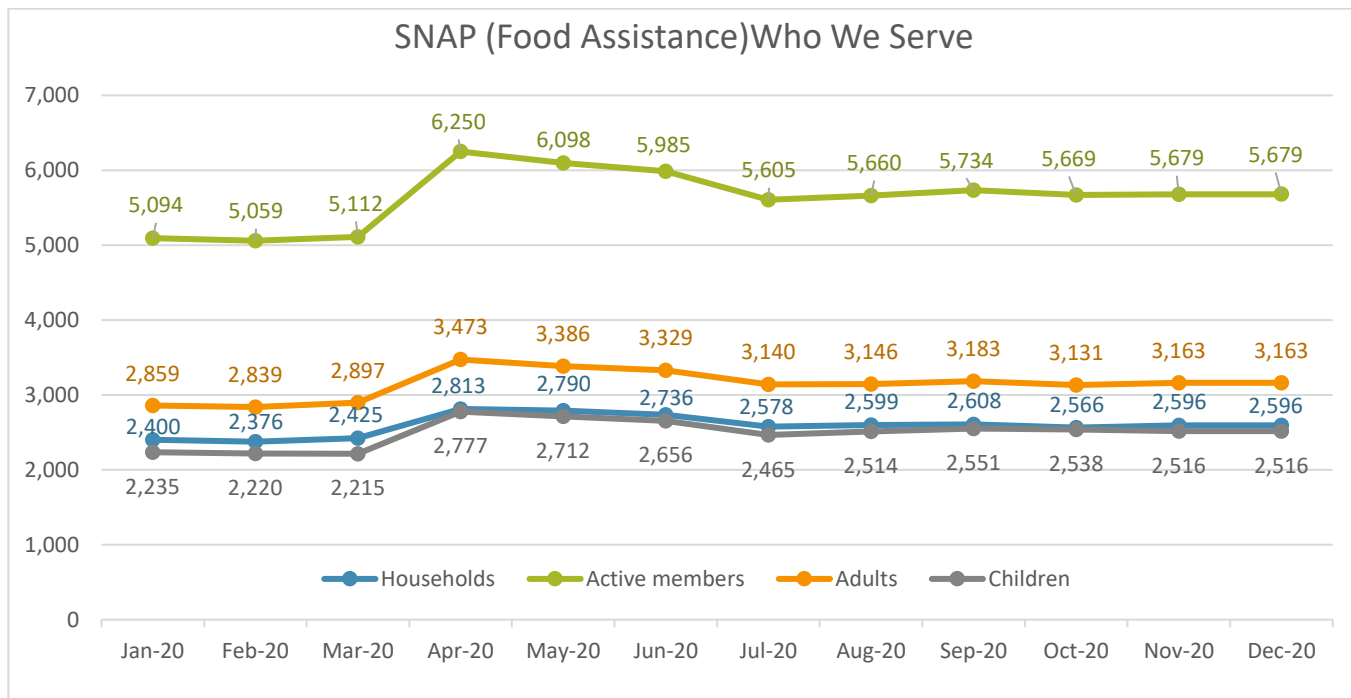
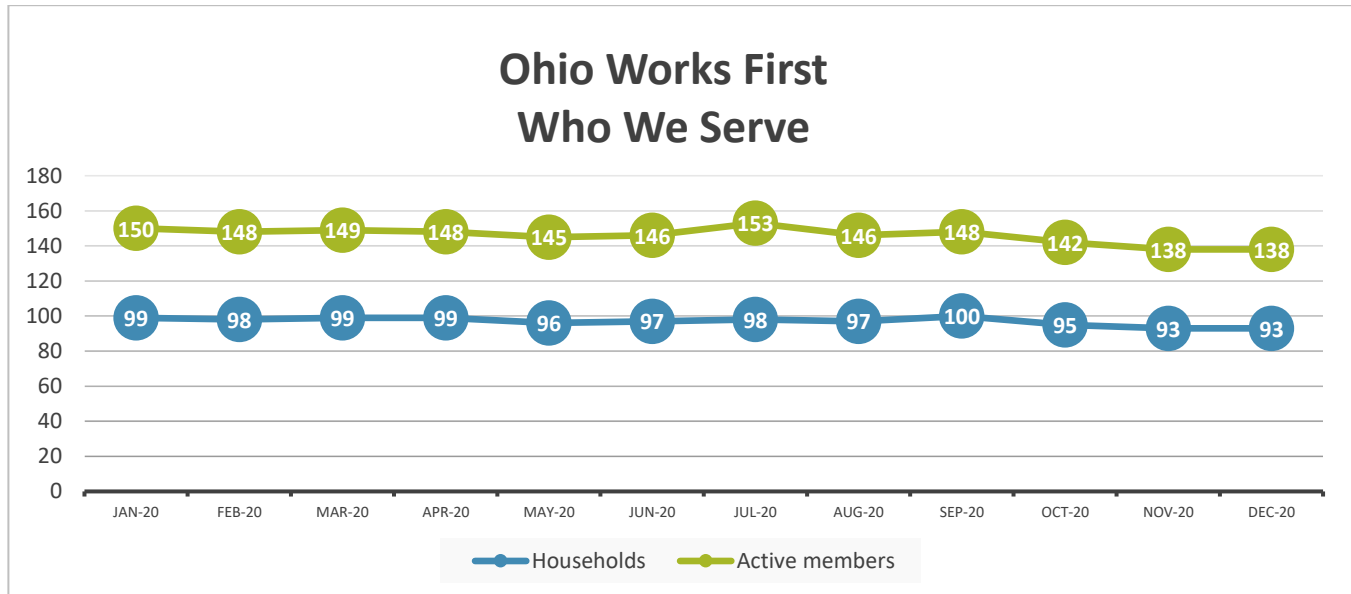
Changes that we had to make, because of COVID-19:

- All staff have offsite access to their files. The State is paying for the access throughout 2020 & 2021.
- Initially, we took our desktop computers home.
 - The State later replaced them with Surface Laptops.
- We forwarded office phones to our cell phones, so work calls could be taken at home.
- Many court hearings were conducted via Zoom rather than in person.

Job & Family Services

Corey Walker, Director

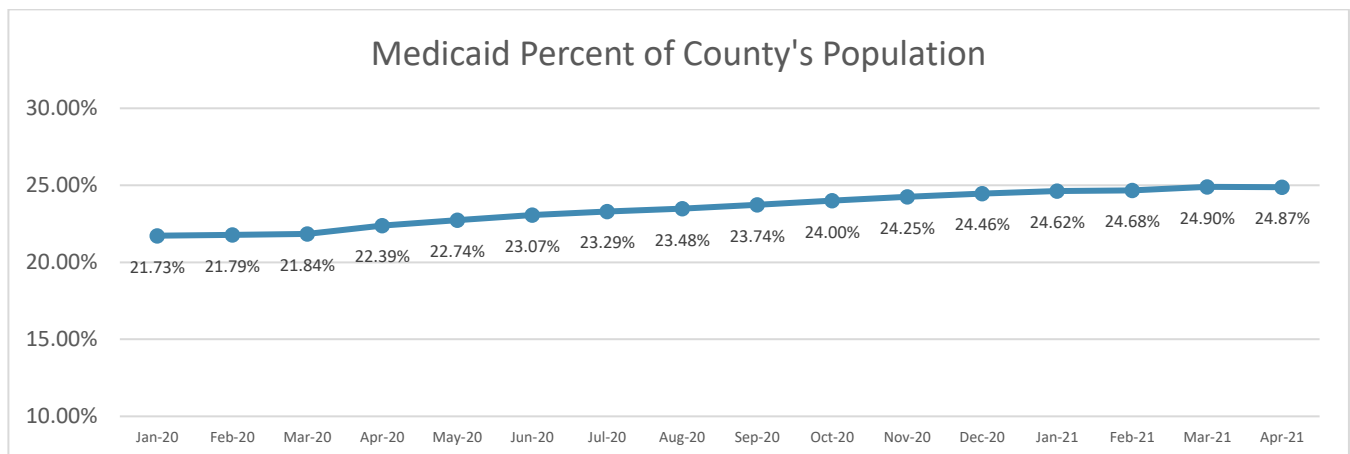
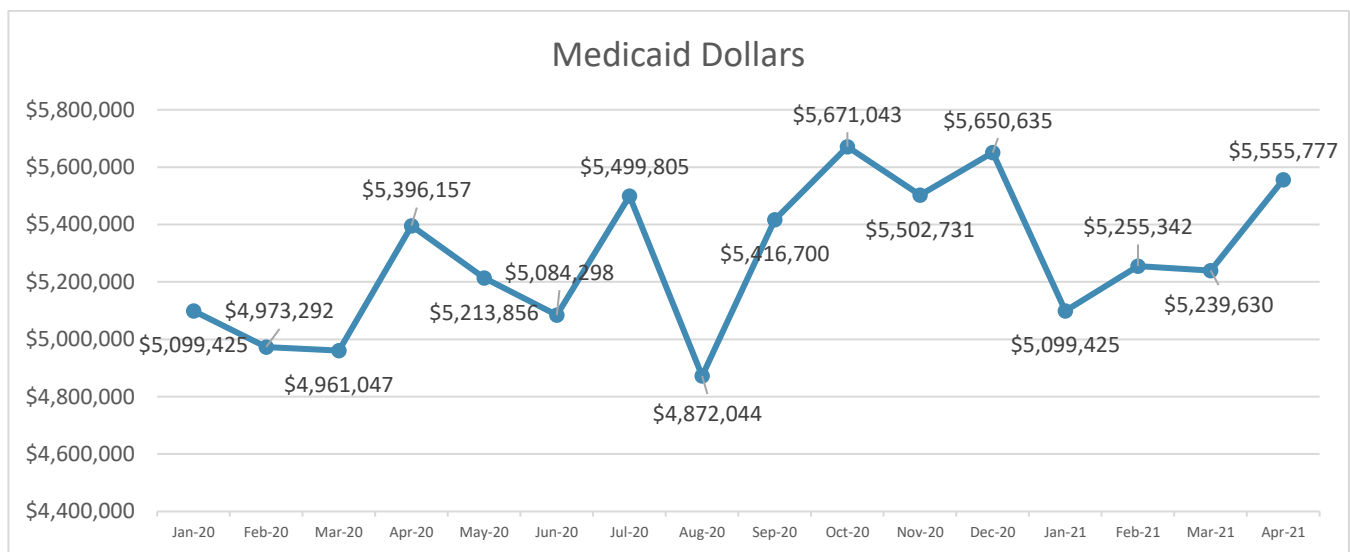
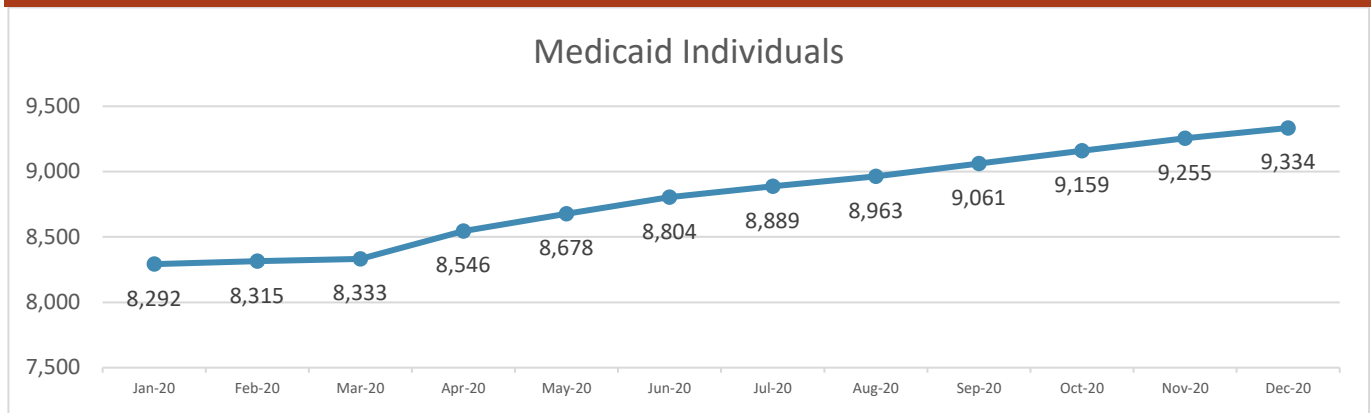
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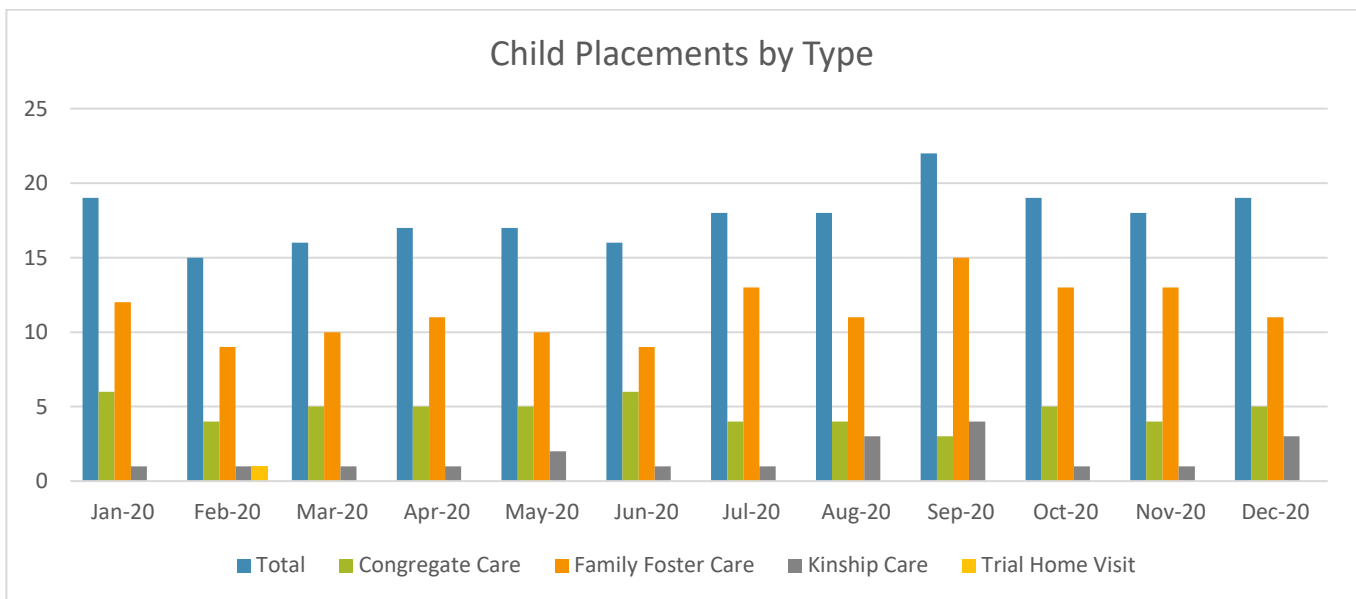
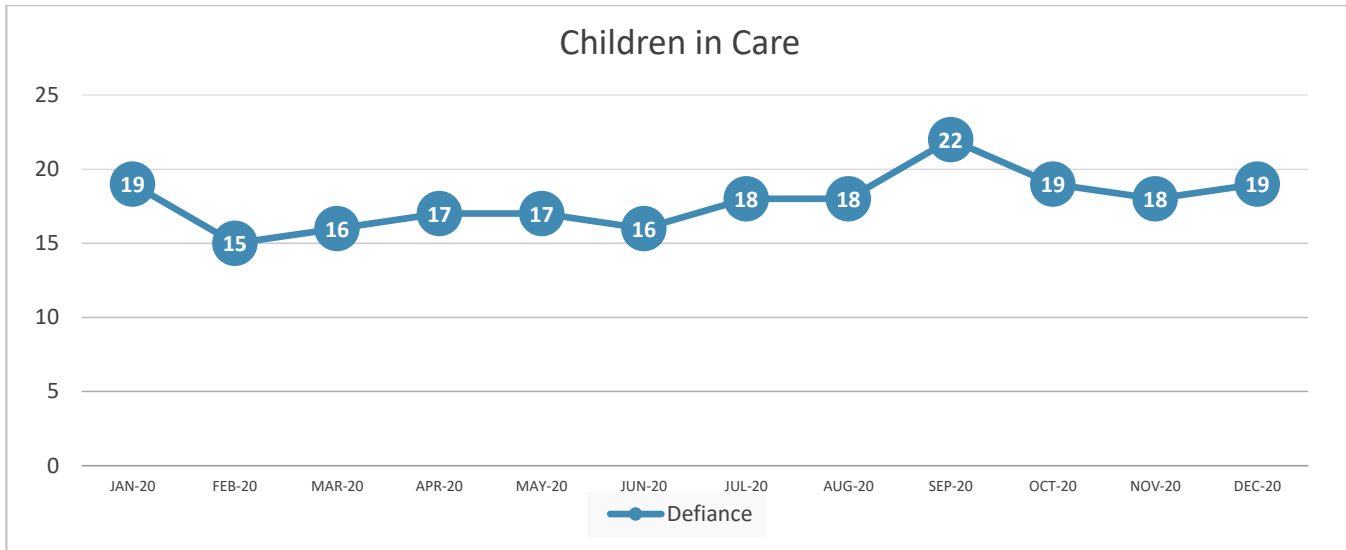
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Veterans Office

Erin Clady, Veterans Service Officer

419-782-8587



Defiance County Veteran Service Commissioners

Front Row L-R: Peter Kennerk, Christopher Newton, Thomas Kent
Back Row L-R: Darcy Lehman and David Lulfs

Defiance County Veterans Office Staff

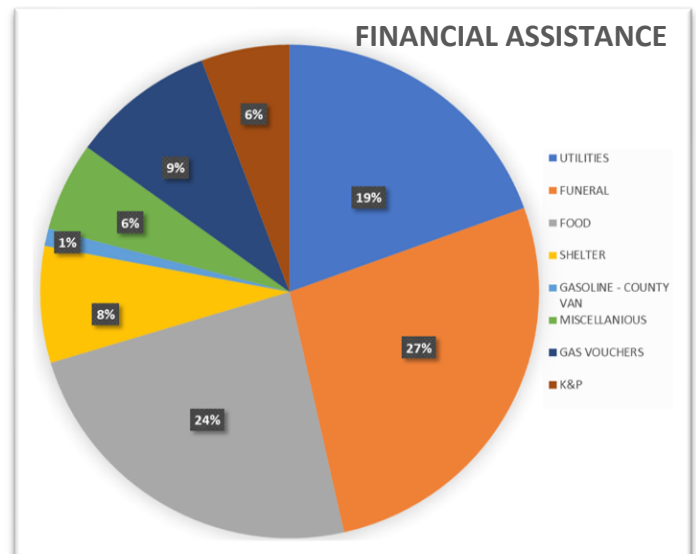
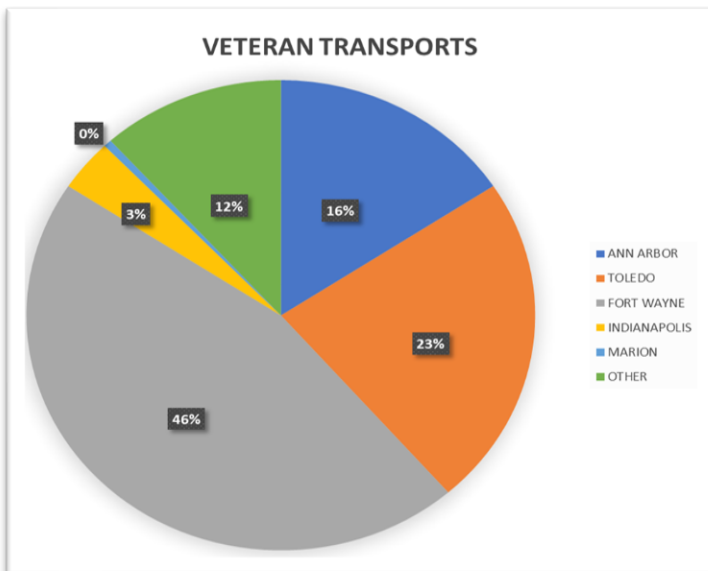
L-R Crystal Goodnight: Administrative Assistant, Erin Clady: County Veteran Service Officer, and Tanya Brunner: Office Manager

Of the 3,000 Defiance County veterans and their 2,000 surviving spouses, many were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The office itself experienced a temporary closure, COVID precautions, quarantine, and several veterans not wanting to venture out. Despite the challenges, this office was able to continue its mission to meet the needs of area veterans.

2020 Claims

Pension	43
Service-Connected Disability	221
Appeals	27



In 2020, Defiance County Veterans Office spent \$3,635.79 to transport 196 veterans to their VA medical appointments. The above chart shows the VA facilities to which veterans were transported during the year.

In 2020, Defiance County Veterans Office spent \$18,501.02 to assist income qualifying Defiance County veterans with the above necessities.

Additional Financial Assistance was authorized by this office through a private non-profit for Defiance County veterans from Keller Logistics, housed with Ravens Care. 97 veterans were assisted, with a total of \$36,205.13 allocated towards car repairs, utilities, home repairs, clothing, food, rent, medicine, medical bills, funeral expenses, household appliances and other miscellaneous expenses.

The mission of the Defiance County Veterans Office and Veterans Service Commission is to provide emergency relief and benefit services to veterans who served this country and to their family members and survivors.

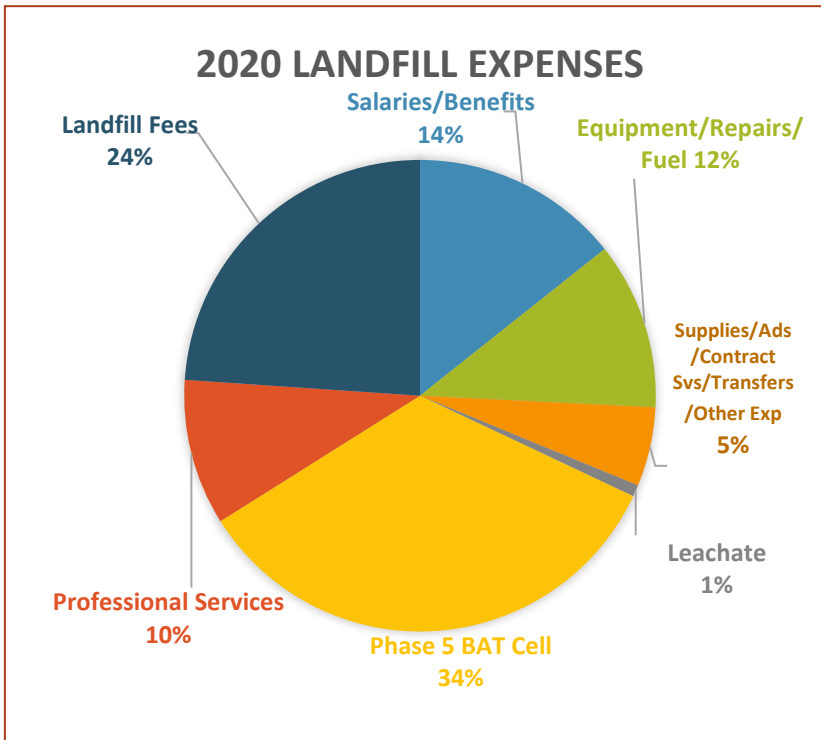
Landfill

Warren Schlatter, Manager

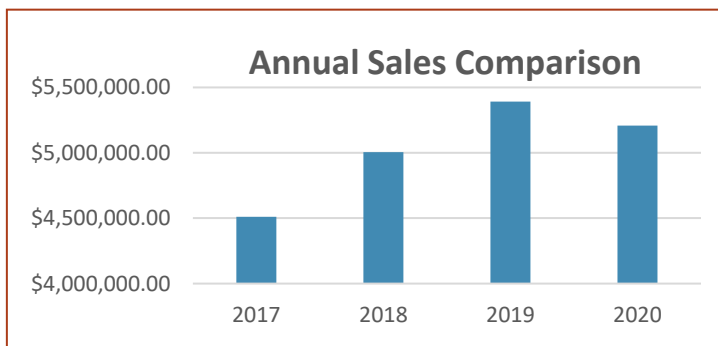
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The Defiance County Landfill is a permitted Sanitary Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfill. The Landfill cannot accept liquids, yard waste, or hazardous waste, and it must follow EPA regulations and guidelines to assure the facility is environmentally compliant. The Landfill can accept up to 1,000 tons of waste per day, but averages about 580 tons per day. The waste is placed into a lined cell, compacted, and covered at the end of day. A new cell, Phase 5 was constructed by Vernon Nagel Construction in 2020 at a cost of \$1.6 million dollars.

COVID did not impact the Landfill, as it was deemed essential during the pandemic.



2020 Expenses and Revenue	
Salaries/Officials	\$167,566.47
Salaries/Crew-Clerical	\$328,280.41
Supplies	\$117,517.57
Equipment	\$86,000.86
Contract Services	\$13,831.46
Contract Repairs	\$333,520.01
Advertising	\$306.54
Professional Services	\$2,070,255.21
Other Expenses	\$73,363.41
Transfer Out	\$50,000.00
Transportation-Fuel/Oil	\$119,178.66
Leachate	\$37,500.29
Fees	\$1,124,188.94
County Demolition Program	\$0.00
Insurance	\$102,123.67
PERS	\$66,535.43
Worker's Comp	\$5,427.91
Advances Out	\$2,845.63
Total Expenses	\$4,698,442.47
Fees-Daily Receipts	\$5,182,218.11
Hicksville Transfer Station	\$12,210.50
Other Receipts	\$38,756.44
Total Revenue	\$5,233,185.05



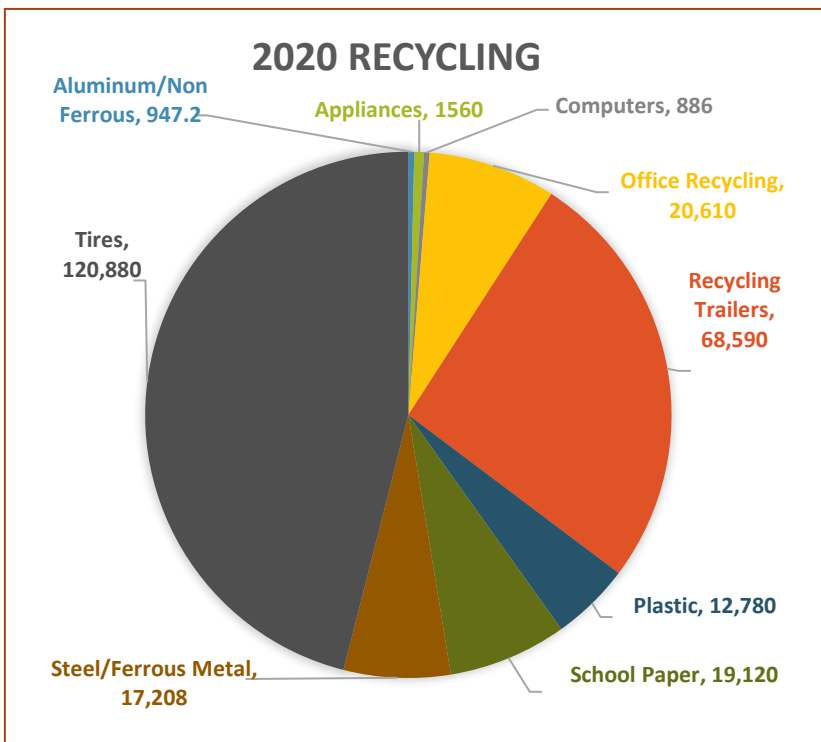
Environmental Services

Warren Schlatter, Manager

419-782-5442

Environmental Services is responsible to provide recycling, waste management and litter prevention programs to comply with the District Solid Waste Management Plan. Drop-off recycling is available throughout the County at ten locations and accepts cardboard, pressboard, newspapers, magazines, paper, steel cans, aluminum cans and select plastic.

Litter Prevention programs include Adopt-A-Highway (AAH), Litter Containment and Keep Defiance County Beautiful. Keep Defiance County Beautiful is an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful (KAB). AAH has 38 contracts keeping over 78 miles of roadside clean. Environmental Services also attempts to pick up every County road (784 miles) at least once per year and works with the Sheriff's Office to cleanup illegal dumping sites. The Litter Containment Program provides 55-gallon barrels for various Defiance County events to assist with waste and eliminate litter.



Recycling Collections Comparison		
	2020	2019
Item	Pounds	Pounds
Aluminum	947.2	1216.8
Appliances	1560	1744
Clothing	0	0
Computers	886	634
Office Recycling	20,610	29,230
Recycling Trailers	68,590	106,685
Plastic	12,780	16,850
School Recycling	19,120	44,330
Sheet Iron/Steel	17,208	12,184
Tires	120,880	104,171
Totals in Pounds	262,581	317,045
Totals in Tons	131.3	158.5

COVID suspended all recycling from March thru June with the CDC's concerns of the virus lingering on cardboard and aluminum. Schools and offices closed, so recycling programs were inactive. Material that was typically considered recyclable became waste and was disposed of in the Landfill. The litter prevention programs were stopped, and events were canceled.

There was another result of COVID -- a new wave of litter. Disposable masks and other PPE laying in parking lots and along the roadside.

Recycle Ohio Litter Grants were also canceled for 2020, and grants awarded in 2019 were extended into 2022.

Engineer/Highway Garage

Warren Schlatter, County Engineer

419-782-4751

2020 BRIDGE WORK AND MAJOR ROAD

Road Paving and Widening			
Location	Cost	Widened From	Widened To
Banner School from Christy to 1,147' W of SR 66	\$83,030.34	20'	24'
Blanchard btwn Harris and DAPB	\$324,787.41	18'	22'
Buckskin btwn The Bend and Flickinger	\$191,608.58	18'	22'
Evansport btwn Stever and Defiance Williams Co Ln	\$502,746.00	18'	22'
Harris btwn Hoffman and Defiance Putnam Co Ln	\$371,523.11	20'	24'
Mud Creek btwn US 127 and The Bend	\$163,629.95	16'	18,
Powers btwn Krouse and Canal	\$133,410.47	18'	22'

Bridge Replacements	
Location	Cost
Harris Road btwn Mansfield Road and Defiance Putnam County Line Road	\$51,838.61

2020 Actual Income & Expenses

Revenue		Disbursements	
Permissive Tax	\$442,796	Salaries	\$1,215,003
Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$1,406,463	Benefits	\$579,439
Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax	\$3,614,207	Materials & Supplies	\$1,077,131
Court Fines	\$26,161	Equipment	\$152,425
Sales (Maps, Prints, etc.)	\$311	Contracted Repairs	\$81,287
Other	\$407,540	Office Expenses	\$853
Reimbursements	\$14,659	Other Expenses	\$51,861
Interest	\$18,634	Contracted Services	\$21,627
Transfers	\$4,999	Contracted Projects	\$2,442,214
State Reimbursement	\$5,538	Land Acquisition	\$16,128
OPWC	\$852,698	Grants to Townships	\$366,884
Federal Grants	\$100,000	Grant Matching Funds & FHWA	\$952,698
Total Income	\$6,594,006	Total Expenditures	\$6,957,549
Outstanding Encumbrances	\$185,920	Outstanding Encumbrances	\$155,016
2019 Carryover to 2020	\$1,863,661	2020 Carryover to 2021	\$1,831,021
Total Disbursements	\$8,943,587	Total Disbursements	\$8,943,587

Road Resurfacing Program County:

Banner School	0.80 miles
Blanchard	3.40 miles
Buckskin	2.00 miles
Evansport	5.50 miles
Harris	2.00 miles
Mud Creek	1.95 miles
Powers	1.30 miles
Trinity	5.25 miles

25,064 tons of asphalt applied

Townships:

7 Townships	6.80 miles
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9,258 tons of asphalt applied

Total Cost: \$2,973,994.09

Crack Sealing

64,625 pounds of crack sealing material were applied to 16 miles of County Roads at a cost of \$78,777.88.

38,519 pounds of crack sealing material were applied to 10 miles of Township Roads at a cost of \$46,954.66.

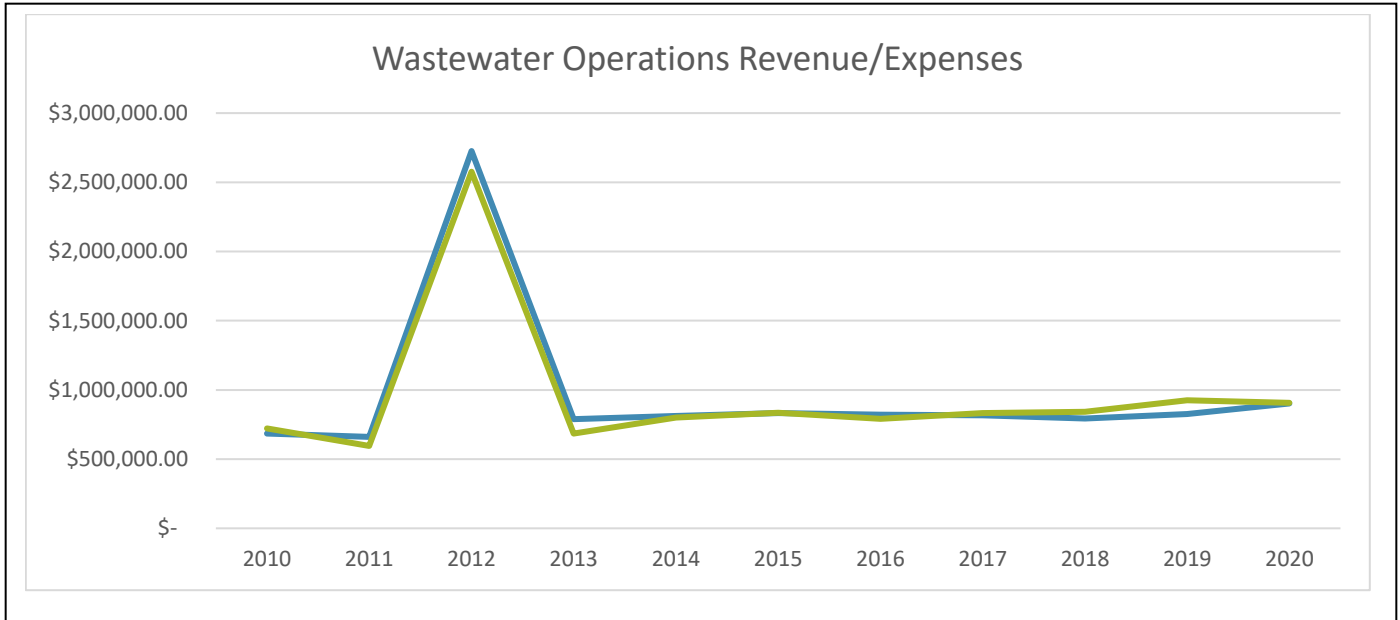
Snow & Ice Control

	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Labor	\$35,491.20	\$25,531.84	\$28,430.68
Overtime	\$36,964.79	\$33,927.55	\$24,337.53
Equipment	\$179,107.43	\$127,980.57	\$115,907.96
Material	\$81,752.88	\$90,191.84	\$105,199.39
Total	\$333,316.30	\$277,631.80	\$273,875.56

Wastewater Operations

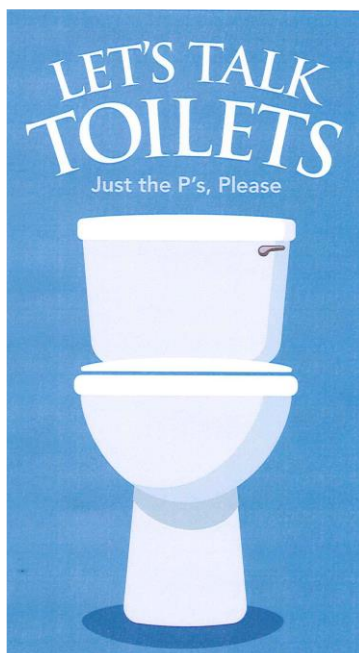
Brad Fritch, Director

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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Revenue	\$684,571.72	\$660,671.83	\$2,725,920.08	\$787,813.79	\$811,226.01	\$832,104.18	\$820,552.95	\$815,510.34	\$793,774.68	\$825,449.81	\$901,639.13
Expenses	\$721,218.95	\$595,406.39	\$2,576,455.61	\$685,059.32	\$801,123.23	\$835,624.51	\$790,972.08	\$833,206.45	\$842,766.50	\$925,607.57	\$906,718.53

*In 2012, USDA monies were utilized to pay off an OWDA loan.



Three P's Only!

Only the three P's belong in the toilet: pee, poop, and toilet paper. Period. Anything else—including wipes—is bad news for the pipes and pumps that carry water from your home to your community water resource recovery facility, where professionals are working 24/7 to clean your used water.

The Facts behind The Flush

Whether used for household cleaning or hygiene, wipes should NEVER be flushed. Unlike toilet paper, which is designed to easily break apart and dissolve after being flushed, wipes don't. Wipes bind together, which can clog pipes at your home and jam pumps in your community's water resource recovery systems, leading to sewage backups inside your home or sewage overflows onto the ground. Flushing wipes could mean costly repairs to your home plumbing system or higher rates for your community to fix related system problems. Your toilet is NOT a trash can, and wipes ARE trash.

Ditch Maintenance

Kevin Hancock, District Administrator

419-782-1794

In December 1989, the Defiance County Commissioners and the Defiance County Engineer entered into an agreement with the Board of Supervisors for Defiance County Soil & Water Conservation District to manage and operate the Defiance County Ditch Maintenance Program, as required by Ohio Revised Code. There are currently 202 improvements under maintenance, totaling 358 miles.

Work Completed in 2020

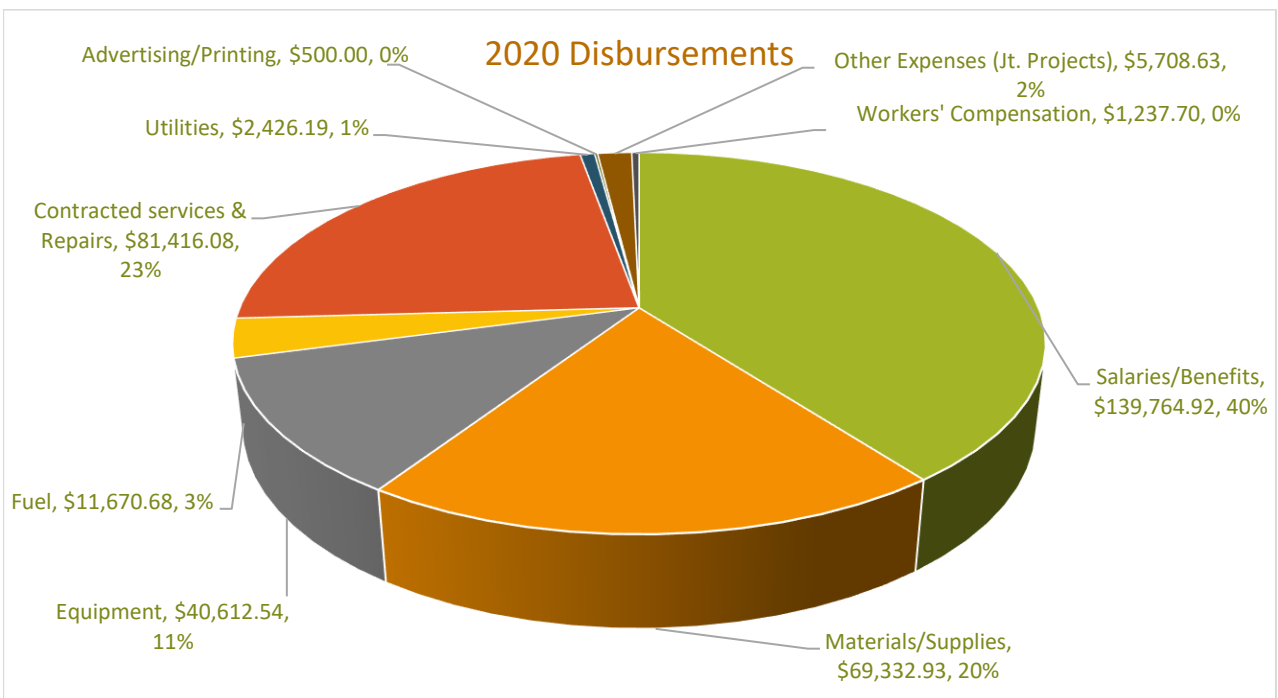
- 5.68 miles bottom cleaned on 9 improvements
- 183 miles brush and cattail control
- 327 tons of rock for bank protection
- 1,065 pounds of grass seed and fertilizer
- 53 improvements repaired
- 733 feet of tile/pipe installed
- 172 ton of stone, 598 tons of riprap, and 2,264 tons of broken concrete placed

2020 Revenue:

Local & Other Counties' Taxes:
\$521,693.93
Equipment Maintenance/Other:
\$17,072.65
Total Revenue: \$538,766.58

2020 Ditch Maintenance Steering Board Members:

Warren Schlatter	Gary Plotts	Mick Pocratsky	Ryan Mack
Mike Zeedyk	Louis Shininger	Gary Mavis	Dan Vetter
Keith Schroeder	Tom Beck	Bill Moats	Roger Zeedyk IV
Jeff Hange	Kyle Weber	Ben Gerken	Kevin Hancock
Jeff Peter	Terry Behnfeldt	Josh Limber	Luke Case



Soil & Water Conservation District

Kevin Hancock, District Administrator

419-782-1794

How COVID-19 affected Defiance County Soil & Water Conservation District:

- Cancelled events and presentations:
 - All educational classroom presentations
 - 6th grade School Tour
 - Penney Nature Center Camp
 - Envirothon
 - Annual Meeting
 - Planning Meeting
 - Ag Appreciation Breakfast.
- The H2Ohio program sign up was right during the start of the shutdown. During the sign up, the program went from almost unlimited funding potential to maybe the program being cancelled altogether, then back to limited funding for the program. Some of the program practices were delayed by a year to try to figure out funding avenues for the program. Also, the uniformity of the program struggled with in-person division meeting not being able to take place to keep all districts on the same page.
- In-person producer meetings and in-person group drainage meetings were no longer able to be held.
- The office transitioned to holding virtual meetings.
- The office staff had the ability to work remotely from home.
- The Annual Tree Sale was held drive-thru style with 6,775 seedlings sold.

Grant Program Statistics

- SB299 Small Grains Program – 1,977.9 acres for \$148,345.50 paid to producers.
- SB299 Hay Buffer Program – 389 acres for \$233,400.00 paid to producers.
- ODA H2Ohio Program – 92 contracts for 56,235 acres enrolled.

Conservation Works of Improvement Completed

- Pahl Ditch – 4,911 constructed feet
- Memmer Ditch – 4,680 constructed feet
- Stuckman Lateral Ditch – 10,930 constructed feet
- 2 waterways completed at 1,645 feet
- 15 erosion control structures installed.

Education

- Created Google remote classroom sessions
- Created Classrooms for Conservation Facebook Page
- Held remote Facebook readings.

Dog Warden

Randy Vogel, Dog Warden

419-784-2335

Per Ohio Revised Code 955.12, the warden and deputies shall make a record of all dogs owned, kept, and harbored in their respective counties. They shall patrol their respective counties and seize and impound on sight all dogs found running at large and all dogs more than three months of age found not wearing a valid registration tag. If a dog warden has reason to believe that a dog is being treated inhumanely on the premises of its owner, keeper, or harbinger, the warden shall apply to the Court of Common Pleas for the county in which the premises are located for an order to enter the premises, and if necessary, seize the dog.

2020 Statistics

Revenue: \$177,319.53
 Expenses: \$185,789.97
 Citations: 343
 Warnings: 120
 Dog Bites: 103
 Dangerous Dog licenses Sold: 50

2020 Statistics

Revenue: \$178,480.84
 Expenses: \$185,466.17
 Citations: 233
 Warnings: 135
 Dog Bites: 73
 Dangerous Dog licenses Sold: 16

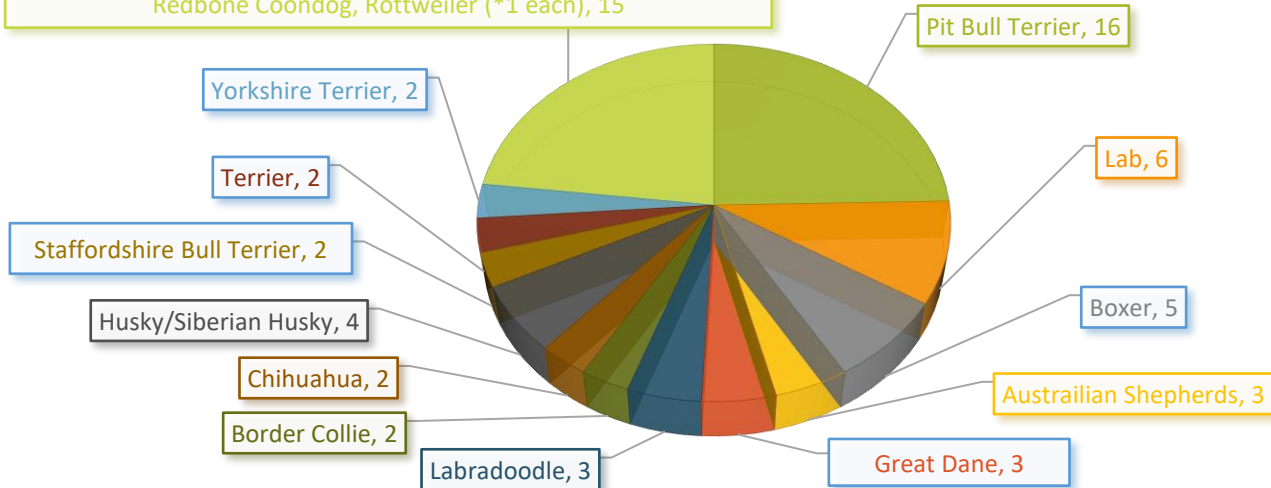
Breakdown of Dogs Deemed Dangerous, by Breed:

Pit Bulls – 6, and 1 each for:
 English Mastiff, Husky, Min Pin,
 Doberman, Great Dane, German
 Shepherd, Presa Canario, Boxer,
 Australian Shepherd, Lab

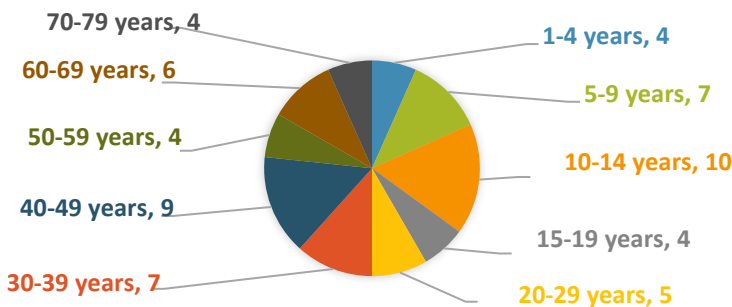
2020 Dog Bite Statistics

Akita, American Pitbull Terrier, Catahoula, Doberman Pinscher, English Mastiff, Mutt, Presa Canario, Rat Terrier, Red Tick Coondog, Redbone Coondog, Rottweiler (*1 each), 15

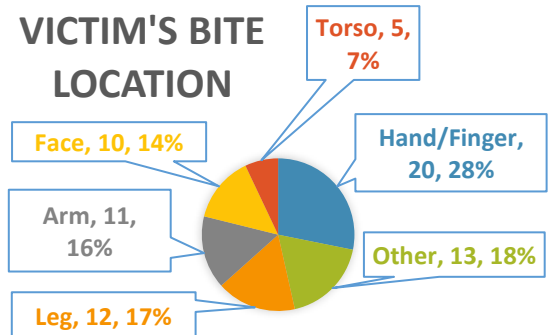
COMMON BREEDS



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VICTIM'S BITE LOCATION



Maumee Valley Planning Organization

Dennis Miller, Director

419-784-3882

The Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is a voluntary association of local governments designated as an Ohio Regional Planning and Development Organization. MVPO provides management, planning and technical services to Defiance County.

Community Housing Impact & Preservation (CHIP) Program

- The CHIP Program funds assist income-eligible households with housing issues related to health and safety. The CHIP Programs have a 2-year grant period, with a current awarded 2020 CHIP Program of \$1,150,000. The Defiance County Commissioners are the lead entity in the MV South Housing Consortium, partnering with the City of Defiance and Paulding County Commissioners.
- Private Rehabilitation addresses health and safety issues to assist income-eligible homeowners with necessary repairs. Improvements include electrical, plumbing, lead paint issues, accessibility, HVAC, structural, roofs, wells and septic.
- Home Repair addresses one health and safety issue to assist income-eligible homeowners.
- Rental Home Repair addresses one health and safety issue to assist landlords who agree to rent to income-eligible tenants and keep the rents below the HUD Fair Market Rent limits for 2 years after work is completed. The landlord pays for 50% of the improvement cost.
- 2020 total spent: \$446,000.00

CDBG Grant

- The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to states, cities and counties. Examples of grant funding for community development projects are the construction or improvement of public facilities, demolition of blighted buildings, projects to increase accessibility for the handicapped and elderly, and preservation of historic buildings or areas.
- CDBG Allocation - A Community Development Grant was signed by the Commissioners to provide street and water facilities improvements to the Village of Sherwood, the Village of Hicksville and Tiffin Township. The grant provided \$150,000.00 toward the projects, and the communities provided \$156,313.00. The work completion date is August 31, 2021.

Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

- The Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) offers loans to businesses in conjunction with a bank. Such funds are used in the event that full financing cannot be obtained from a bank, or to fill the "gap" between a bank loan and the financing necessary to complete a proposed business project. The RLF will not provide 100% financing of a project. These loans have created jobs and retained jobs. With these funds, the RLF has generated private funds invested in the region and additional public funds. Commissioners approved three loans to local businesses, totaling \$112,000.00, for improvements to grow their businesses or to use the loan to assist in creating a new business.

Planning Commission

- Defiance County Planning Commission reviewed over 66 lot splits in 2020.

COVID-19

- The Commissioners were granted a six-month grant extension for the 2018 CHIP Program due to a State-mandated work stoppage due to COVID-19. All funds have been committed in the 2018 CHIP Program and the 2020 CHIP Program is progressing.
- The Small Business Relief Fund Assisted 14 local businesses with \$68,131.00 in grant funds to assist in maintaining their businesses by paying for rent and utilities or for reimbursing previous expenses through the pandemic.

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Bruce Clevenger, Ag & Natural Resources; Teresa Johnson, 4-H & Youth Development

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4-H Youth Development Defiance County 2020

What is it? 4-H is a non-formal educational, youth development program offered to individuals age 5 and in kindergarten to age 19. Ohio 4-H youth development reaches more than 240,000 youth each year – helping kids “learn by doing” through hands-on activities.

How? Defiance County Commissioners, The Ohio State University, U.S. Dept of Agriculture
Who Serves You? *Teresa Johnson*, Extension Educator and *Chris Comden*, 4-H Office Associate

525

4-H Members

25

4-H Clubs

93

4-H Volunteers

1344

Completed Projects

360

Junior Fair Exhibitors

350

Total Youth Participants

4-H Project Areas

Animal Sciences	Natural Resources
Clothing & Textile	STEM
Creative & Leisure Arts	Welding
Food & Nutrition	Woodworking
Healthy Living	Workforce Preparation
Home Living	
Leadership & Citizenship	Self Determined Design Your Own



4-H Youth Development Available Programs

4-H Camp	STEM Education
Financial Literacy	Life Skills
CARTEENS	
Teen Driver Education	
Safe Sitter Certification	
Real Colors Personality Assessment	
Leadership & Citizenship Programs	



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Agriculture and Natural Resources in Defiance County in 2020

What is it? Trusted information for problem solving and improving your life and business

For who? You, right here in Defiance County, Ohio

How? Defiance County Commissioners, The Ohio State University, U.S. Dept of Agriculture

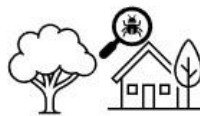
Who Serves You? Bruce Clevenger, Extension Educator & Deb Walters, Office Associate



Conduct local Wheat research to manage Fusarium Head Scab Disease. Integrated Pest Management to improve wheat quality for the food industry.



Conduct local Corn research to recycle swine manure as essential nutrient source for corn production. Utilizing farm manure at the right time, right amount, and placed in the soil to reduce odor and runoff.



Diagnose tree and insect problems people find in their home, yard, garden, woodland, farm fields. Proper identification, prognosis, unbiased recommendations.



Resources for the Farm Office: market outlook, enterprise budgets, farmland values and cash rent data, farm record keeping and analysis, USDA farm bill education, ag law resources, etc.



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Board of Elections

Tonya Wichman, Director

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Tonya Wichman, Director
Kim Smith, Deputy Director in 2020
Rosanne Richabaugh, Deputy Director beginning in 2021
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The Board of Elections is responsible for administering all elections held in Defiance County. Additionally, the office maintains voter registrations; accepts and reviews candidate and issue petitions; and receives all campaign finance reports for local candidates, parties, and issue committees.

Every election the Board holds in-office early voting hours beginning 29 days before Election Day. All Defiance County voters are eligible to vote early in our office or by mail, upon application. Hours for in-office early voting and the application for a mail ballot can be found on our website.

Not registered to vote? Moved recently? Go to MyOhioVote.com to register or update your registration.

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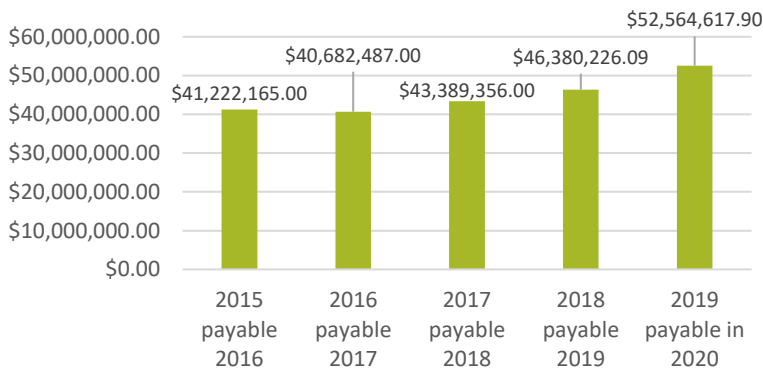
Treasurer

Vickie S. Myers, Treasurer

419-782-8741

The Treasurer's Office is responsible for the collection of taxes, which are comprised of real estate property, manufactured homes, personal property and estate taxes.

PROPERTY TAXES TOTAL BILLED



In addition, they record all monies received by any other county agencies. This encompasses everything from dog tag license fees and lunch money to MRDD funds and Health Department immunization fees.

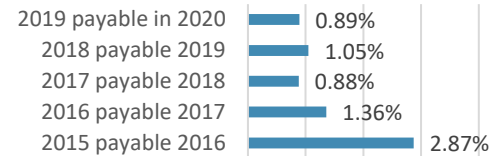
In addition to collecting and recording the County money, the Treasurer is responsible for the County Investment Portfolio. The office maintains various accounts ranging from simple depositories to complex trust accounts that hold all the County investments.

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR PROPERTY TAXES:

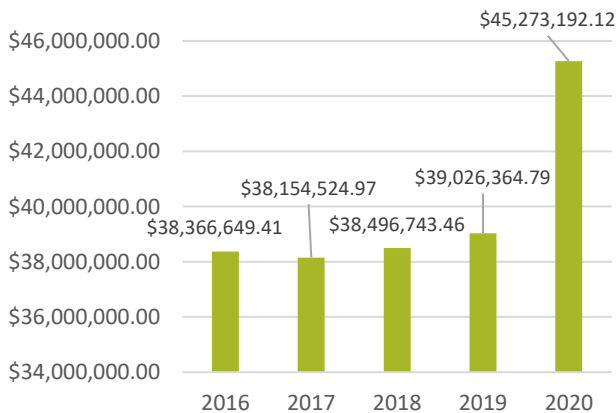
- In Person: cash, check or credit cards
- Online at: www.defiance-county.com/treasurer
- Credit Card by Phone: 1-844-719-3086

A Convenience Fee will be charged for all credit card transactions.

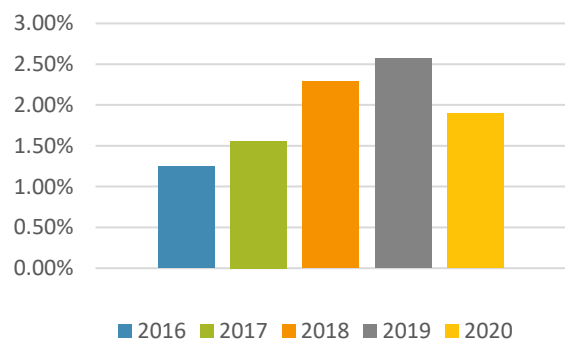
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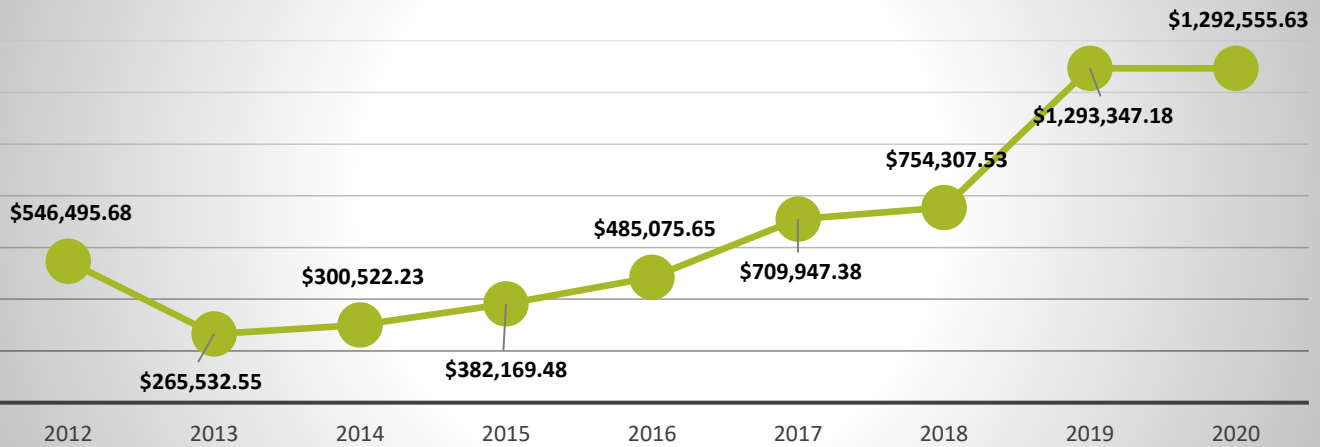


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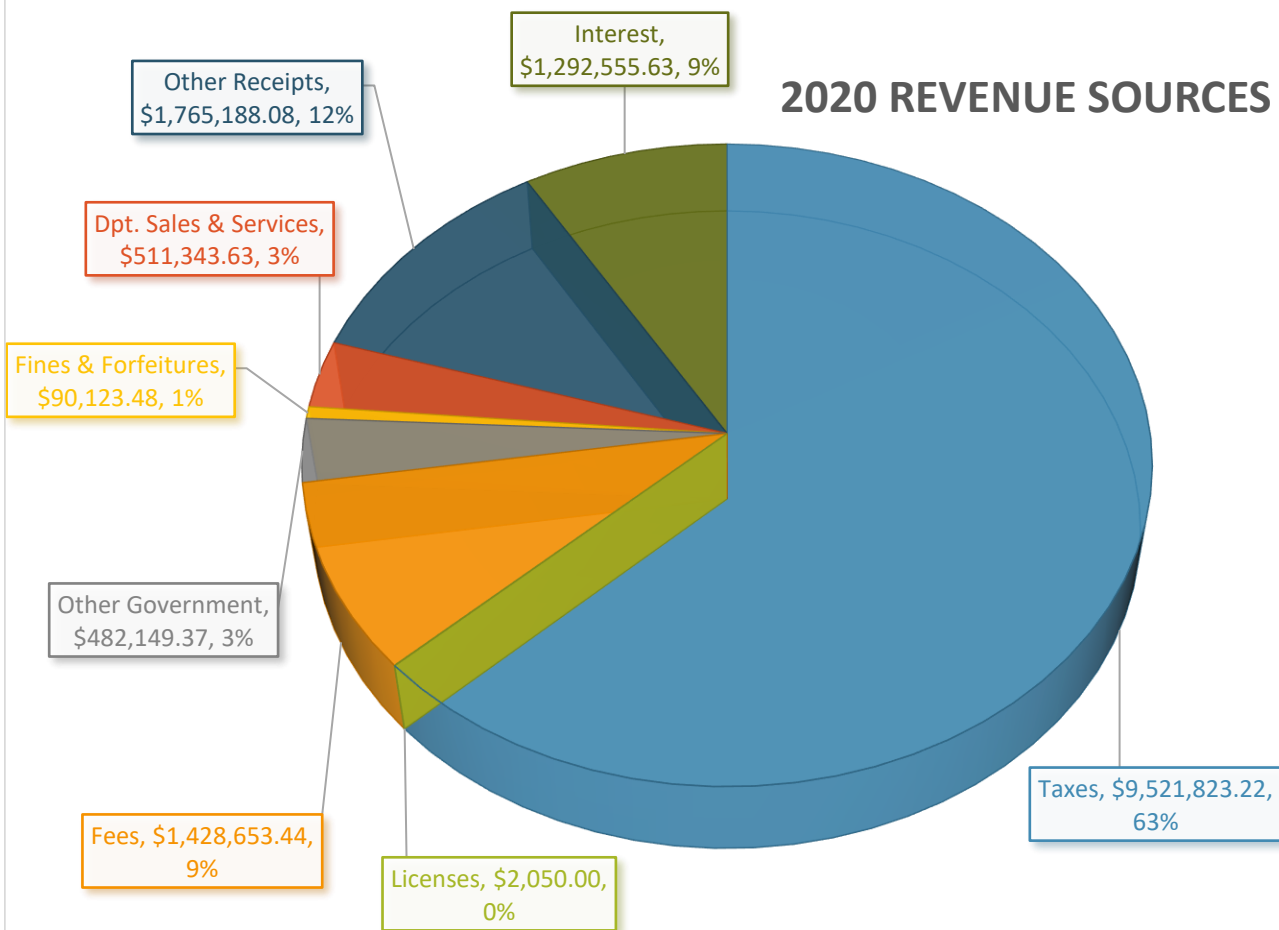


General Fund Revenue

Interest Income



2020 REVENUE SOURCES



General Fund Revenue

DESCRIPTION	2020	DESCRIPTION	2020
General Property Tax	\$2,491,593.48	Clerk of Court Fines	\$19,346.61
Homestead & Rollback	\$292,684.39	Municipal Court Fines	\$55,027.54
House Trailer Tax	\$7,806.92	Juvenile Court Fines	\$84.68
Cigarette Tax	\$400.00	Juvenile Restitution	\$8,688.70
Co Piggy Back 1% Sales Tax	\$6,366,290.77	Misc Forfeitures (Sheriff)	\$0.00
Casino	\$363,047.66	Reg Jail-Ct-Fines	\$6,975.95
Total Taxes	\$9,521,823.22	Total Fines & Forfeitures	\$90,123.48
Vendors Licenses	\$2,050.00	Rental & Lease Real Estate	\$322,553.80
Total Licenses	\$2,050.00	Sale Personal Property	\$18,357.74
Auditor Fees Tax Settlement	\$193,618.65	Sale of Real Estate	\$0.00
Auditors Fees Conveyance	\$544,560.65	Miscellaneous	\$170,432.09
Auditors Fees Transfers	\$1,151.50	Total Dpt. Sales & Services	\$511,343.63
Auditors Fees-Convey Mfg	\$3,220.70	Indirect Cost	\$237,390.79
Auditors Fee-Transfers Mfg	\$56.50	Delq Tax Advertising Cost	\$3,438.89
Recorder Fees	\$158,673.53	Election Expenses	\$31,100.48
Recorders 1% Housing	\$1,734.99	Prosecuting Attorney FOJ	\$143.51
Clerk of Court Fees	\$163,071.68	K-9 Donations	\$10,637.05
Treasurer Fees Tax Settlement	\$192,301.68	Indigent Defense-Costs	\$281,613.31
Probate Court Fees	\$37,528.99	Insurance Claims	\$19,545.92
Juvenile Court Fees	\$25,103.60	Solid Waste Reimbursement	\$17,682.97
Board of Elections	\$200.00	Foreclosure Fee Reimbursements	\$4,061.76
Photocopies	\$268.07	Workers Comp	\$777,822.40
Prosecuting Attorney Fees	\$0.00	Refunds and Overpayments	\$21,662.62
Reg Jail-Sheriff Fees	\$107,162.90	Reimbursements	\$332,330.87
Total Fees	\$1,428,653.44	Pop Money	\$718.57
Local Government	\$474,363.98	Land Forfeiture	\$4,159.57
Total from Other Government	\$474,363.98	Reg Jail-Other Receipts	\$22,879.37
		Total Other Receipts	\$1,765,188.08
		Total General Fund	\$13,978,795.83
		Interest Income	\$1,292,555.63
		Total Interest	\$1,292,555.63
		Total General Fund & Interest	\$15,271,351.46

General Fund Expenditures

DEPARTMENT	2020 BUDGET	2020 EXPENDED	% DISBURSED
Commissioners	\$808,906.27	\$710,197.16	87.80%
Regional Jail	\$1,785,000.00	\$1,649,360.64	92.40%
Auditor	\$307,005.87	\$275,215.78	89.86%
Treasurer	\$150,614.29	\$141,434.12	93.90%
Prosecuting Attorney	\$520,810.50	\$519,884.73	99.82%
Bureau of Investigation	\$56,500.00	\$54,000.00	95.58%
Court of Appeals	\$16,300.00	\$15,623.75	95.85%
Common Pleas	\$559,250.00	\$491,240.17	87.84%
Jury Commission	\$3,950.00	\$2,003.92	50.73%
Adult Probation	\$126,522.52	\$54,108.47	42.77%
Juvenile Court	\$573,738.39	\$565,407.71	98.55%
Juvenile Probation	\$240,814.05	\$236,682.85	98.28%
Probate Court	\$188,936.11	\$166,305.08	88.02%
Clerk of Courts	\$213,063.00	\$202,907.78	95.23%
Coroner	\$116,650.00	\$109,941.32	94.25%
Municipal Court	\$195,600.00	\$193,319.28	98.83%
Board of Elections	\$349,325.73	\$313,319.35	89.69%
Land	\$481,229.00	\$118,394.38	24.60%
Maintenance	\$1,055,375.64	\$875,817.52	82.99%
Hanger	\$25,200.00	\$25,200.00	100.00%
Courthouse Security	\$238,960.00	\$181,451.42	75.93%
Sheriff	\$1,710,285.98	\$641,592.15	37.51%
Recorder	\$115,031.40	\$110,042.99	95.66%
Associate Deputies	\$7,000.00	\$1,522.50	21.75%
Public Safety Services	\$139,118.72	\$130,666.34	93.92%
Safety	\$928.37	\$330.00	35.55%
Agriculture	\$412,339.51	\$406,868.02	98.67%
Registration of Vital Stats	\$2,500.00	\$1,979.00	79.16%
Other Health	\$99,712.82	\$56,833.76	57.00%
Children Service Board	\$315,625.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Soldiers Relief	\$289,165.89	\$205,547.26	71.08%
Veteran Office	\$67,298.18	\$58,158.28	86.42%
Public Assistance Grant	\$80,300.00	\$72,377.27	90.13%
Airport Special Projects	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Insurance	\$2,697,005.71	\$2,400,341.95	89.00%
Miscellaneous	\$507,411.99	\$450,699.24	88.82%
DCE Maint Building	\$400,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Contingencies	\$2,199,070.91	\$212,638.56	9.67%
Total	\$17,131,545.85	\$11,651,412.75	68.01%

Commissioners' Lunch on the Road

In 2020, the Commissioners attempted to continue to hold their Lunch on the Road events throughout the County. They were only able to hold one event.

The Commissioners feel these events provide the citizens an opportunity to meet with the Commissioners in an informal setting to discuss any concerns, complaints, or ideas they have for the County.



January 30, 2020 at Iron Horse Brews in Sherwood

United Way of Defiance County's Dr. Seuss Reading Day

The Commissioners assisted with the United Way of Defiance County's Dr. Seuss Reading Day in the County's schools.



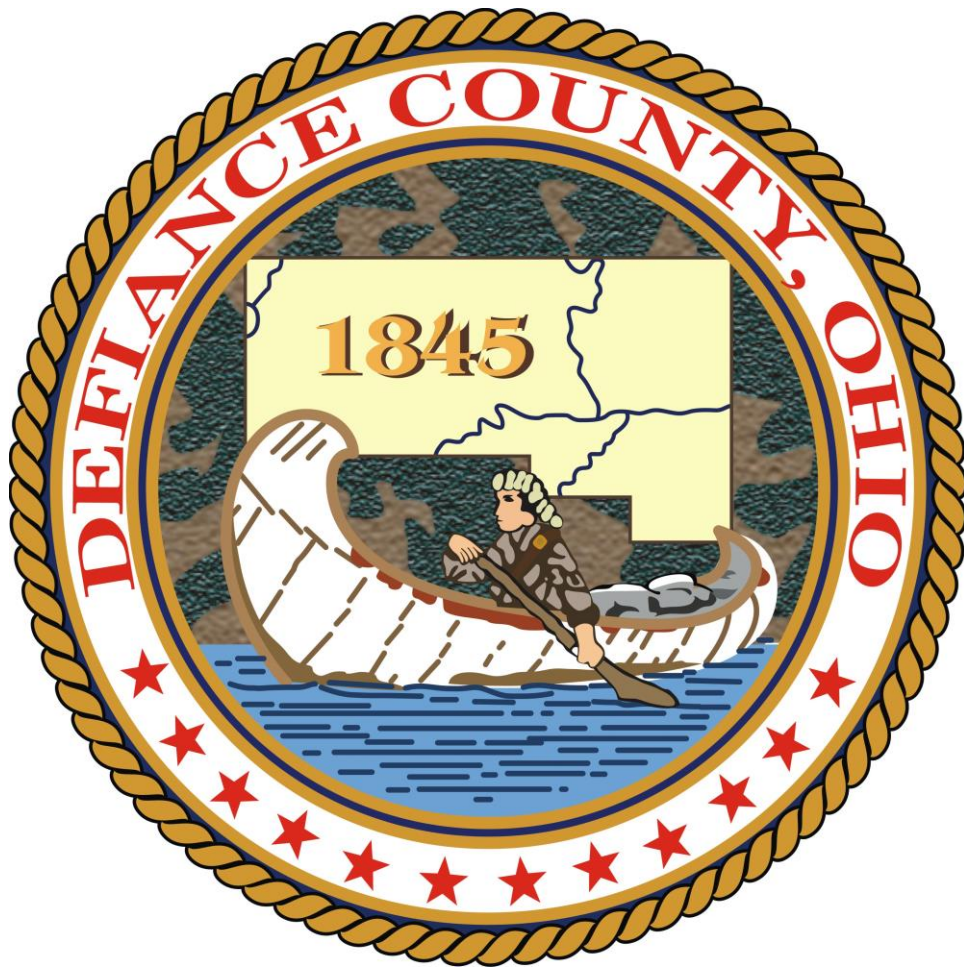
Commissioner Mack at Northeastern Local School



Commissioner Pocratsky at Hicksville Exempted Village School



Commissioner Plotts at Ayersville Local School



*Thank you to Defiance
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you!*