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Copley Community Park
October 2, 2021
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Document Shredding Day
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2:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Trick Or Treat
Copley Township
Sunday, October 31, 2021
5 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Nixle ALERTS

Text your zip code to 888777
or register at www.nixle.com

Police Levy on the November Ballot

On November 2, 2021, residents will be asked to consider replacing the current 3.5-mill operating levy in support of the police department.

Not a New Tax...

This levy is NOT a new tax but is replacing the levy already in place and due to expire on December 31, 2021. As a replacement levy, new construction and new property values will be captured which may slightly increase the amount paid, however, the levy is not an additional tax. The police department has two operating levies. One is a 4.5 mill continuous levy that generates \$2,298,370 per year. The current 3.5-mill levy expiring this year generates \$1,901,744. Both total \$4,200,114. The 2021 police budget is \$5,055,703. The shortfall is covered by grants and program reimbursements, with support from the General Fund. Capital expenditures are made using funds that are set aside from previous years' carryovers.

The proposed 3.5 mill levy would generate \$2,207,073 per year for a continuous period of time; an additional \$305,329. Coupled with the 4.5 mill continuous levy that never increases, total operating funds will equal \$4,505,443.

Levy Cost to Homeowners

Please see the chart below for per-year cost. The 3.50-mill levy augments funding for 23 full-time patrol officers, 6 part-time officers, one Police K-9 Unit, one administrative assistant, a DARE program and SWSCOM (joint dispatch center) with the cities of Barberton and Norton. In addition, your Police Department participates in the Summit County Drug Unit, Metro S.W.A.T. Team, United States Marshal's Violent Fugitive Task Force and most recently, the Ohio Organized Crime Commission's Hotel Task Force for Narcotics & Human Trafficking.

The Township Trustees, Fiscal Officer, Administrator and Chief Mier are committed to continue seeking opportunities to share expenses with our neighboring communities to maintain and enhance provided services. "We deeply appreciate the support of the Copley community," says Chief Mier, "and we are proud of the partnerships we have developed with our residents and businesses. Together we can keep Copley Township one of the safest communities in northeast Ohio in which to live, attend school and work."

Cost to Homeowners

\$100,000 Home Per year	\$122.50
\$150,000 Home Per year	\$183.75
\$200,000 Home Per year	\$245.00
\$250,000 Home Per year	\$306.25
\$300,000 Home Per year	\$367.50

Should you have any questions about the levy, your police department, or safety in your neighborhood, please feel free to contact Chief Michael Mier directly at 330-666-4260 or by email: mmier@copley.oh.us

Service Department

Kiwanis Club and Copley Township Annual Recycle Day

USED TIRES, MOTOR OILS, E-WASTE,
BATTERIES, LIGHT BULBS, & SCRAP METAL

Saturday, October 2, 2021 - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Copley Community Park
3232 Copley Road



PREFER EXACT CHANGE FOR LIGHT BULBS
AND E-WASTE DISPOSAL FEES

Accepted Items:

Used Tires – Must be off the rim – No tires from businesses
Used Motor Oils, Used Filters, Used Antifreeze
Batteries – Auto, Motorcycle, Lithium, NiCad,
AAA, AA, C, D, 9-volt
Scrap Metals & Appliances
Steel, Iron, Aluminum, Alloys
Must be able to be unloaded by hand
Fluorescent and CFL Bulbs – Disposal Fee – CASH ONLY
E-Waste – Disposal Fee For Computer Monitors & TVs
CASH ONLY
\$20 - CRT (tube type) and Flatscreen
\$50 - All other TVs (cabinet, projection, etc)
All Other Items – No Charge

NO HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, CLEANERS,
CHEMICALS, SOLVENTS, OR PAINTS WILL BE ACCEPTED

This event is for Copley Township Residents Only.
Proof of Residency Required

Copley Township Document Shredding Day

Saturday, October 9, 2021
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Only
Copley Community Park
3232 Copley Road

Paper clips, staples, folders and envelopes are safe for shredding. Documents must be removed from 3-ring binders. Please inspect documents for objects and remove all binder clips.

10 Container Limit Per Vehicle



Senior Snow Plow Program

Are you 65 years of age or disabled? Do you own your home and reside at that address 12 months out of the year? Then you may qualify for Copley Township's Senior Snow Plow Program.

The purpose of this program is to allow emergency services to gain access to your property should you need them and to help keep a portion of the driveway clean.

Driveways will be plowed only once in a 24 hour period when the snow accumulates 4 inches or more. Go to www.copley.oh.us for an application, fill it out and return it to Copley Town Hall. Proof of age/disability is required.

Questions should be directed to Copley Service Department at (330) 666-0365 or email klight@copley.oh.us.



Thank you from Copley Outreach Center!

A Beautiful Day For This Year's Heritage Day!

The Copley Outreach Center would like to thank all those families who came out to support our community and the vendors! We would also like to thank the Heritage Day Committee for supporting the Outreach through the two Raffles! All funds received through both raffles will go to purchase food for the Copley/Fairlawn Cares Program, which provides weekend food for our students in the district, K - 12!!



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Community & Economic Development Department

Taste of Copley Circle 2021!

Coming October 16th

Copley Township and the Board of Trustees are excited to announce the first-ever Taste of Copley Circle! This one-day event is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 16th from 12 p.m.-6 p.m. The event will take place on Copley Circle highlighting the numerous businesses located in and around the Circle!

In the last few months, four new businesses have invested at the Circle including Absolute Fitness, Brighten Brewing, Firehouse Tavern, and Peak Auto. It's great to see the community showcase its resilience against a very difficult 2020 also to see the wonderful potential the Circle has to be the nucleus of Copley Township. Not only will those businesses aforementioned be present, with food, drinks, and activities, the Township is working with many other local businesses to join in the fun that have been supporting the Township and the Circle for many years.



We encourage all ages to attend and celebrate the new and continual investment. Enjoy a beer from Brighten Brewing's fall tap list, burgers off the grill from Firehouse Tavern, and sign up for many of the workout classes offered at Absolute Fitness! It's a great chance to see what these local businesses have to offer.

Watch for more information on the full vendor list and parking maps! For any questions regarding the event or how you can get involved, please contact Loudan Klein, Director Community, and Economic Development at lklein@copley.oh.us or 330.666.0108.

Trail Advisory Committee Formed

In early 2021, a 10-year Capital Improvement Plan was completed by Environmental Design Group and adopted by the Board of Trustees. Within the Capital Improvement Plan, there were several pedestrian and bike facilities highlighted to connect neighborhoods and attractions throughout the Township.

The Township has formed a Trail Advisory Committee to facilitate the advancement of trail and greenway projects within Copley Township. The purpose and mission of this committee is to collaborate, prioritize, and advance the many different projects on our radar. There are also several other potential projects on Township-owned parcels which would be considerable recreation additions to the Copley Community Park.

In late August, the committee held its first kick-off meeting to outline the various projects and understand funding sources available through federal, state, and local resources. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 23rd at 6:00 P.M.

We welcome more residents from all four quadrants to participate. It is important when deciding which projects to move forward with to involve residents, business owners, and approving agencies to ensure these projects have support and are what the community wants. For more information about the projects up for discussion, or to join the committee, please contact the Director of Community and Economic Development, Loudan Klein at lklein@copley.oh.us or 330.666.0108 for more information.



Copley Township Park Entrance Before



Copley Township Park Entrance After

2022 Copley Township Magazine

A NEW ANNUAL PUBLICATION

Copley Township will be kicking off 2022 with a brand new publication - an annual magazine that will serve as a guide for residents, business owners and visitors to learn more about our community! The magazine will take a deeper dive into Copley Township departments and services, provide a map of points of interest throughout the Township, deliver intriguing stories and highlights from the prior year, highlight expectations for the new year...and so much more!

Advertising in the Copley Township Magazine will support the publication and distribution of the magazine that will hopefully find its way into every home and business within our community.

If you are interested in advertising in the magazine, please see available ad sizes and contact information below.

FULL PAGE - 7" X 10"

2/3 - 4.625" X 10"

1/2 - 4.625" X 4.875"

1/3 - 4.625" X 2.375"

1/6 - 3.375" X 2.375"

FREE FOR
2022!

WANT TO ADVERTISE? CONTACT: BETH SIDDALL or CLARISSA HUNT
330-666-1853 or bsiddall@copley.oh.us and chunt@copley.oh.us



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Fire Department

Fire Prevention Week

As Fire Prevention Week™ approaches, Copley Fire Department reminds residents to “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety™”

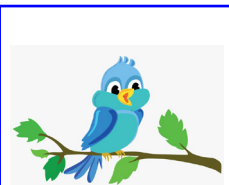
Copley Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®)—the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years—to promote this year’s Fire Prevention Week™ campaign, “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety.™” This year’s campaign, October 3-9th, works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe.

“What do the sounds mean? Is there a beep or a chirp coming out of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm? Knowing the difference can save you, your home, and your family,” said Lorraine Carli, vice-president of outreach and advocacy at NFPA.

The Copley Fire Department encourages all residents to embrace the 2021 Fire Prevention Week theme.

It’s important to learn the different sounds of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. When an alarm makes noise—a beeping sound or a chirping sound—you must take action! Make sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the alarms and knows how to respond. To learn the sounds of your specific smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, check the manufacturer’s instructions that came in the box, or search the brand and model online.

Copley Fire Department wants to share safety tips to help you “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety.”



**Hear a Chirp??
Make a Change**

- A continuous set of three loud beeps—beep, beep, beep—means smoke or fire. Get out, call 9-1-1, and stay out.
- A single chirp every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed.
- All smoke alarms must be replaced after 10 years.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.
- Make sure your smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of all your family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.



For more information about Fire Prevention week and fire prevention in general, visit www.fpw.org.

Police Department

Coffee with a Cop

The Copley Police Department holds “Coffee With a Cop” the second Wednesday of each month at the Montrose Chick-fil-A, 47 Flight Memorial Drive in Copley Township from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. The Chick-fil-A is our host and provides the coffee. Copley Police officers are on hand to answer any questions you might have and to listen to your concerns. One-on-one conversations between citizens and police officers are the best way to build trust and mutual goals for communities.



“Coffee with a Cop is a mission to improve trust and build relationships - one cup of coffee at a time.”

Halloween in the Park

The Copley Police Department’s annual Halloween in the Park will be held at Copley Community Park, 3232 Copley Road, in Copley Township. This event will be held Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., in accordance with all CDC guidelines. Depending on the current CDC guidelines on October 30, 2021, the rain location will be Copley-Fairlawn Middle School.

Children can trick-or-treat through a path at the park, have fun with arts and crafts, and play many games and win some prizes! There will also be coffee, cider and donuts for everyone, while supplies last.

Copley Police and Fire Departments will be on hand to display safety vehicles. Free trick-or-treat bags, glow sticks, candy, prizes, and pumpkins will be passed out to all who attend, along with other trick-or-treat items while supplies last. This event is free to the public, thanks in part to our partner organization the Copley-Fairlawn Kiwanis.



Neighborhood **TRICK OR TREAT** in Copley Township will be Sunday, October 31st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



Community Events

Share-A-Christmas

Copley Township will be accepting only monetary donations once again this year for the annual "Share A Christmas" program. The COVID-19 virus is still impacting how we will be continuing this very important event.

Due to safe distancing and other recommendations from the State of Ohio and Summit County we will be accepting donations in the form of credit card, cash, check, or gift cards ONLY. This program has helped hundreds of families in years past and we thank you for all the wonderful toys and donations that have been given. However, in order to lessen the spread of COVID-19, toys will not be collected at any of our drop off locations. Your monetary donations will be given to the nearly one hundred families we anticipate helping this year in the form of gift cards so parents may purchase the presents that are listed on the kids' wish lists. Checks can be made out to Copley Township Share A Christmas. And for the first time, we will be accepting credit cards at town hall either by phone or in person. Copley-Fairlawn Kiwanis and the Outreach Center in Copley will continue to participate by providing for families in the area who have young ones, or school age children in the Copley-Fairlawn City Schools. All donations will stay locally to help our neighbors.

Application forms for assistance and further information are available online at www.copley.oh.us and at the front desk of Town Hall. For more information call Beth Siddall at Town Hall 330-666-1853. This program is for Copley residents, and Fairlawn and Bath families with children attending Copley-Fairlawn City Schools. The Share A Christmas distribution date is Saturday, December 11th, from 9:00a.m.-11:30a.m. at Spring Garden Waldorf School on Jacoby Road. All participants will be given their gift cards while remaining in their cars. Proof of residency may be required. 100% of the dollars raised benefit those in need. Please help us make the Holiday Season a little brighter for those not as fortunate as ourselves by giving generously.



**Daylight Savings Time ends
Sunday, November 7, 2021**

Do You Need a ...

BOOST ???

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION OPPORTUNITY SUPPORT TEAM

Who among us couldn't use a little BOOST now and then - a little nudge to get us either over the top or just motivated to start! It may be just a compliment, finding a \$20 bill in your pocket or a successful sales call. Regardless, an unexpected BOOST can really change everything!

Copley Township is looking to provide a BOOST to its residents and business owners alike. The Business and Organizational Opportunity Support Team (BOOST) is now a division of our Community and Economic Development Department. The goal is to bring together local businesses, community organizations, volunteers and neighborhood ambassadors to gather and work together to support all projects that are focused on promoting Copley Township and bring together those that have a stake in the future of the Township and combine our many talents and passions to ensure that the Township thrives and remains a great place to grow up, raise a family and do business.

The first BOOST business? The Township is creating an annual publication that will be distributed both virtually and tangibly to area residents, business owners and visitors that provides a birds-eye view of all that Copley Township has to offer - a description of all the services offered by the Township, an annual calendar of events, a map of the Township providing the location of various Township destinations; a magazine that can serve as a guide to those new to the area and to all who are looking for a particular service or retail business. To cover the cost of the publication, local businesses will be able to advertise and promote their annual events. The vision is to provide information about the Township, annually, in a format that is a "go-to" reference when looking for a place to shop or dine, a needed service or Township data.

Right now, the BOOST is working on a format for the publication - picking the right template, the right font, the right look to create a professional document. In addition, we are updating our records to make sure we have correct contact information for all our local businesses so when we have a product to show off, we can send a sample. The goal is to have a sample by the end of the fall that potential advertisers can review and plan their promotions for publication and distribution in January 2022. More details will be provided as the project develops further.

Next on the BOOST horizon? We have some ideas for a couple neighborhood projects and community events geared toward beautifying the Township and BOOSTing everyone's morale! So keep your eyes peeled for more BOOST news and, as always, feel free to give us your thoughts and ideas!



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Copley, Ohio 44321-1908

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Motor Vehicle License Tax to Copley Township

Please remember - when renewing your annual license plate/sticker, make sure you state you live in COPLEY TOWNSHIP so the Township rightly receives its portion of the license tax fee. Copley has six zip codes - Akron 44320, Akron 44333, Barberton 44203, Copley 44321, Norton 44203, and Wadsworth 44281. The registrar will write the city address name on your driver's license in the jurisdiction area unless you state you live in Copley Township!

Meeting Notes

Regular Board of Trustees Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Please visit our website www.copley.oh.us for updated meeting times and special meetings.

Check our website for the Board of Zoning Appeals, Zoning Commission and Architectural Review Board Meeting Schedules.

All Meetings Are Open To The Public.



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Please direct comments and improvements to the Township Trustees.*

Copley Township Telephone Numbers

Emergency Police & Fire9-1-1
Non Emerg. Police & Fire330-666-8866

Administrative Offices

Fire330-666-6464
Police330-666-4218
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Community/Economic Dev.....330-666-0108

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