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October 26, 2024

Trick or Treat - Copley
October 27, 2024

Construction Begins!

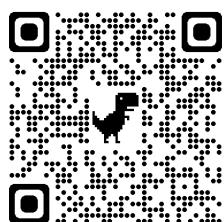
The shovels are in the ground and the first phase of construction is complete on one of the most meaningful investments of our generation – the new Joint Police and Fire Safety Facility. So far, the building footers have been poured and construction has begun on the interior and exterior walls of the fire bays. Underground plumbing and electrical work is underway with anticipation that the floor will be next. As part of the extension of Sunset Drive, the storm water basins have been formed and the new portion of the roadway has been cut with initial grading out to Cleveland Massillon.

It's really happening...and you are invited to join in the fun! A new page on the Township's website has been created where you can follow along... there will be pictures, videos and weekly updates on what's happening with the construction. Since the weather has been cooperative and is only expected to get better, construction is right on schedule and our new facility is well on the way to becoming a reality. Check out the link below or scan the QR Code for updates.

<https://www.copley.oh.us/435/Police-FireEMS-Safety-Facility-Project>



Scan the
QR Code
Below for
updates!



Road Work Ahead

When winter comes to an end many people share in the excitement of the new life that accompanies the spring season. Spring is the season where the natural world revives. It symbolizes the resurgence of life and new beginnings.

It also means that along with the new colors from blossoming plants and returning wildlife, orange barrels and construction cones will start to appear. Although this past winter was relatively mild, the freeze and thaw cycle still has an impact on township roadways.

Each year the township identifies roads that are in need of resurfacing. Road conditions are monitored throughout the year and many variables are considered when selecting roads for resurfacing. Resurfacing needs are identified and prioritized by assessing overall road conditions, where maintenance efforts are most concentrated, traffic volumes, type of traffic, proximity

to other roads to be resurfaced, budget, current and future construction projects, etc.

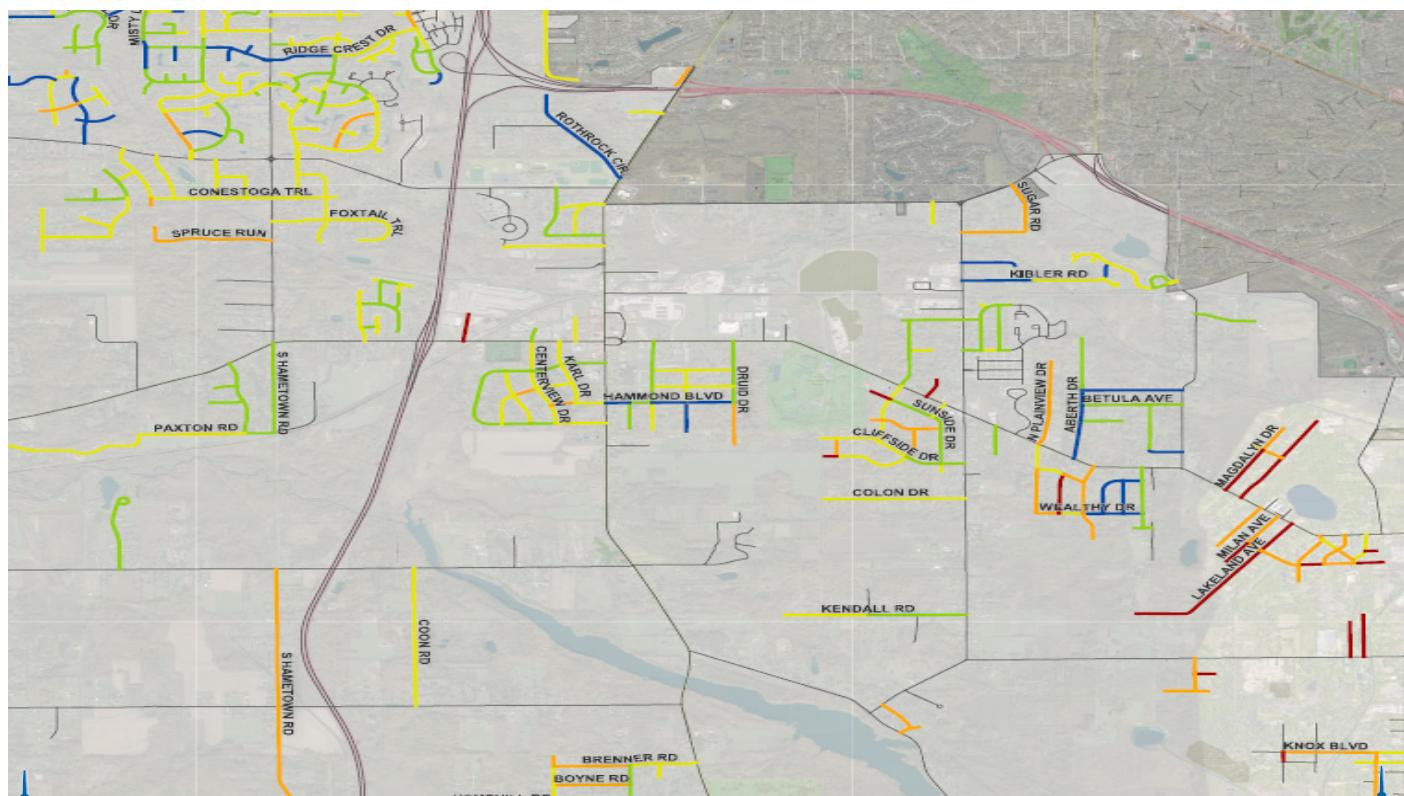
Overall road conditions are the primary factor when considering what roads are in need of pavement maintenance and improvement. In 2023 the Township contracted with Pavement Management Group to perform a road condition assessment using high-definition video, GIS, and artificial intelligence to help the Township meet its pavement management goals.

The program created a road network inventory linked to GIS maps with high-definition video of each road segment for easy accessibility and reference. The condition assessment utilizes the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) using the ASTM D6422 condition assessment standard, scoring each segment from 0 – 100. The PCI scoring allows for a more data driven approach for

resurfacing and allows for more efficient planning of pavement maintenance activities.

The Township currently has an overall PCI score of sixty-seven (67). Although a score of 67 may seem relatively low, that score is considered "fair" and is only three (3) points away from an overall grade of "good". The goal of the pavement management program is to improve the overall condition of Township roads. By assessing the pavement every other year, the Township is able to monitor the effectiveness of the current pavement maintenance practices and make the necessary adjustments to ensure that our program is sufficient to keep all Township roads in good repair.

If you have questions related to the maintenance of township roads or how the scoring system works please contact the Service Department at 330-666-0365.



Community & Economic Development Department



FARMING IN COPLEY TOWNSHIP

ATTENTION COPLEY TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Copley Township is in the process of revising our land use plan which includes a description of how land is currently being used.

We would like to get a more realistic idea of how much agriculture is going on in our township.

PLANT CARE GROW
If you are involved in some form of agriculture on your property, please indicate which description best fits what you are doing.

- A. BACKYARD GARDEN to help feed and care for myself/family and may or may not include chickens, rabbits, goats or other small animals.
- B. WORKING FARM/HOMESTEAD of less than 10 acres that includes crops and/or livestock.
- C. WORKING FARM of more than 10 acres.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PARTICIPATING!

EMAIL YOUR RESPONSE (A, B OR C) TO
CHUNT@COPLEY.OH.US OR
COMPLETE YOUR RESPONSE ONLINE AT
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/83D9F99>



Arbor Day Foundation Names Copley Township a 2023 Tree City USA for the 6th Consecutive Year!

Copley Township was named a 2023 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor our commitment to effective urban forestry management. Copley Township achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: maintaining a tree board, having tree care regulations, dedicating an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and hosting an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. We are able to achieve this because of the support we receive from our Board of Trustees, Tree Board, residents and stakeholders of Copley Township.

Join us on April 27 & 29 to celebrate Arbor Day! Visit <https://copley.oh.us/340/Public-Green-Space> to learn more about Arbor Day, Tree City and ways to get involved!



Fire Department

New and Existing Homeowners. Here's How to Keep Your Investment Safe and Sound

Buying a home is one of the biggest investments most people will ever make. The Copley Fire Department wants to help you make your home safer from fire. Follow these fire safety tips to protect your investment and your family.

Smoke alarms

Fire is fast, hot, and deadly. It only takes minutes for thick, black smoke to fill a house. A smoke alarm can give you the extra minutes that you need to get out of your home. Have working smoke alarms on every level, including the basement. Put smoke alarms inside each bedroom and outside all sleeping areas. Push the test button until the alarm sounds. Do this each month. Interconnected smoke alarms provide the best protection. When 1 smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.



Escape plans

Half of home fire deaths happen late at night. A working smoke alarm can wake you up. Every second counts, so know what you'll do if you have a fire. Make an escape plan. Know 2 ways out of each room. Plan your escape around the abilities of children and older adults.

Prevent electrical fires

Electrical problems are a leading cause of home fires. Start off right in your new home. Plug major appliances like refrigerators and stoves directly into the wall outlet. Only plug 1 heat-producing appliance into an outlet at a time. This includes coffee makers, space heaters, and microwaves. If you need additional outlets, have them installed by an electrician. Extension cords are for temporary use only. Keep all cords out of foot traffic, but don't run them under carpets or rugs. Throw away cracked, frayed or damaged electrical cords before you move.

For additional home fire safety information, please visit: <https://www.copley.oh.us/181/Emergency-Preparedness> Or you can call Copley Fire Department at 330-666-6464



Police Department

Safety Town

The Copley Township Safety Forces will be conducting our annual Safety Town School this summer, which provides needed training for the incoming kindergarten child. Safety Town School is a five-day summer educational program for children who will be entering kindergarten in the fall. The children are provided instruction in a wide assortment of safety topics. A simulated village is used to teach children important pedestrian and bicycle safety rules. The village is constructed of miniature buildings, streets, traffic signals and signs. In addition, children view videos, listen to speakers from several different safety agencies, and ride a school bus.

The 2024 Copley Safety Town School will be conducted the week of June 17-21, 2024 at Copley-Fairlawn Middle School, 1531 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road. Safety Town is open to Copley residents that have children attending kindergarten in the Fall. Students from Spring Garden Waldorf School that are not Copley residents may attend in the afternoon session.

You may register your child for Safety Town School by completing the registration form that can be found at: <https://www.copley.oh.us/304/Safety-Town>. You can return the registration form to the Copley Police Department or scan it and email the forms to safetytown@copley.oh.us. No forms will be accepted after May 24th, or earlier if the maximum number of participants is reached. Confirmations will be sent the week of May 27th.

Student volunteers (over age 13) are needed. Application forms are available online and at the police department.



Community Events

Stay “in The Loop” With the Copley Chamber!

For those “in The Loop”, The Loop In Copley has been the go-to spot for getting the scoop on local businesses, organizations, their events, and other happenings through its weekly newsletters, website, and social media. And guess what? It’s all been powered by the Copley Community Chamber of Commerce!

But having The Loop as a separate website from the Copley Chamber meant that you had to visit two different places for what was often the same local business information. That’s why the Copley Chamber is announcing an exciting change – a fresh look that brings everything you need to know together in one place.

Now, when you type in either loopincopley.com or thecopleychamber.com, you’ll land on the same website! It’s your new one-stop destination for local business and community information, whether you’re looking for who to support and how, or looking for ways the chamber can support you.

While you’re on the website, be sure to sign up (if you haven’t already) for either a free weekly newsletter (or both!). Every Monday, the Copley Chamber newsletter helps people at work, connecting them with local business leaders, cost-saving benefits, and resources they can use to grow. Then on Tuesdays, the Loop Newsletter helps people at home, connecting them to places to go, things to do, and ways to get involved in their community.

And for a limited time, you’ll also find information on the website about a new international travel offer from the Copley Chamber! The Taste of Ireland tour has all the “greatest hits” highlights, from Blarney Castle to the Cliffs of Moher, and promises to be an unforgettable experience.

So, pick an address and type it in (or scan the QR code) and learn more about how staying “in The Loop” with the Copley Chamber can help you!

Annual Bike Rodeo

The Copley Police Department sponsors an annual Bike Rodeo. The event is held in Montrose in the parking lot of Home Depot. This program is for elementary-aged children and is designed to encourage safe bike riding techniques. The event is free to the public and will be held this year on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM.

Employees are on hand to conduct safety inspections of each child’s bike and make any minor adjustments on the spot. Children will receive a free bike helmet if they need one, while supplies last, and they can ride their bikes through several stations, and an obstacle course!

Local businesses participate in the event with handouts for the children, and Home Depot provides refreshments, while supplies last. We hope to see you there!



COPLEY CONNECTION

Copley Outreach News

Each year the Copley Outreach serves families in the community of Copley who find themselves food insecure. Last year, we saw a huge jump in the number of families that we serve. We have gone from 67 families to 94 families.

As we all struggle with the rising prices of food, we at the Outreach have seen a huge jump in food prices as well. We would greatly appreciate any assistance that you as a fellow community member can give us. There are several ways that you can help!

First, while at the grocery store every week, consider purchasing extra foods. All foods needed can be found on our website. Also, if you watch our Facebook page, you will see the foods that we are running low on. If that doesn’t work for you, maybe get your neighborhood, a community group or business that you work for to sponsor a Food Drive. And lastly, consider a monthly donation. If you log on to our web page, you will find a donation portal, where you can set up a monthly donation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 330-665-3335 and leave a message. Thank you all for your continued support in taking care of those less fortunate than ourselves. Copleyoutreach.org



COPLEY POLICE BIKE RODEO



THE HOME DEPOT

4066 MEDINA ROAD
SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024
1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

APRIL 2024



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1540 S. Cleveland Massillon Road
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 Monday of each month at 6:00 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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Linda Peiffer.....	330-666-1853
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