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Save The Dates

Volunteer Meeting -
Feb. 25th 6:30pm Town Hall

Daylight Savings Time Begins
Sunday, March 8th

Earth Day Campaign
April 18th - April 25th

Copley Car Show
Sunday, July 12th

Heritage Days
Aug 1st - Aug 2nd

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

Copley Outreach Center

What is the Copley Outreach Center?

The Copley Outreach Center is a privately funded, volunteer-driven center founded to reach out into the community to assist families who find themselves unable to provide basic needs such as food, clothing or shelter. Specifically, the Copley Outreach provides the following services:

Food Pantry provides non-perishable food items and personal products.

Seasonal Baskets are given for special occasions:

- Easter Baskets
- Back-to-School Supplies
- Thanksgiving Baskets
- Christmas Baskets

Limited Financial Assistance for

- Help with Utilities to avoid shut-off
- Rent/Mortgage
- Emergency Gasoline

Winter coats, hats, gloves & mittens to be given at Share-A-Christmas. Other essentials determined on an as needed basis.

The Outreach Center is a service unit of the Salvation Army Summit County Services, 190 S. Maple Street, Akron, Ohio, 330-762-8481.

Those who are served by the Outreach Center are generally referred through the Info-Line of Summit County, The Copley-Fairlawn Schools, Copley Police and Fire Departments, area churches and concerned citizens.

How You Can Help

Your concern for members of the community can be expressed in a very tangible manner at the Copley Outreach Center.

- Volunteer your time by helping to staff the Center during business hours.
- Assist clients with their needs and stock food.

- Pack emergency food for clients.
- Support Outreach Center financially.

BackPack Food Program

Copley-Fairlawn Cares is a non-profit, volunteer organization in cooperation with the Copley Outreach Center that addresses food insecurity in children in the Copley-Fairlawn City School.

Through the Schools, students are identified and can opt into the program. The center provides

a weekend bag of food two times a month to K-12, during the school year to eligible children. **A Copley-Fairlawn Cares** pack is a bag of food that consists of 2 breakfast and 2 lunch items, plus 2 snacks for the weekend. The items are single serving size, easily opened and prepared, such as an oatmeal packet, mac and cheese, canned fruit, raisins, etc.

Food is obtained through a Network Partnership with the Akron-Canton Regional Food Bank, local food retailers, and food drives. All food

items are packed by volunteers into heavyweight plastic bags generally on the first and third week of the month during the school year, and bins of the packed "Copley-Fairlawn Cares" bags are delivered by volunteers to the elementary, middle, and high school buildings. School personnel distribute the bags to the children in a discreet manner to protect their privacy.

How Can You Help?

- You can make a monetary donation to the **Copley-Fairlawn Cares Program**; funds are through the Copley Outreach Center, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization and all donations are tax deductible.



Copley Outreach Center

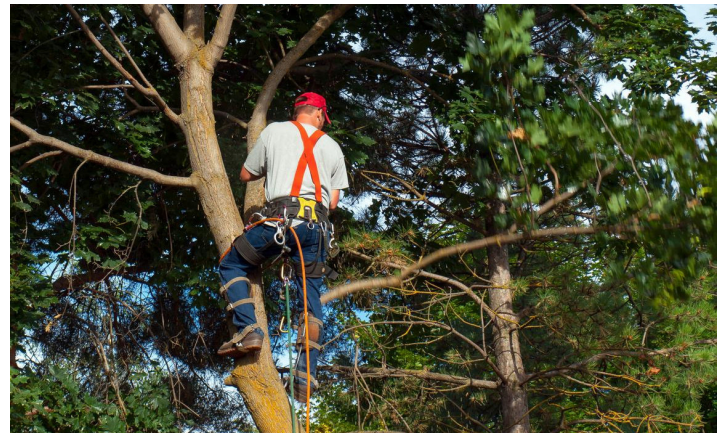
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Community & Economic Development

The Property Maintenance Toolbox

The Copley Township Board of Trustees adopted the updated Comprehensive Land Use Plan effective January 1, 2020. As part of the update, the Township has placed an emphasis on Neighborhood Revitalization through the implementation of strategies aimed at engaging with homeowners to improve and enhance the housing stock which thereby fosters strong and prosperous neighborhoods.

As part of this strategy the Department of Community & Economic Development is building a Property Maintenance "Toolbox" which will be utilized by the Code Enforcement Officer in the field by connecting homeowners with potential resources for property improvements.



To date, the "Toolbox" is supported with resources from the following agencies; Summit County Health Department, Department of Community & Economic Development and First Energy Tree Service. The resources are aimed at revitalizing and maintaining healthy homes through the following programs:

Summit County Health Department

- Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Radon
- Bed Bugs

Summit County Department of Community & Economic Development

- Septic Assistance
- Lead Abatement
- Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP)
- Housing Rehabilitation Program

First Energy Professional Tree Service

- Tree and Stump Removal
- Tree pruning and trimming
- Emergency tree services
- Tree health maintenance

To learn more about these programs or to include a program in our "Toolbox", please contact the Department of Community & Economic Development at 330-666-0108 or visit our website at <https://www.copley.oh.us/341/neighborhood-revitalization>.



VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Do you belong to a community group that sponsors events but could use more volunteers to help? Maybe you would like to get involved but don't know how! Well...beginning in 2020, Copley Township is playing Match Maker!

Beth Siddall, Administrative Assistant for the Township, will match the community's needs with the right volunteer! If you see a need in the community or for your specific community organization, simply contact Beth and let her know the details – date, time, place and talents needed! If you know you want to volunteer some time to Copley Township but don't know where the greatest needs are, contact Beth and let her know – you can specify days and times you are available, special interests and abilities! You'll always have the choice to accept or decline the invitation!

You can contact Beth at Copley Town Hall by stopping in, calling her at 330-666-1853, or email her at bsiddall@copley.oh.us – contact her today and get matched!!



Copley Community Volunteers

Where Things Get Solved When You Get Involved!

Looking for a way to get involved in your community or a chance to meet your neighbors and contribute to Copley Township? The new Copley Community Volunteers group has the answer! This group of Copley residents started out creating events for our recent Bicentennial celebration and haven't missed a beat since! Now, their focus is on supporting and participating in Township events, establishing a Beautification Committee and fundraising for the Copley Outreach Center and other philanthropic organizations.

"One of the marvelous things about community is that it enables us to welcome and help people in a way we couldn't as individuals. When we pool our strength and share the work and responsibility, we can welcome many people..."
— Jean Vanier,
Community and Growth

Their first event of 2020 is centered on Earth Day (see article) in April, followed by the Copley Car Show in July and Heritage Days in August.

Plans are underway for a wine/cheese tasting event in September and of course, the Trolley Shop Hop in December. The Beautification committee is looking to establish a program recognizing Township residences and businesses that go above and beyond in making their properties extra special. In addition, a few specific areas of the Township have been targeted to revitalize – a great opportunity for gardeners and landscapers – or those that “wanna-be”! Throughout, the group will be raising funds for our local outreach philanthropies.

So...how do you get involved? If you're available, the group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall at 6:30pm. If you don't “do meetings” - no problem. You can keep updated through the Copley Community Volunteers Face Book page or website or the Township website and you can call the Town Hall (330-666-1853) and sign up to volunteer and receive email updates. There are no restrictions on how much – or how little – you do. The important thing is to get involved in your community!



Copley Township joins Earth Day Network in celebrating 50 years of Earth Day!

Gather your troops! Join your community groups, neighbors, friends and family to participate in Earth Day 2020! To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, Copley Township has joined the global Earth Day Network with #CleanCopley. Watch our Social Media platforms for more information on how you can get involved and be part of the movement to pick up trash and litter in our own community. The campaign will run from April 18th through April 25th and will include the opportunity to spotlight your clean-up efforts while promoting local businesses and Copley Township - on a global scale!



2019 Heritage Day Bake Off 1st Place Cake Recipe

These chocolate coffee cupcakes were made by Jordan Bower and are perfect when paired with breakfast, lunch or dinner. Here is her recipe and Bon Appetit!

Chocolate Coffee Cupcakes

2 cups granulated sugar
1 ¾ cups all-purpose flour
1 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
1 ½ teaspoon baking powder
1 ½ teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
2 large eggs (at room temp)
1 cup buttermilk
½ cup oil
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
⅓ cup boiling water
⅔ cup brewed coffee

Instructions: Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and line cupcake pans. Stir together sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Add eggs, milk, oil and vanilla. Beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Stir in boiling water and coffee (batter will be thin). Pour batter into prepared pan until 2/3 full. Bake at 350 for 20 to 25 minutes. Cool completely before frosting.



For frosting, add hot water to instant coffee powder and stir. In a mixer blend together the softened butter and icing sugar GRADUALLY on high speed. Add cocoa powder, and then all coffee and vanilla and mix until well blended.

Coffee Chocolate Buttercream Icing

1 cup softened butter
4 ¼ cups icing (powdered) sugar
2 tablespoons cocoa powder
½ teaspoon vanilla extract
3 tablespoons coffee
3 tablespoons instant coffee
Bittersweet chocolate shavings (enough to top the cupcakes)

Frost cupcakes and then use a vegetable peeler or grater to shave the bittersweet chocolate on top of the frosted cupcakes.



Service Department

2020 Copley Township Road Program

Copley Township, along with other Summit County communities, is once again partnering with the Summit County Engineer for its annual County Road Program as a way for all to save money. Joining the Engineer's program, along with other Summit County communities, increases the volume of work which results in a cost savings ranging from 5% to 7%. That doesn't sound like much but considering the Township spends between \$550,000 and \$600,000 per year for road projects, the savings can be significant. At an average of \$575,000 and 6% cost savings, the Township



saves about \$35,000. That savings allows for additional work to be performed that may not have been possible.

This year's projects are:

448 Asphalt Paving - Creekside Estates - Creekrum Drive, Creekledge Lane, Weatherstone Court, Brook Way and Brookledge Court, and broken or deflected concrete curbs.

422 Seal Coat Paving - Maple Gardens - Knox Boulevard, Warren Avenue, Marrow Road and Columbus Avenue

Concrete Road Paving - Up to 1500 Square Yards

Pavement Marking - Center, edge, channelizing, ONLY, stop lines and arrows.

Copley Heritage Days News

The Copley Heritage Days committee is well into the planning stages for this year's events. We will again be at Copley Community Park for Saturday, August 1st.

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

The opening for Heritage Day will be at 11:00 a.m. at Copley Circle with the PARADE immediately after. The parade route will be the same as last year - starting at Copley Circle heading east and ending at Copley Community Park. The events at the park will start immediately after - we estimate between 12:15 - 12:30 p.m. The event will end at 7:00 p.m.

BUSES:

We will be adding two additional buses this year. We will also have someone regularly checking the routes.

COPLEY HIGH SCHOOL is celebrating its 50th Anniversary!! In honor of this milestone Copley High School will be holding tours of the high school between 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Heritage Day.

VENDOR REGISTRATIONS will be available on our website. There are no vendor fees for nonprofit groups/organizations.

To keep updated, go to our website at copleyheritagedays.org - or link us through the township at copley.oh.us or our Facebook page.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

OUTREACH

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- You can sponsor 1 child's weekend meals for \$60.00 for the school year.
- You can host a fundraising event.
- You can host/support a community food drive for the **Copley-Fairlawn Cares** program.
- You can volunteer to help pack the **Copley-Fairlawn Cares** packs.

You can play a pivotal role in improving the lives of kids in our community! Support from the entire community is integral to the **Copley-Fairlawn Cares**.

Where can you get more information?

Call or stop into the Copley Outreach Center
1502 S. Cleveland-Massillon
Road.
Copley, Ohio 44321
330-665-3335

We are open on Tuesday and Friday
From 10:00am to 2:00pm
Please call for an appointment

Please leave a message for:
Jan Howard
Maryann Henry

DONATIONS

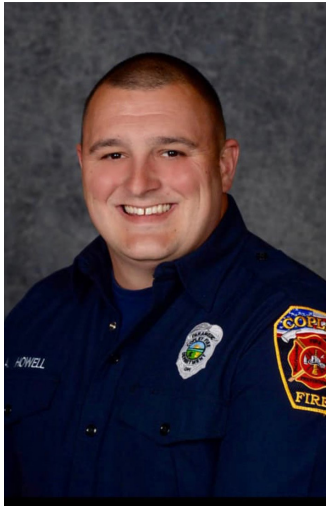
Checks can be made out to:
Copley Outreach/Copley-Fairlawn Cares
C/O Copley Outreach Center
1502 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road
Copley, Ohio 44321



Fire Department

Firefighter's Road to Success

We want to congratulate Firefighter/Paramedic Andrew Howell for receiving his Associate Degree of Applied Science in Emergency Medical Technology from the University of Akron. Andy is a graduate of Barberton High School, class of 2002. He joined The Copley Township Fire Department in February 2016. He began his career as a paramedic with The Norton Fire Department in 2003. Andy worked for the City of Barberton Parks Department as a Supervisor, Norton Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic and was a part-time Firefighter/Paramedic for The



Copley Fire Department before receiving a full-time appointment in October of 2017.

Andy is a certified Firefighter II, Fire Instructor, Fire Safety Inspector, Paramedic, and Fire and Life Safety Educator I. He has completed Fire Officer I and II and is an active member of the South Summit County Dive Team. Andy is currently attending Eastern

Gateway Community College to obtain his next degree in Fire Science Technology. Andy lives in Norton with his wife and children.

2020 COPLEY FIRE & RESCUE ASSOCIATION
42nd Annual Benefit Raffle and Casino Night
March 7, 2020
St. George Fellowship Church
3204 Ridgewood Rd, Copley, Oh

CONTACT ANY COPLEY FIRE & RESCUE ASSOCIATION MEMBER FOR TICKETS!
330-666-6464
TICKETS - \$125

Police Department

SHARE A CHRISTMAS 2019

Area residents and businesses in 2019 stepped up in a big way to support Copley's annual Share A Christmas Program. Donations of new toys, food, clothing and money were collected at the town hall during the holiday season to be distributed to families in need. Over 70 families and 161 children who may not have received anything at all under their Christmas trees, awoke to find an assortment of toy and gift items for Christmas morning.

This program would not be possible without the commitment of the Copley-Fairlawn Kiwanis Club, The Copley Outreach Center, Copley Police, Fire and Administration Departments, and all the volunteers that took time out of their busy schedules to help make this a very successful and rewarding project.

SAFETY TOWN 2020

Safety Town is scheduled for June 8-12, 2020 for kids residing in the Copley-Fairlawn School District. Applications will be available on our website, www.copley.oh.us beginning in April.

NEW POLICE OFFICERS HIRED

Three new full-time police officers have been added to the Copley Police Force which brings the total to 22 full-time and 7 part-time officers. Caleb Ogletree, Dylan Falconer and Kevin Garofalo will be sworn in at the Board of Trustees meeting on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. If you see them out and about in the community, please give them a warm Copley welcome!

9th Annual Fish Fry Sponsored by Friends of Scouting Troop 382

Friday, March 6, 2020
4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Copley High School

Dinner Includes:

Breaded Lake Erie Perch
or
Baked Wild Keta Salmon \$12
Chicken Tenders \$6

All entrees include sides below:

French Fries
Cole Slaw
Applesauce
Dessert & Beverage
(\$1 Discount for Scouts in Uniform)



First Wednesday of Each Month
9 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Chick-fil-A
47 Flight Memorial Drive, Copley, OH



COPLEY TOWNSHIP
1540 S. Cleveland Massillon Road
Copley, Ohio 44321-1908

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AKRON, OHIO

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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Copley Township Trustees review and approve the contents.
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
Service330-666-0365
Community/Economic Dev.....330-666-0108

Trustees

Jim Schulte
Scott Dressler330-666-1853
Bruce Koellner

Administrator

Janice Marshall330-666-1853

Fiscal Officer

Linda Peiffer.....330-666-1853

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