





Mayor's Greeting

Dear Friends.

In an effort to communicate clear, accurate details of how the city budgets for and delivers services to you, the City of Kettering proudly presents our first citywide *Annual Report*. In recent years Kettering City Council placed a focus on transparency. We believe it is critically important that our residents and business stakeholders understand how tax dollars are used to sustain and improve our Kettering community.

My hope is that each of you take time to review this City of Kettering *Annual Report*. Beyond the information provided in this report, please be aware that we offer easy access to detailed city information on our website www.ketteringoh.org. We believe financial transparency and making city information accessible to our residents is a priority for City Council and administration. Whether you are looking for detailed information on city spending, a searchable database of City salaries or archived video of every City Council meeting, our website provides you this information and more.

The adoption of the annual budget is the most important policy statement that City Council makes each year. The budget process is a priority setting process. It requires individual departments to evaluate current services and programs, forecast for the year ahead, and prioritize needs for the upcoming year's budget. The issues, suggestions, challenges and priorities that City Council hears from residents and discusses throughout the year are reflected in the annual budget.

Our Strategic Plan is the first step in the development of the following year's budget. Its importance cannot be over-emphasized as it provides City Council's vision and strategic priorities for our city's future.

The City of Kettering's strategic priorities are:

- Maintain fiscal responsibility while making strategic capital investments.
- Engage in economic development ventures that attract and expand investment in the city.
- Improve and maintain housing options and neighborhood environments.
- Provide public safety via police, fire, and other services that excel at customer service and resource allocation.
- Provide quality city services to both internal and external customers, optimizing levels of service while preserving the unique character of Kettering and meeting standards and budget.
- Develop and maintain a communication plan that educates our community as well as produces an image of our City.
- Have active leadership in regional initiatives that improve city services, save the city resources, and boost the city's regional prominence.

On behalf of my colleagues serving on your City Council, thank you for taking the time to review this *Annual Report*. We welcome your feedback on how we can improve our service to you.

Sincerely,

Sulk. Layer

Donald E. Patterson, Mayor

*KETTERING is home

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Holiday at Home

Sunday, September 3 and Monday, September 4



KetterGreen Shredding Day

Saturday, September 9 9 a.m. to Noon Kettering Government Center Parking Lot



Beggars Night Tuesday, October 31 6 to 8 p.m.



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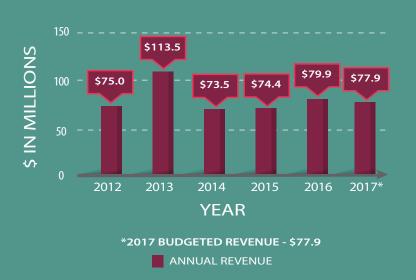
Council Office

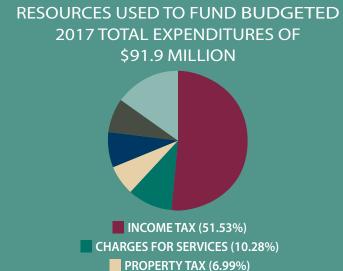
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REVENUE





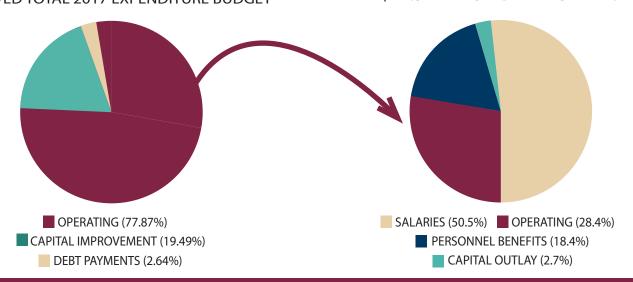
EXPENDITURES

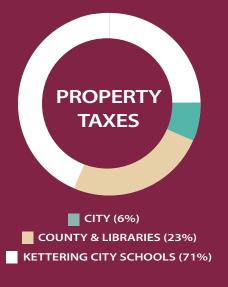
\$91.9 million
APPROVED TOTAL 2017 EXPENDITURE BUDGET

DISTRIBUTION OF APPROVED
2017 OPERATING EXPENDITURES OF
\$71.5 MILLION BY PERCENTAGE

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE (8.19%)

OTHER REVENUE (7.91%) FUND BALANCE (15.10%)





6%

PERCENTAGE OF YOUR COUNTY PROPERTY REAL ESTATE TAXES THAT COME TO THE CITY OF KETTERING.

PROPERTY TAXES ARE PAID TO THE COUNTY AND DISTRIBUTED ACCORDING TO FUNDING RATES APPROVED BY VOTERS.

What is the role of the City Manager?

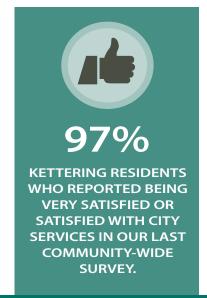
The City Manager is appointed by Council and serves as the chief executive officer of the City of Kettering.

The primary responsibility of the City Manager is to ensure wise stewardship of city resources and to deliver services to residents and business stakeholders according to the \$91.9 million annual budget approved by City Council.

The Manager also holds the position of Public Safety Director and supervises all city departments. The Manager is responsible for the effective operation of the city government under the policy direction of the Mayor and City Council. It is also the responsibility of the Manager to propose policy measures and initiatives for Council consideration.

The City Manager's Key Objectives as Established by City Council are:

- Improve overall efficiency of city operations.
- Ensure organization-wide delivery of outstanding customer service which results in exceptional levels of resident satisfaction.
- Focus on projects that have been identified as high priorities through the strategic plan.



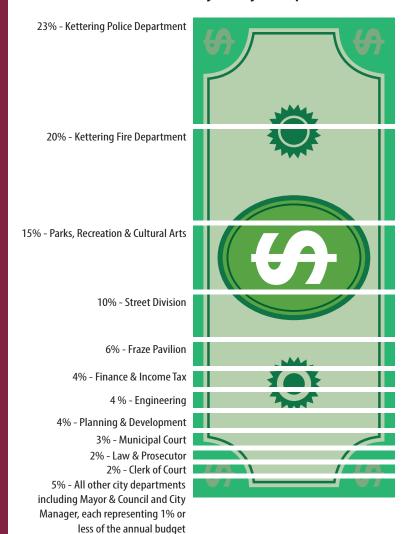
City of Kettering Annual Operating Expenditures



\$71.5 million

Approved 2017 Total Operating Expenditures

Percentage of 2017 Total Operating Expenditures Allocated by City Department





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The number of consecutive years the City of Kettering has been honored with the *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* from the Government Finance Officers Association. This award recognizes local governments that go beyond the minimum requirements to prepare comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and full disclosure.

The number of government entities in the USA and Canada to receive this distinguished award.

1,541

32

The number of consecutive years the City of Kettering has been awarded with the *Government Finance Officers Distinguished Budget Presentation Award,* the highest form of recognition in government budgeting.

\$103 MILLION

AMOUNT OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS MANAGED
BY OUR FINANCE DEPARTMENT

7,700

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS PROCESSED EACH YEAR
BY OUR FINANCE DEPARTMENT

2,100

PURCHASE ORDERS PROCESSED EACH YEAR
BY OUR FINANCE DEPARTMENT

\$702,000

ANNUAL INVESTMENT EARNINGS ON FUNDS MANAGED BY OUR FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department is responsible for the programs of Administration and Budget, Accounting, Taxation and Purchasing.

\$46.5 million

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CITY INCOME TAX COLLECTED
ANNUALLY BY OUR TAX DIVISION

47,000

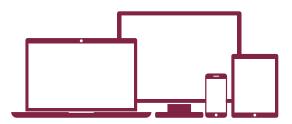
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE TAXPAYER ACCOUNTS MAINTAINED BY OUR TAX DIVISION

3,300

NUMBER OF KETTERING RESIDENTS WHO RECEIVED PERSONAL ASSISTANCE FROM OUR TAX DIVISION TO FILE THEIR 2016 KETTERING INCOME TAX RETURN



THE CITY OF KETTERING IS A PROUD RECIPIENT OF THE *AWARD WITH DISTINCTION* FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING FROM THE OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE.



ANYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT
THE CITY OF KETTERING COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL
REPORT, ACCESSING A USER-FRIENDLY DATABASE OF ALL CITY
EXPENDITURES OR EXPLORING A SEARCHABLE DATABASE OF ALL
CITY SALARIES IS ENCOURAGED TO VISIT THE CITY OF KETTERING
WEBSITE AT WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/TRANSPARENCY.

REINVESTMENT IN OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IS A PRIORITY FOR KETTERING CITY COUNCIL.

EACH YEAR WE CAREFULLY PLAN AND BUDGET FOR UPDATES TO OUR ROADWAYS AND CITY
FACILITIES. HERE ARE THE HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR 2016 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:



\$11.3M

FIRE STATION
IMPROVEMENTS



\$2.9M

RESURFACING OF EAST STROOP ROAD



\$1.2M

RESURFACING OF WEST STROOP ROAD



\$750K

CIVIC COMMONS IMPROVEMENTS

3,086



THE NUMBER OF VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS MAINTAINED BY THE CITY OF KETTERING ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

258



THE LENGTH IN MILES OF SIDEWALK OVERSEEN BY THE CITY OF KETTERING ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT.

RESIDENTIAL LEAF
COLLECTION PROGRAM



1,600

THE NUMBER OF TRUCKLOADS OF LEAVES COLLECTED IN 2016.

THE 2017 RESIDENTIAL LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM BEGINS OCTOBER 16. SEE MORE INFORMATION ON THE BACK COVER OR VISIT WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/RESIDENTS.

3,600

TONS OF SALT USED FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL IN 2016

THE KETTERING
PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT
MAINTAINS & IMPROVES:

258

MILES OF PUBLIC STREETS

60

CITY BUILDINGS & STRUCTURES

450

CITY VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ENFORCEMENT



3,450

THE NUMBER OF CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES MANAGED BY OUR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IN 2016.

98.7%

OF OUR CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES ARE RESOLVED WITHOUT THE NEED TO GO TO COURT.

HOW TO REPORT A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONCERN IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD:

- USE THE REPORT AN ISSUE TAB ON OUR WEBSITE WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG.
- CALL 937-296-3286.

1,300

TALL GRASS COMPLAINTS

80%

RESOLVED IN A TIMELY MANNER
BY THE PROPERTY OWNER



4,600



THE NUMBER OF CONSTRUCTION AND MECHANICAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY

THE CITY OF KETTERING
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

7,900



THE NUMBER OF STRUCTURAL AND MECHANICAL INSPECTIONS PERFORMED BY OUR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

BECAUSE THE CITY BELIEVES THAT THE STRENGTH OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS IS INTRINSICALLY TIED TO THE STRENGTH OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE OFFER SEVERAL PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE REINVESTMENT IN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES.



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KETTERING FAMILIES WHO
ACHIEVED THE DREAM OF HOME
OWNERSHIP IN 2016 USING OUR
DOWN PAYMENT AND CLOSING
COST ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.



\$264,000

SPENT IN 2016 TO DEMOLISH
BLIGHTED PROPERTIES IN
KETTERING NEIGHBORHOODS.



240

THE NUMBER OF KETTERING
RESIDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED
IN OUR HOMEOWNER
COUNSELING PROGRAM.

IN 2016 THE KETTERING FIRE DEPARTMENT PROUDLY RESPONDED TO



8,644

CALLS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICE,
AN INCREASE OF 200 CALLS OVER 2015 DATA.

OF THOSE CALLS:

80% EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
7% PERSONAL ASSISTANCE
5% RELATED TO FIRES
4% FIRE OR CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS
2% SPILLS OR LEAKS
2% ALL OTHER TYPES OF CALLS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

\$12.6 million

2016 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING FIRE DEPARTMENT

\$14.1 million

APPROVED 2017 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING FIRE DEPARTMENT

The approved 2017 budget is 12.6% greater than the 2016 budget and 6.9% greater than estimated 2016 expenditures.

Since the enactment of the Patient Protection Affordable Care Act (PPACA), the Fire Department experienced a significant reduction in part-time firefighter staff. In early 2016 the City added 6 full time firefighter positions. For 2017, City Council approved adding nine full time firefighters and four captains, thus reducing dependency on part-time positions and overtime.



STATION 32

Located at 3484 Far Hills Avenue is now fully operational.



STATION 36

Fire Headquarters and
Emergency Operations Center
is now complete at 4745
Hempstead Station Drive.



STATION 34

Construction is underway at 2575 Woodman Drive directly south of Tenneco with completion anticipated in the fall of 2017.



STATION 37

Design is complete with construction at 1300 West Dorothy Lane expected to begin in fall of 2017.

THE TOTAL ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION IS \$29.4 MILLION.
TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NEW FIRE STATIONS AND WHY NEW CONSTRUCTION WAS NECESSARY PLEASE VISIT WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/NEW-FIRE-STATIONS.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

\$16.1 million

2016 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING POLICE DEPARTMENT

\$16.2 million

APPROVED 2017 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING POLICE DEPARTMENT



94% increase in

narcotics offenses



14% decrease in

speeding offenses



65% increase in weapon

offenses



23%

decrease in robbery offenses

19,315

9-1-1 CALLS

7,279

TRAFFIC CITATIONS
PROCESSED

1,943

TOTAL PRISONERS
BOOKED

3,548

ADULT CRIMINAL ARRESTS



ACTIVITY 2015 2016

Calls for Service 61,085 68,614

COMMUNITY SERVICE SPECIALIST	2015	2016
Complaints Received	1,847	4,087
Persons Cited	52	39
Warnings Issued	239	573

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TRAFFIC CITATIONS	2015	2016
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OVI	364	329
DUS	1,196	1,760
Parking	103	106
Speeding	2,184	1,883
All Others	2,765	3,201
TOTAL	6,612	7,279

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	2015	2016
Fatals	0	1
Personal Injury	127	146
Property Damage	834	849
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	961	990

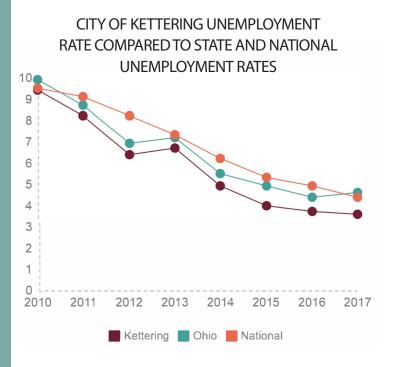
2015	2016
1	1
24	26
35	27
10	16
230	222
800	733
52	52
4	8
1,156	1,085
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PART II OFFENSES	2015	2016
Vandalism	252	228
Weapons	38	65
Sex-Morals	33	61
Narcotics	687	1,334
All Others	1,635	1,748
TOTAL	2,647	3,298

2015	2016
2,971	3,548
328	511
	2,971



JULY 2017 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN KETTERING, OHIO



Kettering is a wonderful place to start a new business.

Our Economic Development team is here to provide specialized, personal assistance and walk you through each step of the process to open a new business in Kettering. Visit the small business portal on our website at www.ketteringoh.org/business or call our Economic Development Manager (296-2412) to learn more about available properties to suit your business needs.

Once a potential location for a new business is selected, our Planning & Development Department can verify that the zoning of the property is correct for the business you wish to open. They will also help with the Certificate of Occupancy and assist you with the sign permit.



THE KETTERING INCOME TAX BASE IS GROWING, A SURE SIGN THAT OUR RESIDENTS AND THOSE WORKING IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE EARNING MORE.



The City of Kettering Economic Development team is committed to assisting current businesses as well as potential businesses in their journey to growth and success.

We employ a variety of programs to encourage economic growth.

The amount and type of assistance available from the City of Kettering varies based on the type of business, amount of associated job growth and plans for construction or expansion.

The following are highlights of the businesses our Economic Development team attracted to Kettering or assisted with expansion of their business here in Kettering in 2016:



XERION ADVANCED BATTERY

3100 RESEARCH BOULEVARD
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$1 MILLION
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$85,000
NEW JOBS: 52



NANOSPERSE

2000 COMPOSITE DRIVE
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$295,700
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$5,500
NEW & RETAINED JOBS: 74



TENNECO

2555 WOODMAN DRIVE
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$42.5 MILLION
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$7.5 MILLION
NEW JOBS: 483
JOBS RETAINED: 478



PRIME CONTROLS

4528 GATEWAY CIRCLE
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$310,844
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$3,500
NEW & RETAINED JOBS: 74



ALTERNATE SOLUTIONS

1050 FORRER BOULEVARD
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$70 MILLION
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$3 MILLION
NEW & RETAINED JOBS: 533



MILLAT INDUSTRIES

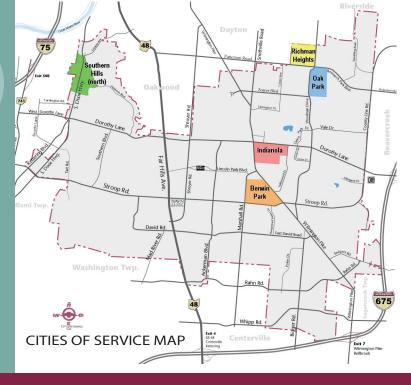
4907 CROFTSHIRE DRIVE
COMPANY INVESTMENT: \$602,000
VALUE OF CITY INCENTIVES: \$160,000
NEW & RETAINED JOBS: 136

CITY OF KETTERING CITIES OF SERVICE INITIATIVE



Established by Mayor Don Patterson in 2012, the City of Kettering's Cities of Service (COS) initiative is a joint effort of city departments coordinated by the Volunteer Office and our Planning & Development Department. Each year the city chooses a neighborhood in Kettering to be part of the Cities of Service initiative. Current efforts are in the Oak Park neighborhood.

To date, the City of Kettering has focused efforts on five Kettering neighborhoods.



Millions of volunteers across our great nation will participate in the national Make a Difference Day on Saturday, October 28, 2017.

For more than two decades, the City of Kettering has participated in this largest national day of community service, and this year is no exception.

Projects will include assisting neighbors with outside yard maintenance in the Oak Park neighborhood and creating holiday greeting cards for our active duty military. We invite individuals, student groups, service clubs, sports teams, and anyone looking for ways to give back to the community to participate in our 2017 *Make a Difference Day* project.

Projects will take place from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, October 28, 2017. Please contact the Volunteer Office at 296-2433 or email marylou.randolph@ketteringoh.org, for details about the projects and to learn how you can help.

OUR CITY OF KETTERING VOLUNTEERS BOAST MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS EACH AND EVERY YEAR AND 2016 WAS NO EXCEPTION. HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE WAYS OUR MORE THAN 1,100 ACTIVE CITY VOLUNTEERS SERVED THE KETTERING COMMUNITY IN 2016:



55 volunteers

donated a total of

1,366 hours

as they welcomed guests to Fraze Pavilion.



58 volunteers

contributed

450 hours

to ensure that guests at the Polen Farm Christmas Day Gathering left with wonderful holiday memories.



21 dedicated volunteers

worked

342 hours

assisting residents visiting the tax office during the 2016 tax season.

THE KETTERING **NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE** AWARDS RECOGNIZE KETTERING RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR CURB APPEAL OR WHO HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR PROPERTIES IMPECCABLY YEAR AFTER YEAR.



29

YEARS THE KETTERING NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE AWARDS HAVE BEEN IN EXISTENCE.



400

THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF KETTERING NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED EACH YEAR.



39

KETTERING
NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE
AWARDS GIVEN EACH YEAR.



520

HOURS DONATED BY
NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE
COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS
EACH YEAR.



175

HOURS VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTED INSTALLING MEDALLIONS TO DATE

ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE LITTLE MIAMI WATERSHED NETWORK, VOLUNTEERS HAVE BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY SINCE LAST SUMMER TO INSTALL MEDALLIONS ON STORM DRAINS THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING OUR STORM WATER CLEAN AND FREE OF CONTAMINANTS.



2,800

MEDALLIONS INSTALLED TO DATE

Front Row (L-R)

Mallory Lynn, Victoria's Secret Direct Glenda Wilkins, Christ Church Tricia Connolly, Day Air Credit Union Michael Bailey, WilmerHale Ryan Davis, City of Kettering Kyle Bassford, WilmerHale

Back Row (L-R)

Robert Hoffman, Kettering Municipal Court (sponsored by Dor-Wood Optimist Club)
Mark Burian, Captain, Kettering Police Dept.
Tara Poteet, Mont. Co. Prosecutor's Office
Gwen Owen, Dayton Metro Library
William Samson, Heapy Engineering
Ryan Sheets, Kettering City Schools

For additional information about the Kettering Leadership Academy, please contact the City of Kettering Volunteer Office at 937-296-2433.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017 GRADUATES OF THE KETTERING LEADERSHIP ACADEMY



MAKING KETTERING A GREAT PLACE TO PLAY TAKES TEAMWORK



155

NUMBER OF YEAR-ROUND PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS DEPARTMENT TEAM MEMBERS

400+

NUMBER OF SEASONAL PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS DEPARTMENT TEAM MEMBERS

\$10.6 MILLION

PARKS RECREATION & CULTURAL
ARTS DEPARTMENT APPROVED
2017 EXPENDITURES



\$4.1 MILLION

PARKS RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS DEPARTMENT PROJECTED REVENUE

BREAKDOWN OF 2017 PRCA EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES BY BUDGET PERCENTAGE

40%

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

1%

CAPITAL EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURES

59%

PERSONNEL EXPENDITURES

74,400

ATTENDED ROSEWOOD ARTS CENTRE
CLASSES & EVENTS IN 2016

29

NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE YEARS
ROSEWOOD ARTS CENTRE HAS
HOSTED THE POPULAR



FINE ART FESTIVAL



196,061

GUESTS ENJOYED CONCERTS & FESTIVALS AT FRAZE PAVILION IN 2016

\$3.6 MILLION

2016 REVENUE FROM FRAZE TICKET SALES

#54

FRAZE PAVILION'S RANKING ON THE LIST OF TOP 100 OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATERS WORLDWIDE



21
THE CITY OF KETTERING
BOASTS 21 BEAUTIFUL
PARKS



1.5
THERE IS A PARK WITHIN 1.5
MILES OF NEARLY EVERY
KETTERING HOME



99
THE TOTAL NUMBER
OF ATHLETIC FIELDS
AND TENNIS COURTS IN
KETTERING PARKS

The City of Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department earned its fifth accreditation through the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) and the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) in 2016.



3,300

KETTERING STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN OUR
LAND LAB ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION
PROGRAM

2,665

YOUTH PARTICIPATED IN KETTERING PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL ARTS DEPARTMENT SUMMER CAMPS IN 2016



5,600+

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WITH FITNESS
PASSES FOR KETTERING FITNESS & WELLNESS
CENTER AND KETTERING RECREATION
COMPLEX

58,000+

ATTENDED PROGRAMS & EVENTS AT OUR CHARLES I. LATHREM SENIOR CENTER IN 2016

36,000+

TRIPS FOR HOUSEHOLD
SHOPPING & LIFE
ESSENTIAL APPOINTMENTS
PROVIDED BY OUR
SENIOR TRANSPORTATION
PROGRAM IN 2016

2,671+

SENIORS AND THEIR
CAREGIVERS RECEIVED
ONE-ON-ONE GUIDANCE
TO MAINTAIN
INDEPENDENCE FROM OUR
KETTERING CONNECTION
SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER
IN 2016





Leaf Pickup begins October 16

One of the most unique and highly valued services the City of Kettering offers residents is free curbside collection of your leaves each fall. Leaves are picked up by city crews and taken to the city's leaf composting center where leaves will be converted to mulch and compost, offered free of charge to residents each spring. **The city will begin in District 1 on October 16 and will continue until December 8.**

Please remember the following tips for leaf pickup:

- Know your leaf collection district. Reference the map below to find your district or visit www.ketteringoh.org and enter your address in the "My Services" tab on the homepage.
- Don't wait until our crews are near your district to rake leaves. As leaves begin to fall, rake piles to the edge of your lawn. We will make several passes through each district for collection.
- Call 296-3255 (FALL) or check the city's website to determine the current location of leaf pickup crews.
- Prior to collection, rake your leaves to the edge of your lawn, but not into the street where they may block traffic and cause a hazard to storm drains. Do not block storm drains or waterways.
- · Do not bag your leaves.
- Make sure leaves are not under, between or around parked cars.
- · Don't rake anything except leaves to the curb for pickup. Branches, sticks, grass and other yard waste clog the machinery and throw the crews off schedule. Leaf piles containing branches, grass, etc. will not be collected. You may take your tree branches and brush to the Kettering Yard Debris **Drop-Off Center located** on Woodman Center Drive or put them in your Waste Management toter for pickup on your trash day.





Contact Numbers

Emergency	
Police/Fire/Paramedic Emergency	9-1-1
Non-Emergency	
Police and Fire Dispatch	296-2555
Frequently Called Numbers	
Animal Control	296-3266
Building Permits & Zoning	296-2441
City Income Tax	296-2502
Government Center	296-2400
Housing Rehabilitation	296-2441
Polen Farm	435-5787
Property Maintenance Hotline	296-3286
Recreation Complex/Water Park/Pool	296-2587
Rosewood Arts Centre	296-0294
Senior Adult Recreation	296-2480
Volunteer Office	296-2433
Yard Debris Hotline	296-3255

Contact with Kettering is published quarterly by the City of Kettering to inform citizens about services, programs and issues in Kettering. Comments or suggestions are welcome and should be sent to the City of Kettering, 3600 Shroyer Road, Kettering, OH 45429.

Stacy Schweikhart: Editor Administrative Systems: Production

The City wishes to make activities, programs and meetings accessible to all citizens. If you have a disability and require accommodations, please call 296-2446.