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**Kettering**  
2022 ANNUAL REPORT



CITY OF KETTERING *is home*



# Mayor's Greeting

Dear Friends,

In an effort to communicate clear, accurate details of how the City budgets for and delivers our services to you, the City of Kettering produces a citywide *Annual Report*. In recent years, Kettering City Council placed a focus on open government. We've made our expenditures, salary database and contracts available 24/7 on our website [www.ketteringoh.org](http://www.ketteringoh.org). We believe it is critically important

that our residents and business stakeholders understand how tax dollars are used to sustain and improve the Kettering community.

Kettering is your community. Please take the time to review this year's *City of Kettering Annual Report* to become informed about how your local government invested in infrastructure, neighborhoods, city services, public safety and economic development.

The adoption of the annual budget is the most important policy statement that City Council makes each year. The budget process requires establishing and setting priorities. Individual City departments evaluate current services and programs, forecast for the year ahead and prioritize needs for the upcoming year's budget. Throughout the year, residents share their suggestions, issues, challenges and priorities with City Council. After discussions and feasibility measurement, many of these items 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:**

- Have active leadership in regional initiatives that improve City services, save the City resources, and boost the City's regional prominence.
- Engage in economic development ventures that attract and expand investment in the City.
- Improve and maintain housing options and neighborhood environments.
- Maintain fiscal responsibility while making strategic capital investments.
- 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.

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,

Peggy Lehner, Mayor

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### Shred Day

Saturday, October 1 from 9 a.m. to Noon  
Fairmont High School Parking Lot,  
3301 Shroyer Road

### Fall Leaf Pickup Begins

Monday, October 17



### Beggar's Night

Monday, October 31



### Daylight Saving time Ends

Sunday, November 6



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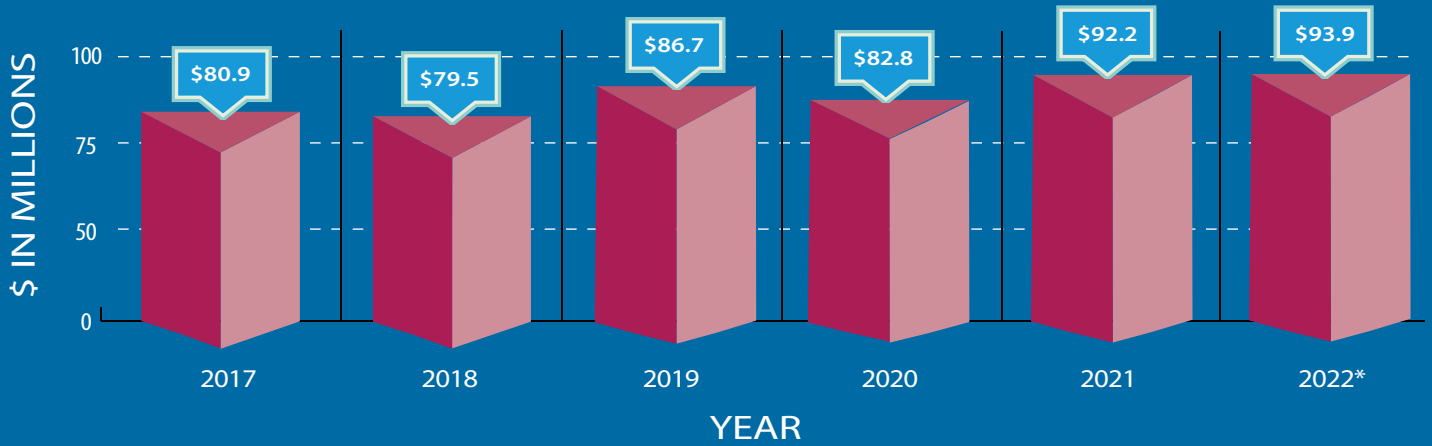
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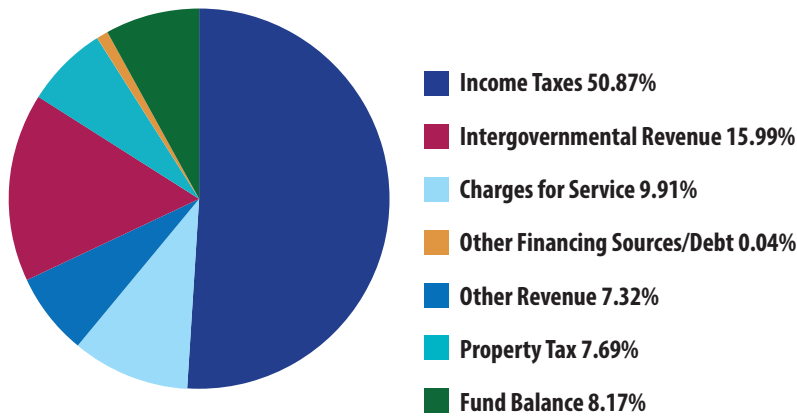


# REVENUE \$ IN MILLIONS

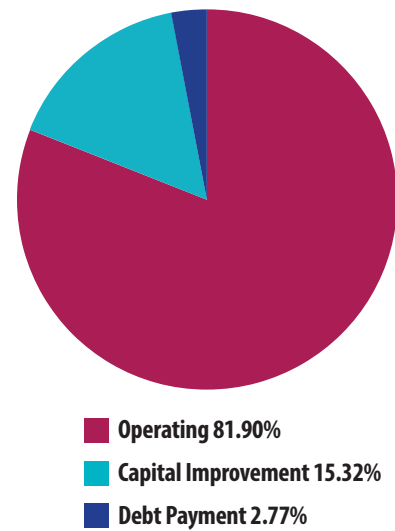


\*2022 Budgeted Revenue of \$93.9 million

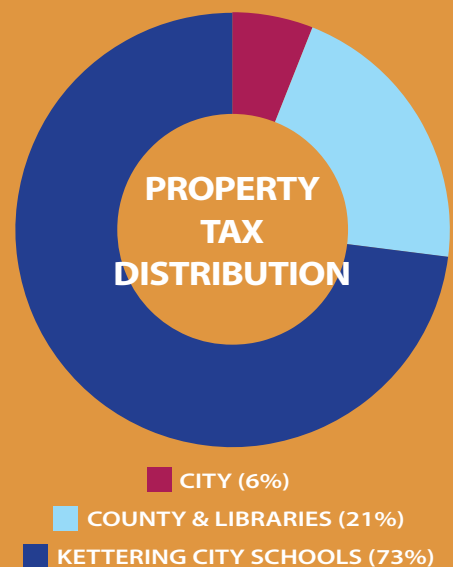
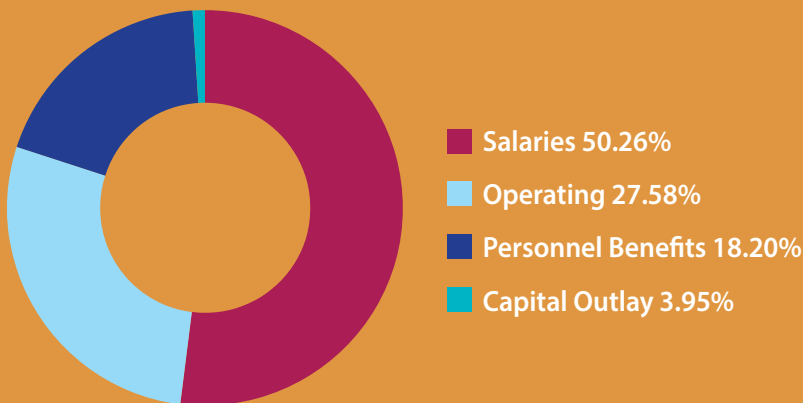
RESOURCES USED TO FUND BUDGETED 2022 TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF \$102.3 MILLION



APPROVED TOTAL 2022 EXPENDITURE BUDGET



DISTRIBUTION OF APPROVED 2022 OPERATING EXPENDITURES OF \$83.8 MILLION



# CITY OF KETTERING ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES

## \$83.8 million

APPROVED 2022 TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES

Kettering recently implemented a local preference policy that is applicable to commodities and equipment costing \$200,000 or less. This policy allows a local vendor as defined in the City's Codified Ordinances to match the low price if the local vendor's pricing is within 5% of the low non-local vendor pricing.



**39**  
YEARS

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

**37**  
YEARS

GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD

## \$88.2 million

AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS MANAGED BY FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### 7,400

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS

### 2,000

PURCHASE ORDERS PROCESSED

## \$54 million

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CITY INCOME TAX COLLECTED

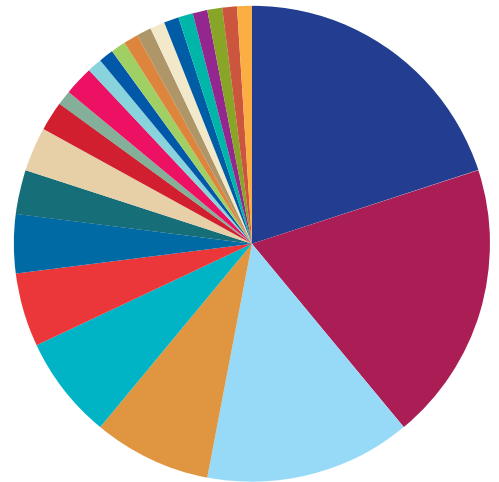
### 56,500

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE TAXPAYER ACCOUNTS

### 4,306

NUMBER OF KETTERING RESIDENTS WHO RECEIVED PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

### Percentage of 2022 Total Operating Expenditures Allocated by City Department



Police Department	\$18,621,700	22.2%	Law Department	\$1,180,300	1.4%
Fire Department	\$16,169,400	19.3%	Economic Development	\$998,200	1.2%
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts	\$12,343,000	14.7%	Administrative Support Division	\$948,900	1.1%
Street Division	\$6,957,600	8.3%	Office of the City Manager	\$795,600	0.9%
Fraze Pavilion Operations	\$6,010,000	7.2%	Other Cost Centers	\$712,600	0.9%
American Rescue Plan Act	\$4,099,000	4.9%	CDBG	\$575,000	0.7%
Finance Department	\$3,053,300	3.6%	Street Lighting	\$441,000	0.5%
Engineering Department	\$2,839,200	3.4%	Special Grants and Programs	\$342,000	0.4%
Planning & Development Dept.	\$2,757,600	3.3%	Community Information	\$272,400	0.3%
Municipal Court	\$1,734,750	2.1%	Mayor and Council	\$261,300	0.3%
Clerk of Courts	\$1,251,900	1.5%	DESC	\$149,000	0.2%
Human Resource Department	\$1,215,300	1.5%	Debt Service	\$57,000	0.1%

# OUR SERVICE TO YOU

## CODE RED

In addition to our official @City of Kettering, Ohio – Government Facebook page and @Kettering\_OH Twitter posts, the City of Kettering uses a system called Code Red to notify our residents and those who work in Kettering of emergency incidents and critical community alerts. Examples include: construction updates, service notifications, public safety alerts, boil water notices, and missing person reports.

### TO ENROLL VISIT

WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/CODE-RED-EMERGENCY-INCIDENT-COMMUNITY-ALERTS/ or text the word KETTERING to 99411. If you do not have internet access, please call 937-296-2412 for assistance.

Currently more than

**4,812**

phone numbers, nearly

**1,635**

email addresses and

**3,803**

text numbers are in our emergency database.

**111**

businesses enrolled.

## UNIQUE CITY SERVICES

Kettering is proud to offer services in areas most other cities don't. Our Senior Service Coordinator offers individualized consultations with senior citizens and their caregivers with the goal of prolonging independence.

**1,555**

NUMBER OF OLDER ADULT RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES SERVED IN 2021

**266**

NUMBER OF PERSONAL MEDICARE ENROLLMENT APPOINTMENTS

**215**

NUMBER OF OLDER ADULTS REFERRED TO SENIOR SERVICE COORDINATOR BY OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS



Kettering City Schools welcomed a Youth and Family Community Resource Coordinator in 2017. This position works with both the City and Schools to gather resources for our struggling families. Requests for mental health resources, food assistance and medical insurance are most common.

**173**

FAMILIES ASSISTED BY THE YOUTH AND FAMILY RESOURCE COORDINATOR IN 2021

## REQUESTS FOR CITY SERVICES

The City of Kettering's website and city app allows residents to quickly report issues and make requests for City services. Since its redesign in 2017, there have been:

**2,854**

REPORTS OF AN ISSUE OR REQUESTS FOR SERVICE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE WEBSITE AND APP

**4,279**

REQUESTS FOR POLICE REPORTS

**2,002**

NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE NOMINATION FORMS SUBMITTED

**1,304**

REPORTS FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONCERNS

**4,014**

REQUESTS FOR VACATION HOUSE CHECKS

**425**

REPORTS OF POTHoles NEEDING ATTENTION

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 2021 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:



**\$2,552,000**

COUNTY LINE ROAD WIDENING PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 2022



**\$1,823,000**

TRAFFIC SIGNALS PHASE 3 WILL BE COMPLETED IN 2022



**\$424,289**

MARSHALL ROAD RESURFACING EAST DAVID TO WILMINGTON

**19**

THE NUMBER OF SNOW EVENTS WITH GREATER THAN 2" ACCUMULATION



**4,002**

TONS OF SALT USED



**RESIDENTIAL LEAF COLLECTION**

**1,023**

TRUCKLOADS EQUALING 6,116 TONS OF LEAVES COLLECTED IN 2021

THE 2022 RESIDENTIAL LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM BEGINS MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/RESIDENTS](http://WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/RESIDENTS)



**\$1,256,000**

ASPHALT RESURFACING ON STREETS THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY

**\$765,000**

ASPHALT RESURFACING ON WOODMAN DRIVE / RESEARCH BOULEVARD RESURFACING



**\$1,094,855**

CURB, SIDEWALK AND DRIVE APPROACH REPAIRS CITYWIDE

**\$259,000**

DONATION CIRCLE

# PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ENFORCEMENT



**852**

CODE ENFORCEMENT CITIZEN COMPLAINTS MANAGED BY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT STAFF IN 2021, WITH 399 VERIFIED AS CASES

**0**

CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS MANAGED IN 2021

**3.6**

THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS TO RESOLVE A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CASE

**0**

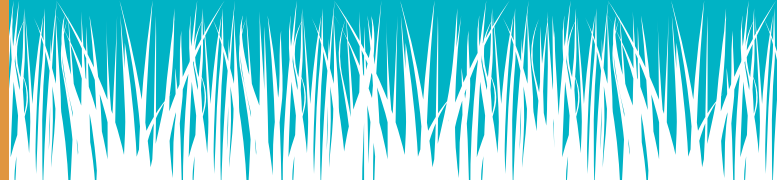
NUISANCE PROPERTIES WERE DEMOLISHED IN 2021

HOW TO REPORT A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CONCERN IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD:

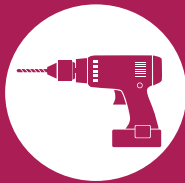
- USE THE **REPORT AN ISSUE** TAB ON OUR WEBSITE [WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG](http://WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG).
- CALL **937-296-3286**.

**1,094**  
TALL GRASS VIOLATIONS

**157**  
PROPERTIES MOWED BY THE CITY AFTER OWNER'S FAILURE TO COMPLY

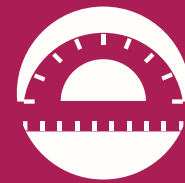


**4,636**



THE NUMBER OF CONSTRUCTION AND MECHANICAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT IN 2020

**6,789**



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

**8**

KETTERING FAMILIES WHO WERE ABLE TO REHAB THEIR HOMES USING OUR REHAB LOAN PROGRAM

**1**

KETTERING FAMILIES WHO ACHIEVED THE DREAM OF HOME OWNERSHIP IN 2020 USING OUR DOWN PAYMENT AND CLOSING COST ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



**303**

STAYPUT ASSISTED

**\$76,697**

SPENT IN 2021 TO ASSIST KETTERING HOMEOWNERS TO RENOVATE THEIR HOMES

**158**

THE NUMBER OF KETTERING RESIDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR HOMEOWNER COUNSELING PROGRAM in 2021

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN KETTERING, OHIO

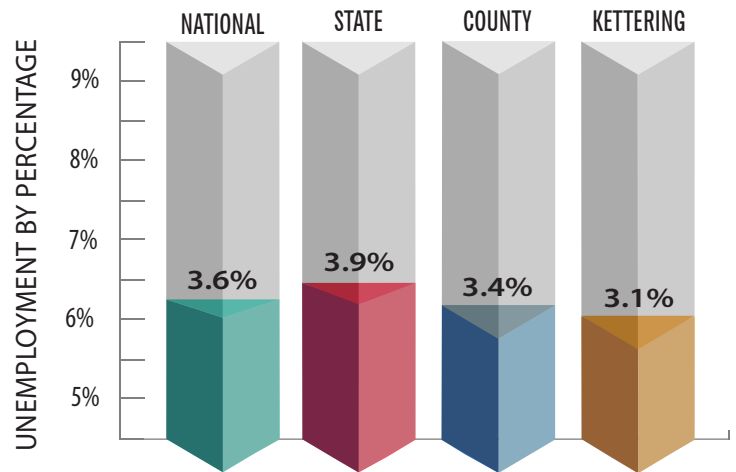
3.1%



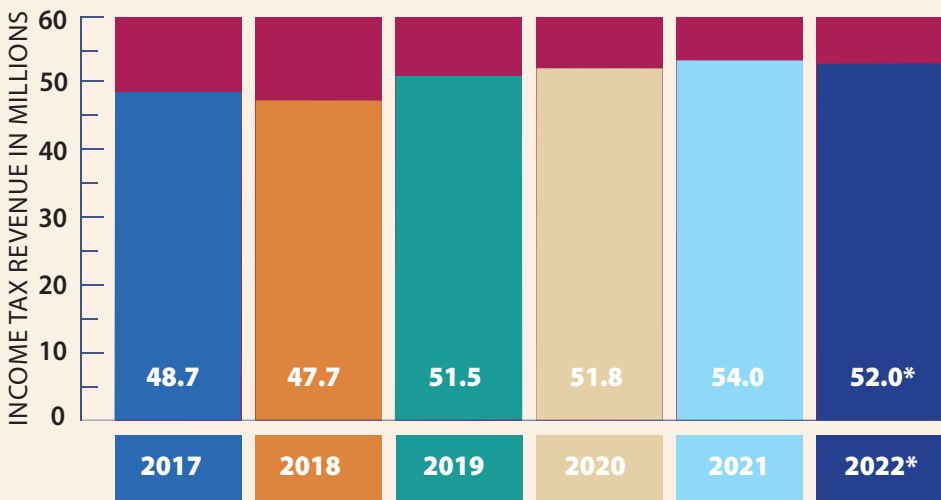
Current 2022 unemployment rate

## CITY OF KETTERING UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

COMPARED TO COUNTY, STATE AND NATIONAL  
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



## CITY OF KETTERING INCOME TAX REVENUE



\*2022 ESTIMATE

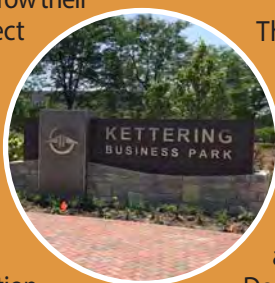
THE KETTERING INCOME TAX BASE IS STRONG, A SIGN THAT RESIDENTS  
AND THOSE WORKING IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE EARNING MORE.

## KETTERING IS A WONDERFUL PLACE TO START A NEW BUSINESS

Because income tax accounts for approximately 80% of the City's general fund revenue and the vast majority of our amenities and our valued city services are funded by income tax, we place a great deal of focus on attracting new businesses and on helping the businesses that are already in Kettering grow and thrive here. If we don't have the jobs, we don't have the resources to support the infrastructure, facilities and services our residents and businesses treasure. In the end, our goal is to protect the investment that you made when you decided to call Kettering home. That means that we invest in our commercial centers to support job growth, and we invest in our neighborhoods and world-class amenities.

## KETTERING IS HOME TO TWO PREMIER BUSINESS PARKS

Since its founding in 1980, Miami Valley Research Park has attracted a wide variety of industries and companies. The City has seen new companies start and grow their operations here, and we expect that trend to continue with the re-development of office space at 1900 Founders Drive and four office buildings located off Research Boulevard, now known as Sixth River.



In summer of 2022, Life Connection of Ohio became the newest tenant at the Park with the opening of their new headquarters at 2800 Donation Circle. Their headquarters has 30,000 square feet of space, allowing them to serve more than 2 million people in 24 counties. Community

Tissue Services and Resonetics have also grown their operations over the last few years.

The completion of the County Line Road widening project will inject another boost, priming Miami Valley Research Park for additional growth. The \$2.6 million project was completed in September and will create a wider route from I-675 at Dorothy Lane, making an easier daily commute for workers who utilize that route.

Meanwhile, the City's other business park -- Kettering Business Park -- is home to some of the City's largest employers like Amazon, Kettering Health, and Alternate

Solutions Health Care. The former Synchrony Buildings, each with 200,000 square feet, are currently undergoing renovations, and the vast, upgraded space should help attract new tenants and jobs.

Businesses that wanted to be part of these unique spaces with plenty of amenities still have opportunities to locate operations here, as space is available at both the Kettering Business Park and Miami Valley Research Park. If you're interested in learning more, contact the City's Economic Development office at [econdev@ketteringoh.org](mailto:econdev@ketteringoh.org).





# CONSTRUCTION UPDATES:

## ASPHALT RESURFACING PROGRAM

Paving is anticipated to start this month. The contractor is nearly complete with the reconstruction of approximately sixty ADA curb ramps, and will soon be working on full-depth pavement repairs.

## CENTERPOINT ENERGY GAS MAIN REPLACEMENTS

CenterPoint Energy plans nine gas main replacement projects in Kettering this year, and is finalizing restoration on several projects from 2021. Because the work involves restoration of pavement and yards, Kettering requires CenterPoint's contractor to obtain permits for each location of work in the right-of-way.

## FORRER BOULEVARD AND SMITHVILLE ROAD

Construction has started on Forrer Boulevard, with Smithville Road to start later in June. Both projects include repair to concrete curb, drive approach and sidewalk, followed by resurfacing of the asphalt pavement. Forrer Boulevard also includes significant sections of full-depth pavement replacement. Both projects are scheduled for completion this Fall.

## OTHER CIP PROJECTS

Construction on the Curb, Sidewalk, and Drive Approach repair project is scheduled to start soon. Kettering Traffic Signal Replacements – Phase Three, Hewitt Bikeway Connector, Concrete Repair Program, and ADA Curb Ramp Replacement Program are scheduled to start construction later this summer.

## COUNTY LINE ROAD WIDENING

Construction work to widen County Line Road started in June 2021, and is on target for completion this summer. The contractor completed work on the east side of the roadway, and shifted traffic to this side for work currently underway on the west side of the roadway.

Because this project borders two counties and two cities, coordination has been, and will continue to be, more involved. Upon completion of this final link, the corridor will provide two lanes in each direction for over ten miles from Moraine to Beavercreek. The increased traffic capacity will support continued business growth at Research Park. The project was awarded nearly \$2,500,000 in federal funds.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE PROJECTS, AND OTHERS, GO TO [WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/CURRENT-ROAD-CONSTRUCTION-PROJECT-UPDATES](http://WWW.KETTERINGOH.ORG/CURRENT-ROAD-CONSTRUCTION-PROJECT-UPDATES)

Emergency Response Call Type	Number of Incidents	Percentage
Emergency Medical Services	7,208	78.65%
Personal Assist	757	8.26%
Alarm Investigation	396	4.32%
Investigation	340	3.71%
Recreational Fire	72	0.79%
Inside Gas Leak	70	0.76%
Wires Arc/Down	59	0.64%
Hazardous Materials	39	0.43%
Electrical/Wiring	35	0.38%
Single Engine Alarm	33	0.36%
Fire Near Structure	24	0.26%
Water in Structure	21	0.23%
Mulch/Grass Fire	18	0.20%
Standby	18	0.20%
Residential Fire	17	0.19%
Vehicle Fire	13	0.14%
Mutual Aid Given – Fire	13	0.14%
Cooking Fire, Contained	12	0.13%
Apartment Fire	6	0.07%
Rescue	4	0.04%
Outside Gas Leak	3	0.03%
Elevator Problem	3	0.03%
Explosion	2	0.02%
Commercial Fire	1	0.01%
Lightning Strike	1	0.01%
<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<b>9,165</b>	<b>100%</b>

Public Education Events	2021 Totals
Block Parties	20
CPR Classes	10
Station Tours	4
Other Events	1

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**\$15.1 MILLION**  
 2021 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE  
 KETTERING FIRE DEPARTMENT

**\$16.2 MILLION**  
 APPROVED 2022 TOTAL  
 BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING  
 FIRE DEPARTMENT

THE APPROVED 2022 BUDGET IS 7.2% GREATER THAN THE 2021 BUDGET AND 5.9% GREATER THAN ACTUAL 2021 EXPENDITURES.

All Kettering Fire Department (KFD) career firefighters are highly-trained paramedics and ready to respond to critically ill or injured patients 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Every career Kettering firefighter is also required to be paramedic certified. Obtaining a paramedic certification is a time-consuming and process consisting of thousands of hours of intense coursework.

**7,208**  
 CALLS FOR EMS  
 SERVICE



Fire Prevention	2020 Totals
Initial Inspections	81
Re-Inspections	49
Construction Inspect.	5
Violations Issued	597
Violations Resolved	453

ACTIVITY	2020	2021
Calls for Service	53,856	62,246
COMMUNITY SERVICE SPECIALIST	2020	2021
Complaints Received	4,004	4,142
Persons Cited	51	50
Warnings Issued	886	932
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	2020	2021
OVI	99	216
DUS	494	944
Parking	25	50
Speeding	337	1,070
All Others	1,326	2,695
<b>TOTAL CITATIONS</b>	<b>2,281</b>	<b>4,975</b>
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	2020	2021
Fatals	0	0
Personal Injury	115	215
Property Damage	479	625
<b>TOTAL ACCIDENTS</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>842</b>
PART I OFFENSES	2020	2021
Homicide	2	1
Forcible Rape	23	33
Robbery	15	14
Aggravated Assault	40	111
Burglary	91	101
Larceny	589	759
Motor Vehicle Theft	47	14
Arson	6	3
<b>TOTAL PART I OFFENSES</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>1,036</b>
PART II OFFENSES	2020	2021
Vandalism	131	239
Weapons	80	130
Sex-Morals	40	17
Narcotics	380	591
All Others	1,412	2,265
<b>TOTAL PART II OFFENSES</b>	<b>2,043</b>	<b>3,242</b>
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	2020	2021
Adults	1,179	1,254
Juveniles	111	119
DETENTION CENTER	2020	2021
Kettering Prisoners	835	1,055
Centerville Prisoners	10	5
Moraine Prisoners	10	10
<b>TOTAL PRISONERS BOOKED</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>1,070</b>

# POLICE DEPARTMENT \$17.3 MILLION

2021 TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE  
KETTERING POLICE DEPARTMENT

# \$18.6 MILLION

APPROVED 2022 TOTAL  
BUDGET FOR THE KETTERING  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

THE APPROVED 2022 BUDGET IS 7.5% GREATER THAN  
THE 2021 BUDGET AND 6.4% GREATER THAN ACTUAL  
2021 EXPENDITURES.



**56%**  
increase in  
narcotics offenses



**218%**  
increase in  
speeding offenses



**63%**  
increase in  
weapon offenses



**7%**  
decrease in  
robbery offenses

*\*Increases attributed to prior years enforcement action limited by Covid-19*

**18,576**

9-1-1 CALLS

**1,070**

TOTAL PRISONERS  
BOOKED

**4,975**

TRAFFIC CITATIONS  
PROCESSED

**1,254**

ADULT CRIMINAL  
ARRESTS



## 2021 MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**68**

volunteers gave

**239**

hours to help remove invasive honeysuckle and plant

**115**

red oak seedlings donated by Cox Arboretum Metro Park at the Habitat Environment Center

**518**

holiday greeting cards and placemats were created by

**62**

volunteers and distributed to Blue Star Mothers for distribution to active duty military serving worldwide and to area nursing home residents.

A total of **130** volunteers of

all ages joined together donating **382** hours!

Thanks to our partnership with Alter HS Key Club, Chaminade-Julienne HS, Christ Church United Methodist, City of Kettering Staff, City of Kettering Volunteers, Cox Arboretum Metro Park, Fairmont HS National Honor Society, Kettering Adventure Princesses, Kettering-Centerville Kiwanis Club, Dayton Regional STEM School Builders Club, Kettering Volunteer Advisory Council, Mayor Patterson and members of City Council, and Parkview Church of the Nazarine.

## NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE AWARDS PROGRAM

2022 marked the 34<sup>th</sup> year of the Neighborhood Pride Awards Program. This program is designed to recognize property owners for significant improvements made to their properties or for impeccable property maintenance year after year.

**39**

NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE AWARDS WERE PRESENTED BY MAYOR LEHNER (36 RESIDENTIAL AND 3 BUSINESS).

**250**

HOURS DONATED BY COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

**220**

NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED AND REVIEWED BY OUR COMMITTEE OF VOLUNTEERS

In an effort to reduce paper waste, the Neighborhood Pride program eliminated direct mailer nomination forms. Residents were invited to send in the nomination card included in the spring Contact with Kettering, use the electronic nomination option, or directly call the Volunteer Office.

Wooden signs were placed on all award winning properties and a video of all winning properties was created and placed on the City's website. All property owners were presented with a certificate from Mayor Peggy Lehner at a City Council Meeting.

## VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Volunteers contributed **11,660** hours

from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 saving **\$313,356**

Saving the City more than: **\$24,360,011** since the program inception!

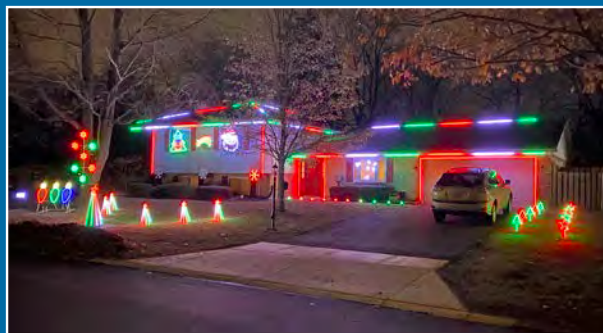
### VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON CELEBRATION

We were delighted to bring back our annual Volunteer Luncheon Celebration. Volunteers enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving style meal and visiting with Mayor Patterson, members of City Council, and representatives from all City Departments. A drive through option was available for volunteers not ready to join in person. Volunteers were awarded gifts and certificates based on the number of hours contributed.



### KETTERING IS HOME TO THE HOLIDAYS

Volunteers worked with city staff and Miami Valley Communications Council to host the second annual "Kettering is Home to the Holidays" activity. More than 60 residential and business property owners participated by downloading a photo of their property's holiday decorations that were placed on a map and made available to the community for a festive drive through Kettering.



# MAYOR'S AWARD FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE

The Mayor's Award for Volunteer Service is presented each year to both a youth and an adult volunteer to recognize valuable contributions to the community. The 2022 recipients were Chloe Adkins and Karen Sejas.



## YOUTH VOLUNTEER, CHLOE ADKINS,

is a third grade student at Indian Riffle Elementary. At only nine years old, Chloe has demonstrated a level of empathy and compassion beyond her years. For the past four years, Chloe has volunteered with her brother, Jake, at the Kettering Backpack Program. During this time, she has prepared thousands of bags for children in need of food. Following a school lesson where she learned of a young boy facing homelessness, Chloe organized a program called "Kind Cakes". This program collects birthday cake supplies to prepare kits that are supplied to shelters and food pantries. This provides a way to celebrate birthday milestones in situations where they typically do not occur.

During these efforts, Chloe was diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkin's lymphoma and still continued to pack bags and make cake kits between treatments and hospital stays! When the good news came that she was cancer free, Chloe again found a way to pay

it forward. Chloe received blood transfusions during her treatments. When she learned about the critical need for blood due to shortages, she responded by helping to organize blood drives!

## ADULT VOLUNTEER, KAREN SEJAS,

retired after 25 years of service to the City of Kettering in November 2011. While an employee, Karen served in both the Human Resource and the Finance Departments. After retirement, Karen wasted no time jumping back in to continue her service to the City the following year--this time in a volunteer capacity. Her volunteer efforts are concentrated in the Administrative Systems and Human Resource Departments. Over the past 10 years, Karen has given over 2,300 hours of service to help scan, shred, organize files, lend expertise and help with archives. In addition to her willingness to continue to learn new skills

and help wherever needed, she brings encouragement and compassion to everyone she works alongside.

Her nominators have this to say about Karen: "Karen deserves the Mayor's Award for Volunteer Service for her unwavering, dependable, loyal, valuable contributions to our Departments. She gives tirelessly and is the most conscientious volunteer one could hope for. She brings with her expertise, energy, enthusiasm and commitment, and consistently delivers high quality work. She is always willing to share her knowledge. Karen's loyalty and dedication to the City make her a valuable volunteer and team member!"

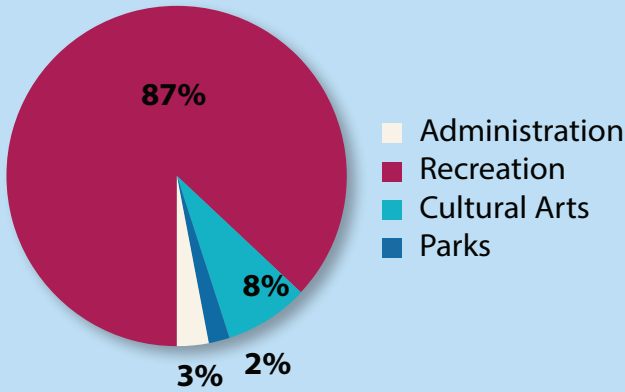
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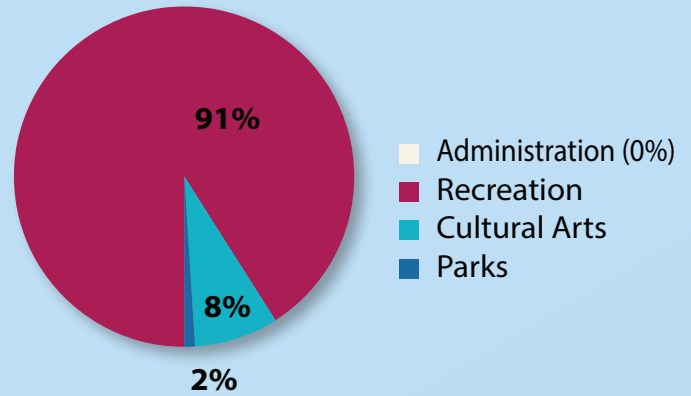
# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

PRCA revenues increased in 2021, as program enrollments, fitness memberships, rentals and more returned to pre-pandemic levels. The department's capital improvement projects (CIP) included the Rosewood Art Center renovation with support from the Cultural Facilities Fund administered by the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and the Schantz Avenue Bridge landscaping and irrigation.

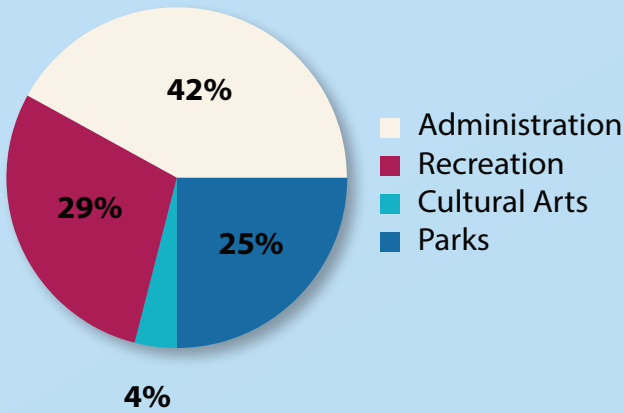
**2021 TOTAL PRCA INCOME**  
\$2,813,220



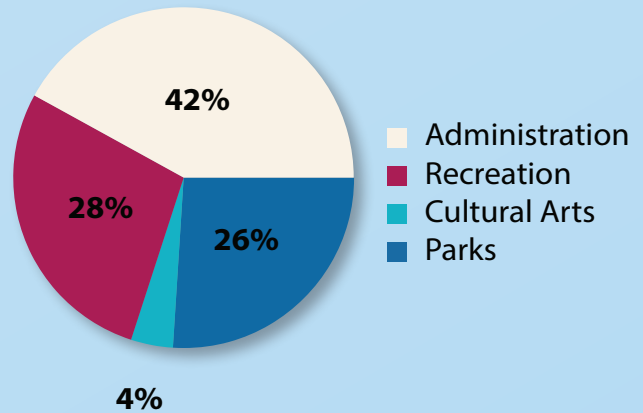
**2021 BUDGETED INCOME**  
\$3,063,000



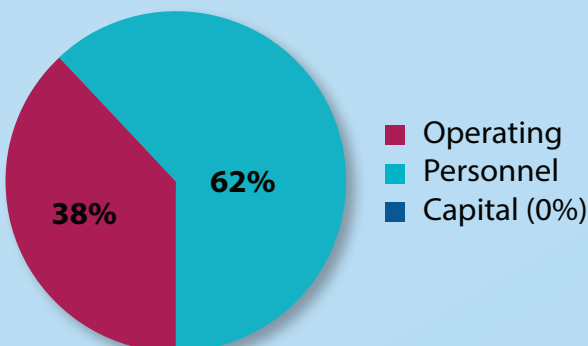
**2021 TOTAL PRCA EXPENSES**  
\$9,411,590



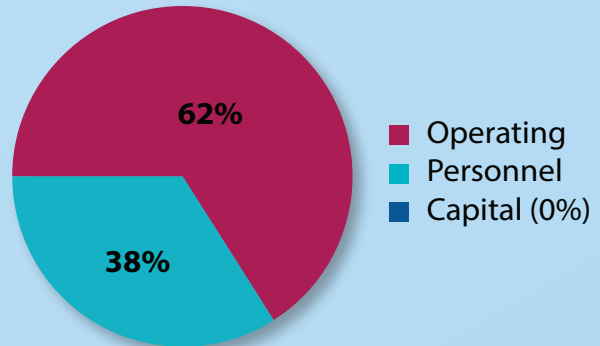
**2021 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES**  
\$10,063,760



**BREAKDOWN OF PRCA EXPENSES**



**BREAKDOWN OF FRAZE EXPENSES**





**6,987**

**HOURS MOWING  
PARKS AND FACILITIES**



**2,300+**

**PARTICIPANTS IN SPORTS  
PROGRAMS**



**15,200+**

**GUESTS TO THE  
KETERING ICE ARENA**



**900+**

**ATTENDED HABITAT  
ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**

**113,600+**

**FITNESS & WELLNESS  
VISITS**

**4,000**

**CHILDREN ATTENDEED  
ART CLASSES**

**95,000+**

**ATTENDED EVENTS AT  
FRAZE PAVILION**

**2,340+**

**VISITS TO ROSEWOOD  
GALLERY**

**44,000+**

**VISITED OUR AQUATIC  
FACILITIES**



# AWARDS

The PRCA team celebrated several recognitions in 2021:

- The PRCA team celebrated several recognitions in 2021, including reaccreditation by the National Recreation and Parks Association Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies.
- Kettering Recreation Complex Fitness Center won first place in the Dayton Magazine Best of Dayton awards.
- The City of Kettering was designated a Tree City USA community for the 39th consecutive year. The Parks division, through the City of Kettering, received the Growth award for the second consecutive year.

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**CITY DATA**

The City of Kettering website provides full, searchable and easy to use multi-year databases for:

- City spending
- City salaries
- Budget documents
- Detailed minutes and archived video of City Council meetings

**SHRED DAY**  
**SATURDAY, OCT. 1**  
**FROM 9 AM TO NOON**  
**FAIRMONT**  
**HIGH SCHOOL**



**Contact Numbers**

<b>Emergency</b>	
Police/Fire/Paramedic Emergency .....	9-1-1
<b>Non-Emergency</b>	
Police and Fire Dispatch .....	937-296-2555
<b>Frequently Called Numbers</b>	
Animal Control .....	937-296-3266
Building Permits & Zoning .....	937-296-2441
City Income Tax .....	937-296-2502
Government Center .....	937-296-2400
Housing Rehabilitation .....	937-296-2441
Polen Farm .....	937-435-5787
Property Maintenance Hotline .....	937-296-3286
Recreation Complex/Water Park/Pool .....	937-296-2587
Rosewood Arts Centre .....	937-296-0294
Senior Adult Recreation .....	937-296-2480
Volunteer Office .....	937-296-2433
Yard Debris Hotline .....	937-296-3255

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