

# Clinton Township Community

SPRING/SUMMER 2024

## News



Trustee Clark and  
Daisy

**We welcome David Clark as our New 2024 Board of Trustees Member.** David has been a resident of the township for two years, and enjoys many things about Clinton Township—He enjoys his neighbors, the shopping, the dining selections, overall events, diversity and feeling of community in the township. His main goal is to, “Help make life easier, as much as possible, for all Clinton Township residents while creating sustainable neighborhoods to improve all resident’s quality of life.” He understands that this of course may have a different meaning to each residents which is why he is encouraging residents to come to the Township Board of Trustee meetings, or feel free to contact him direct at [dclark@clintontownship.org](mailto:dclark@clintontownship.org), or on his cell phone, 614-499-8803.

Trustee Clark is enthusiastic about having the opportunity to be involved with many other of our Township initiatives such as the Township’s Economic Development planning which include the upcoming Cleveland Avenue “facelift” (Safety Improvement Project), and Business Developments along with incentive planning. “Being at the table as the Township’s liaison to the JEDZ Board and MORPC will provide us with the opportunities for more collaboration and input which will assist in securing any available resources for future township improvements and overall residential benefits, such as the Metropolitan Transit Plan - MORPC [Metropolitan Transportation Plan \(MTP\) – MORPC.org](#).”

Trustee Clark’s priorities for the Township include revisiting the latest resident survey results as to resident priorities or concerns , determining ongoing issues and changing needs, then help create viable solutions. Also, “Most of the time we find that although we share information often and there are many resources available to help assist our residents, on our website that many residents are completely unaware. This may be because they do not have access to social media or our website. Residents can feel free to also call our office at 614-471-1479 regarding any requests, comments, or concerns.” Trustee Clark said. “In addition, this summer, we are establishing communication boards at all of our parks. Information on Township events, updates, and resources will be posted accordingly and is just another way for residents visiting the parks to stay connected!”

Besides hanging with his Bichpoo Daisy, Trustee Clark enjoys traveling to visit his adult children, photography, landscaping his yard and renovating his home.

**Dave Medley became our newly appointed Township Administrator in January 2024** and is currently serving the Township in his Public Works Superintendent role, which includes training and overseeing the Roads staff, and providing ongoing township services. Dave, who has 26 years of working in the public sector, is looking forward to collaborating with the Trustees to help make the community a better place to live and work. Smoothly implementing ongoing Township initiatives such as the upcoming Roads improvement projects are a main goal for Dave. Here are a few updates:

**Cooke Rd project:** The Franklin County Engineer’s Engineers office is waiting for ODOT’s approval on FEC’s responses to Cooke Rd public comments we received. Once they receive their approval they will post responses on their website next to the issued Public Involvement documents. The goal is to award the Cooke Rd Improvement project in Fall 2025 with construction beginning in Spring 2026. Utility relocation work will begin in Fall 2024, starting with AEP relocating all utility poles located on the north side of Cooke Rd between Karl Rd and Walford St. Columbia Gas will also have significant relocation work on the south side of Cooke Rd that will take place prior to Spring 2026.

**The Cleveland Avenue Safety Improvement Project:-** This has been expanded to the south include the intersections of Dunbar/Piedmont/ Dunedin side streets. Previously the southern limits of the project were at Huy Rd. The northern limits of the project remain at Cooke Rd, with resurfacing planned as far north as Ormond Ave. The goal for FCE is to award Cleveland Avenue Safety Improvement project in July 2024. The contractor may begin construction late this summer or, more than likely due to the lead time it takes to acquire the overhead mast arms for the mid-block pedestrian crossing signage, they may start in Spring 2025. Columbus advised that their similar project to the south on Cleveland Avenue experienced 40+ week lead times on this material. They don’t want the contractor to start construction late this summer if they cannot also finish the project before winter.

Dave is also involved with the various MOPRC initiatives as well as working with the City of Columbus’ Linden Green Line Park Project which will provide a new trail and park space for the Linden and Northland community. <https://columbusrecparks.com/connect/about/capital-improvement-projects/linden-green-line/>

When not working, Dave enjoys spending time with his grandchildren, family, dirt track racing, hunting, and riding his motorcycle with his longtime girlfriend Pam.



Dave Medley

## CT DIVISION OF FIRE NEWS

Did you know the only way to know if there is lead in your home is to test for the presence of lead in paint, dust, and/or soil? If you are a homeowner, your home was built before 1978, and you live in Franklin County, you may qualify for a FREE lead-based paint inspection and repairs through our lead renovation program. Sign up today to see if you qualify! [bit.ly/safehousingprogram](https://bit.ly/safehousingprogram). #NLPPW2022 #LeadFreeKids

### CTDF AWARDED \$14,000 GRANT!

Over the last few years many organizations have conducted studies related to cancer in the fire service. These studies have shown that firefighters risk an increase in developing various types of cancers due to the exposures to smoke and other toxic gases. The Clinton Township Division of Fire was one of the first departments in Franklin County to develop a Cancer Reduction Policy. The new station was built with a decontamination corridor that allows our firefighters to immediately remove contaminated clothing and shower before entering the station. According to the Ohio BWC, this was the first firefighter decontamination corridor in Ohio. Many other departments have since followed suit. The Clinton Township Division of Fire was recently awarded \$14,000.00 from the BWC Firefighters Exposure to Environment Elements Grant (FEEEG). This grant covers the cost of 80 particulate blocking hoods that reduce smoke penetration to the skin and 50 pairs of washable FI fire gloves. This grant will cover the cost of these needed items for the next few years.

## PREVENT CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING



Many homes built before 1978 contain lead-based paint. This paint can cause serious health problems for children.

### GET HELP NOW.

- Get a free lead-based paint inspection.
- Free home renovations are available to those who qualify.
- Minimum Requirements: You must be a home or property owner and your home must have been built before 1978.

### FOR QUESTIONS

(614) 525-3160  
Mike Adair@franklincountyohio.gov



### TO GET STARTED

[bit.ly/safehousingprogram](https://bit.ly/safehousingprogram)



## CLINTON TOWNSHIP DIVISION OF POLICE NEWS



### Officer Dylan Struble Awarded the Medal of Valor



Officer Struble exemplified exceptional courage, extraordinary decisiveness, and presence of mind, along with unusual swiftness of action to protect the life of a Mifflin Township police officer who had just been seriously injured by a suspect with a knife. Officer Struble was able to quickly engage the suspect, subdue him and ultimately take him into custody. It was his swift actions that saved the officer's life and for Officer Struble's valiant actions we all are thankful and applaud him!

2023 was a very busy year! The Police Department had an increase of over 57% in arrests compared to 2022. The Division of Police's 2023 Year-End Report is now available: <https://www.clintontownship.org/police-depart->



### Officer Jeffrey Bingham Presented 2023 MADD Award

We want to recognize Officer Jeffrey Bingham who received the Award of Excellence for 2023 from Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Thank you Officer Bingham!



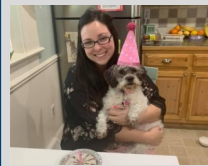
### The Community Commitment Award presented to Charlie Corbin



We are grateful Mr. Corbin immediately pulled over and rendered assistance when our Officer Cronig's (Hughes) parked cruiser was hit by a motorist on the freeway. Fortunately she was unscathed.

Reminder to slow down (go to the next lane over, if possible) when approaching any patrol vehicle parked on the side of the road with their lights on!

### Cassidy's Corner (and Marshal!)



As the weather heats up, summertime pet safety becomes a "HOT" animal welfare issue. Pets do not sweat the way humans do- They **CANNOT** cool their bodies efficiently in hot temperatures.

Please leave your pet's home. They will be happy to see you when you return! Please be mindful every time and to not think, "I'll be quick!" with leaving a child or pet in an unattended vehicle, even with the windows open/cracked. Understand the importance of:

- Teaching children not to play in any vehicle.
- Locking vehicle doors—even at home. Keep the keys out of reach of children.
- Checking vehicles FIRST if a child goes missing.
- Dial 911 immediately if you see an unattended child/animal in a parked car if there are no signs of an air conditioner cooling the interior.

## CAR TEMPERATURE PET SAFETY CHART

How long does it take for a car to get HOT?

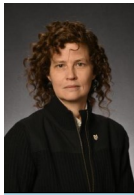
### VEHICLE TEMPERATURE

Outside Temp (F)	Inside Temp (F) 10mins	Inside Temp (F) 30mins
70°	89°	104°
75°	94°	109°
80°	99°	114°
85°	104°	119°
90°	109°	124°
95°	114°	129°

WITHIN MINUTES  
INTERIOR  
CAR TEMPS  
CAN BE DEADLY!

VeterinaryClinic.com





## An Update From the Fiscal Officer

Free free to reach out to Deb Steele, Township Fiscal Officer  
at 614-471-0049 or [ficalofficer@clintontownship.org](mailto:ficalofficer@clintontownship.org)

### Cash Summary by Fund

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY  
FOR YEAR 2023

Fund Name	Fund Bal		Revenue	Trfs In	Total Fund		Transfers	Fund Balance	Pooled Bal
	1/1/2023	Adjstmnt			Adjustments	& Revenues			
					Expenditures		Out	12/31/2023	
General	\$6,612,325.50	\$20.00	\$3,390,589.95	\$0.00	\$10,002,935.45	\$1,668,507.08	\$1,235,000.00	\$7,099,428.37	\$7,099,428.37
Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$7,926.36	\$0.00	\$6,700.00	\$0.00	\$14,626.36	\$2,667.50	\$0.00	\$11,958.86	\$11,958.86
Gasoline Tax	\$56,389.14	\$0.00	\$144,032.01	\$0.00	\$200,421.15	\$47,712.03	\$0.00	\$152,709.12	\$152,709.12
Road and Bridge	\$220,596.14	\$10,638.95	\$340,319.11	\$0.00	\$571,554.20	\$385,681.26	\$0.00	\$185,872.94	\$185,872.94
Police District	\$841,608.11	\$232.96	\$1,484,675.08	\$600,000.00	\$2,926,516.15	\$2,166,443.73	\$0.00	\$760,072.42	\$760,072.42
Fire District	\$447,923.49	\$122.50	\$1,823,607.80	\$300,000.00	\$2,571,653.79	\$2,304,801.26	\$0.00	\$266,852.53	\$266,852.53
Prmsv Mtr Veh Lic Tax	\$65,025.20	\$0.00	\$36,121.71	\$0.00	\$101,146.91	\$10,618.95	\$0.00	\$90,527.96	\$90,527.96
Federal Law Enforcement	\$35,130.74	-\$258.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34,872.00	\$9,984.00	\$0.00	\$24,888.00	\$24,888.00
Law Enforcement Trust	\$9,060.78	\$258.74	\$1,823.79	\$0.00	\$11,143.31	\$5,313.36	\$0.00	\$5,829.95	\$5,829.95
ARP CmaVrs Relief Fund	\$374,836.55	\$0.00	\$3,162.17	\$0.00	\$377,998.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$377,998.72	\$377,998.72
EMS	\$199,927.05	\$0.00	\$544,409.09	\$0.00	\$744,336.14	\$473,484.59	\$0.00	\$270,851.55	\$270,851.55
One Ohio Opioid	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,217.19	\$0.00	\$1,217.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,217.19	\$1,217.19
Elmore Sidewalk Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
DUI Education	\$454.02	\$0.00	\$565.50	\$0.00	\$1,019.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,019.52	\$1,019.52
Walford St. & Ormond Ave. Impr	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$206,358.00	\$85,000.00	\$291,358.00	\$284,075.91	\$0.00	\$7,282.09	\$7,282.09
Police Custodial	\$2,494.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,494.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,494.00	\$2,494.00
Report Total:	\$8,873,697.08	\$11,014.41	\$7,983,581.40	\$1,235,000.00	\$18,103,292.89	\$7,359,289.67	\$1,235,000.00	\$9,509,003.22	\$9,509,003.22

## CODE COMPLIANCE

### Report a Code Violation

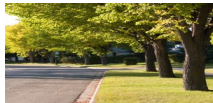
You can report code violations 24 hours a day by calling 614-809-4266 and giving the information to the voice mail system. You may also email Dan Quigley, Code Compliance Officer, at [dquigley@clintontownship.org](mailto:dquigley@clintontownship.org). We greatly depend upon the assistance of residents to report any code violations and you may report anonymously; just scan the QR code for direct access to the form!



### COMMON CODE VIOLATIONS

#### High Grass and Weeds

High grass and weeds can quickly become a fire hazard as well as a breeding place for mosquitoes and rodents. Grass or weeds higher than 10 inches are not in compliance. Once reported or we are made aware, one has only 7 days to remove the high grass and weeds. If the problem is not resolved after allowed time period for abatement has expired, legal action is then taken in Environmental Court!



#### Abandoned and Junked Vehicles

Junked vehicles visible from a public place or public right-of-way are detrimental to the safety and welfare of the general public, tend to reduce the value of private property, invite vandalism, and harm the economic welfare of the Township!

Typical violations of this ordinance include accumulation of trash, wood debris, building and fencing materials, furniture, appliances, tires, car parts, tree limbs, and other related materials. Residents are asked to call Local Waste for bulk pick up, if applicable and to not set out until the pick up. If the problem is not resolved, legal action is then taken in Environmental Court.

#### Trash, Rubbish and Open Storage

Typical violations of this ordinance include accumulation of trash, wood debris, building and fencing materials, furniture, appliances, tires, car parts, tree limbs, and other related materials. Residents are asked to call Local Waste for bulk pick up, if applicable and to not set out until the pick up. If the problem is not resolved, legal action is then taken in Environmental Court.

### BRUSH PICK UP BEGINS April 8th!



The winter season has quickly come and gone (hopefully!). Although we did not have much snow plowing this year, street maintenance will be soon underway to remedy all those cracks and potholes. Chippy the Chipper is also looking forward it get out and eat some brush now!

The Public Works crew will begin brush collection April 8th, every Monday and Tuesday, and will continue until the end of October. Remember to:

- ⇒ Place brush near the street with cut ends pointed toward the street.
- ⇒ Leave limbs and small trees in one piece.
- ⇒ Leave bundles loose. Do not tie.
- ⇒ Put roots out for trash collection.
- ⇒ Remove items such as wire, string, rope, Christmas decorations, plastic or paper. These items can damage the chipper.
- ⇒ Put yard waste such as grass clippings, hedge trimmings, fruit vines, weeds and leaves in yard waste bags and put out for trash pickup.
- ⇒ Also remember that brush hauled onto property or left by professional trimmers will not be picked up.

Questions? Call the Public Works Dept-  
Dave Medley at: 614-471-6854



We will be able to witness one of the most extraordinary astrological events this year on April 8th! The upcoming solar eclipse path has created a huge fire-storm (so to speak). Many agencies in Ohio are predicting record turnouts as people flock to get the best view of this spectacle! Visit [The Great American Solar Eclipse of 2024](https://www.nasa.gov/content/20170406main-the-great-american-solar-eclipse-2017) | [Clinton Township OH](https://www.clintontownship.org/)



### 2024 Beautification- Starting April 15th

The Beautification Committee is excited to bring back our landscape competition to our residents!

It takes hard work, determination and commitment to keep our township looking beautiful, and we are excited to see our community green and blooming in colors.

The Beautification Committee would like to recognize those who give special attention to their property.

Please look for all the upcoming details on our webpage and social media for this 2024 season.

In addition, all participants will have the opportunity to be featured each month as a "Home of the month" spotlight on our webpage and social media, and this will include an "Overall Winner" title for the property that is a real showstopper!



# GREEN NEWS

**Earth Day/Arbor Day 2024** Clinton Township is proud to host an Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Events will take place at Township Hall, 3820 Cleveland Ave. There will be free trees to plant, places for you to drop off your unwanted household items (and "junk") and unused medications, all in the name of a cleaner, safer planet. Franklin Soil and Conservation resources and rain barrel rebate program and seeds will be available.



**Plant a Free Tree!** Clinton Township is a member of Tree City USA! Our residents can reach to us for a free tree and we will even plant it for you! Call us at 614-471-1479 or visit us at [Tree City USA | Clinton Township OH](https://www.treecityusa.org/Clinton-Township-OH)

**Recycle!** Get rid of clutter AND help the environment by recycling! Call us for a recycle bin and visit [Trash, Recycling and Yard Waste Information | Clinton Township OH](https://www.clintontownshipoh.org/Trash-Recycling-and-Yard-Waste-Information)

**E-subscribe!** Sign up to receive your Clinton Township newsletter electronically, by email and other news items! Visit: [Subscribe | Clinton Township OH](https://www.clintontownshipoh.org/subscribe) for more ways you can help the environment and your community!

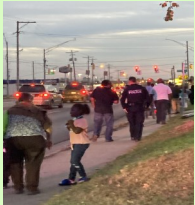
**Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District** Our partner, FSWCD, provides education and assistance on a variety of conservation resources including the rain barrel rebate program, rebates, and savings for residents and businesses. Visit them at [Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District \(franklinswcd.org\)](https://www.franklinswcd.org)



**Still have leaves?** It's best to run over a thin layer of leaves with a lawn mower so they can break down more quickly while fertilizing your grass. Thick layers are bad for the grass as it will exclude light and eventually die. It is suggested to rake excess leaves into a landscape/garden, they will decompose to form a mulch.

## The Clinton Township Community Health Action Team (CHAT)

CHAT is a partnership between Franklin County Public Health and Clinton Township. Our CHAT Coordinator from Franklin County Public Health is Kevinda Bowry. The co-Chairs from our Township are the Clinton Township Fire Chief, Brian Fraley and Clinton Township Trustee, Jess Jessberger.



The Clinton Township CHAT started in 2019, and in 2020 we hosted our first Produce Market. We have worked as a collaborative to leverage resources and address the needs of the community.

Market Schedule



### \*Community Engagement Events:

- Free Drive-thru Produce Markets
- Women's Self Defense Classes
- Minority Health Month Resource Fairs
- Community Safety Days
- Family Movie Night
- Harm Reduction Vending Machine
- Free Food Shack
- Linden Anti-Violence Walks
- Narcan/Fentanyl Test Strips
- Lead Poisoning Safety

**\*Visit our Facebook page and webpage (NEWS) for 2024 events & dates**



### 2024 Produce Market Stats

Approx. 126,000 lbs of food was distributed to 10,718 individuals compared to 120,000 lbs to 9,334 folks in 2023!

*We are always looking for Clinton Township residents to join us at our monthly meetings. The Clinton Township CHAT meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm; odd numbered months at 3820 Cleveland Ave. and even numbered months at 999 Chambers Road.*

## Events

### APRIL

#### Litter Sweep

- SAT 4/20 10am Meet at the firehouse at 3820 Cleveland Avenue at 10am to join forces in keeping our community clean!



#### Minority Health Month

- SAT 4/21 at 999 Chambers Rd, 12pm-4pm
- SAT 4/27 at 3820 Cleveland Ave, 12pm-4pm.

A variety of resources and activities for the entire family, including self-defense classes with Instructor Mica Scott.

#### Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration & National Drug Take Back



SAT, 4/27, 10am-2pm: Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration at 3820 Cleveland Ave



### JUNE

#### Community Safety Days

- SAT, 6/2, 12pm-4pm: Community Safety Day at 999 Chambers Rd
- SAT, 6/8, 12pm-4pm: Community Safety Day at 3820 Cleveland Ave

### JULY

#### Scrap Tire Take Back

- SAT, 7/13, 9am-12pm: at 3820 Cleveland Ave

