



# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO



## Popular Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2017





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## CITY OF PICKERINGTON

Citizens of the City of Pickerington, Ohio:

I am pleased to present to you the City of Pickerington's Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. This report provides an analysis of the financial position of the City, where the revenues come from, where those dollars are spent, and an overview of local economic trends. My goal is to better communicate how the City is operating fiscally in a reader friendly financial publication.

The financial information for this report has been taken from the 2017 City of Pickerington Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR is comprised of 162 pages of detailed financial statements, notes, and schedules and 50 pages of statistical information. The CAFR was prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and audited by the Ohio Auditor of State Office, receiving an unmodified opinion. An unmodified opinion means that the general purpose financial statements of the City are fairly presented in all material respects.

The City of Pickerington's PAFR is un-audited and presented on a GAAP basis. The CAFR contains more detailed information of all of the City's funds and can be obtained from the Finance Department at City Hall or on the City website at <http://www.ci.pickerington.oh.us/Pages/Departments/Finance>.

The City of Pickerington's PAFR is a means of increasing public confidence in City government and your elected officials through more user-friendly reporting. As you review the PAFR for 2017, I invite you to share any suggestions, questions or comments you may have at (614) 837-3974.

Sincerely,

*Christopher Schornack*

Christopher Schornack  
Director of Finance



## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2017 ELECTED OFFICIALS



**Lee A. Gray**  
**Mayor**

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Lee was elected Mayor in November 2011. Mayor Gray previously served as Mayor from 1992 to 1999 and as a Councilperson in 1987.



**Jerry Dailey**  
**Councilperson**

[jdailey@pickerington.net](mailto:jdailey@pickerington.net)

Jerry was elected to City Council in November 2015. Jerry currently serves as a member of the Finance Committee.



**Jeff Fix**  
**President of Council**

[jfix@pickerington.net](mailto:jfix@pickerington.net)

Jeff was elected to City Council in November 2005. Jeff currently serves as the Chairperson of the Finance Committee.



**Mike Sabatino**  
**Councilperson**

[msabatino@pickerington.net](mailto:msabatino@pickerington.net)

Mike was re-elected to City Council in November 2011. Mike currently serves as Chairperson of the Service Committee and as a member of the Finance Committee and Rules Committee.



**Cristie Hammond**  
**Vice President of Council**

[chammond@pickerington.net](mailto:chammond@pickerington.net)

Cristie was elected to City Council in November 2005. Cristie currently serves as Chairperson of the Safety Committee and as a member of the Rules Committee and Finance Committee.



**Tricia Sanders**  
**Councilperson**

[tsanders@pickerington.net](mailto:tsanders@pickerington.net)

Tricia was appointed to City Council in August 2017. Tricia currently serves as a member of the Finance Committee and the Service Committee.



**Tony Barletta**  
**Councilperson**

[tbarletta@pickerington.net](mailto:tbarletta@pickerington.net)

Tony was elected to City Council in November 2009. Tony currently serves as a member of the Finance Committee, Service Committee and Safety Committee. Tony is the Council representative to the Planning and Zoning Commission.



**Melissa Wilde**  
**Councilperson**

[mwilde@pickerington.net](mailto:mwilde@pickerington.net)

Melissa was elected to City Council in November 2015. Melissa currently serves as the Chairperson of the Rules Committee and as a member of the Safety Committee and Finance Committee. Melissa is the Council representative to the Parks and Recreation Board.



### Vision Statement

“Pickerington will be a safe, thriving, family-friendly community that preserves tradition while creating a balanced, accessible, affordable, hometown by engaging our citizens to collectively enhance our quality of life.”

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

#### Two Year Sources of Revenue – Governmental Activities

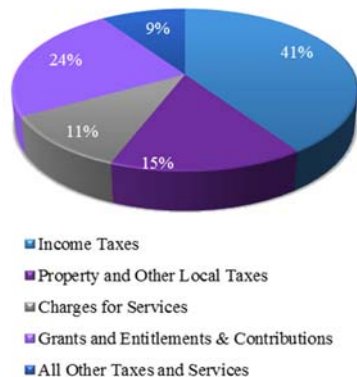
The following is an overview of the City's financial revenues for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Revenues	2017	2016
Income Taxes	\$7,348,344	\$6,478,485
Property and Other Local Taxes	2,777,108	2,664,548
Franchise Taxes	223,141	244,610
Grants and Entitlements	328,677	306,616
Investment Earnings	250,502	93,295
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	252,208	384,545
Impact Fees	784,292	675,793
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	24,126	1,151
Charges for Services	1,994,166	1,831,772
Operating Grants & Contributions	1,092,307	1,017,542
Capital Grants & Contributions	2,869,144	1,895,619
Miscellaneous	175,017	249,883
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$18,119,032</b>	<b>\$15,843,859</b>

#### Where the Money Comes From

The City generates revenue from a variety of sources. The most significant revenue sources are income taxes and property and other local taxes. Income taxes and property and other local taxes comprise 56 percent of total revenues in 2017. Income tax revenue increases were primarily due to an increase in withholdings and the department also concentrated efforts on collecting delinquent accounts on the State of Ohio taxpayer listing, with the assistance of the Mayor's Court and the Ohio Attorney General's office. During 2017, capital grants and contributions increased significantly. The significant increase was primarily due to federal funds received from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for the Refugee Road Widening Project right-of-way appraisal and acquisition phase. Investment income also increased substantially for 2017 due to an increase in interest rates which had a positive impact on the City's investment portfolio earnings.

**2017 Sources of Revenue**

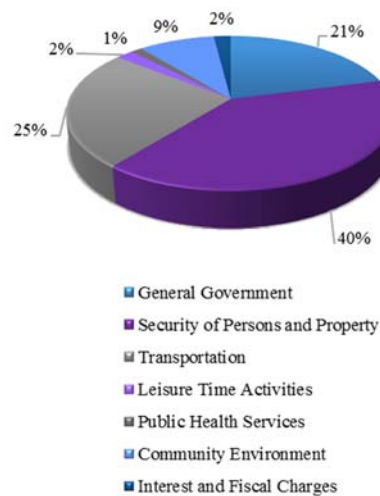


#### Two Year Expenditures by Program – Governmental Activities

The following is an overview of the City's financial operations for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Expenditures	2017	2016
General Government	\$3,041,585	\$2,539,460
Security of Persons & Property	5,850,092	5,596,622
Transportation	3,678,218	3,152,322
Leisure Time Activities	344,442	727,661
Public Health Services	171,960	167,789
Community Environment	1,346,118	947,600
Interest and Fiscal Charges	279,674	253,014
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$14,712,089</b>	<b>\$13,384,468</b>

**2017 Expenditures by Program**



#### Sources of Revenue Definitions

**Income Taxes** – The City levies a one percent income tax on all income earned within the City. Residents are granted up to a one half percent tax credit for income taxes paid to other municipalities.

**Property and Other Local Taxes** – The City's portion of real estate and public utility taxes, as well as a three percent tax levied on hotel/motel sales.

**Charges for Services** – Sources include recreation programs, building department permits and licenses, and mayor's court fines and forfeitures.

**Grants and Entitlements** – Revenue received from State levied shared taxes.

**Operating (and Capital) Grants & Contributions** – Revenues received from other governments, organizations and individuals that are restricted in some manner.

**Investment Earnings** – Revenue earned by investing all available City funds throughout the year.

**All Other Taxes, and Services** – Revenue received from cable franchise taxes, payments in lieu of taxes from infrastructure improvements, gain on sale of capital assets and miscellaneous revenue.

# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

## 2017 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### Where the Money Goes

During 2017, the City made significant investments in road infrastructure projects. The following street improvement projects occurred during 2017:

- During early 2017, the construction was completed on State Route (SR) 256 from I-70 to Diley Road. The SR 256 paving project added a third southbound lane to SR 256 between SR 204 and Refugee Road, a third northbound lane to SR 256 at SR 204, upgraded nine traffic signals to include mast arms, signal back plates, large street name signs, and additional lighting. The SR 256 paving project was being funded through a \$5 million Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Safety Grant. The federally funded grant award covered 90 percent of the project and the remaining 10 percent was local match funds.
- In April 2017, the City continued the annual street resurfacing program. Various neighborhood streets were repaved and curb and gutters replaced. The City repaved 8.03 lane miles and replaced 12,905 linear feet of curb and gutter for a total project cost of \$1,235,000.
- In 2017, the City began the right-of-way acquisition phase of the Refugee Road improvement project. The Refugee Road project will widen the intersection at SR 256 and Refugee Road, widen Refugee Road in front of the Ohio Health property, and widen Refugee Road west of Ohio Health. The Refugee Road project is estimated to cost between \$13 and \$14 million. The City was awarded \$3.5 million in grant funding from the ODOT Safety Planning Commission for corridor improvements to Refugee Road. In addition, the City was awarded grants of \$7.05 million in federal funds from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) in 2015 and 2016. In late 2017, the City secured an additional \$303,400 in grant funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for a total of \$10.85 million in grants.

#### Expenditures by Program Definitions

**General Government** – consists of City Council, Mayor, Mayor's Court, City Manager, Finance Department, and all general administrative departments.

**Security of Persons & Property** – includes the Police Department which provides public safety services through our patrol division, detective bureau and dispatch services.

**Transportation** – includes all costs associated with maintaining our roads.

**Leisure Time Activities** – includes costs associated with operating our recreation programs and maintaining our parks.

**Public Health Services** – includes health services contract with the Franklin County Public Health Department.

**Community Environment** – consists of our Building Department, Economic Development Department and the Planning and Zoning Department.

**Interest and Fiscal Charges** – includes interest payments on municipal debt.

### Governmental Activities Debt

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the City had outstanding general obligation bonds and notes in the amounts of \$11,370,000 and \$11,105,000, respectively, as follows:

#### Two-Year Governmental Activities Debt Summary

Debt Type	2017	2016
<u>General Obligation Bonds/Notes:</u>		
Street Improvement Bonds	\$6,645,000	\$7,110,000
Police Facility Bonds	1,425,000	1,695,000
Street Improvement Notes	3,300,000	2,300,000
<b>Total Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$11,370,000</b>	<b>\$11,105,000</b>

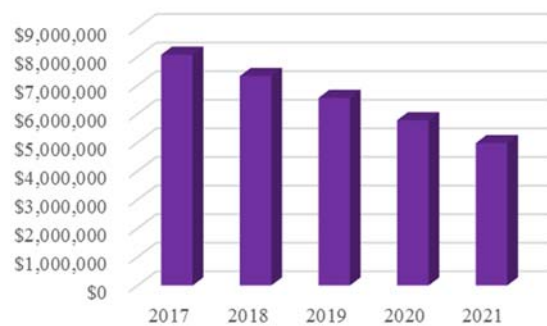
#### Debt Type Definitions

**General Obligation Bonds** - long-term debts that are repaid from the City's available resources.

**General Obligation Notes** - short-term debts that are repaid from the City's available resources

The following table represents the current and future balances of Governmental General Obligation Bonds:

#### Governmental Activities - Balance of Bonds



Community Garden



## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

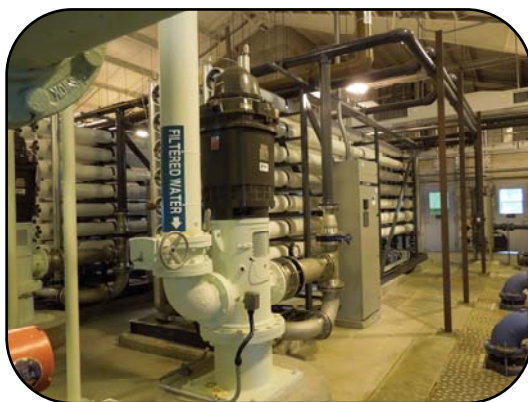
#### Two Year Revenues – Proprietary Funds

The City uses enterprise funds to account for its water, sewer, stormwater, and aquatic recreation center operations. For water and sewer operations, the City charges a fee to customers, based upon the amount of usage, to recover the costs of the services provided. For stormwater operations, the City charges a flat monthly fee per equivalent residential unit (ERU). For the aquatic recreation center the City charges a fee for pool passes.

The following is an overview of the City's enterprise fund financial revenues for the years ending December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Revenues	Proprietary Funds	
	2017	2016
Water	\$2,392,308	\$2,414,289
Sewer	3,740,292	3,654,726
Stormwater	702,085	683,101
Aquatic Recreation	193,273	183,814
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$7,027,958</b>	<b>\$6,935,930</b>

During 2017, water revenues decreased one percent and sewer revenues increased approximately two percent. The increase in revenues for the sewer fund was primarily due to additional housing capacity fees in service areas in which the City has only sewer accounts. In addition, during 2017 the City added 111 new utility accounts. For 2017, stormwater revenues increased three percent. This increase directly correlates to the increase in additional utility accounts. Finally, aquatic recreation center revenues increased five percent in 2017 over 2016. The number of pool season passes increased from 427 in 2016 to 462 in 2017, however, the number of day passes decreased from 7,493 in 2016 to 6,663 in 2017.



*Reverse Osmosis System*

#### Two Year Expenses – Proprietary Funds

The following is an overview of the City's proprietary fund financial operations for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Expenses	Proprietary Funds	
	2017	2016
Personal Services	\$2,499,680	\$2,238,235
Contractual Services	2,079,438	1,900,307
Materials and Supplies	460,154	395,369
Depreciation	1,159,339	1,139,809
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$6,198,611</b>	<b>\$5,673,720</b>

During 2017, expenses increased by just over nine percent compared to 2016. Personal services, however, increased by \$261,445 or twelve percent, primarily due to a large increase in insurance premiums in 2017. The additional increase in personal services was directly related to increased labor cost as a result of the collective bargaining agreement with the members of the service department. The wastewater treatment plant, and the water plant, continued to have ongoing maintenance performed in 2017. The plants have established policies regarding the repair and/or replacement of critical pieces of equipment. During 2017, several sewer pumps were rebuilt and reinstalled to help improve efficiency in the wastewater plant.

	Rate Comparison		
	Water (1)	Sewer (2)	Stormwater (3)
2015	\$4.16	\$9.13	\$4.50
2016	\$4.16	\$9.13	\$4.50
2017	\$4.16	\$9.13	\$4.50

- (1) per 1,000 gallons  
 (2) per 1,000 gallons (minimum 3,000 gallons)  
 (3) per ERU (equivalent residential unit)

#### Expense Definitions

**Personal Services** – consists of wages, retirement, and health insurance costs for water, sewer, stormwater, and aquatic recreation departments.

**Contractual Services** – includes costs associated with electricity, heating, maintenance, and services performed by outside agencies.

**Materials and Supplies** – includes costs associated with office supplies, chemical supplies, gasoline, and miscellaneous equipment.

**Depreciation** – the measurement of the decline in value of an asset over a period of time.

**The City was awarded a total of \$10.85 million in grants for the Refugee Road intersection and widening project**  
 2014 – ODOT awarded the City \$3.5 million for SR 256 and Refugee Road intersection improvements  
 2015 – MORPC awarded the City \$5.75 million for Refugee Road corridor improvements  
 2016 – MOPRC awarded an additional \$1.3 million in grant funding for Refugee Road improvements  
 2017 – OPWC awarded the City \$303,400 in grant funding for Refugee Road Improvements



## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2017 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### Outstanding Debt

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the City had outstanding general obligation bonds and OWDA Loans in the amounts of \$11,728,627 and \$12,674,607, respectively, as follows:

Two-Year Business-Type Activities Debt Summary		
Debt Type	2017	2016
<u>General Obligation Bonds:</u>		
Water	\$1,905,000	\$2,010,000
Sewer	980,000	1,130,000
<u>OWDA Loans:</u>		
Water	698,309	857,702
Sewer	8,145,318	8,676,905
<b>Total Business-Type Activities</b>	<b>\$11,728,627</b>	<b>\$12,674,607</b>

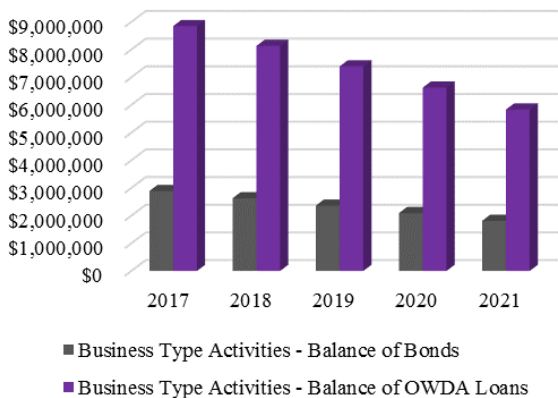
#### Debt Type Definitions

**General Obligation Bonds** – long-term debts that are repaid from the City's available resources.

**OWDA Loans** – low interest loans from the Ohio Water Development Authority to support water and sewer improvements.

The following table represents the current and future balances of Business-Type General Obligation Bonds and OWDA Loans:

**Business-Type Activities  
Balance of Bonds and Loans**



**On October 4, 2012, Moody's Investors Service assigned an Aa2 rating on the City's general obligation bonds.**

*Obligations rated Aa are considered to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk. A higher credit rating often reduces the cost of borrowing.*



*Wastewater Treatment Plant*



*Pickerington Community Pool*



*East Columbus Street Water Tower*

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

#### Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position looks at the City as a whole and asks the question, “How did we do financially during the year?” The table below provides a summary of the City’s governmental activities net position for 2017 compared to 2016.

<u>Governmental Activities</u>		
Assets	2017	2016
Current and Other Assets	\$17,008,547	\$14,309,036
Capital Assets, Net	65,402,319	63,073,662
<i>Total Assets</i>	<i>82,410,866</i>	<i>77,382,698</i>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>		
Pension	2,380,207	2,470,936
Deferred Charge on Refunding	61,309	70,067
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<i>2,441,516</i>	<i>2,541,003</i>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current and Other Liabilities	876,045	811,746
Long-term Liabilities	22,436,081	21,319,878
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<i>23,312,126</i>	<i>22,131,624</i>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>		
Pension	104,265	128,646
Property Taxes	2,879,617	2,514,000
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<i>2,983,882</i>	<i>2,642,646</i>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	55,036,788	51,952,725
Restricted	3,876,411	4,143,222
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(356,825)	(946,516)
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<i>\$58,556,374</i>	<i>\$55,149,431</i>

**Governmental Activities** – Includes the majority of our City’s services consisting of police, administration and all departments with the exception of our Water, Sewer, Stormwater, and Aquatic Recreation services.

- During 2017, current and other assets increased \$5,028,168 primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$2,423,374 and capital assets in the amount of \$2,328,657. The increase in cash and cash equivalents is due to the City issuing an additional \$1 million in general obligation bond anticipation notes and additional income tax revenues of \$869,859 primarily due to delinquent filing cases processed through Mayor’s court. The increase in capital assets is a result of the City investing \$1,007,420 in paving of City streets and accepting \$1,402,160 in capital contributions from developers.



*Sycamore Creek Park*

The following table provides a summary of the City’s business-type activities net position for 2017 compared to 2016.

<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		
Assets	2017	2016
Current and Other Assets	\$11,491,469	\$10,033,597
Capital Assets, Net	63,092,474	62,390,771
<i>Total Assets</i>	<i>74,583,943</i>	<i>72,424,368</i>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>		
Pension	908,539	737,342
Deferred Charge on Refunding	13,130	15,319
<i>Total Deferred Outflows of Resources</i>	<i>921,669</i>	<i>752,661</i>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current and Other Liabilities	583,319	316,495
Long-term Liabilities	14,320,378	14,843,207
<i>Total Liabilities</i>	<i>14,903,697</i>	<i>15,159,702</i>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>		
Pension	90,912	51,014
<i>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</i>	<i>90,912</i>	<i>51,014</i>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	51,147,010	49,701,418
Unrestricted	9,363,993	8,264,895
<i>Total Net Position</i>	<i>\$60,511,003</i>	<i>\$57,966,313</i>

**Business-Type Activities** – Includes our Water, Sewer, Stormwater, and Aquatic Recreation services.

- During 2017, total business-type activities assets increased \$2,159,575. The increase was primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$1,441,357. During 2017, the City invested \$907,797 in capital improvements compared to \$655,006 in 2016. The City has not raised its water and sewer user fees since 2013.
- Total business-type liabilities decreased \$256,005. The decrease was primarily due to decreases in long-term liabilities in the amount of \$522,829. The City made principal payments in the amount of \$690,980 on outstanding general obligation bonds and OWDA loans.

#### Net Position Definitions

**Assets** – consists of those items owned by the City that will provide a benefit in the future.

**Long-term Liabilities** – includes amounts owed for the issuance of debt, compensated absences, and net pension liability the City still owes.

**Capital Assets** – represents equipment, vehicles, land, buildings, and roads and bridges infrastructure that provide an economic benefit to the City of more than one year.

**Deferred Outflows of Resources** – represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources until then.

**Deferred Inflows of Resources** – represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time.

**Net Investment in Capital Assets** – represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by outstanding debt, to acquire the asset.

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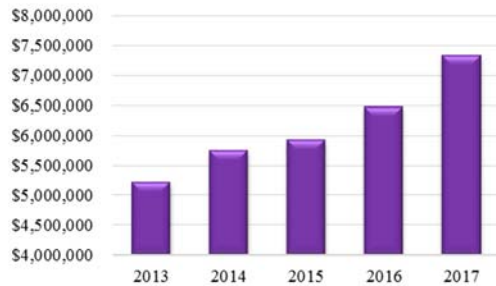
### 2017 TAXES

#### Income Taxes

The City of Pickerington levies a one percent income tax on income earned within the City, which applies to all qualifying wages, commissions, other compensation earned or received, and net income of for-profit organizations that conduct business within the City. City of Pickerington residents are given up to a one half percent credit on any of their wages that are taxed by another municipality and not refunded. Income tax collections consist of three sources: taxes from employee withholdings, taxes from individuals and taxes on net profits. As shown in the chart below taxes from withholdings make up the largest percentage of the City's income tax revenue. Employee withholdings are equivalent to one percent of the wages earned in the City which are deducted from employees' earned income and remitted by the employer. Taxes from individuals consist of one percent of individuals' income that was not withheld on the resident's behalf and remitted to the City. For example, self-employment income and net income earned from rental property are taxable to the City as earned income. Taxes on net profits are levied on the net income of all businesses located in the City.

The chart below provides a summary of income tax collections over the last five years.

**Income Tax Revenues  
Last Five Years**



The chart below represents the distribution of income tax collection type.

**2017 Income Tax Collections**



#### Income Taxes Levied Comparison

In addition to concentrated efforts related to delinquent income tax collections and compliance, the City continues to expand economic development initiatives in an effort to increase and diversify the income tax base.

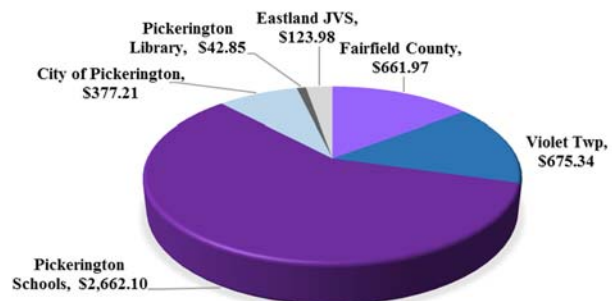
Municipality	Tax Levied	Credit
City of Canal Winchester	2.00%	100.00%
City of Columbus	2.50%	100.00%
City of Gahanna	1.50%	83.33%
City of Groveport	2.00%	100.00%
City of Hilliard	2.00%	100.00%
City of Lancaster	1.75%	57.14%
City of Pataskala	1.00%	0.00%
City of Pickerington	1.00%	50.00%
City of Reynoldsburg	2.50%	100.00%
City of Westerville	2.00%	100.00%

#### Property Taxes

One of the largest tax bills a property owner receives annually is their property taxes. Property taxes are administered by Fairfield County and are generally included in the property owners monthly mortgage payment. In 2017, property taxes received accounted for 15 percent of total governmental revenues and represented just 8.3 percent of the total taxes a property owner paid.

The graph below represents the breakdown of taxes on a property valued at \$200,000 and how these monies are distributed.

**CITY OF PICKERINGTON  
\$200,000 APPRAISED HOME VALUE  
Total Taxes - \$4,543.46 (Tax Year 2017)**



*The City Income Tax Department offers  
Electronic Filing and Online Account  
Access for Residents and Businesses.*



## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### Commercial Development Projects During 2017

There is strong business development interest in the Pickerington market and we believe there will be steady growth in the coming years. Overall, the City of Pickerington saw a total of nearly \$26 million in commercial investment in 2017.

The following projects were initiated or completed in 2017:

- Ohio Gastroenterology Group broke ground on a nearly 25,000 square foot, two-story medical facility in September 2017. Construction will continue throughout 2018. Ohio Gastroenterology is expected to occupy the first floor and will lease additional space on the second floor.
- ALDI began offering residents a fresh, new shopping experience in early December 2017. This newly constructed, 19,000 square foot facility employs over 30 people.
- In the summer of 2016, the Violet Township Fire Department demolished the building that housed Fire Station 591 in Olde Pickerington Village. In its place, a \$5 million state of the art facility continued to be constructed in 2017 for the firefighters of the community. The project is expected to be completed in June 2018.

#### 2017 Principal Employers

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Employees</u>
Pickerington LSD	1,323
OhioHealth Corporation	457
Kohl's Department Stores	359
Kroger Company, Inc.	350
Cracker Barrel Restaurant	245
Rooster's	228
Tamarkin Co. Inc.	195
Wendy's	191
Pivot Sports Bar & Grill	183
Steak N Shake Inc.	173

#### 2017 City of Pickerington Employees

<u>Function/Program</u>	<u>Employees</u>
General Government	26
Security of Persons & Property	40
Leisure Time Activities	4
Community Development	5
Transportation	5
Basic Utility Services	14
Total	94



*ALDI Grocery Store*



*Ohio Gastroenterology*



*Violet Township Fire Station*



## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 DEMOGRAPHICS

#### Demographics

County:	Fairfield County, Ohio
Area:	9.75 Square Miles
Location:	13.2 Miles Southeast of Columbus
Established:	1815
Attained City Status:	1991
Population:	20,069
Median Household Income:	\$84,410
Median Housing Value:	\$184,500
Median Resident Age:	35.5 years
Median Household Size:	2.91
Bachelor's Degree or Higher:	38.6%
Employed Labor Force:	70.2%
Unemployed Labor Force:	4.3%
Per Capita Income:	\$32,626
Occupations:	
Management & Professional:	46.1%
Service:	16.6%
Sales and Office:	23.6%

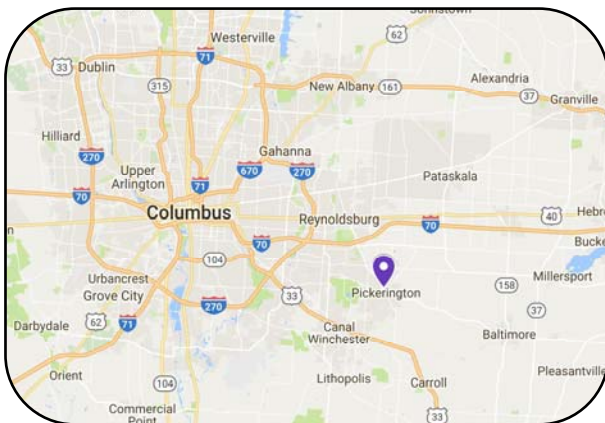
*\*Information obtained from  
2016 U.S. Census Estimates*

#### Community Investments

The City provides the following services: public safety, operation of water, sewer, and stormwater utilities, street repair and maintenance, parks and recreation, and a State Certified Building Department. Fire department services are provided by Violet Township, of which the City is a part. The City of Pickerington maintains over 158 acres of park land located within Sycamore Park, Victory Park, Colony Park, Simsbury Park, Shawnee Crossing, Preston Trails, and Willow Pond Park. The parks offer a variety of activities including shelter houses, fishing, basketball courts, softball fields, soccer fields, tennis courts, putting green, playgrounds, swing sets, an arboretum, a covered bridge, sledding hills, and a skate park. During 2017, the City completed construction of the Victory Park-Sycamore Creek Park Bike Path Connector Project, due in part to a \$150,000 Ohio Recreational Trails Program grant.



***Victory Park-Sycamore Creek Park  
Bike Path Connector Project***



***Columbus Metro Area***



***Olde Pickerington Village / Victory Park***

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 AWARDS

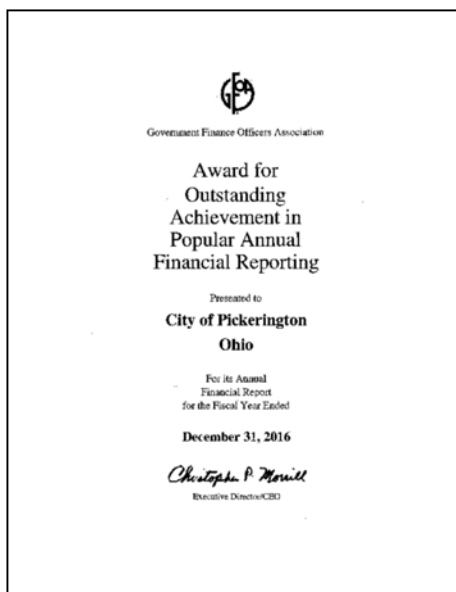
#### Financial Awards

The City of Pickerington has received the Auditor of State's "Award with Distinction" for outstanding commitment to the highest standards of financial reporting for the years 2005, 2006, and 2008 through 2016 due to the filing of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and having no audit citations.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2016. 2016 was the thirteenth year the City had filed a CAFR and received this award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the City had to publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR. The report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting (PAFR) to the City of Pickerington for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability and reader appeal.



#### A Tree City for 25 Consecutive Years

The City received its twenty-fifth Tree City USA Award for the year ended December 31, 2017. This prestigious award recognized the City for its annual program of planting new trees and maintaining and removing old trees.



*Arboretum*



*Sycamore Creek Park Pond*

#### 2017 Tree Statistics

<i>Trees Planted</i>	<i>116</i>
<i>Trees Pruned</i>	<i>195</i>
<i>Trees Removed</i>	<i>112</i>



*Finance Department*

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2017 CONTACT INFORMATION

#### City Directory



##### City Hall

100 Lockville Road  
Pickerington, OH 43147  
(614) 837-3974  
[www.pickerington.net](http://www.pickerington.net)

<b>Mayor's Office</b>	(614) 837-3974
<b>City Manager</b>	(614) 837-3974
<b>City Clerk</b>	(614) 837-3974
<b>Finance Department</b>	(614) 837-3974
<b>Income Tax Department</b>	(614) 837-4116
<b>Human Resources Department</b>	(614) 837-3974
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation Department</b>	(614) 833-2211
<b>Utility Billing Department</b>	(614) 833-2289

##### Building Department

51 East Columbus Street  
Pickerington, OH 43147  
(614) 833-2221

<b>Economic Development Dept.</b>	(614) 833-2204
<b>Engineering Department</b>	(614) 833-2221
<b>Planning and Zoning Dept.</b>	(614) 833-2204

##### Police Department

1311 Refugee Road  
Pickerington, OH 43147  
(614) 575-6911

##### Service Department

200 Hereford Drive  
Pickerington, OH 43147  
(614) 833-2292

<b>Sewer Plant</b>	(614) 837-6470
<b>Water Plant</b>	(614) 833-2290

#### Popular Annual Financial Report

The Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), is to be used as a quick guide for the citizens of Pickerington, and to summarize how the City is operating fiscally. The information in this PAFR was taken directly from the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which is more extensive and can be found on the City's website at the following link:

<http://www.ci.pickerington.oh.us/Pages/Departments/Finance/>



Photo by Eric Albrecht, Columbus Dispatch

##### *Friday Night Flicks*



##### *Pickerington City Hall*

##### *Did You Know?*

*The American Motorcycle Hall of Fame is located in Pickerington and features a number of engaging exhibits that showcase motorcycling's history*





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