# PAFR

POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ended December 31, 2018





2018 City of Pickerington, Ohio

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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, 2018. 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 2018 City of Pickerington Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR is comprised of 178 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 <a href="http://www.ci.pickerington.oh.us/departments/finance">http://www.ci.pickerington.oh.us/departments/finance</a>.

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 2018, I invite you to share any suggestions, questions or comments you may have at (614) 837-3974.

Sincerely,

Christopher Schornack

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Director of Finance

### CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 ELECTED OFFICIALS



Lee A. Gray
Mayor
mayorgray@pickerington.net

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

Jerry was elected to City Council in November 2015. Jerry currently serves as a member of the Finance, Rules, Service and Safety Committees



Jeff Fix President of Council jfix@pickerington.net

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



Crystal Hicks
Councilperson
chicks@pickerington.net

Crystal was appointed to City Council in June 2018. Crystal currently serves as a member of the Finance, Rules, Service and Safety Committees.



Mike Sabatino Vice President of Council 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, Rules and Safety Committees. Mike is a member of the Nuisance Abatement board



Tom Romine Councilperson tromine@pickerington.net

Tom was elected to City Council in November 2017. Tom currently serves as a member of the Finance, Rules, Service and Safety Committees.



Tony Barletta
Councilperson
tbarletta@pickerington.net

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



Tricia Sanders Councilperson tsanders@pickerington.net

Tricia was elected to City Council in November 2017. Tricia currently serves as a member of the Finance, Service, Safety and Rules Committees. Tricia 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 2018 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### Two Year Sources of Revenue – Governmental Activities

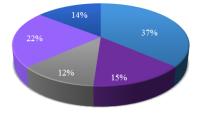
The following is an overview of the City's financial revenues for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2018 and 2017.

Revenues	2018	2017
Income Taxes	\$6,993,683	\$7,348,344
Property and Other Local Taxes	2,821,276	2,777,108
Franchise Taxes	216,933	223,141
Grants and Entitlements	337,101	328,677
Investment Earnings	509,148	250,502
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	329,517	252,208
Impact Fees	1,382,772	784,292
Gain on Sale of Capital Assets	0	24,126
Charges for Services	2,358,258	1,994,166
Operating Grants & Contributions	1,054,325	1,092,307
Capital Grants & Contributions	2,886,219	2,869,144
Miscellaneous	320,757	175,017
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$19,209,989	\$18,119,032

### 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 51 percent of total revenues in 2018. Income tax revenue decrease was primarily due to an increase in compliance due to efforts of Income Tax Department and fewer court cases filed in 2018 compared to previous years. During 2018, charges for services increased by \$364,092 or 18 percent. The significant increase was primarily due to an increase in new residential and commercial permits. The increase in permits also had a direct impact on the increase on impact fees. Impact fees are collected on new housing permits including multi-unit developments such as the RedBud Commons, a 55 and older senior living community, and Tri-logy Health services. Impact fees increased by \$784,292 or 76 percent over 2017. During 2018, miscellaneous receipts increased due to worker's compensation refunds, Volunteer energy gas aggregate funds, and developer as-built plan escrow deposits.

### 2018 Sources of Revenue



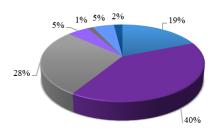
- ■Income Taxes
- ■Property and Other Local Taxes
- Charges for Services
- Grants and Entitlements & Contributions
- All Other Taxes and Services

### 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, 2018 and 2017.

Expenditures	2018	2017
General Government	\$3,218,547	\$3,041,585
Security of Persons & Property	6,752,600	5,850,092
Transportation	4,847,026	3,678,218
Leisure Time Activities	888,853	344,442
Public Health Services	182,928	171,960
Community Environment	840,218	1,346,118
Interest and Fiscal Charges	346,124	279,674
Total Expenditures	\$17,076,296	\$14,712,089

### 2018 Expenditures by Program



- General Government
- Security of Persons and Property
- Transportation
- Leisure Time Activities
- Public Health Services
- Community Environment
- Interest and Fiscal Charges

#### 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 2018 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### Where the Money Goes

During 2018, the City made significant investments in road infrastructure projects and economic development efforts. The following initiatives occurred during 2018:

- In late 2018, the City began the construction 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 approximately \$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 2015 and 2016, the City was awarded grants of \$7.3 million in federal funds from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). In late 2017, the City secured an additional \$303,400 in grant funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC). In 2018, the City received an additional \$250,000 from the Ohio Department of Commerce for a total of \$11.35 million in grants.
- In April 2018, the City continued the annual street resurfacing program. Various neighborhood streets were repayed and curb and gutters replaced. The City repayed 9.1 lane miles and replaced 6,479 linear feet of curb and gutter for a total project cost of just over \$1.4 million.
- In late 2018, the City purchased several parcels of land located on the City's southern periphery as part of a proactive growth effort. The 214 acres of land were purchased at a cost of \$3.8 million and will have a mix of land uses. The site will have roughly 80 acres devoted to new commercial and industrial business.

#### **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, 2018 and 2017, the City had outstanding general obligation bonds and notes in the amounts of \$11,725,000 and \$11,370,000, respectively, as follows:

Two-Year Governmental Activities Debt Summary

2018	2017
\$6,175,000	\$6,645,000
1,150,000	1,425,000
4,400,000	3,300,000
\$11,725,000	\$11,370,000
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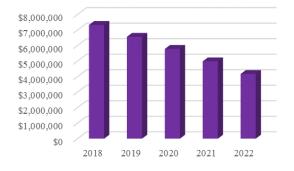
#### **Debt Type Definitions**

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 2018 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, 2018 and 2017.

Proprietary Funds		
2018	2017	
\$2,416,234	\$2,392,308	
3,666,020	3,740,292	
708,522	702,085	
196,192	193,273	
\$6,986,968	\$7,027,958	
	2018 \$2,416,234 3,666,020 708,522 196,192	

During 2018, water revenues increased one percent and sewer revenues decreased approximately two percent. The increase in revenues for the water fund was primarily due to additional user accounts added in service areas in which the City has only water accounts. In addition, during 2018 the City added 166 new utility accounts. For 2018, stormwater revenues increased one percent. This increase directly correlates to the increase in additional utility accounts. Finally, aquatic recreation center revenues increased two percent in 2018 over 2017. The number of pool season passes decreased from 544 in 2017 to 539 in 2018, however, the number of day passes increased from 6,663 in 2017 to 7,485 in 2018.



Pickerington Community Pool

### 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, 2018 and 2017.

	Proprietary	Proprietary Funds	
Expenses	2018	2017	
Personal Services	\$2,464,814	\$2,499,680	
Contractual Services	1,968,100	2,079,438	
Materials and Supplies	419,040	460,154	
Utility Deposits Returned	100	0	
Depreciation	1,143,839	1,159,339	
Total Expenses	\$5,995,893	\$6,198,611	

During 2018, expenses decreased by just over three percent compared to 2017. Personal services decreased by \$34,866 or one percent, primarily the result of new employees being hired at a lower step than their predecessors based upon the collective bargaining agreement. The wastewater treatment plant, and the water plant, continued to have ongoing maintenance performed in 2018, however, expenses decreased due to a greater amount of maintenance projects being performed in 2017 that were not required to be repeated in 2018. The plants have established policies regarding the repair and/or replacement of critical pieces of equipment. This resulted in fewer expenses related to contractual services and materials and supplies in 2018.

	Rate Comparison		
	Water (1)	Sewer (2)	Stormwater (3)
2016	\$4.16	\$9.13	\$4.50
2017	\$4.16	\$9.13	\$4.50
2018	\$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 \$11.35 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 \$1.55 million in grant funding for Refugee Road improvements 2017 - OPWC awarded the City \$303,400 in grant funding for Refugee Road Improvements 2018 - Ohio Department of Commerce awarded \$250,000 grant for Refugee Road Improvements in collaboration with Fairfield County Transportation Improvement District (TID)

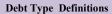
# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### **Outstanding Debt**

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the City had outstanding general obligation bonds and OWDA Loans in the amounts of \$10,753,410 and \$11,728,627, respectively, as follows:

Two-Year Business-Type Activities Debt Summary

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Debt Type	2018	2017
General Obligation Bonds:		
Water	\$1,795,000	\$1,905,000
Sewer	830,000	980,000
OWDA Loans:		
Water	533,061	698,309
Sewer	7,595,349	8,145,318
<b>Total Business-Type Activities</b>	\$10,753,410	\$11,728,627

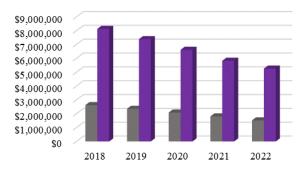


**General Obligation Bonds** – long-term debts that are repaid from the City's available resources.

**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



- ■Business Type Activities Balance of Bonds
- Business Type Activities Balance of OWDA Loans

### On December 6, 2018, Moody's Investors Service maintained 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.



Service Department Dump Truck



Refugee Road Widening Project



Colony Park Playground

### CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO

### 2018 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 2018 compared to 2017.

<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
Assets	2018	2017		
Current and Other Assets	\$20,262,373	\$17,008,547		
Capital Assets, Net	69,884,646	65,402,319		
Total Assets	90,147,646	82,410,866		
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>				
Deferred Charge on Refunding	52,551	61,309		
Pension	1,811,684	2,380,207		
OPEB	1,057,733	35,530		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	2,921,968	2,477,046		
Liabilities				
Current and Other Liabilities	4,913,877	876,045		
Long-term Liabilities	29,551,663	28,614,770		
Total Liabilities	34,465,540	29,490,815		
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>				
Property Taxes	2,612,000	2,564,000		
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	413,844	315,617		
Pension	897,766	104,265		
OPEB	200,129	0		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,123,739	2,983,882		
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	56,962,956	55,036,788		
Restricted	4,319,818	3,876,411		
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(6,803,066)	(6,499,984)		
Total Net Position	\$54,479,708	\$52,413,215		

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 2018, current and other assets increased \$7,736,153 primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$3,035,009 and capital assets in the amount of \$4,482,327. The increase in cash and cash equivalents is due to the City issuing an additional \$1.1 million in general obligation bond anticipation notes for the Refugee Road widening project. The increase in capital assets is a result of the City investing \$4 million for the purchase of 214 acres of land for development, accepting \$1,555,238 in capital contributions from developers and expending \$2.0 million in federal and local monies for the Refugee Road widening project.



Police Command Center Vehicle

The following table provides a summary of the City's business-type activities net position for 2018 compared to 2017.

<b>Business-Type Activities</b>				
Assets	2018	2017		
Current and Other Assets	\$14,248,594	\$11,491,469		
Capital Assets, Net	64,278,977	63,092,474		
Total Assets	78,527,571	74,583,943		
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>				
Deferred Charge on Refunding	10,941	13,130		
Pension	461,785	908,539		
OPEB	132,464	16,575		
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	605,190	938,244		
Liabilities				
Current and Other Liabilities	551,605	583,319		
Long-term Liabilities	13,868,183	15,352,037		
Total Liabilities	14,419,788	15,935,356		
Deferred Inflows of Resources				
Pension	444,730	90,912		
OPEB	87,753	0		
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	532,483	90,912		
Net Position				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	53,361,251	51,147,010		
Unrestricted	10,819,239	8,348,909		
Total Net Position \$64,180,490 \$59,495,91				

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

- During 2018, total business-type activities assets increased \$3,943,628. The increase was primarily due to an increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$2,780,874 and capital assets in the amount of \$1,186,503. The increase in capital assets is primarily due to contributions from developers of \$1.7 million. The City has not raised its water and sewer user fees since 2013.
- Total business-type liabilities decreased \$1,515,568.
   The decrease was primarily due to decreases in long-term liabilities in the amount of \$1,483,854. During 2018, the City made principal payments in the amount of \$260,000 on outstanding general obligation bonds and \$715,217 on outstanding 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.

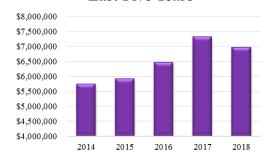
# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 TAXES

### **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 As shown in the chart below taxes from withholdings make up the largest percentage of the City's Employee withholdings are income tax revenue. 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.

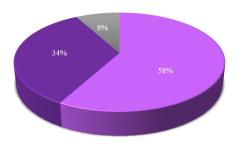
The chart below provides a summary of income tax collections over the last five years.

### Income Tax Revenues Last Five Years



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

#### 2018 Income Tax Collections



■ Taxes from Withholdings ■ Taxes from Individuals

### **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%

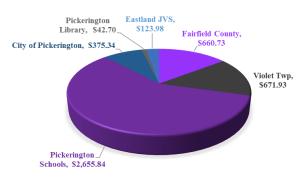
### **Property Taxes**

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 2018, 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 - \$4,530.53 (Tax Year 2018)



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

<sup>■</sup> Taxes from Net Profits

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### Commercial Development Projects During 2018

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 \$21 million in commercial investment in 2018.

The following projects were initiated or completed in 2018:

- Ohio Gastroenterology Group broke ground on a nearly 25,000 square foot, two-story medical facility in September 2017. Construction was completed in September 2018. Ohio Gastroenterology is expected to occupy the first floor and will lease additional space on the second floor.
- Redbud Commons is a housing community developed off of Diley Road. It will consist of 19, single-story, Housing for Older Persons Act (HOPA) compliant multi-family buildings with attached garages. The development will include a community center, community gardens and other amenities. Construction is estimated to be completed in spring 2019.
- The \$9,500,000 Trilogy Health Services facility located on Diley Road was permitted in July 2018. Once completed, the 88,113 square foot building will have 103 units for skilled nursing, assisted living, and related health services. Construction will be completed in 2019.

2018 Principal Employers		
Employer	Employees	
Pickerington LSD	1,316	
Ohio Health Corporation	437	
Kohl's Department Stores	384	
Kroger Company, Inc.	380	
Rooster's	288	
Cracker Barrel Restaurant	269	
Tamarkin Co. Inc.	223	
Marcus Cinemas of Ohio LLC	187	
Wendy's	165	
Hawthorn Senior Living	159	

2018 City of Pickerington Employees	
Function/Program	Employees
General Government	24.5
Security of Persons & Property	40
Leisure Time Activities	4
Community Development	6.5
Transportation	5
Basic Utility Services	18
Total	98







Ohio Gastroenterology



# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 DEMOGRAPHICS

### Demographics

County: Fairfield County, Ohio Area: 9.75 Square Miles 13.2 Miles Location: Southeast of Columbus Established: 1815 1991 Attained City Status: Population: 20,402 Median Household Income: \$85,320 Median Housing Value: \$193,500 Median Resident Age: 35.1 years Median Household Size: 2.87 Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 40.1% Employed Labor Force: 70.2% Unemployed Labor Force: 4.3% Per Capita Income: \$33,840 Occupations: Management Occupations: 14.3% Sales & Related Occupations: 10.5% Office & Administrative Support: 14.5%

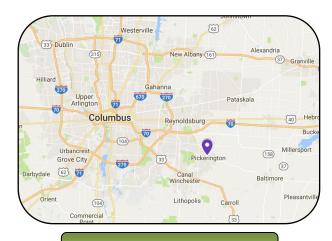
\*Information obtained from 2017 U.S. Census Estimates

### **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, a putting green, playgrounds, swing sets, an arboretum, a covered bridge, sledding hills, and a skate park. During 2018, the City completed construction of the Victory Park parking lot expansion, a new playground was installed at Colony Park, and the community pool completed the second phase of the splash pad upgrade. Capital investments in parks and recreation totaled approximately \$400,000 for 2018.



Victory Park - Parking Lot Expansion



Columbus Metro Area



Community Pool Splashpad

## CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 AWARDS

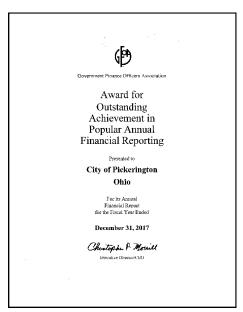
### Financial Awards

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 2017 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, 2017. This was the fourteenth 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, 2017. 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 26 Consecutive Years

The City received its twenty-sixth Tree City USA Award for the year ended December 31, 2018. This prestigious award recognized the City for its annual program of planting new trees and maintaining and removing old trees.



### Sycamore Creek Park Pond

### 2018 Tree Statistics

Trees Planted 115
Trees Pruned 370

Trees Removed 26



121st Air Refueling Wing Plane Dedication



Finance Department

# CITY OF PICKERINGTON, OHIO 2018 CONTACT INFORMATION

### City Directory



### **City Hall**

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City Manager	(614) 837-3974
City Clerk	(614) 837-3974
Finance Department	(614) 837-3974
Income Tax Department	(614) 837-4116
<b>Human Resources Department</b>	(614) 837-3974
Parks & Recreation Department	(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
Planning and Zoning Dept.	(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

Sewer Plant	(614) 837-6470
Water Plant	(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/departments/finance/



**Summer Concert Series** 



Pickerington City Hall

### Did You Know?

Pickerington was the 3rd fastest growing community in Central Ohio in 2018 and was ranked #1 city for homeowners in Ohio and #2 city for young families in Ohio.

Source - Columbus Business First and Nerdwallet.com



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