

**Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420**

**2023 MEETING**

Meeting: Board Of Commissioners

Location: Commissioners' Board Room

Date: 8/3/2023

Time: 8:00AM – 10:50AM

Present: Commissioners: Charles Schwochow – President; Russ Zimmerman– Vice President

Present: Theresa Garcia – County Administrator

Others Present: Bill Windnagel, Peggy Courtney

(\*action items)

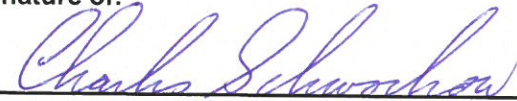
AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (8:00am)	Commissioner Miller is not in session today	Charles Schwochow, President		
<b>*Review &amp; Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review &amp; External Meeting Notices</b>	The 8/1/2023 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Charles Schwochow Russ Zimmerman		<b>*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 2 (Miller absent)</b>
<b>Review of External board / Meetings Attended by Commissioners</b>	Commissioner Schwochow attended the TMACOG Summer Caucus yesterday. There were only two other counties attending representing counties at the caucus. There were two legislators that attended. They discussed the County Engineer and the need for the survey certification. It is getting difficult to find someone that has the certification needed.	Charles Schwochow		
	Commissioners Schwochow and Zimmerman attended the OSS Solid Waste Board meeting yesterday. Most of the meeting was reviewing the finances. They are in good shape. They had eleven grants approved for recycle requests. (see attached) During open discussion the board talked about the comments made by Seneca County Commissioners during legislation forums on the Solid Waste Bill presented to the House. There was	Charles Schwochow Russ Zimmerman		

	good discussion and some policy and procedures that were misunderstood. Sunny Farms program was also a topic.			
	Commissioner Zimmerman attended the open house for the Birchard Library. Some history of the library was given. Fremont City Schools Superintendent spoke as well as the City of Fremont Mayor.	Russ Zimmerman		
<b>Commissioners and Administrator Discussion</b>	The DTF brought the Suburban over for the work program to look at. It is a nice vehicle. They need to pay off some loans on it. They may need \$56,000.00 to pay everything off. Commissioners agreed it was still a good deal and we need to keep looking into it.			
	The East State Street building offices were discussed. They talked about placement in the building of Board of Elections if they were to be moved to that location.			
<b>* Then /Now Documents</b>	One certificate was presented by the Prosecutor for DTF. Additional radio programming was needed in excess of the previous PO. One invoice makes up this certificate. Bender Communication - \$800.00	Prosecutor – DTF	\$800.00	*Motion: Move to Approve certificates Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 2 (Miller absent)
<b>* Personnel</b>	Statement of expense approvals for Coroner Investigators July mileage was signed.			
<b>* Travel Requests</b>	None			
<b>Community Work Program (CWP)</b>	<b>Bill Windnagel – CWP.</b> Bill came in for his regular meeting with the Commissioners. The work order report was reviewed. They are a little behind on mowing. Equipment is running well. He has had a decent crew. Commissioner Schwochow asked if he is ready for the fair. Bill has not heard anything from them yet. Bill was asked how much longer he plans to work. The Commissioners are going to start looking at a backup plan. There was discussion about needing more help on landscaping around county buildings. This may be something to look at. This would allow Bill and his crew to work on outside projects in the community.	Bill Windnagel - Coordinator		

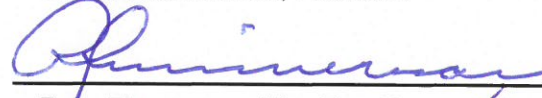
<p><b>Visitors Bureau</b></p>	<p><b><u>Peggy Courtney – Visitors Bureau.</u></b> Peggy came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment for agenda items. The Commissioners talked about one of the bicentennial barns needs to be repainted. Peggy is aware and has received quotes. The Fair Board cannot afford to have it done. The Commissioners talked about maybe helping to get that done. They also gave Peggy information on the grant program with Solid Waste to possibly get benches for the courthouse holiday lights. Peggy gave an update on the new sign for the Visitors Bureau and the landscaping around the sign. They are receiving quotes for electric and landscaping. They continue to work on events for the Solar Eclipse. She is a little frustrated that there are not more events to advertise. They have been working on this for over a year and a half and have not had many organizations provide information on festivals, bands, food trucks or other types of events to advertise. No one is ready to make commitments. Peggy showed some great drone show events that would be a possibility if she can find sponsors for a show. The Commissioners were able to watch some videos of a couple shows. Very entertaining.</p>	<p>Peggy Courtney – Executive Director</p>		
<p><b>* Resolutions</b></p>	<p>2023 – 208  APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR SHERIFF MARINE PATROL FUND WAGES (\$10,790.00), BENEFITS (\$2,298.00), CONTRACT SERVICES (\$3,891.00) AND SUPPLIES (\$6,722.00) FROM GRANT FUNDING.</p>	<p>Sheriff</p>	<p>\$10,790.00  \$2,298.00  \$3,891.00  \$6,722.00</p>	<p>*Motion: Move to Approve resolution  Moved by: Russ Zimmerman  2nd: Charles Schwochow  Yes – 2 (Miller absent)</p>
	<p>2023 - 209  ENTERING INTO CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE SANDUSKY COUNTY SHERIFF WITH TW VENDING, DBA SKILLET KITCHENS, FOR THE INMATE FOOD SERVICES FOR THE SANDUSKY COUNTY JAIL</p>	<p>Sheriff</p>		<p>*Motion: Move to Approve resolution  Moved by: Russ Zimmerman  2nd: Charles Schwochow  Yes – 2 (Miller absent)</p>
	<p>2023 - 210  APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF TIM BUIT TO THE BOARD OF THE SANDUSKY COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY (SCRAA)</p>	<p>Regional Airport</p>		<p>*Motion: Move to Approve resolution  Moved by: Russ Zimmerman  2nd: Charles Schwochow  Yes – 2 (Miller absent)</p>

	The Board of elections requested to have a resolution added to the agenda for supplemental appropriations from the funding provided by the State for the special elections. Commissioner Zimmerman moved to add the resolution.			*Motion: Move to add an additional resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 2 (Miller absent)
	2023 - 211 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTION FUND TO WAGES (\$7,000.00), BENEFITS (\$3,000.00), CONTRACT SERVICES (\$41,285.00) AND SUPPLIES (\$20,00.00) FROM STATE FUNDING FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION	Board of Elections	\$7,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$41,285.00 \$20,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 2 (Miller absent)
<b>Public Open Session</b>	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – none			
<b>Seneca County</b>	Seneca County called in to approve the 2023 joint ditch assessments. 2023 Assessments and resolution were presented and approved.			
<b>Kleinfelder</b>	Greg Telecky from Kleinfelder came in to update the Commissioners on projects they are working on with the County. Better building project going along, appreciate working with commissioners. Regional jail efforts, see handouts for details. Discussed the idea of a mental health jail facility for Seneca, Ottawa and Sandusky County. Started with securing money from the state for a 9-month period to complete the study for mental health jail for the region. Discussed the All-Ohio Future Fund and how that money can be used in Sandusky County. Handout attached. The goal is to develop land for industry and infrastructure that is “shovel ready” when an opportunity arises. Discussed possible solar farm on land owned by Commissioners next to industrial park.			
<b>* Adjournment (10:50am)</b>	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Charles Schwochow

Signature of:



Charles Schwochow, President



Russ Zimmerman, Vice President



Scott Miller

**Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County Ohio**

Attest:   
Clerk to the Board / County Administrator

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners,  
Sandusky County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing  
is a true and correct copy from the official record of said  
Board of County Commissioners as recorded in its Journal.

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Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

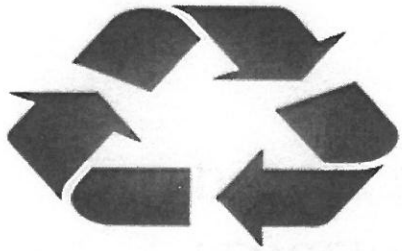


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### Commissioner Meeting Agenda – August 3, 2023

1. Relief Grant Funds project
  - Sign
2. Solar Eclipse Update
  - Solar Eclipse Drone Show/Courthouse Lights



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**SOLID WASTE DISTRICT**

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BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 2, 2023



## OSS Mission Statement

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The mission of the OSS Solid Waste District is to ensure quality waste stream management for its residents and to foster long term positive solid waste habits including reducing, reusing, recycling and buying recycled products.





# Agenda

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- ▶ Previous Minutes
- ▶ Treasures Report- Monthly and YTD
- ▶ Competitive Grants
- ▶ OSS Voting
- ▶ Public Comments- 3 minutes each

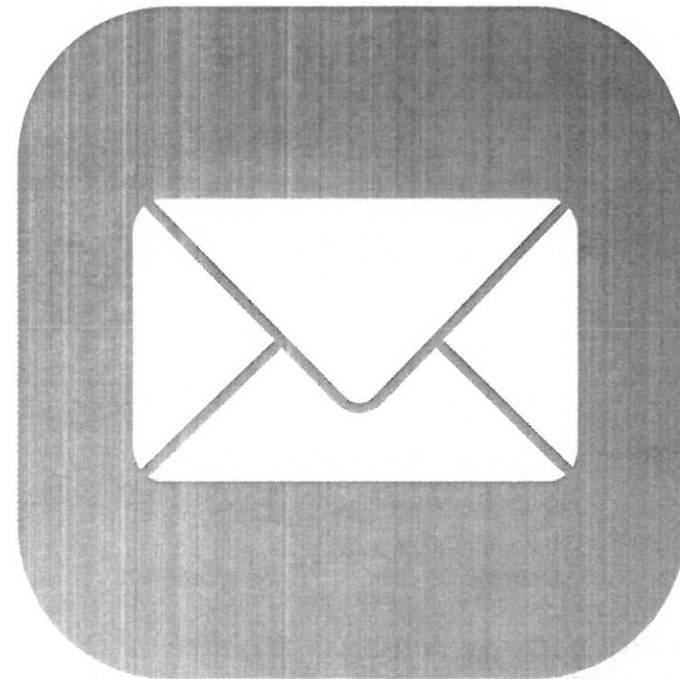
# Previous Minutes

Board Meeting

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\* Board Minutes sent prior to meeting



# Previous Minutes

## Budget Meetings

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### Ottawa-Sandusky-Seneca Joint Solid Waste District Budget Committee Meeting Minutes 6/2/23

Budget meeting began at 9AM at the OSS SWD office at 1875 E. State St., Fremont, OH 43420. Attendees- Commissioners Stahl, Paradiso, Zimmerman, Attorney Albin Bauer and Director Baty. Commissioner Paradiso informed the Committee how they have come to the point of requesting additional funding for their (Seneca County) Health Department for oversight of the Sunny Farms Landfill. That they have hired their own attorney to look over the plan and assist with needs pertaining to the landfill. He mentioned that they did not know many things that they had been receiving questions about and hiring someone he said would help.

Attorney Bauer asked about the \$3 million balance in the C&DD fund reported in the most recent audit of the Seneca County Health Department for the year ending Dec. 31, 2021. Commissioner Paradiso spoke about the Health Department in recent months spending more money than they are bringing in for testing and oversight of the landfill. There were emails between prior Health Commissioner Anne Goon and Director Baty in which she mentions not needing funding from OSS. While gathering information about recent spending of Seneca County Health Board, however the Health Board had released Anne Goon as Commissioner which has held up gathering information. He also shared a document written by their hired attorney of possible request expenditures to support Seneca County.

Commissioner Stahl said we should see the financials of the Health Department to ensure they have a need, as they have said in the past that they do not. Commissioner Stahl also spoke to whenever there has been a need within the District regardless of what County it was from, the Commissioners have always worked together and found suitable solutions. Committee members agreed that no one could recall an example where a board's request for financial assistance was denied by the O/S/S Board.

A conversation with all attendees happened around the expenditure memorandum that Commissioner Paradiso had provided- written by their attorney. Concerns about placing equipment on private property came up, and whether Ohio EPA approval is required, and questions needed to be answered by the Health Department. The consensus was that the top priority is what the OSS Board can immediately effect change on, which is assisting in funding a Seneca County Health Department employee that would be a full-time landfill inspector. The group recognized the original ask was for a cost of \$75,000/yr. that we should account for insurance coverage and other incidentals also and make it \$100,000/yr.

Commissioner Stahl stated that the recommendation to the full board should be for \$50,000 for the remainder of the year and renewed during annual budget process on a need basis. He also recommended that this be paid as reimbursement to the SChD monthly as well as this new Inspector provided a report monthly. The Committee agreed. Commissioner Stahl also commented that committee members should keep in mind that it may be necessary to adjust funding commitments if the situation at the landfill changes or a request to withdraw materializes.

OSS Attorney Albin Bauer was asked to reach out to Seneca County Commissioners attorney Jack Van Kley. He said he could and would ask about particulars in the memorandum, and work in good faith for the District to assist information to the OSS Board. Mr. Bauer was asked to share any new information at the next budget meeting. The Committee agreed to meet again June 30, 2023 at the OSS Office in Fremont.

# Treasures Report- Monthly

Sandusky County Auditor

## Cross Fund Report

From Date: 5/1/2023 - To Date: 5/31/2023

Summary Listing, Report By Fund - Account

Fund	Description	Paying Fund	Paying Fund Description	Beginning Balance	Total Revenue	Total Expense	Ending Balance
70000	OSS Solid Waste	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$3,904,015.67	\$172,462.67	\$158,877.07	\$3,917,601.27
70010	EPA Grant	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$9,039.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,039.40
70020	Market Development Grant	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total: 3 Funds				\$3,913,055.07	\$172,462.67	\$158,877.07	\$3,926,640.67

Sandusky County Auditor

## Cross Fund Report

From Date: 6/1/2023 - To Date: 6/30/2023

Summary Listing, Report By Fund - Account

Fund	Description	Paying Fund	Paying Fund Description	Beginning Balance	Total Revenue	Total Expense	Ending Balance
70000	OSS Solid Waste	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$3,917,601.27	\$179,198.03	\$181,780.53	\$3,915,018.77
70010	EPA Grant	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$9,039.40	\$16,940.00	\$22,976.44	\$3,002.96
70020	Market Development Grant	90000	Treasurers Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total: 3 Funds				\$3,926,640.67	\$196,138.03	\$204,756.97	\$3,918,021.73

# Treasures Report YTD



2022 Expense/Revenue		
Month	Expenses	Revenue
January	\$ 144,305.21	\$ 382,691.40
February	\$ 131,321.85	\$ 14,940.98
March	\$ 122,017.95	\$ 166,887.81
April	\$ 129,335.88	\$ 132,019.35
May	\$ 108,894.82	\$ 158,748.76
June	\$ 127,442.35	\$ 173,015.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 763,318.06</b>	<b>\$ 1,028,303.93</b>

2023 Expense/Revenue		
Month	Expenses	Revenue
January	\$ 172,587.61	\$ 196,787.91
February	\$ 173,421.78	\$ 199,673.62
March	\$ 136,234.43	\$ 184,807.14
April	\$ 234,280.04	\$ 182,848.31
May	\$ 158,877.07	\$ 172,462.67
June	\$ 204,756.97	\$ 196,138.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,080,157.90</b>	<b>\$ 1,132,717.68</b>

\$ 52,559.78

June extra expense- attorney fees, transfer to OEPA pay tire fund (reimbursable), upfront costs for Recycling partnership grant (reimbursable).

# Competitive Grants

(June Round total \$48,729.29)



JUNE 2023 GRANT APPLICATIONS	CM	DH	CS	AVERAGE	grant funds requested
Sanudsky Township	73	73	75	74	\$10,000.00
Village of Clay Center	71	67	73	70	\$4,225.00
Bloomville Development Group	73	61	69	68	\$6,426.00
Village of Woodville	66	59	67	64	\$2,491.00
Village of Marblehead	65	60	66	63	\$8,346.00
Ottawa County Parks	67	55	62	61	\$885.00
Allen Township	68	48	68	61	\$1,575.00
Seneca Conservation District	63	53	65	60	\$3,710.20
Big Spring Township	65	48	64	59	\$836.39
Tiffin University	65	46	62	58	\$7,091.00
Clyde Green Springs Schools	61	46	61	56	\$3,143.70
Seneca Juvenile Court	40	50	48	46	\$10,000.00
City of Fremont	46	49	37	44	\$10,000.00



# Sandusky Township

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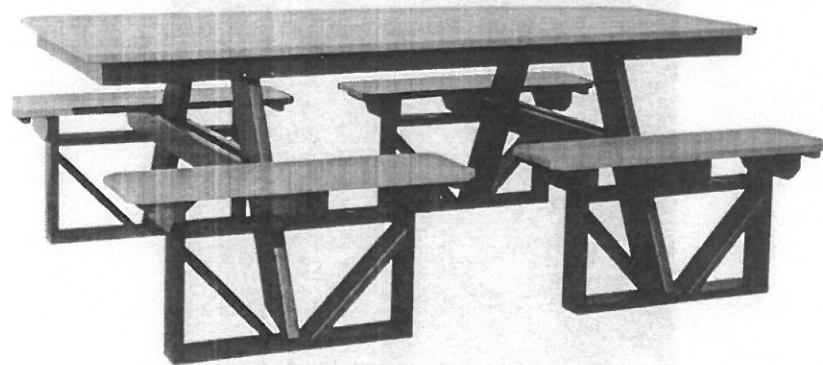


Total Project Amount- \$16,130.

OSS Grant request- \$10,000.

Project-

To replace wooden picnic tables in 8 shelter houses with 2 100% recycled plastic benches per shelter house (16).



# Village of Clay Center

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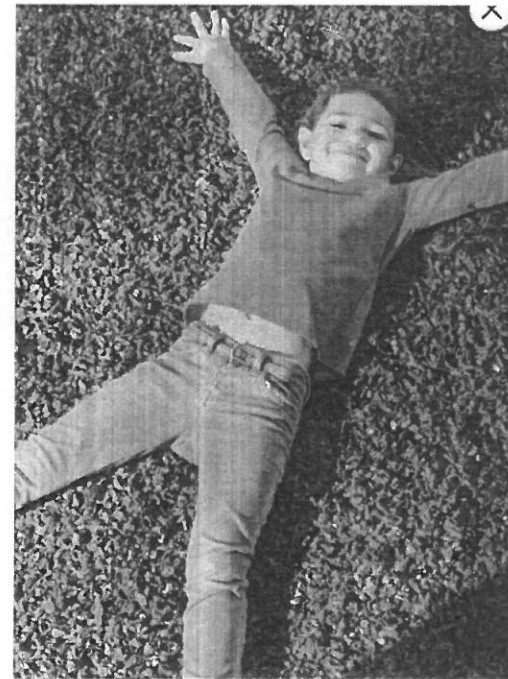


Total Project Amount- \$5,640

OSS Grant Request- \$4,225.

Project-

Replacing wood mulch at Village Park play area with 100% recycled rubber mulch.







# Bloomville Development Group

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Total Project Amount- \$9,244.

OSS Grant Request- \$6,426.

Project-

Enhance the appearance on the downtown District with benches (4), commercial flower pots (2) and trash receptacles (2) made from recycled content.



# Village of Woodville



Total Project Amount- \$3,375.

OSS Grant Request- \$2,491.

Project-

Pet waste station for village park as well as message center board, both made from recycled materials.



# Village of Marblehead

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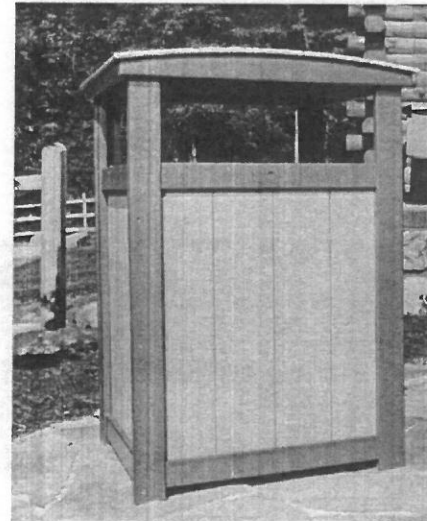
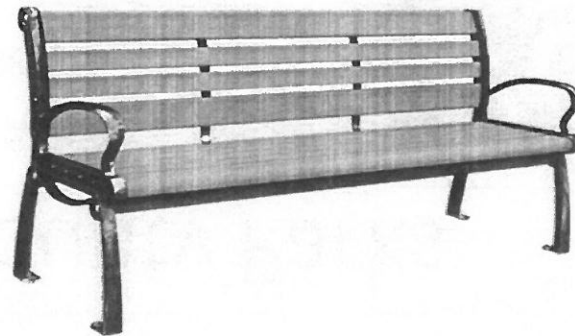


Total Project Amount- \$11,129.

OSS Grant Request- \$8,346.

Project-

Village would add 5 benches and 5 trash receptacles to James Park made from recycled material.



# Ottawa County Parks



Total Project Amount- \$1,180.

OSS Grant Request- \$885.

Project-

Veterans Park in Genoa, a new sign for restrooms made from recycled material.



# Allen Township

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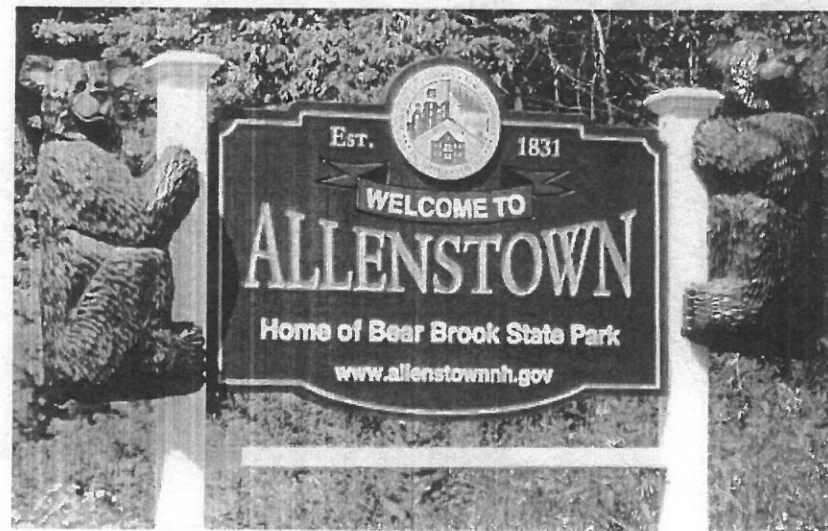


Total Project Amount- \$ 2,100.

OSS Grant Request- \$1,575.

Project-

New "Welcome to Curtice" sign made from recycled plastic.



# Seneca Conservation District

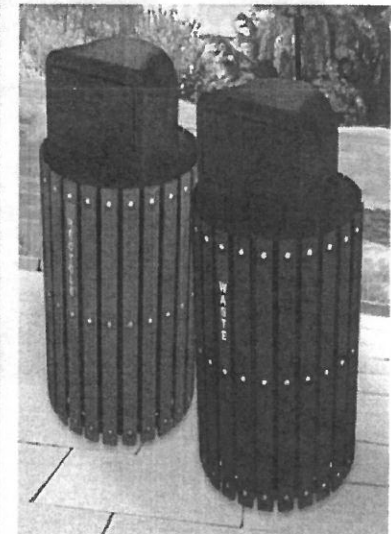


Total Project Amount- \$5,346.29

OSS Grant Request- \$3,710.20

Project-

At Proving Ground Farm a pedestrian bridge on hiking trail needs replaced and would be using recycled composite deck material while adding more trash and recycling receptacles (3) made from recycled materials.



# Big Spring Township

Total Project Amount- \$1,115.19

OSS Grant Request- \$836.39

Project-

Township looks to purchase folding tables (4) made from recycled plastics for various township events.



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Iceberg's ECO™ tables are made with post-consumer recycled plastic. Not only are these high quality tables extremely durable and functional, but they have also diverted a significant amount of waste that would have otherwise gone into a landfill.

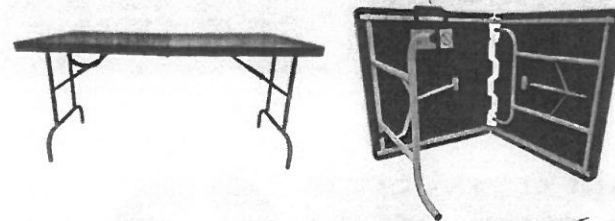
#### ECO™ PERSONAL FOLDING TABLE SKU 6542

- Made from recycled plastic.
- Heavy-duty and environmentally friendly table top is made from 90% post-consumer resin.
- Dine, entertain and enjoy in style.
- Lightweight, easy to transport and set up.
- Externally adjustable and folds down for compact storage.
- Soft beveled radius edge is designed for comfort.
- Height is adjustable at 20" and 28".
- Heavy gauge 5/8" bamboo green powder coated round tube legs for stability.



#### ECO™ BI-FOLD FOLDING TABLE, BLACK SKU 6541

- Made from recycled plastic.
- Heavy-duty and environmentally friendly table top is made from 90% post-consumer resin.
- Dine, entertain and enjoy in style.
- Lightweight, easy to transport and set up.
- Folds in half for compact storage.
- The soft beveled radius edge is designed for comfort.
- Heavy gauge 1" bamboo green powder coated round tube legs for stability.



# Tiffin University



Total Project Amount- \$9,456.

OSS Grant Request- \$6,436.

Project-

Provide 10 recycled content Adirondack chairs  
8 and gliders for outdoor common areas  
student use.





# Clyde Green Springs Schools

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Total Project Cost- \$4,191.60

OSS Grant Request- \$3,143.70

Project-

Install GAGA ball pit at Green Springs Elementary School made from recycled content for students regardless of their abilities can participate.



# Vote

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Vote to approve grants as presented.



**Vote!**



# OSS Record of Voting

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- ❖ Policy Committee Past Nomination/ Seneca
- ❖ OSS Board Voting record from January 2021



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## Public Comments

Please keep comments under 3 minutes per person.

# Governor DeWine Announces Nearly \$50 Million for Local Jail Projects

*April 20, 2023*

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—Ohio Governor Mike DeWine and Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Director Annette Chambers-Smith today announced funding support for construction, renovation, and security improvement projects at nearly a dozen local jails in Ohio.

Governor DeWine announced the grant awards this morning while meeting with community leaders at the Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO) in Stryker, Ohio, which serves Williams, Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Lucas counties. CCNO will receive more than \$4.6 million to enhance inmate and staff safety through the installation of secure cell doors in a unit of the jail that houses high-security inmates. Funds will also go toward building an operations center for staff between two minimum-security dorms.

In total, approximately \$50 million in funding from the Ohio Jail Safety and Security Program will be awarded to 11 county jail projects, including six construction and/or renovation projects.

“It’s critical that our jails are safe and secure, but it’s also important that our jail environments can influence positive change and put inmates on a good path upon release,” said Governor DeWine. “With this funding, we’re helping these local jails move forward with projects that will allow them to better meet the demands of our modern criminal justice system and further support the growing number of inmates struggling with substance use and mental health issues.”

# Local Jail Funding

Nearly \$50 million for projects in 11 counties

## Construction Renovation Projects:

- Lucas
- Wayne
- Greene
- Williams
- Columbiana
- Auglaize

## Assessments:

- Ottawa
- Miami
- Jackson

## Security Upgrades:

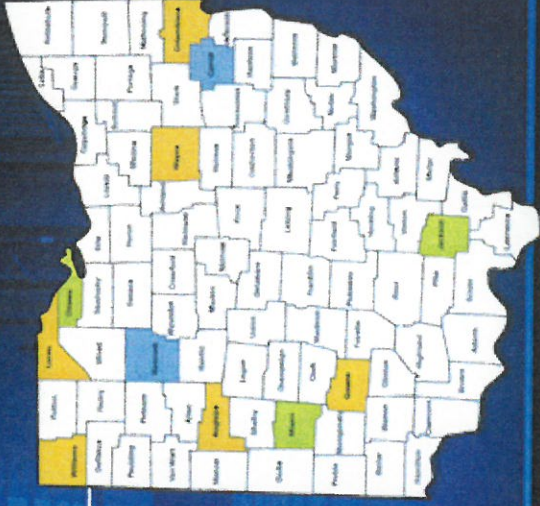
- Carroll
- Hancock



MIKE DEWINE  
GOVERNOR OF OHIO

Ohio

Department of  
Rehabilitation & Correction



## 2023 Ohio Jail Safety and Security Grant Recipients

### Construction/Renovation Projects:

Auglaize County: \$2,035,970

Columbiana County: \$462,500

Greene County: \$15,000,000

Lucas County: \$10,065,000

Wayne County: \$15,000,000

Williams County: \$4,662,756

### Security Upgrades:

Carroll County: \$227,300

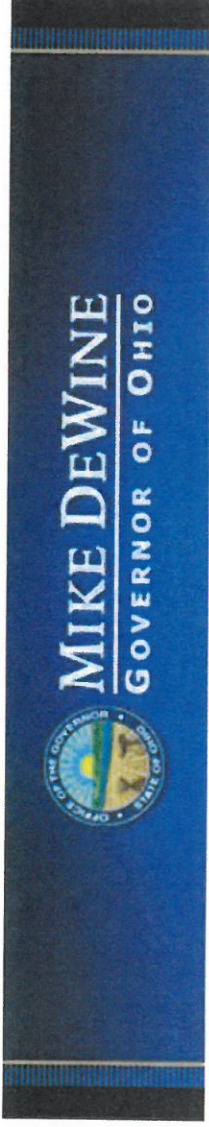
Hancock County: \$248,480

### Needs/Feasibility Assessments:

Jackson County: \$1,000,000

Miami County: \$175,000

Ottawa County: \$350,000



## **Jail Safety and Security Grant Summaries – April 2023**

### **Auglaize County - \$2,035,970**

Auglaize County will receive \$2,035,970 in funding for renovations at the jail. The project will increase the number of female beds in the jail and provide additional special needs beds for both males and females. The award represents approximately 40% of the overall project cost.

### **Carroll County - \$227,300**

Carroll County will receive \$227,300 for a security enhancement project at the jail. The jail was constructed in 1975, and the security upgrade will support the safe and secure operation of the facility.

### **Columbiana County - \$462,500**

Columbiana County will receive \$462,500 in matching funds for renovations to its minimum-security jail. The current minimum-security jail opened in 1964, and this project will convert that facility to a full-service jail, with an emphasis on housing a female population. This award represents approximately 50% of the total project cost.

### **Greene County - \$15,000,000**

Greene County is being awarded \$15,000,000 in matching funds for an addition to and renovation of the Greene County Adult Detention Center located on Greenway Blvd. This project will add 76,307 sq. ft. to the facility, 250 new beds, and repurpose 232 existing beds for recovery services and mental health counseling programs. Once completed, the project will allow Greene County to close the Greene County

Jail, a facility built in 1969 and located on Market Street. The award represents 25% of the total project cost.

**Hancock County - \$248,480**

Hancock County will receive \$248,480 in funding for security enhancements at the jail. The award represents approximately 80% of the total project cost.

**Jackson County - \$1,000,000.00**

Jackson County will receive \$1,000,000 for a feasibility study for a new jail that could serve Jackson County and the surrounding region.

**Lucas County - \$10,065,000**

Lucas County will receive \$10,065,000 in matching funds for the construction of a new 430-bed jail. The current facility opened in 1977, and the physical layout can no longer serve the needs of the staff and incarcerated population. This award represents approximately 5.4% of the project's total cost.

**Miami County - \$175,000**

Miami County will receive \$175,000 in funding for a needs assessment that will be used to identify the current and future criminal justice needs of the county, including an assessment of the need for a new jail. The current full-service jail opened in 1972.

**Ottawa County - \$350,000**

Ottawa County will receive \$350,000 for a feasibility study for a new multi-county jail to serve individuals with mental health considerations. The study will assess the needs of Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca counties to better serve this specialized population.



**Wayne County - \$15,000,000**

Wayne County will receive \$15,000,000 in matching funds for an addition and renovation of the current jail, which opened in 1977. This project will add 72,000 sq. ft. and will increase the bed capacity from 120 to 307 once the project is complete. The award is approximately 50% of the total project cost.

**Williams County (Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio) - \$4,662,756**

The Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio in Williams County will receive \$4,662,756 in matching funds for renovations to the current jail, including security upgrades and a new operations center for staff. This award represents approximately 82% of the total project cost.

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## **PROJECT NARRATIVE:**

The Boards of County Commissioners and County Sheriffs in Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca Counties wished to determine the feasibility of constructing a regional full-service mental health jail. As currently proposed Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca Counties would have additional bed space for female and male mentally disturbed inmates. The Counties have received grant funding for a feasibility study to identify the inmate capacity and services, administrative space, staffing, and costs for construction and operations. The regional facility, a first in the State of Ohio, would allow adjacent mid-size to small, populated counties house mentally ill inmates in a safe and secure environment with treatment to allow a successful transition into the community upon release. It is also assumed that the life cycle of the existing county facilities will be extended because additional bed space will be available in the local facilities if mentally ill inmates are housed in a regional facility. The Feasibility Study would include the following components:

1. Assessment of Existing Facilities
2. Criminal and the Criminal Justice System Profiles
3. Population Forecasts
4. Profile of Detainee Characteristics
5. Option Development and Analysis
6. Written Report and Public Presentation
7. Grant Writing

**All Ohio Future Fund  
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Sec. 126.62. (A) The all Ohio future fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of money credited to it and any donations, gifts, bequests, or other money received for deposit in the fund. All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund.

Money in the fund shall be used to provide financial assistance through loans, grants, or other incentives that promote economic development throughout the state, including gas infrastructure projects and other infrastructure improvements. Such improvements include electric Am. Sub. H. B. No. 33 135th G.A. 283 infrastructure development approved by the public utilities commission under sections 4928.85 to 4928.89 of the Revised Code and electric infrastructure improvements made by electric cooperatives and municipal electric utilities as those utilities are defined in section 4928.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The director of development shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that establish requirements and procedures to provide financial assistance from the all Ohio future fund to eligible economic development projects. The director shall consult with JobsOhio in adopting the rules. The rules shall include all of the following: (1) All forms and materials required to apply for financial assistance from the all Ohio future fund; (2) Requirements, procedures, and criteria that the director shall use in selecting sites to receive financial assistance from the fund. The rules shall require the director to consider sites that JobsOhio and local and regional economic development organizations have identified for economic development. The criteria adopted in rules for site selection shall include a means to identify and designate economic development projects into the following development tiers:

(a) A tier one project is a megaproject, as defined in section 122.17 of the Revised Code;

(b) A tier two project is a megaproject supplier, as defined in section 122.17 of the Revised Code;

(c) A tier three project is a project in an industrial park or a site that is zoned industrial.

(3) Any other requirements or procedures necessary to administer this section.

(C) When awarding financial assistance under this section and rules adopted under it, the director shall do both of the following:

(1) Unless a higher amount is approved by the controlling board, limit financial assistance amounts as follows:

(a) For tier one projects, not more than two hundred million dollars per project;

(b) For tier two projects, not more than seventy-five million dollars per project;

(c) For tier three projects, not more than twenty-five million dollars per project.

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(2) Give preference to sites that are publicly owned.

Am. Sub. H. B. No. 33 135th G.A. 284 (D) The director may provide grants and loans under this section to port authorities, counties, community improvement corporations, joint economic development districts, and public private partnerships to aid in the acquisition of land necessary for site development.

The director may provide loans under this section to a board of county commissioners to facilitate the transfer or relocation of assets under the control of the county for the purpose of site development.

(E) No money shall be expended from the all Ohio future fund, pursuant to appropriation, until it has been released by the controlling board.

(F) No entity that receives financial assistance from the all Ohio future fund under this section shall:

(1) Issue riders or any other additional charges to its customers for the purposes of a project that is funded by such assistance;

(2) If the entity is a water company, use the financial assistance for a new or expanded water treatment facility or waste water treatment facility.

Megaproject Language

(11) "Megaproject" means a project in this state that meets all of the following requirements:

(a) At least one of the following applies:

(i) The project requires unique sites, extremely robust utility service, and a technically skilled workforce.

(ii) The megaproject operator of the project has its corporate headquarters in the United States, incurs more than fifty per cent of its research and development expenses in the United States in the year preceding the date the tax credit authority approves the project for a credit under this section, and builds and operates semiconductor wafer manufacturing factories in this state or intends to do so by the metric evaluation date applicable to the megaproject operator.

(b) The megaproject operator of the project agrees, in an agreement with the tax credit authority under division (D) of this section, that, on and after the metric evaluation date applicable to the megaproject operator and until the end of the last year for which the megaproject qualifies for the credit authorized under this section, the megaproject operator will compensate the project's employees at an average hourly wage of at least three hundred

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per cent of the federal minimum wage under (\$7.25 per hour/\$10.10 Ohio) 29 U.S.C. 206, exclusive of employee benefits, as determined at the time the tax credit authority approves the project for a credit under this section.

(c) The megaproject operator agrees, in an agreement with the tax credit authority under division (D) of this section, to satisfy either of the following by the metric evaluation date applicable to the project:

(i) The megaproject operator makes at least one billion dollars, as adjusted under division (V)(1) of this section, in fixed-asset investments in the project.

(ii) The megaproject operator creates at least seventy-five million dollars, as adjusted under division (V)(1) of this section, in Ohio employee payroll at the project.

(d) The megaproject operator agrees, in an agreement with the tax credit authority under division (D) of this section, that if the project satisfies division (A)(11)(c)(ii) of this section, then, on and after the metric evaluation date and until the end of the last year for which the megaproject qualifies for the credit authorized under this section, the megaproject operator will maintain at least the amount in Ohio employee payroll at the project required under that division for each year in that period.

