

State of the County Address Wood County, Ohio

Presented by the Wood County Commissioners
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Thank You for Your Service!



Commissioner
Joel Kuhlman



Judge
Robert Pollex



Engineer
Raymond Huber

New Elected Officials



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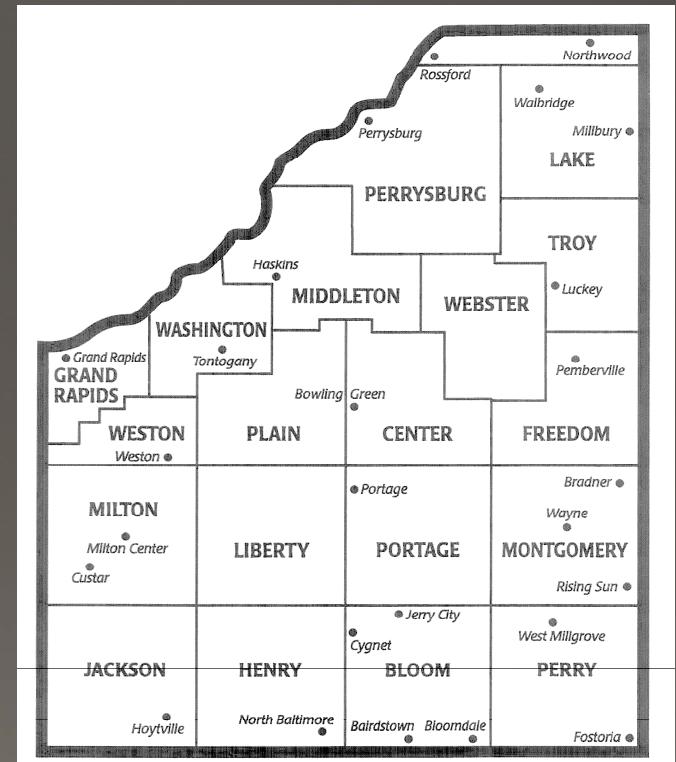
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Engineer
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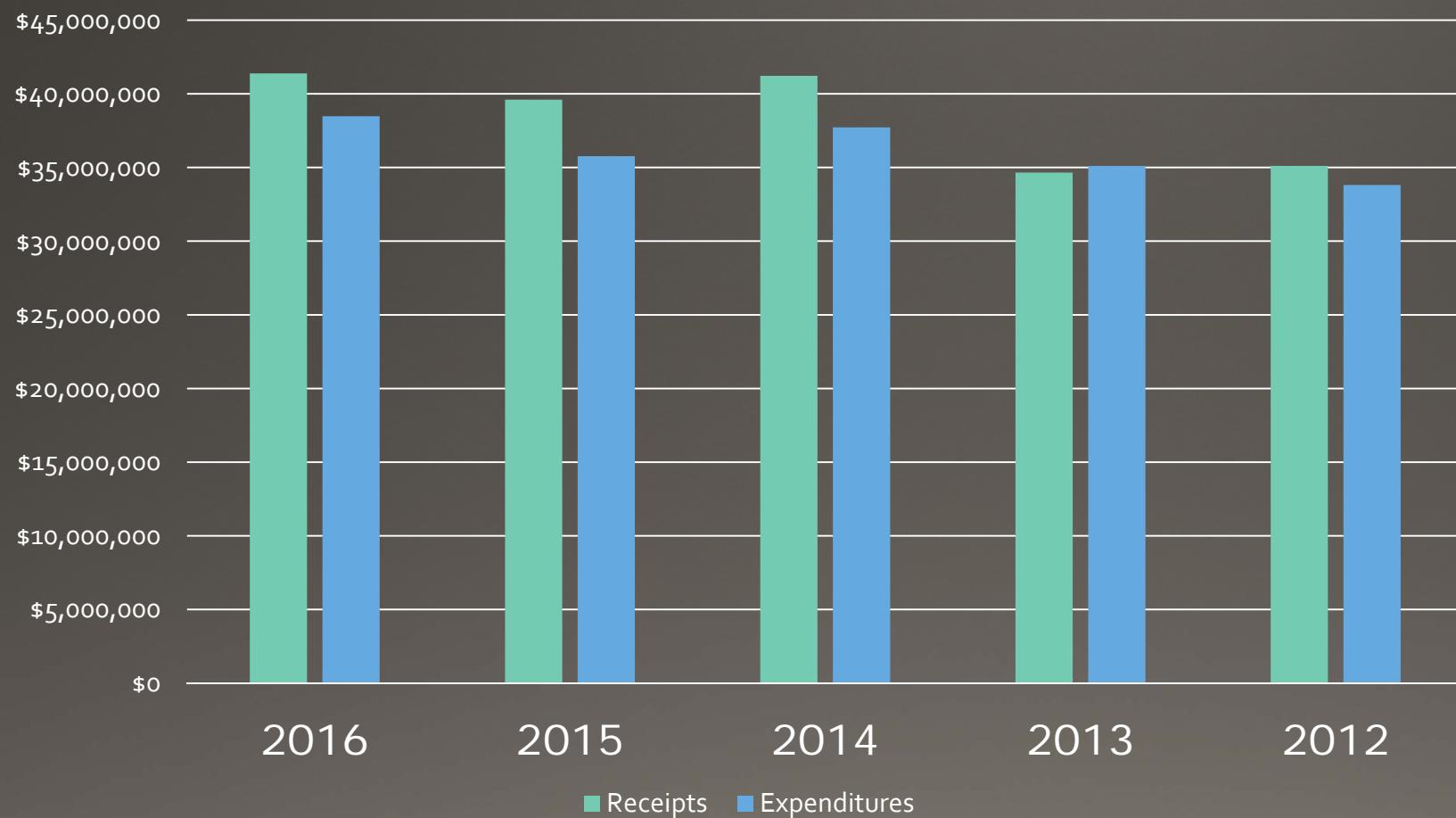
Quick Facts about Wood County

- Population (2010 Census) = 125,488
- Land Area in Square Miles = 617.4
- Total Households = 49,561
- Median Household Income = \$52,758
- Major & Notable Employers:
 - Magna-International
 - First Solar Inc.
 - Chrysler Group LLC
 - Owens-Illinois Inc.
 - Fed Ex
 - CSX Corporation
 - Home Depot



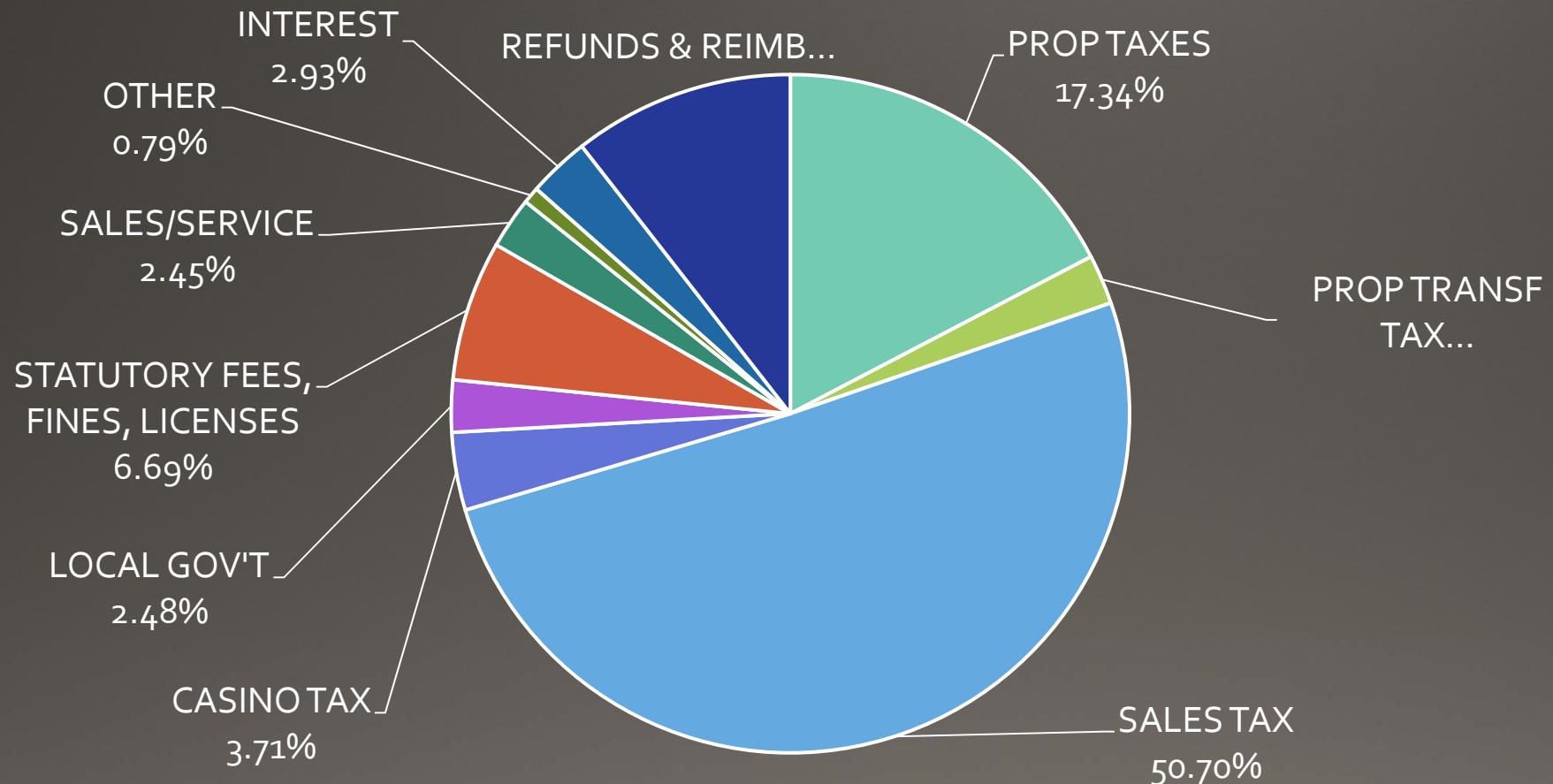
Source: 2015 Ohio County Profile from Ohio Office of Policy, Research, and Strategic Planning

General Fund Receipts & Expenditures 2012 - 2016



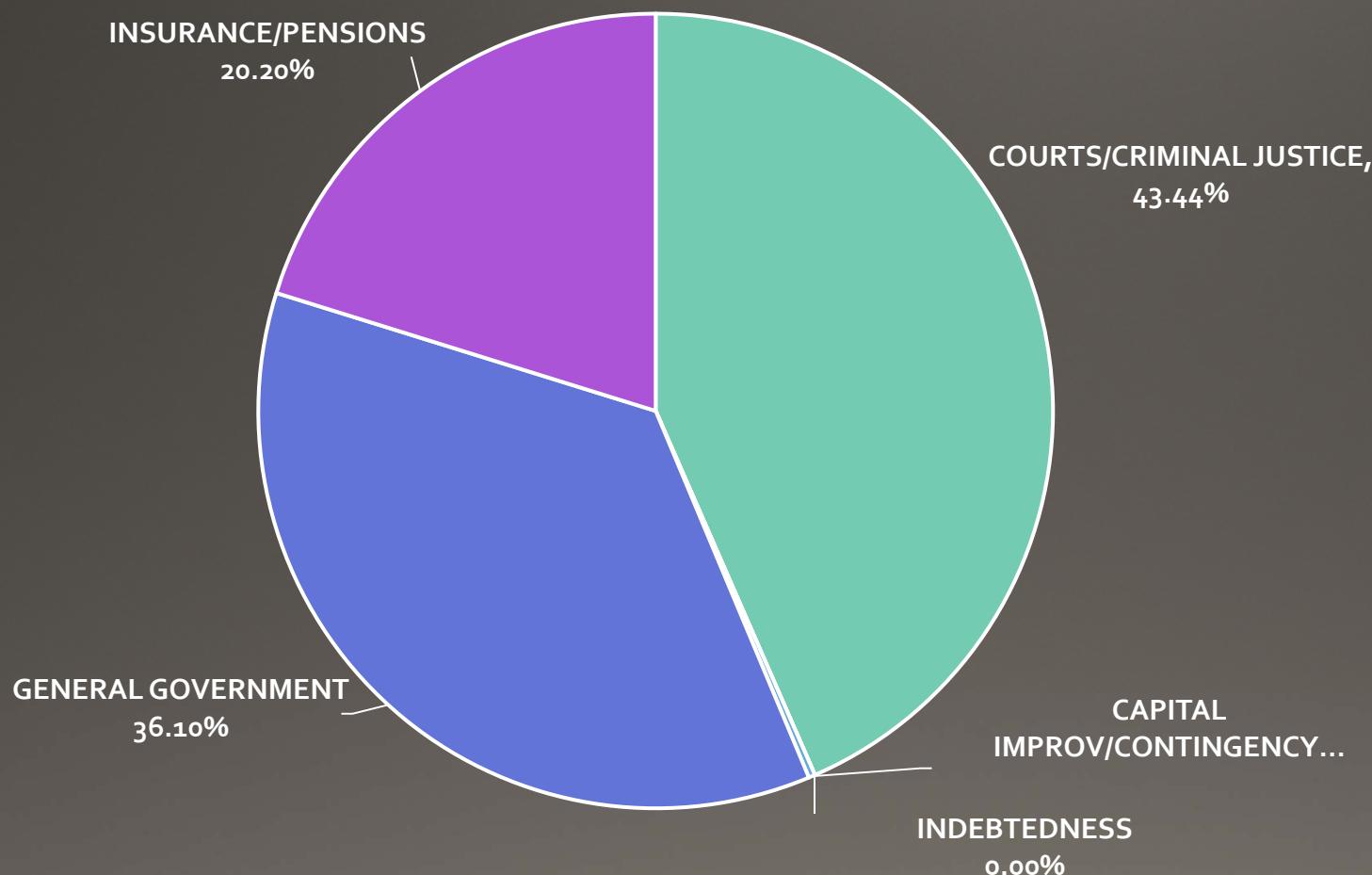
2016 Actual Receipts

\$41,384,914.27



2016 Actual Expenditures

\$38,480,288.13



Investment Income



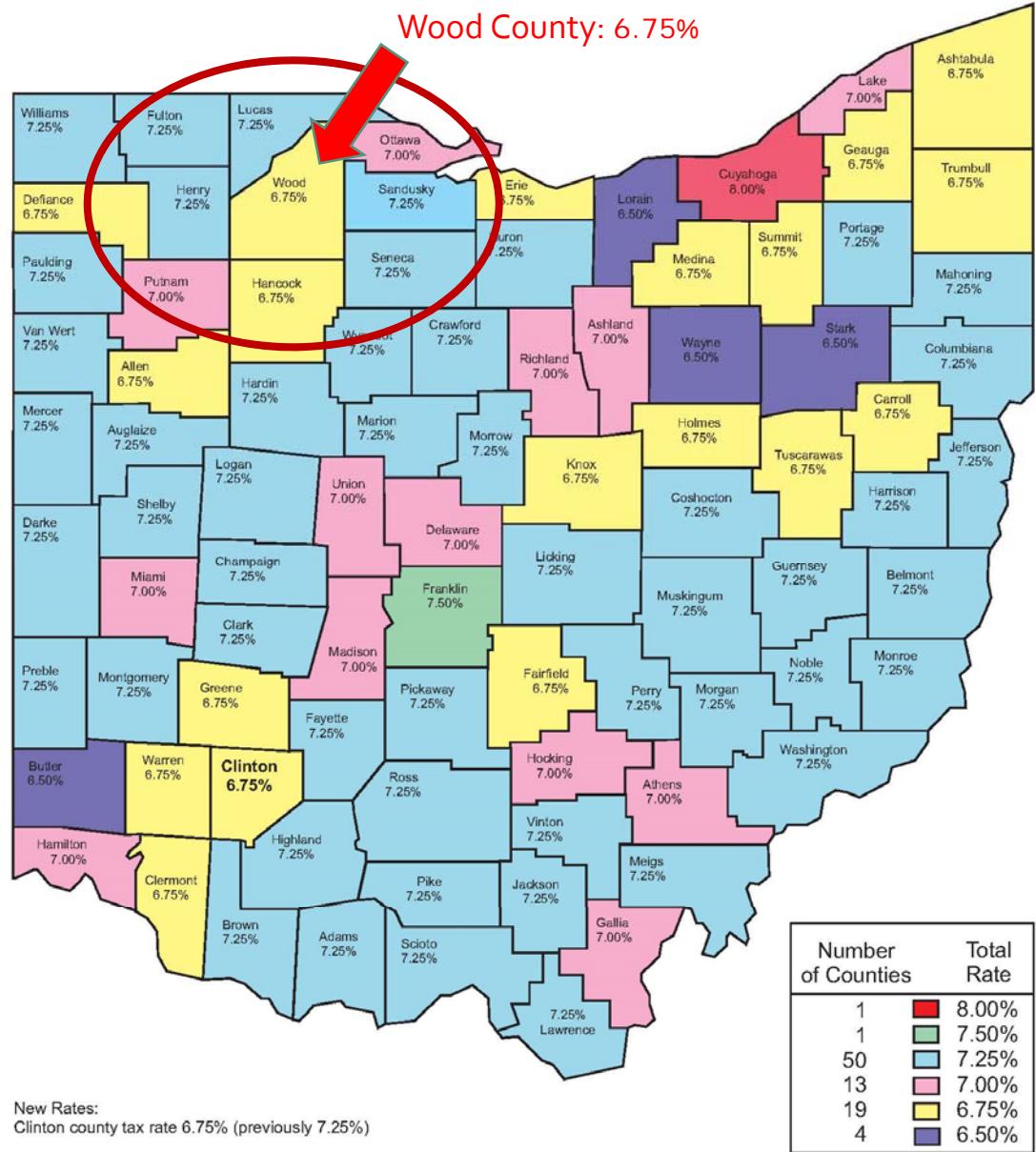
The Power of a Penny!



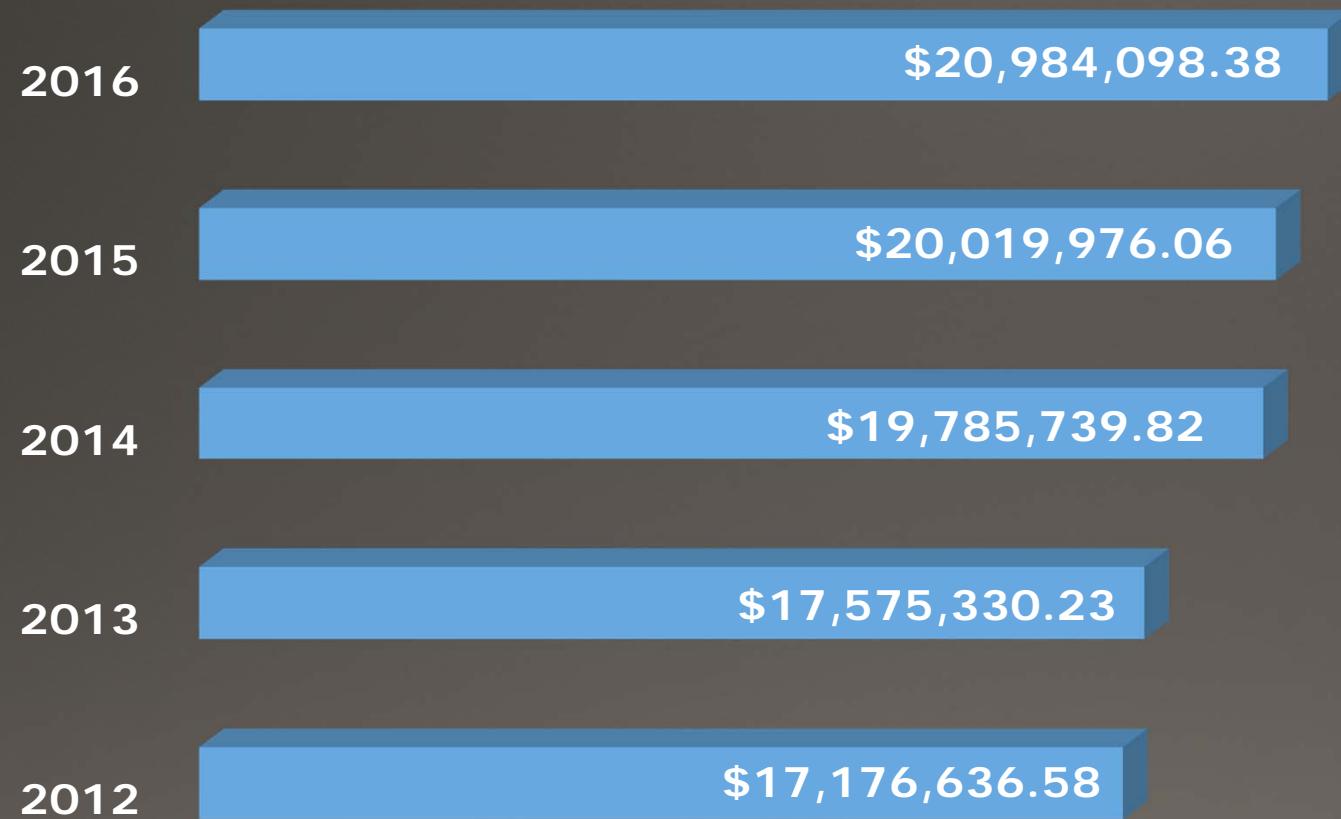
The primary source of funding to pay for the services of county government comes from our one penny sales tax.

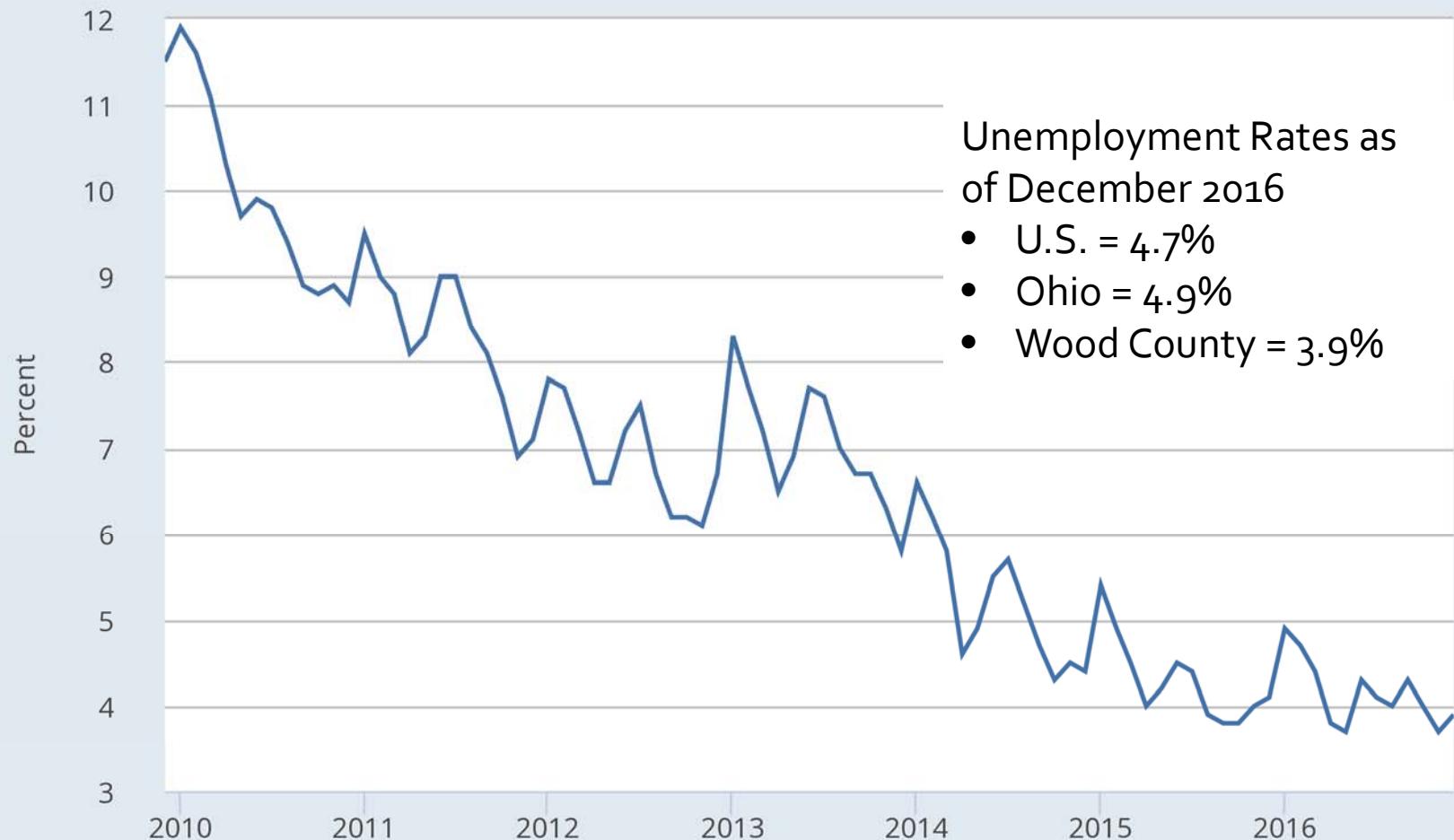
The most significant benefit of shopping locally is your support of local retailers and our local economy.

Total State and Local Sales Tax Rates, By County
Effective October 2016



Sales Tax Receipts





Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
fred.stlouisfed.org

myf.red/g/cWBq

Wood County's unemployment rate remains under both the U.S. and Ohio averages.

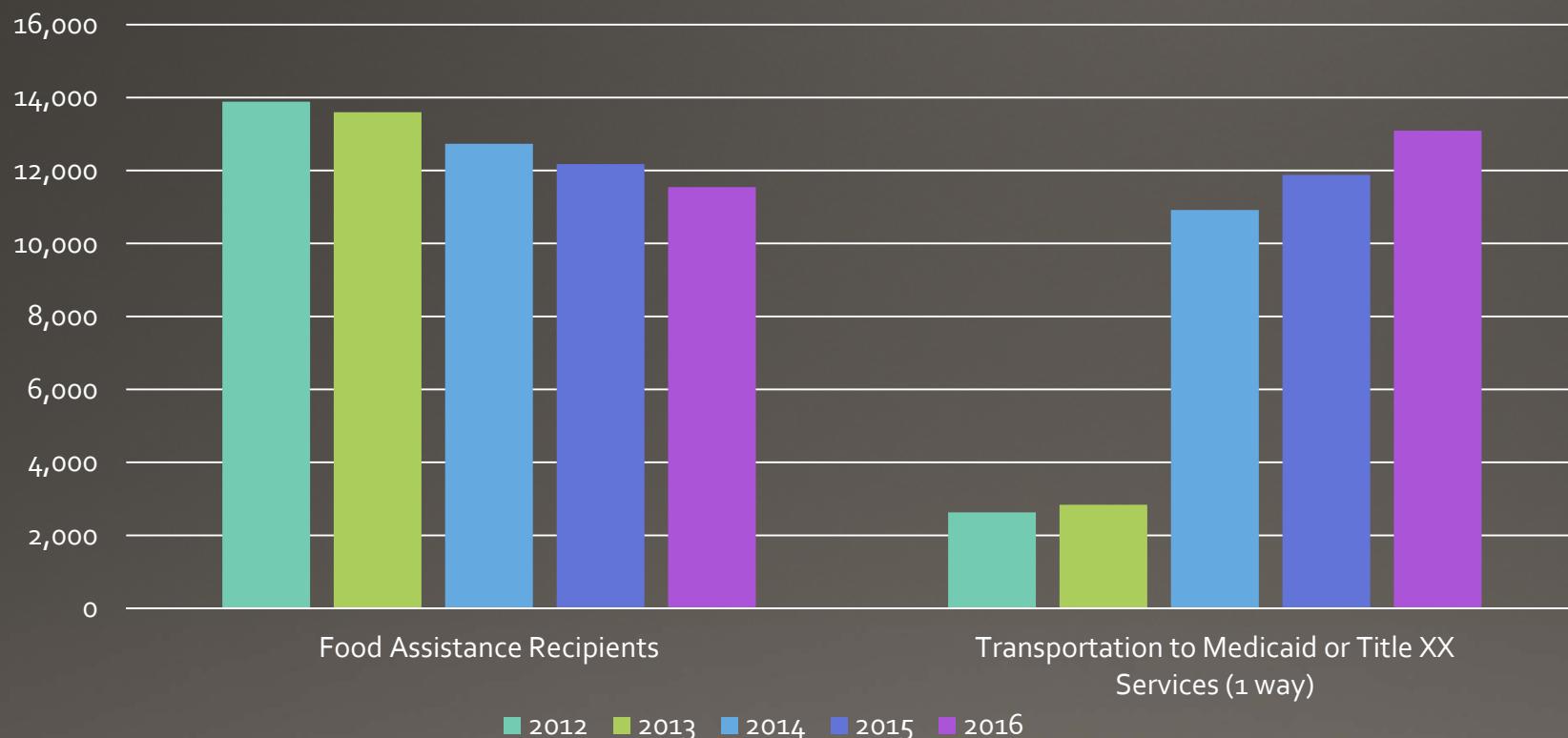
Ratio of Income to Poverty Level

- Wood County Population for whom poverty level status is determined = 121,155
- Federal Poverty Level is used to determine assistance for programs throughout the County.

	Number	Percent
Below 50%	9,205	7.6%
50 to 99%	8,718	7.2%
100 to 124%	5,154	4.3%
125 to 149%	4,298	3.5%
150 to 184%	6,690	5.5%
185 to 199 %	2,478	2.0%
200% +	84,612	69.8%

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Assistance Provided through Job and Family Services



Job and Family Services Provided Backpacks and Shoes for Kids

Families whose income was at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level received assistance with school supplies. The Agency provided 501 children from 230 families received a backpack filled with school supplies.

They also received a pair of shoes to begin the new school year.

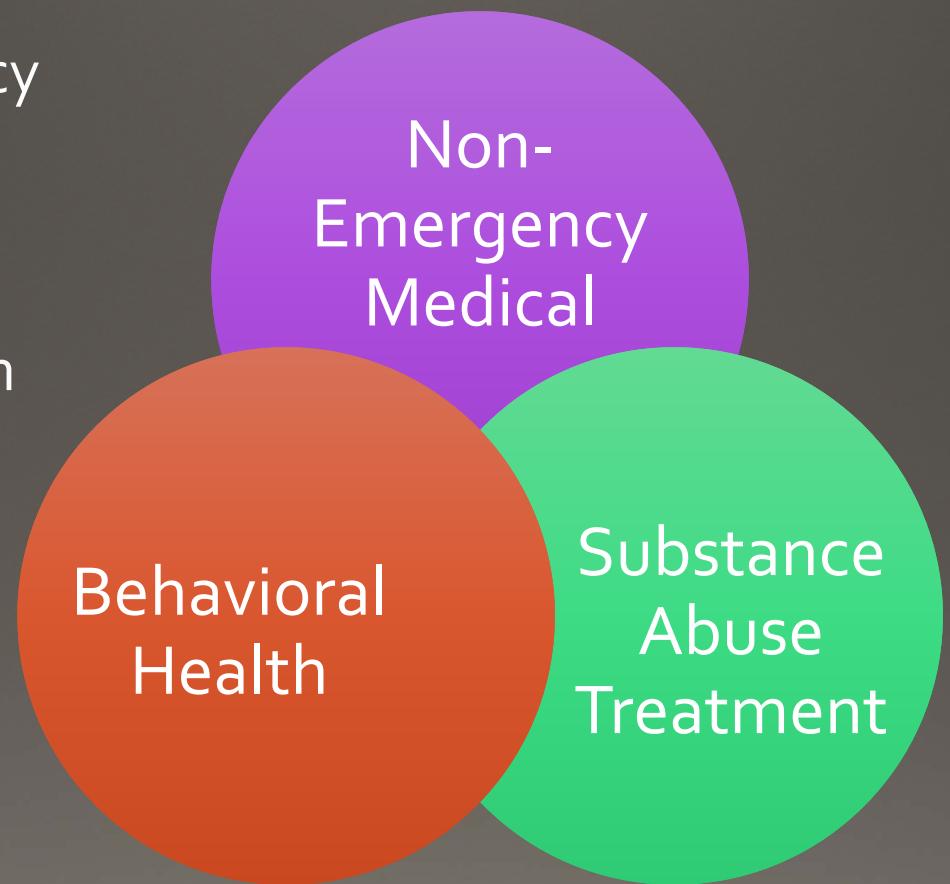
Thank you to Meijer and the local Shoe Sensation store for their assistance with this program.



NET-Plus Transportation Network

1.844.353.6779

- Transportation to non-emergency medical, behavioral health, or substance abuse treatment appointments
- Transportation to physical health appointments available to consumers who are at or below 200% of the poverty level.
- Services available to behavioral health and substance abuse treatment appointments regardless of income.





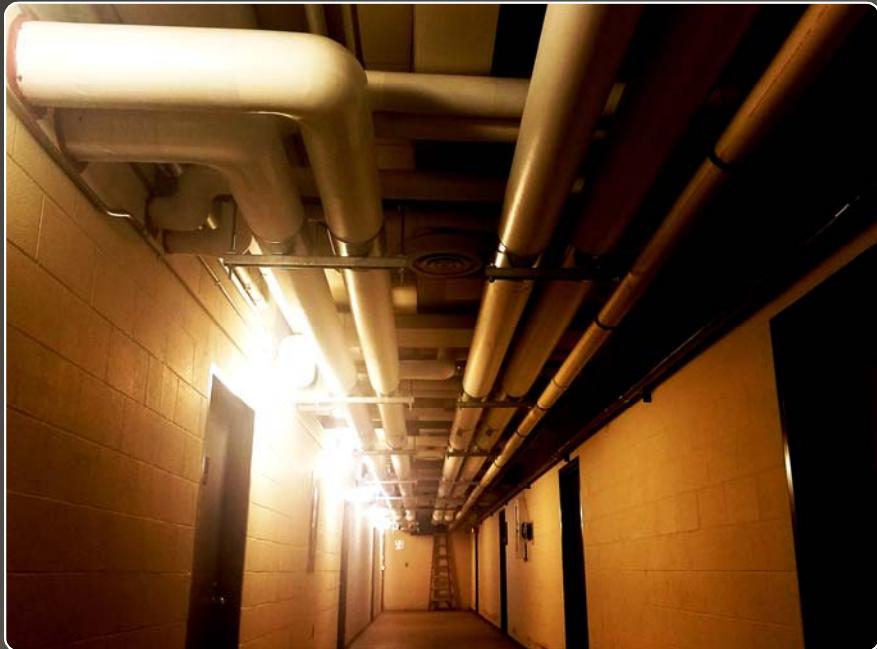
Pinwheels for Prevention

Join us on April 12 as we plant 894 pinwheels to raise awareness of each child abuse/neglect case investigated during 2016.

Welcoming New Employees at Job and Family Services



Renovations Continue at Wood Haven Health Care



Resident room climate control units were added as part of a project to completely replace the aging piping system throughout the facility.

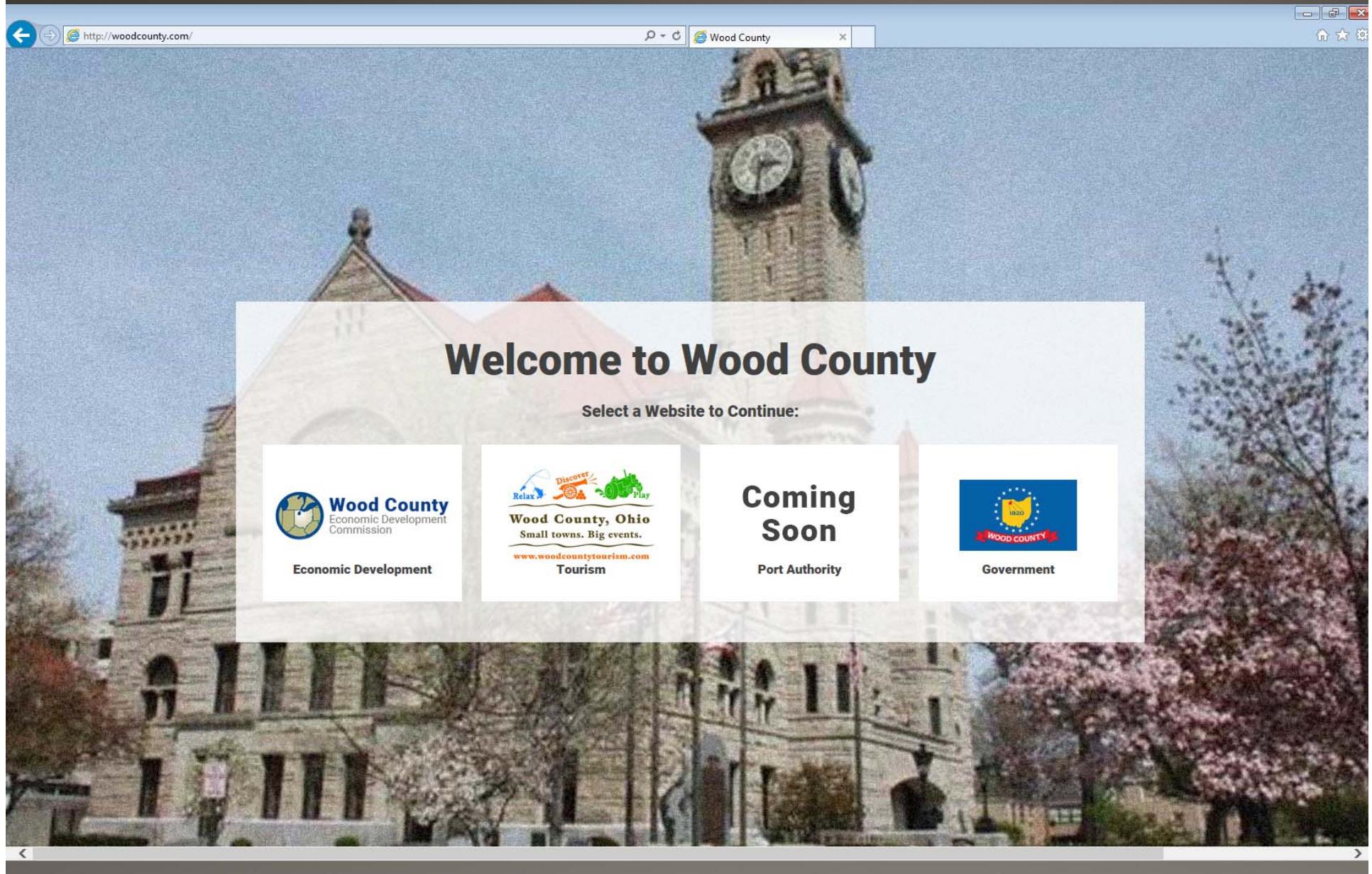


Before



After

Landing Page Promotes Wood County www.woodcounty.com



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://woodcounty.com/> in the address bar. The title bar of the browser says "Wood County". The main content area features a large, semi-transparent image of a historic stone building with a prominent clock tower against a blue sky. Overlaid on this image is a white rectangular box containing the text "Welcome to Wood County" in a large, bold, dark font. Below this, the text "Select a Website to Continue:" is displayed. The page is divided into four quadrants, each containing a different entity's logo and name:

- Wood County Economic Development Commission**: Features a logo with a stylized map of Ohio and the text "Wood County Economic Development Commission".
- Wood County, Ohio Tourism**: Features a logo with icons for Relax, Discover, and Play, and the text "Wood County, Ohio Small towns. Big events. www.woodcountytourism.com Tourism".
- Coming Soon**: Features the text "Coming Soon" and "Port Authority".
- Government**: Features the Ohio state flag and the text "WOOD COUNTY".

Plan reviews and inspections for school construction projects kept staff busy.

Five school districts had projects underway in 2016. Each resulting in approximately 150 inspections.



Northwood Local Schools

Building Inspection issued 5,375 permits in 2016.

Have you
purchased your
dog license?



1-year, 3-year or permanent license options
available

**Door-to-Door Dog License
Compliance Checks Coming in 2017**

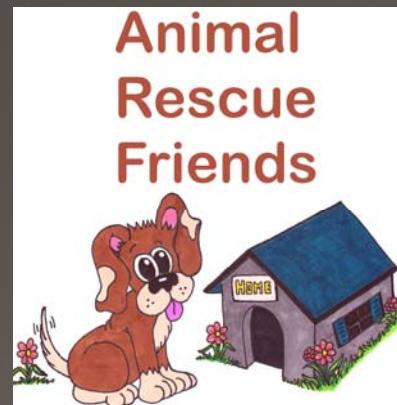
Contact the Auditor's Office or Dog Shelter for more information

Thank you to the Friends of Wood County Dog Shelter

Publicize Shelter
Dogs Available for
Adoption



Collaborates with
Dog Rescue
Organizations



Finance Veterinary
Care for Shelter
Dogs



98 Dogs impounded at the Dog Shelter were transferred to Rescue Organizations in 2016

ADA Accessibility Project Completed at Museum



Elevator

Accessible Restrooms

Accessible Parking



OVER THERE!

SEND WORD, THE WOOD COUNTY BOYS
ARE COMING!

WORLD WAR I, 1914-1918



WOOD COUNTY
Historical center
& museum

ON EXHIBIT THROUGH DECEMBER 16, 2017
Bowling Green OH | woodcountyhistory.org

Emergency Management



Brad Gilbert, EMA Director obtained certification as an Ohio Certified Emergency Manager. As of 2016, he was one of only 23 in the State to achieve this status.

Solid Waste Management District

The Wood County Landfill has mulch available for purchase starting in late spring for \$25 per ton.



Plastic grocery bags are an incredible source of litter across Wood County and the US.

Help combat this issue through the use of reusable bags.

Child Support Enforcement



Child Support staff was recognized by the State of Ohio for outstanding performance in current support collections for a third year.

Opioid Epidemic



Combating the Opioid Epidemic



Sheriff's Office received a grant for road deputies to carry Narcan



Use of body scanner at Justice Center screens for drugs and other contraband



Dispose of unwanted prescription medications at RX Drop boxes

Sheriff's Office

Bowling Green Police Station

Perrysburg Police Department

Perrysburg Township Police Department

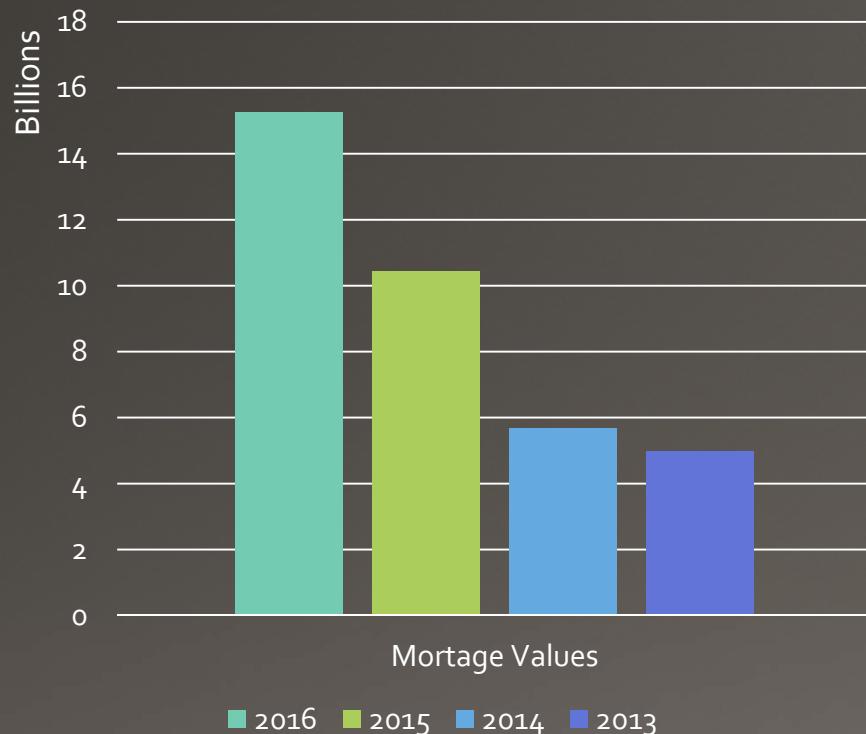
Help is Available:

Crisis Text Line in Ohio
Text "4HOPE" to 741 741



Recorder's Office

Total Value of Recorded Mortgages



Total Deeds Recorded



Guardian Program Seeking Volunteers



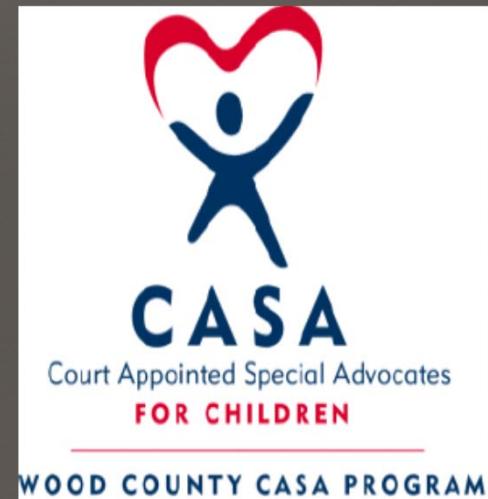
Probate Court is in need of volunteers to act as guardians for community members who are no longer able to care for themselves.

Examples of decisions a volunteer might make include those relating to medical care or housing.

For more information, contact Probate Court.

Become a CASA/GAL Volunteer

Court Appointed Special Advocate/Guardian ad Litem volunteers gather information about the life, make recommendations and advocate for the best interest of the child, and monitor the situation until a safe, permanent home is made for the child.

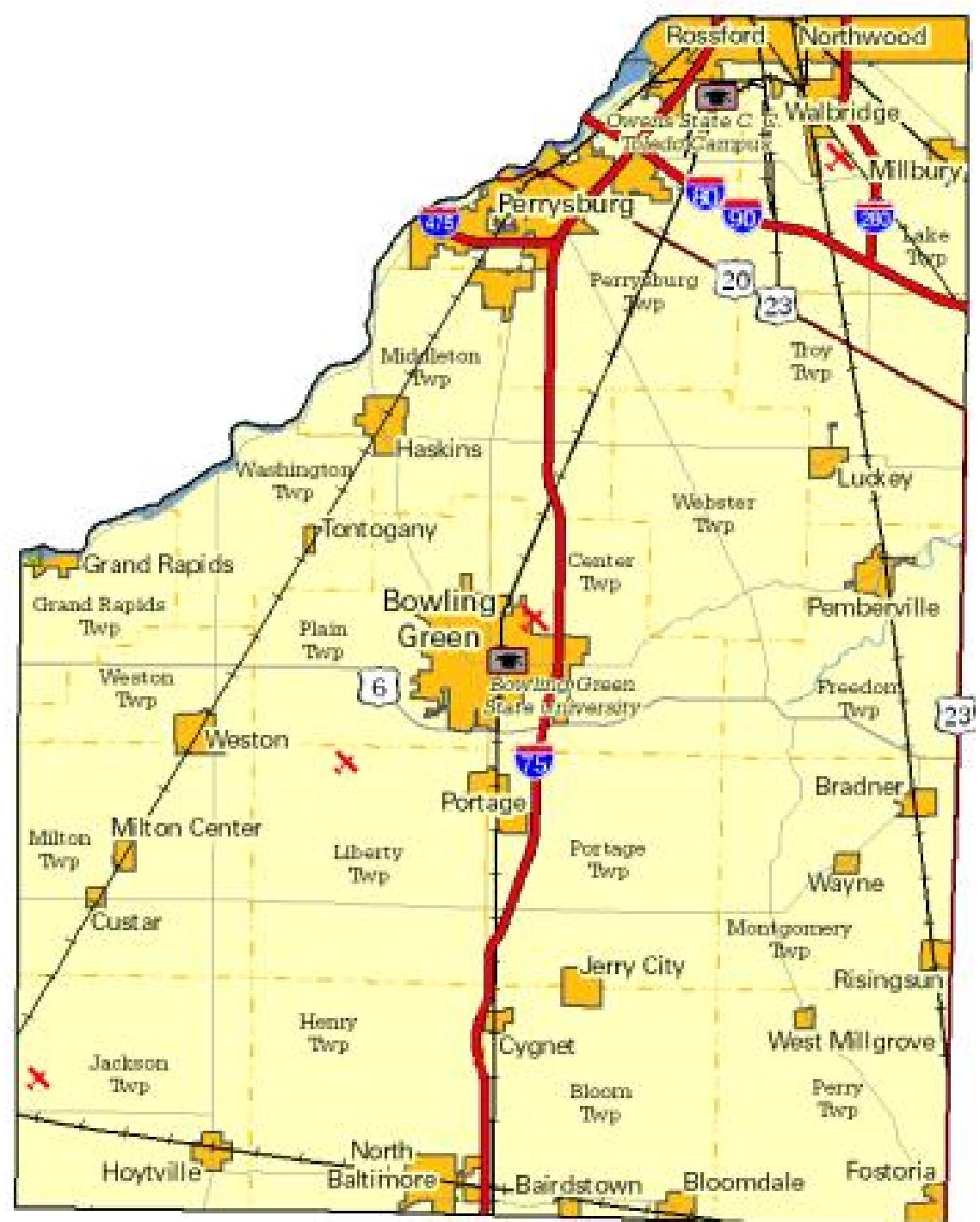


For more information, contact Juvenile Court.

Planning Commission

New Land Use Plan developed to guide development and preservation throughout the County (all townships).

Contact the Planning Commission or visit their website to view the Plan.



County Treasurer Offers Options for Paying Property Taxes

- Credit Card payment, with a convenience fee
- Automatic withdrawal from bank account
- Monthly automatic withdrawal from bank account
- Payments are also accepted at some banking institutions throughout the County
- Drop box at Courthouse Complex



Law Library Available to Public

A “self-help” workstation in the Law Library allows residents access to forms and procedures to assist with divorce, dissolution and domestic violence matters.



Prosecutor's Office Hosts Youth Olympics



Prosecuting Attorney
Paul Dobson received
the Auditor of State's
Public Integrity
Award in December.



Atrium Named In Honor of Commissioner Perkins



Home Depot Fulfillment Center



In Troy Township, the 1.6 million square foot Home Depot fulfillment center continues to create jobs, now with more than 700 employees.

Principle Business Group began construction on a \$4 expansion in Middleton Township



State of Ohio Fraud Hotline

In March, the Auditor's Office sponsored fraud protection training for county employees.

- If you suspect fraud, including the misuse of public money by an official or office, contact the State of Ohio Fraud Hotline.
- All complaints are anonymous.



Call 1-866-Fraud-OH
1-866-372-8364



Use the *Ohio Stops Fraud* Mobile App



Email Your Tip
fraudohio@ohioauditor.gov
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Write a letter
88 E. Broad Street
PO Box 1140
Columbus, OH 43215

ODOT Bridge Projects

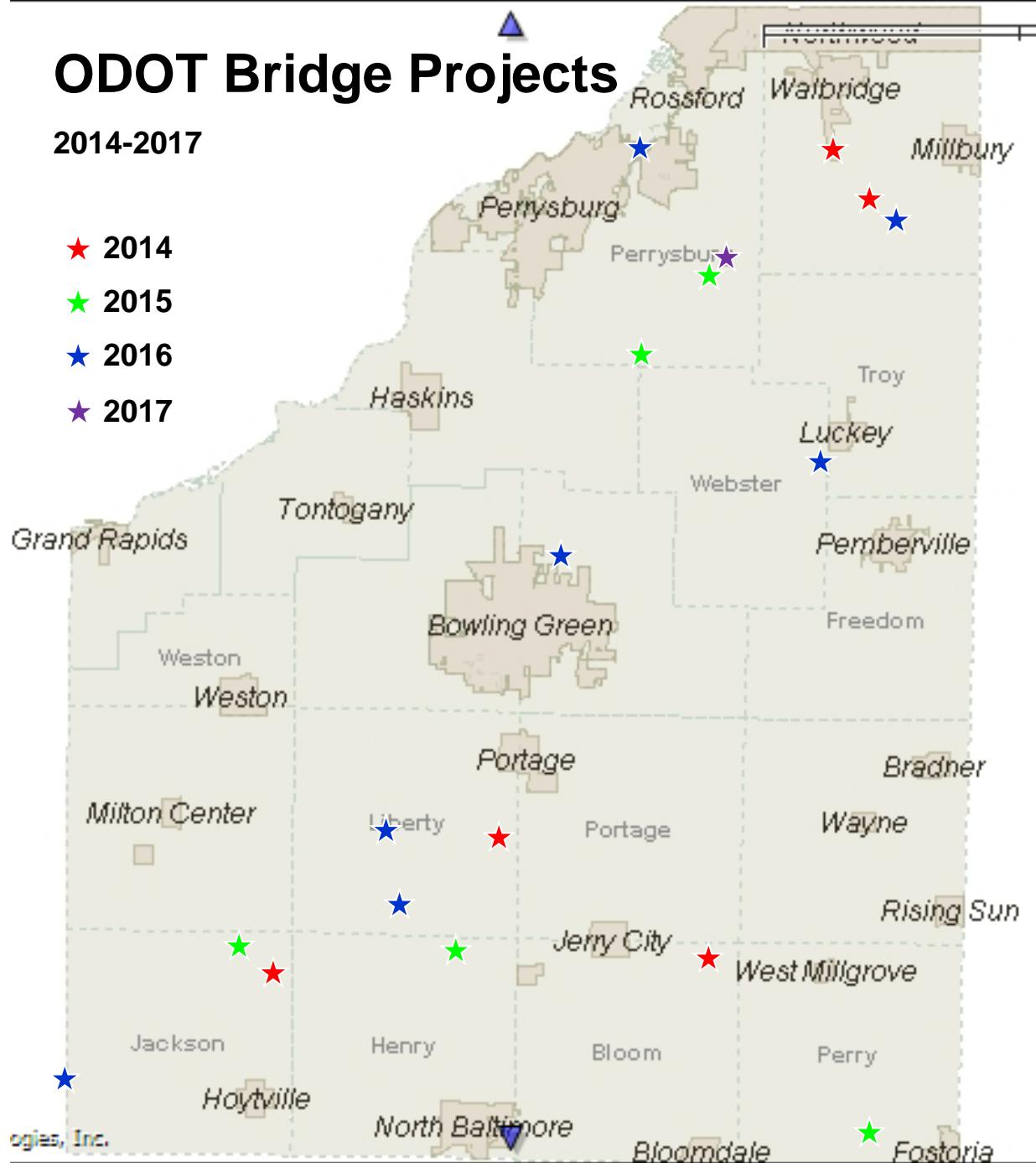
2014-2017

★ 2014

★ 2015

★ 2016

★ 2017



The State of Ohio provided assistance with 18 Bridge Projects between 2014 and 2017.

During 2016, work was completed on six bridge projects.

- Lemoyne Rd.
- Lime City Rd.
- Dunbridge Rd.
- Collins Rd.
- Liberty Hi Rd. (2 bridges)
- Henry-Wood County Line Rd.



Henry Wood County Line Road Bridge

Funded by the ODOT Bridge Partnership Program

Farm Drainage.

Ask Before You
Change.



- If you have farmland that drains into one watershed, but are considering re-tiling so that the land drains into a different watershed.
- An initial meeting with the Engineer's Office will determine if such a change is feasible based on the drainage capacity of the proposed new watershed.
- The petition process required to make this kind of drainage change is outlined in ORC §6131.

Auto Title Transitions to New Statewide Titling System

The new system required staff to complete a set of five training modules over the course of five months.



Project Lifesaver

Provided by the Wood County Sheriff's Office

Project Lifesaver is an active response to the problem of locating people who may not be able to find their way home – before they become victims.

The Project Lifesaver team is trained to approach a person with Alzheimer's disease or a developmental disability, gain their trust, and put them at ease for the trip home.





Sheriff Offers Livestock Registration

Assists with locating an owner of a farm animal that has found its way onto Wood County roads and highways.

More information available on-line.

Are you a
Veteran
Living in
Wood
County?



Thank you for your service!

The Veterans Assistance Center wants to ensure you are registered with their office to make sure you are receiving all the benefits you are entitled to receive. Contact their office to learn more.

2016 Spirit of Wood County Awards

Annually the Commissioners present the Spirit of Wood County Awards.

Congratulations to the 2016 recipients:

Brian Tucker
Jean Gamble
Dan Henry
Janet Stoudinger (posthumous)



Nominate Someone You Know! Deadline to submit nominations is August 15.

Keeping in Touch with Those We Serve

Upcoming Town Hall Meetings

Troy Township: April 12 at 6:15 p.m.

Northwood: May 11 at 6:15 p.m.

Watch for Additional Dates and Times

Website:

Includes agendas, prior meeting minutes, press releases, etc.



Wood County Commissioners



Wood County eNews
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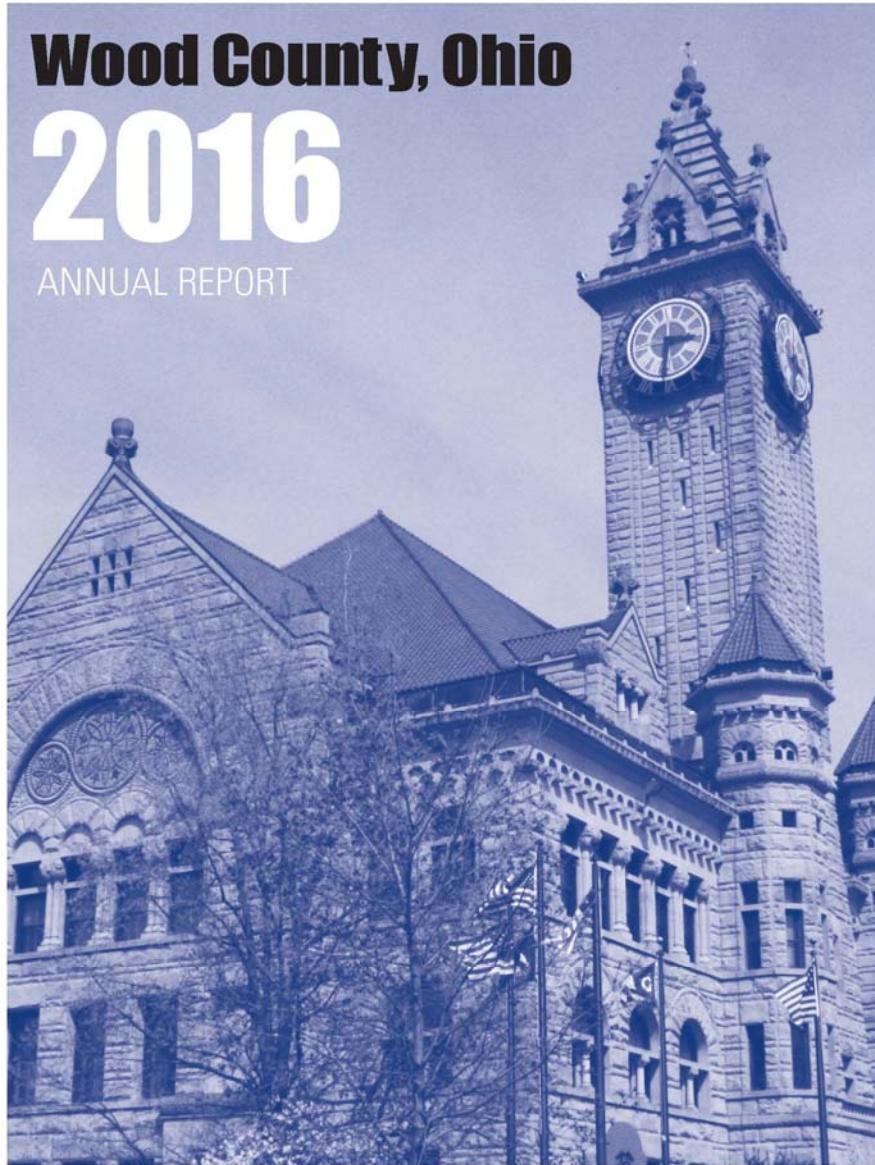
2017 Wood County Elected Officials

WWW.CO.wood.oh.us

- Links to Elected Official and Departmental Websites
- Real Estate Information, Tax Payments, Index searches
- Voter Location Search
- Court Records Search
- Dog Adoptions/Dog License Purchase
- Marriage License and Probate Records
- Sheriff's Sales
- Sex Offender Database
- Interactive Maps
- Road Closings
- Building Permit Inquiry
- Bids/Requests for Proposals
- Internet Auction of Surplus Items

Wood County, Ohio
2016

ANNUAL REPORT



Watch
your mail
for the
2016 Wood
County
Annual
Report