

Council President



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Recycling for our Youth!

The Hawthorne Valley Youth Council (HVYC) is a viable program that teaches our youth in the 7th through 12th grades to be good leaders while learning about local and state government through hands-on experience.



Feel free to deposit paper products; mail, books, newspapers, magazines, office paper, etc. & boxes which have been broken down. By doing so, the HVYC receives funds which provide our youth leadership training. Please support our Youth and Recycle at the same time!

In a twofold venture, the HVYC has partnered with River Valley Paper Recycling. As you drive Broadway Avenue, you may notice the bright green bin located at Chaloupkas Sandwich Shop near Pettibone and Broadway with their logo on the side.



*Johnnie Warren
 Council President*

In Washington for You

While attending the National League of Cities (NLC) conference in DC earlier this year, I met with members of the Congress discussing issues pertinent to our community. Each of the officials indicated to me

that they are in support of many of our concerns and objectives within the Village of Oakwood.



Emergency Sewer Line Service for Residents

The agreement between Oakwood and the County gives residents 24 hour emergency sewer service. If you experience sewer line issues, please call their 24 hour number at 216.443.8201.



Dog Owners Be Aware

When enjoying a walk with your pet, please remember to keep them on leash in addition to picking up after them.

It's Cheaper to **Scoop!**
 Than to pay the **Loot!**

In addition, all dogs must be registered with the

County annually. For more information please visit the County website <http://fiscalofficer.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/Dog-License.aspx>

Further, owners of specific breeds must acquire \$100,000 in liability insur-

ance. To view the entire section 505 of the Oakwood Codified Ordinances go to: <http://www.conwaygreene.com/oakwood.html>



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 Building Dept 440.232.9980
 Council Office 440.201.1020
 Fire/Police 440.232.1035
 Recreation 440.232.9988 x
 105
 Service 440.232.6957
 Emergency Sewer Service
 216.443.8201

Summer in Oakwood!

Students in the Summer Camp took part in educational programs such as robotics, mobile app building, reading and math workshops and much much more!

Urban Farming Community Program!

Mt. Zion of Oakwood Village has partnered with KSU, Petitti Landscaping, SRP Development Inc., Bedford Schools and Oakwood Village in offering this summer & fall collaborative program.

Children are learning how important vegetables are in their diet as well as how to plant and cultivate healthy gardens.

Crops will be harvested by Dec. and given to members of the community in need through the City Mission and the Southeast Hunger Center.

Urban Farming projects are one of the most successful community outreaches in the country!



Summer Concert Series Finale!

The #1 Tribute Band to the Bee Gees will be followed by Fire Works at the Oakwood Village Park! Fri., Aug. 21st. Bring your lawn chairs and invite family & friends! Concert begins at 7:00 pm.



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Homeownership

A budgetary crunch is something we all face from time to time.



When it becomes difficult to make ends meet, sometimes we are faced with tough choices; pay this bill or that one. When it gets so tight that house payments lapse, homeowners may get into trouble rather quickly if not dealt with early.



Here are just a few tips, if you happen to know someone in such a situation.

It is no secret when a person is facing foreclosure; the Village is notified by the County. In addition the Daily Legal News publishes foreclosures to creditors, lenders, communities, real estate offices, etc. The longer a homeowner is in the foreclosure situation, the worse it gets. Homeowners should seek intervention early.

HARP (Home Affordable Refinance Program) has been extended to help homeowners stay in their homes. Find out more <http://www.harp.gov>

Loan Modifications, may affect the lender's credit on the short term but not have a long term effect. Contact your mortgage holder for options.



Short Sale protects the lender's credit rating to a point although it will show up on a credit report. It will not prevent the lender from buying in the future once finances are stabilized. Not so in a foreclosure which limits buying power both now and in the future.

Deed in lieu of foreclosure is an option issued by the bank. Lenders must qualify for hardship with their mortgage holder.

Rent from your Bank. Many financial institutions will allow the lender to stay in the home and pay rent in order to keep the lender in their home.

Once in Foreclosure, the house may sit empty for years until everything is cleared.

NACA is a non-profit HUD certified homeownership & advocacy organization that has been in the forefront in the fight for economic justice. NACA has made the dream of homeownership a reality for hundreds of thousands of working people enabling those with credit issues, limited assets or subject to discrimination to purchase a home or modify their predatory loan on the most affordable terms. NACA continues to set the national standard in its advocacy for affordable homeownership and access to credit.

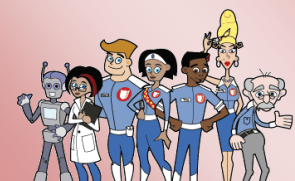
NACA's Home Save Program for homeowners with an unaffordable mortgage, provides the most effective program to reduce the interest rate and/or principal to achieve an affordable payment. Find out more at <https://www.naca.com>

7000 Euclid Avenue, suite 201, Cleveland, OH 44103
Tel: (216) 619-4110

SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Safety Forces Day!

October 3rd.



Home Repairs Made Easy

Wanting to do some home repairs this year?

Under H.E.L.P. the Housing Enhancement Loan Program, participating banks make home-improvement loans directly to property owners at **three percentage points below** market rate. There are no income guidelines.

Homeowners can use the loans for maintenance, remodeling, landscaping, or room additions. All homes valued at up to \$250,000 are

eligible, as are all multi-family rental properties with more than three units.

H.E.L.P. has made over 5,300 loans possible since 1992, totaling more than \$64 million. In a survey of borrowers, over 60 percent of respondents said they would not have made the investment in their property without H.E.L.P. These improvements have attracted new residents, boosted property values, and stabilized the tax base and

local school districts. Cities have even noted a “halo effect”—neighbors of H.E.L.P. loan recipients would not have made home improvements without county assistance.

For further information call the Cuyahoga County Treasurer’s Office, at 216-443-2149 or e-mail Bruce Nimrick at bnimrick@cuyahogacounty.us

<http://development.cuyahogacounty.us/en-us/housing-development.aspx>



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Energy Assistance

The Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) offers several programs to help low-income Ohioans pay their utility bills & improve the energy efficiency of their homes.



Programs available:

HEAP Home Energy Assistance Program provides a one-time benefit annually to your primary heating source account.

SCP Summer Crisis Program provides a one-time benefit annually to your electric bill and/or purchase of fans & air conditioners.

WCP Winter Crisis Program provides a one-time benefit annually to your heating source account.

PIPP Plus Percentage of Income Payment Plan is an extended payment arrangement that requires regulated gas & electric companies to accept payments based on a percentage of the household income.

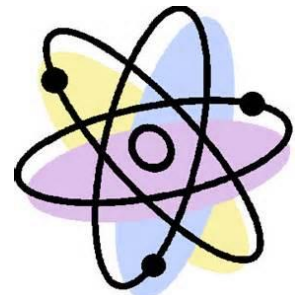
HWAP Home Winterization Assistance Program is a residential energy efficiency program that reduces the energy use of qualified households offering furnace tune ups, minor windows, doors & weather stripping repair & insulation.

Eligibility for these programs is based in part on income.

For more information visit their website <http://fiscalofficer.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/energy-assistanceprogram.aspx>

or the State **HEAP** office call 1-800-282-0880. Applications may be picked up at the Office of Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer - 2079 E. 9th Street, 4th Floor, Cleveland Ohio, 44115

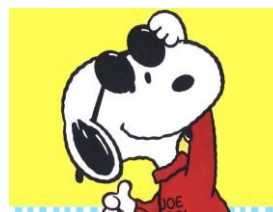
Community Housing Solutions Furnace/Boiler Repairs and Minor Home Repairs Program Grants are designed for low income owner-occupants. Neither program is for general maintenance but are designed for “no heat” solutions and basic home repairs. Contact Veleta at 216.651.0077. Community Housing Solutions (CHS) is a not-for-profit organization located at 1967 West 45th St, Cleveland, OH 44102. For more information visit their website at <http://commhousingsolutions.org>



Heating and Cooling Assistance

Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland (CEOGC) located at 1228 Euclid Avenue, Suite 700 Cleveland, Ohio 44115 Tel: (216) 696-9077 CEOGC supports Cuyahoga

County with services in EHEAP energy bill assistance, food, grants for rent. Foreclosure & credit counseling is also available.* <http://www.ceogc.org>



Rebates for Residents

Want to get in shape or stay in shape? You can at a discount. Oakwood offers a *rebate program* for those who purchase a membership at one of the following:

Bedford Hts Rec Center



Call the Mayor’s office for more info! 440.232.9988

Rubbish Collection

As a reminder, rubbish must be placed on the tree lawn no earlier than **one-hour** prior to **sunset** the evening prior to, or by 7:00am on collection day.

Empty containers must be **removed** from the tree lawn no later than **mid-night** of the day of collection (Sect 981.03)

Rubbish pickup takes place on **Mondays** except on *New Years Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Christmas Day.*

If you have questions or concerns please contact Waste Management at (440) 439-3555



CPR Training

Is offered by our very own Fire Dept. FREE each month.

Take advantage of this free service by simply phoning the Fire Dept. non-emergency number at 440.232.1035 for more information



Council Phone: 440.201.1020
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Community Housing Solutions (CHS) also provides very low income homeowners and the elderly programs for Minor Home Repair, Energy Conservation & Tool Loan Program & Home Maintenance Training to homeowners at or below 35% of the area median income. Eligible repairs are for health and safety issues, handicap accessibility & serious home issues. Contact # 216.651.0077 www.commhousingsolutions.org

Housing Reutilization Loan Program offers homeowners with low to moderate income loans for home repair. Contact them for eligible repairs at 216.348.4066 or view their online brochure at this address: http://development.cuyahogacounty.us/pdf_development/EN-US/HousingRehabilitationLoanProgramBrochure_09.pdf

The Senior Deferred Loan Program is available to seniors 62 and over with low to moderate incomes for home repair loans up to 15 year terms, repayment deferred until title transfer for certain home repairs. Contact 216.348.4066.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland (NHS GC) offers home repair loans assisting with job specifications, cost estimates, contractor selection and project oversight. NHS GC also offers a variety of other loan products. Contact NHS GC at 216.458.4663 ext 323. Email: JStaraitis@nhsleveland.org. Visit their website at <http://www.nhsleveland.org>

“Four Component Loan Program” offers very low rates on loans for roofing, plumbing, electrical and heating/air conditioning repairs. Senior homeowners and others with limited incomes may receive a deferred loan with no monthly payment and no interest charge. Contact Ms. Shemeka Green 216.348.4066 at the Cuyahoga County Dept. of Development for more information.

Your Council Hard At Work

Legislation adopted by Council this year; 2014-78 updates & extends the Police Contract through 2017, ordinance 2015-02 is for a traffic study at the Forbes & Northfield Road corridors, 2015-03 is an application for a grant to reconstruct Macedonia Road, 2015-07 Village Hall renovation, 2015-11 authorized the Mayor to donate \$5,000 in support of a mentoring program managed through the Bedford Schools, 2015-15 gave the Police Dept. the ability to purchase two new police cars for the regular rotation, 2015-17 appropriated funds for the current year budget, 2015-18 secured road salt for the coming season which

is too far away to think about but must be done early to secure the best pricing and 2015-21 authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the County for the demolition grant. 2015-29 secures 2015 road repairs, 2015-32 reconstruction of Alexander Road Phase II, 2015-33 prisoner housing at Bedford jail, 2015-35 Pettibone Road resurfacing, 2015-37 updates the rental lease/ occupancy permit regulation revision, 2015-38 updates section 1366 relating to vacant buildings. Visit the Village website for a list of legislation passed or contact the Clerk of Council.

Keep it in Oakwood

When you renew your motor vehicle license plates please remember to **list Oakwood Village as your resident city.**

In doing so, our community gets its fair share of the annual license tag fees. We use the funds toward street repairs.



Thank you!

School is soon to be in session please watch for stopped school buses and children walking.

