



GENERAL FUND

2025 Revenue Sources		
Sales Tax	\$41,643,452	44.9%
Charges for Services	\$13,239,505	14.3%
Property Taxes	\$13,162,065	14.2%
Intergovernmental	\$ 9,845,350	10.6%
Licenses & Permits	\$ 1,931,153	2.1%
Investments	\$ 7,012,482	7.6%
Other Receipts	\$ 1,343,367	1.4%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 849,307	0.9%
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 89,026,681	96.0%
Non-Operating Revenues	\$ 3,678,866	4.0%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 92,705,547	100.0%

2025 Expenses by Function		
Criminal Justice	\$ 35,968,339	41.7%
Judicial Services	\$ 19,808,282	22.9%
General Government	\$ 17,189,881	19.9%
Public Safety	\$ 5,652,825	6.5%
Health & Human Services	\$ 3,728,092	4.3%
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 82,347,419	95.4%
Non-Operating Expenses	\$ 3,968,444	4.6%
Total General Fund Expenses	\$ 86,315,863	100.0%

General Fund Operating Revenue Growth*					
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
General Fund Operating Revenues	\$70.86	\$73.00	\$77.87	\$84.39	\$89.03

*Shown in millions

The General Fund is the County's largest discretionary source of funds. The fund finances 20 of the County's 21 elected officials' offices, except for the Engineer. Engineer offices in Ohio are primarily funded by motor vehicle fuel taxes, registration fees and voted bond issues.

The above data is unaudited at the time of this report.

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Message from the Commissioners

The future looks bright for Clermont County and we are excited to be a part of it. One noticeable sign is the widespread construction taking place throughout the county.

The county issued more than 6,000 building permits in 2025, the third consecutive annual record and the most ever in a single year. The planning pipeline is also full, indicating that investment in our county will continue into the coming years as predicted by the *Cincinnati Business Courier* in its special coverage of Clermont County's building boom in late 2024.

We also are mindful of the impact growth is having in our communities. The county is helping manage growth by supporting the expansion of critical infrastructure for water, sewer and transportation while advising communities on localized land-use development plans.

The county also has conducted several first-time, comprehensive studies looking at housing, the airport and economic development. These strategic plans provide us with meaningful insight and a roadmap to better manage current and future growth.

The people who live and work in Clermont County are another sign of our bright future. We salute those in the community and our dedicated county staff who went above and beyond in 2025 to lend a helping hand to others during a significant snowstorm in early January, flooding in April and the federal government shutdown in the fall.

On a celebratory note, we were happy to begin commemorating America's 250th anniversary in 2025 with the dedication of historic murals in Miami Township, Bethel, New Richmond, Milford, Goshen and Williamsburg. We look forward to the actual anniversary this year along with additional mural dedications, county coordinated art exhibits and the installation of a statue dedicated to native son Ulysess S. Grant.

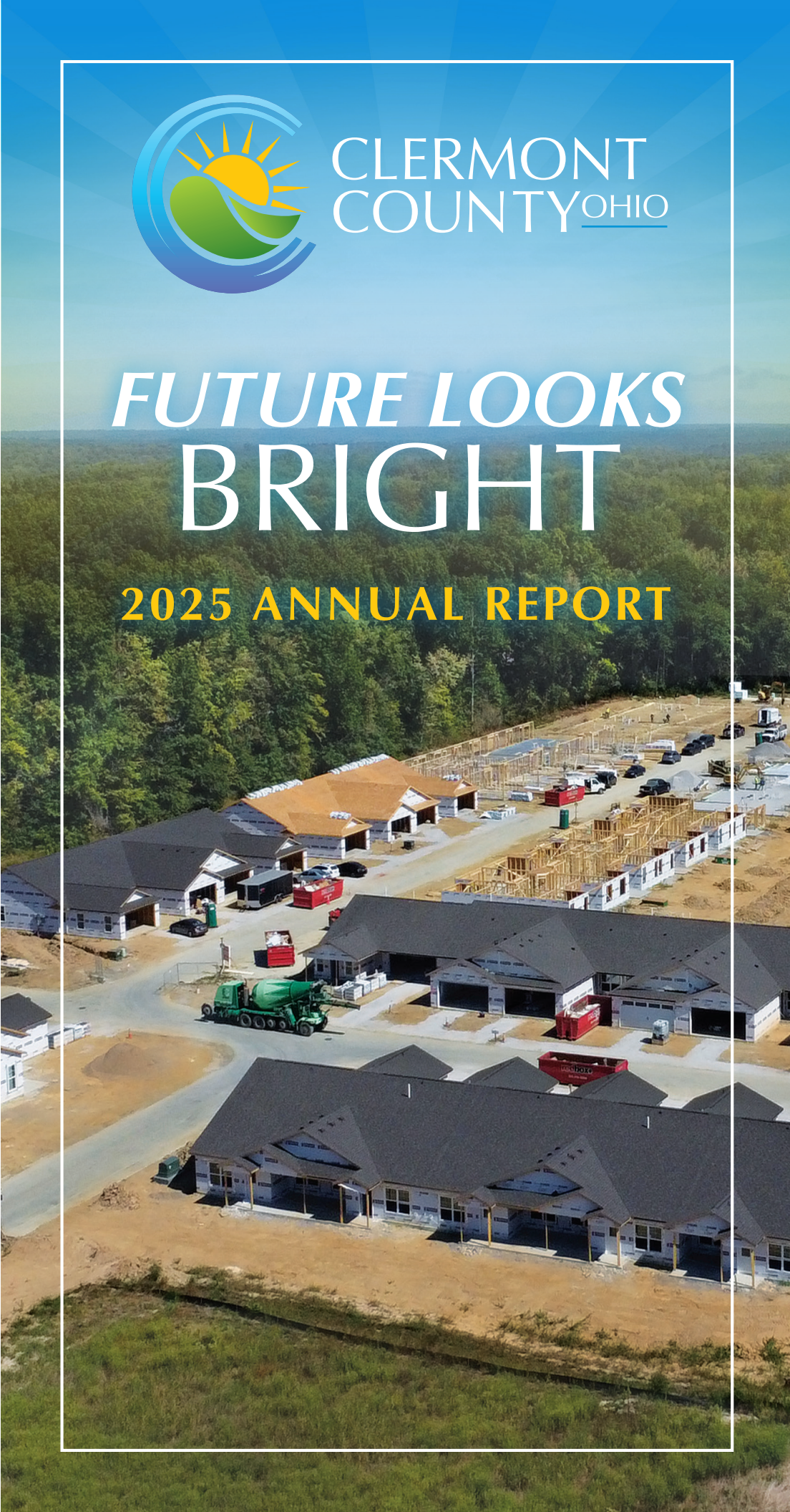
Upcoming in 2026, we look forward to the grand opening of the Nestlé Purina petfood plant in Williamsburg Township, New Richmond's Liberty Landing and the groundbreaking of Veterans Village in Monroe Township.

As always, thank you for your commitment to Clermont County as residents, employees, business owners and visitors. We invite you to read about the highlights we feature in our 2025 report.



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Proceeds from Clermont County's \$40 million share of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) went toward a variety of infrastructural improvement projects and social service needs in 2025, wrapping up most of the remaining expenditures from this transformational infusion of federal funds. The proceeds have allowed us to plan for growth and reinforce our countywide water and sewer infrastructure as well as double our normal road safety, maintenance and resurfacing program, completing approximately 35 miles per year for each of the last five years, versus a typical 15 miles per year without ARPA funds.

ARPA proceeds also have allowed the county to help fund a unique residential community in Monroe Township known as Veterans Village and a crisis receiving center in Batavia for residents who need urgent mental health and addiction services. Both projects are underway.

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

Another Record Year for Building Permits

The county's construction boom prompted the Building Division to issue more than 6,000 permits in 2025, the third consecutive annual record and most ever in a single year. Of those, a record 700 permits were issued for single-family homes, up from 650 in 2024. At least 15 subdivisions are under construction with more in the planning stages. Clermont County also stands out regionally. In Greater Cincinnati, one in every five houses under construction in the 16-county region is being built in Clermont County.

Construction of multifamily housing was strong in 2025 and remains so in 2026. The commercial and industrial sectors were also robust in 2025.

Significant Infrastructure Projects

The Water Resources Department continued work on improvement projects designed to meet our growing population. The newly renovated Middle East Fork wastewater treatment plant in Batavia will open this fall with 30 percent more wet weather capacity. In 2025, the department also replaced chemical storage tanks to improve performance at its largest water treatment plant and refurbished three elevated water towers. To help determine future infrastructure projects, the department is developing a new facilities master plan.



Economic Development Wins

The Department of Community and Economic Development completed two significant studies in 2025 to help the county manage residential development and airport expansion more effectively and began a strategic economic development analysis to identify future initiatives.

In addition, the county transformed a massive, 160-acre parcel of land into a shovel-ready site for industrial development near Half-Acre Road and State Route 32 in Williamsburg Township. The department expects to announce the sale of the property this summer.

The department also oversaw the remediation of a large illegal dumpsite in Goshen Township and the removal of nearly four dozen blighted or abandoned buildings in multiple villages and townships – priming more acreage across the county for quality redevelopment and serving as a catalyst for job growth.



Food Pantry Coordination

The Department of Job & Family Services answered the call to help those in need by partnering with local food pantries to fill the gap for families when the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program was suspended temporarily during the federal government shutdown last fall. The county and local pantries coordinated special collections of non-perishable food donations to help keep shelves full due to the spike in demand.



Animal Shelter:

Dedicated Staff, New Leadership & Upgrades

The year started on a positive note that extended throughout 2025 with dedicated staff members who went well beyond the call of duty during a January snowstorm. A trio of staffers spent the duration of the storm at the shelter to care for resident dogs while Mother Nature blasted Greater Cincinnati with 10 inches of snow. In the spring, Kiarah Swartz joined the shelter as its first full-time administrator. By fall, two major improvement projects were underway. One of the projects doubled the number of exterior kennels and the other made way for a modernized commercial-grade laundry.



County, Local Agencies Partner to Help Ohio River Flood Victims

The county's Emergency Management Agency, Department of Public Safety Services and Sheriff's Department coordinated with partner organizations to manage relief efforts during a significant flood in April. The Ohio River peaked at nearly 61 feet, the worst flood since 2018.



Programs Serving Public Needs

Several agencies marked milestones:

- Municipal Court celebrated the 20th anniversary of its specialized OVI docket and 44th commencement, honoring those who completed the required, intensive treatment program.
- Juvenile Court marked the recertification of its Family Recovery Court and 23rd commencement, likewise honoring adults who completed the required multi-faceted program that allows them to reunite with their children.
- The county also recognized the 10-year anniversary of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which helps middle to low-income communities. Clermont County qualified for the federally funded program once our population exceeded 200,000 in 2015.



America 250: Let the Celebrations Begin!

The county got a head start on the Semiquincentennial in 2025 with the installation of multiple murals commemorating local historic events, people and landmarks. The biggest celebrations are coming up as the United States gets closer to the actual 250th anniversary of our founding on July 4.

