



GENERAL FUND

2024 Revenue Sources

Sales Tax	\$39,091,461	44.6%
Charges for Services	\$12,743,517	14.5%
Property Taxes	\$12,798,798	14.6%
Intergovernmental	\$ 9,207,975	10.5%
Licenses & Permits	\$ 2,138,312	2.4%
Investments	\$ 6,140,377	7.0%
Other Receipts	\$ 1,280,761	1.5%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 991,614	1.1%
Total Operating Revenues	\$84,392,815	96.2%
Non-Operating Revenues	\$ 3,344,807	3.8%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$87,737,622	100.0%

2024 Expenses by Function

Criminal Justice	\$33,001,038	41.6%
Judicial Services	\$18,332,123	23.1%
General Government	\$15,756,779	19.8%
Public Safety	\$ 5,516,003	6.9%
Health & Human Services	\$ 3,658,183	4.6%
Total Operating Expenses	\$76,264,127	96.0%
Non-Operating Expenses	\$ 3,159,481	4.0%
Total General Fund Expenses	\$79,423,608	100.0%

General Fund Operating Revenue Growth*

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General Fund Operating Revenues	\$61.89	\$70.86	\$73.00	\$77.87	\$84.39

*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

To those of us who live or work in Clermont County, we know what makes this place special – a wonderful blend of rural and suburbia, quiet country surroundings and bustling town centers.

In 2025 and looking back at 2024, we recognize that Clermont County is evolving and growing in meaningful, positive ways to the north, south, east and west.

As our population continues to increase, others across Greater Cincinnati – even international corporations and out-of-state homebuilders – have taken note. Clermont County is on the move.

In its special coverage last September, the *Cincinnati Business Courier* described Clermont County as “*The New Frontier*” on the “*Path of Progress*” thanks to the state of Ohio’s \$180 million Eastern Corridor project that is transforming State Route 32 between I-275 and Bach Buxton Road in Batavia Township. Nearly complete, the project has cut commute times dramatically and, the newspaper reported, ushered in a “land rush like they’ve never seen before.”

The evolution isn’t contained to Eastgate and Batavia or the western edges of the county in Union and Miami townships. A combination of public and private investment is taking root across the county – visible in Goshen to the north with housing developments, including the 2024 site of Greater Cincinnati’s Homearama, and a new fire station, Williamsburg Township in the center with the Nestlé Purina manufacturing plant and coming soon in New Richmond, to the south, a new marina along the Ohio River, and in the southeast, Veteran’s Village residential housing community in Felicity.

We are proud of the county’s momentum and have many accomplishments to celebrate as we reflect on the past year. 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 2024 report.



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In 2024, we finalized the allocation of Clermont County's \$40 million share of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, a once-in-a-generation infusion of federal dollars we are using to substantially improve outdated infrastructure and address critical social service needs.

The proceeds between 2022 and 2024 have allowed us to plan for growth and reinforce our countywide water and sewer infrastructure with 10 major improvement projects as well as significantly increase road safety, maintenance and resurfacing.

In addition, we have leveraged ARPA proceeds to fund broadband expansion, improve 911 emergency services, refurbish the interior of the jail and support new social service initiatives such as Veteran's Village residential community in Felicity and a crisis receiving center in Batavia for residents who need urgent mental health and addiction services.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Building Permits Highest on Record

The Building Division issued 5,869 permits in 2024 – its highest total on record following the previous record in 2023 with 5,780 permits.

Areas with the most construction activity include Miami, Goshen and Union townships and the Village of Batavia.



Planning for Growth: Treatment Plant Opens in Newtonsville

In the northeast part of the county, our Water Resources Department marked the completion of its new wastewater treatment plant in the Newtonsville area. The department also finished construction of its Hopper Hill water main replacement and began renovation of the Middle East Fork wastewater treatment plant in Batavia.



Winter Operations Kick Off in New Facility

Construction of the county's new highway operations and fleet maintenance facility wrapped up in late fall in time for staff to move in and prepare for snow removal season. The new campus, funded with county capital funds, is situated along State Route 222 in Batavia with seven buildings covering 74,550 square feet.



Land Bank Receives Its Largest Grant

The state awarded the Clermont County Land Bank a transformational amount of \$6.9 million in grants to remove 46 blighted or abandoned buildings in six villages and nine townships, and to clean up an illegal dump site in Goshen Township.

Juvenile Court Expansion

Crews finished construction of a renovation and expansion project that added 29,000 square feet of space, allowing Juvenile Court to combine services previously spread over five buildings into one location on Clermont Center Drive off Bauer Road. The building houses five courtrooms, administrative offices, holding cells and filing rooms as well as individual offices for Juvenile Probation, conference space and group activity rooms.



New Richmond Receives Grant to Build Marina

The Clermont County Port Authority provided technical assistance to help New Richmond with its grant application for the \$13.4 million Liberty Landing Riverfront Redevelopment project. Construction is slated to begin in 2025 with funding from the state's Appalachian Community Grant Program.



Purina Reaches Construction Milestone

Nestlé Purina Petcare Co. finished the exterior of its massive dry-food manufacturing plant in Williamsburg Township in March, a major construction milestone. Crews have since focused on the interior, including installation of specialized manufacturing equipment needed for the 1.3 million-square-foot facility that is expected to begin partial operation in late 2025.



Consultants Begin Major Planning Studies

The county's Department of Community and Economic Development worked with consultants to initiate two first-time studies that will help us develop policies to manage growth more effectively for the housing and aviation sectors. Both studies will be completed in 2025.

- Development consultant Urban Partners is conducting the county's first comprehensive housing study. The consultant is assessing market conditions for both owner-occupied and rental housing, identifying population and employment trends, highlighting challenges, and developing a strategic plan that revolves around continued growth.
- Aviation consultant Woolpert is assessing existing facilities and conducting other detailed analyses as part of Clermont County Airport's inaugural master plan. The 20-year plan, which must be approved by the Federal Aviation Administration, will guide the county on how best to enhance the airport's long-term economic benefit. The plan will explore development opportunities such as a potential runway extension and advanced air mobility infrastructure. Read more about it: <https://clermontcountyairportmp.com>

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