

COMMUNITY CONNECTION Summer 2025

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of TROTWOOD

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Trotwood, OH 45426



A Message From the Mayor, Yvette F. Page

In the organizational structure of a city, residents are ultimately at the top as they are the primary stakeholders. As key stakeholders, residents are responsible to elect the City's governing body, the mayor and council members, to represent their interest and who make decisions that impact the city. This means that Trotwood's city government, from the mayor and city council to the city manager and staff, works to serve the needs and interests of you, THE PEOPLE.

As your mayor, my focus is to ensure your voice is heard. Your interests and needs are the primary focus in planning and policy-making, and you directly experience the outcomes of city decisions and initiatives.

In order to guide decisions, the Trotwood City Council operates under both Home Rule principles and the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Home Rule grants the City, through a Charter, the power of local self-government, allowing us to exercise powers not specifically prohibited by the state constitution or laws. The ORC provides a framework of state laws that city council must adhere to.

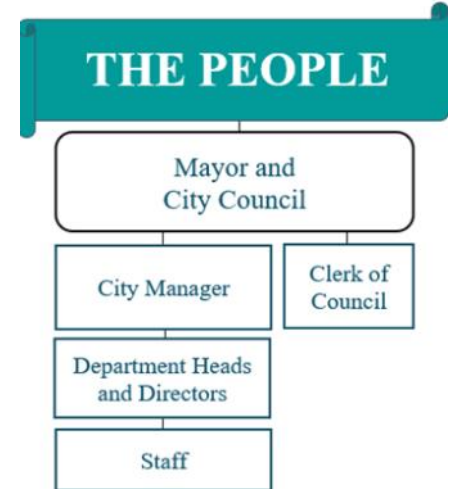
In addition to following Home Rule and the ORC, successful communities learn to adapt and thrive by strategically changing course, or pivoting, in response to new information or circumstances. The ability to adjust our strategy, while maintaining our overall vision, is crucial for weathering challenges and seizing opportunities.

Over the years, residents of the City of Trotwood have been confronted with many obstacles. Whether in 1996 when Madison Township merged with the City, increasing the population from 9,000 residents to 30,000 residents; in 2005 when a decade-long decline of a once-thriving northwest retail hub began; or on Memorial Day in 2019 when tornadoes ripped through the community impacting more than 1,000 properties. Residents have learned to pivot and adapt to changing circumstances, making us a resilient community, one where we can effectively withstand and recover from hardships and disruptions.

I have learned when adversity arises, you must remember to breath and be able to pivot in order to make better decisions. The constant availability of news can make it difficult to disconnect and relax, and may even cause some anxiety. Learning to cultivate a mindset of adaptability allows us to respond positivity to challenges, seeing them as opportunities for growth rather than obstacles.

The City of Trotwood is growing and making sustained progress. Our consistent efforts to improve the overall economic well-being and quality of life of our community is helping us to build relationships and attract partners who believe in us, who see our worth. Let's continue taking pride in our community and creating a welcoming and inclusive environment so that others will see the sense of belonging and opportunity that we feel. I believe in us, and I look forward to what the future holds – I hope you do too.

Yvette F. Page
Mayor, City of Trotwood



2024 City Council Meetings

City Council Meetings are held on the FIRST Monday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Trotwood Community and Cultural Arts Center, 4000 Lake Center Drive, Trotwood, Ohio 45426, unless indicated otherwise. Please visit the City's website at www.trotwood.org each month for current in-person attendance guidelines. Details on how to watch meetings via live-stream are posted on the website prior to each meeting. Recordings of past meetings can be found on the City's website.

Message From the City Manager, Quincy E. Pope Sr.



This spring, the City of Trotwood is undertaking significant infrastructure improvements to enhance road safety, eliminate blight, and upgrade essential utilities. Here's an overview of some of the major projects underway:

Street Resurfacing on:

Dartmoor Drive, Denlinger Road (from Salem Avenue to Westbrook Road), Knollcroft Road, Oakes Road segment, Old Denlinger Road, Red River Street, Shiloh Springs Road (from Diamond Mill Road to west of Oakes Road), Trotwood Boulevard (from Olive Road to Sparks Street), and Weddington Drive (including ADA ramps where needed, pavement planning, repair, resurfacing, and markings). This initiative is part of a

broader effort to address the city's infrastructure needs, funded through a combination of Ohio Department of Transportation grants and local matching funds. For Denlinger, the city will contribute \$ 211,248.00 and an ODOT grant covering \$838,353 toward the total cost of \$1,049,601. Shiloh Springs expected costs are \$180,666 in local funds with an ODOT grant of \$493,973 toward the total anticipated cost of \$674,636.

Demolition of Abandoned Residential Properties:

In a concerted effort to revitalize neighborhoods and improve safety, Montgomery County has allocated over **\$5 million** to demolish **151 vacant and blighted homes**, including **38 properties in Trotwood**. These demolitions are part of a statewide initiative to address abandoned housing. Our residents have expressed support for the project, citing concerns about safety hazards posed by derelict structures and the stabilization of tipping point neighborhoods. The estimated cost to tear down a vacant home is roughly \$20,000, but the bill can be significantly higher if asbestos disposal is necessary.

Phase I Water Line Upgrades on Eppington and Macmillan:

The city continues to prioritize infrastructure improvements and will be upgrading the aging water lines on Eppington at a local cost of \$ 295,500 and \$ 336,000 for Macmillan. The city was awarded Community Development Block Grant funding for \$150,000 to assist with both projects. The total cost for Phase I of Eppington is \$666,000 and Phase I of MacMillan is \$747,000.

Water is one of our most essential resources, and the infrastructure that delivers it—our water lines—is the backbone of a functioning, healthy society. Unfortunately, many communities still rely on outdated and deteriorating water systems, some of which are over 50 years old. Upgrading water lines may not always make headlines, but it's a critical investment for public health, safety, and the environment.

Investing in our community now prevents crises later. It ensures better streets and great neighborhoods for our children to grow up and live in. Furthermore, clean water protects public health and lays the groundwork for a stronger, more sustainable future.



Sincerely,
Quincy E. Pope Sr., M.P.A, C.P.M.,
ICMA-CM, CLEE
Trotwood City Manager

AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities

The City of Trotwood is creating strategies to be an “age friendly” city—a place where all ages can enjoy each day and live their best life. Please take a few minutes to provide your honest, confidential and anonymous answers to this questionnaire.

Please either complete the survey at [AgeFriendlyResearch.com](https://www.agefriendlyresearch.com) (preferred method) or launch the survey with your mobile device using the QR code.



Trotwood Fire and Rescue

Plan, Practice, Prevent: Fire Safety and Lifesaving Skills



Summer in Trotwood is a time to enjoy warm weather, family gatherings, and outdoor fun. As your Fire Department, we want to help ensure it's also a safe and healthy season for everyone.

Stay Safe in the Heat

Extreme heat can be dangerous—especially for children, older adults, and those with medical conditions. To stay cool and avoid heat-related illnesses:

- Drink plenty of water, even if you're not thirsty.
- Take breaks in the shade or air conditioning, especially during peak heat (11 AM–4 PM).
- Never leave children or pets in a parked car, even for a minute.
- Check on neighbors, especially seniors or those without AC.

Summer Fire Safety

With cookouts, bonfires, and fireworks, summer also brings an increased risk of fires. A few tips to keep your home and family safe:

- Grill safely: Keep grills at least 10 feet from your home and never leave them unattended.
- Use fire pits responsibly: Only burn clean, dry wood and have a hose or extinguisher nearby.
- Leave fireworks to the professionals: Consumer fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.
- Test your smoke alarms monthly and make sure everyone knows your home escape plan.

Trotwood Fire is here for you year-round. Stay cool, stay safe, and have a great summer!

Free Smoke Detector Program

We're also committed to providing vital safety resources to our residents. In partnership with the American Red Cross, the Trotwood Fire Department is offering free smoke detectors to Trotwood citizens. For more information or to request a smoke detector installation, please call **937-854-7254**.

CPR Classes— Free for Trotwood Residents

Additionally, we are proud to offer Free CPR classes for Trotwood residents and CPR classes for \$50 for non-residents. Learning CPR is a vital skill that can help save lives during emergencies.

Sign up today at [Trotwood.org](https://www.trotwood.org)

Don't wait—take action today to keep your family and community safe. Together, we can make 2025 a year of preparedness and prevention.

Trotwood Fire and Rescue Awarded GOLD For Third Year

Trotwood Fire & Rescue has recently been recognized as a Lexipol Connect Gold-level agency for the third consecutive year—the highest distinction in the program—highlighting our commitment to strong policy management and training. Our department disseminates policy updates consistently and effectively in accordance with changing laws and best practices, ensuring personnel are appropriately trained on how to apply those policies. We know policy is a big part of the equation as Trotwood Fire & Rescue strives to meet high standards of professionalism and service for the Trotwood community.





CIC

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Business Spotlight: Forman Mills Joins Trotwood's Growing Commercial Landscape

The Trotwood Community Improvement Corporation (TCIC) is pleased to spotlight a dynamic new addition to the city's retail family: **Forman Mills**, the nationally recognized retailer known for delivering designer fashion, essential goods, and household items at affordable prices. The company's new store, located at **5009 Salem Avenue** in the former Big Lots building, is a welcome investment in Trotwood's growing economy and revitalized commercial corridors.

As Trotwood continues to experience an encouraging wave of economic activity, Forman Mills stands out as a retail brand that brings both value and vitality to the neighborhoods it serves. The company's expansion into Trotwood marks a milestone in the city's ongoing efforts to attract forward-thinking businesses that align with the community's goals of job creation, accessible shopping, and community-focused reinvestment.

A Trusted Retailer with a National Reach

Forman Mills operates 47 stores across the United States and has built a loyal customer base by offering fashion-forward merchandise at a reasonable. The company is especially well known for carrying brand-name apparel allowing families to dress stylishly without overspending. Shoppers can find everything from men's and women's clothing to children's school uniforms, brand-name athleticwear, footwear, accessories, home décor, and licensed gear from major sports teams.

But Forman Mills is not just about low prices and trendy threads—it's about **supporting the communities it calls home.**

Investing in People and Place

The Trotwood location is more than just another store on a retail map—it represents an investment in the people of Trotwood. By opening its doors here, Forman Mills has created **new employment opportunities** for local residents and brought fresh energy to a key stretch of Salem Avenue. This kind of strategic commercial development strengthens the city's economic foundation and plays a critical role in revitalizing formerly underused retail spaces.

Sam Dushey, CEO of Forman Mills, emphasized this commitment to community in a recent statement:

"This isn't just about retail. We're proud to invest in the Trotwood community, create local jobs, and bring high-quality, affordable fashion to hardworking families right where they live."

That sentiment aligns seamlessly with the mission of the City of Trotwood, which works to support development projects that enhance economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for Trotwood residents.



5009 Salem Ave, Trotwood, Ohio 45426

937-529-8990



SUNDAY 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

MONDAY 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

TUESDAY 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

WEDNESDAY 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

THURSDAY 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

FRIDAY 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

SATURDAY 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

The Trotwood Community Improvement Corporation (TCIC) conducts economic, community, and housing development activities on behalf of and in cooperation with the City of Trotwood. Whether you are seeking to develop in Trotwood, locate or grow your business, or rehabilitate a residential property, the TCIC may be able to support you.



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Condemned Residential Structures are Being Demolished

Through a continuing partnership with the Montgomery County Land Bank and the State of Ohio, funding has been secured to demolish 38 more fire-damaged and neglected houses in Trotwood. This funding has come in 2 rounds; with the demolitions of the 6 remaining structures included in the Round1 funding being completed and the demolition process of the Round 2 structures well underway. It is anticipated that the demolition of all 38 residential structures will be completed by Fall.

The actual demolition process includes several steps. First, a property must be evaluated making sure utilities are disconnected and an asbestos survey must be completed. Then, furniture and other items must be removed from the house and grounds and taken to the appropriate landfills. Also, if asbestos is discovered during the survey, it must be remediated prior to demolition. If a house is too badly burned to perform the survey, it must be demolished under supervision with all debris being put in lined dumpsters and taken to a special landfill. Demolition includes removal of any accessory structures and impervious material, such as concrete from the site. Then, dead and damaged trees can be removed. Finally, top soil is brought to the site for grading and hydroseeding with a grass seed mixture.

Following are before and after pictures of 3 of the Round 1 demolitions. Due to the rain and mud at the time of picture taking, these sites are awaiting the final lot grading and hydroseeding

West Third Street



Wolf Creek



Olive Road



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Community Market

Presented by: American Legion Post 613



American Legion Fort McKinley Post 613



Wednesday's

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

5200 SALEM AVENUE

TROTWOOD, OH 45426



ELECTRONIC WASTE WEEK

RECYCLE ALL YOUR OLD ELECTRONICS IN ONE CONVENIENT LOCATION

Electronic Waste Drop Off:
Trotwood Public Works
2400 Olive Road, Trotwood, OH

10:00am-5:00pm Monday, August 4th through
Friday, August 8th

Computers | Electronics | Appliances | Batteries |
Office Equipment | Monitors | Ink/Toner |

For questions, please contact Charles Wheeler III - 937-854-7228 or
chwheeler@trotwood.org

Trotwood Solid Waste Day

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9TH

10:00AM-1:00PM

5200 Salem Ave.
Trotwood, Oh 45426

Drop off services:

- Electronic Waste
- Shredding
- Tire Recycling
- Bulk Trash

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VETERANS TRIBUTE BANNER PROGRAM

Honoring our Hometown Heroes



Complete the form!



The City of Trotwood's Veterans Tribute Banner Program is intended to honor the service men and women of the City of Trotwood. Our heroes will have their banners displayed throughout the city from May 1–November 12, 2026. To qualify for a banner, honorees must meet the following requirements:

- A current resident or former resident of the City of Trotwood, or must be an immediate family member of a current City of Trotwood resident (e.g. spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandchild, or child-in-law).
- They must also be a military veteran of the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Space Force, or National Guard.
- Verification of military status (e.g. DD-214, etc.) will be required.

The City's deadline to receive applications is February 1, 2026.

SMOKE, SIZZLE & SOUNDS
PRESENTED BY: **MinsterBank**

13 SEPT **12-7 PM**

TROTWOOD

BBQ

FESTIVAL & CONTEST

SPONSORED BY: **MinsterBank**, **TROTWOOD**, **altafiber**, **American Legion Fort McKinley Post 613**

CHICKEN & RIBS BBQ COMPETITION

1st Place \$500 2nd Place \$250 3rd Place \$175

MADISON PARK
301 S. BROADWAY ST, TROTWOOD, OH
CONTACT: CHARLES WHEELER III | 937-854-7228

2025 "MADISON PARK LIVE" CONCERT SERIES

JUNE 28TH
6 PM - 10 PM
Headline: **The LeVert Experience**

JULY 12TH
6 PM - 10 PM
Headline: **Tony Terry**

AUGUST 16TH
6 PM - 10 PM
Headline: **Sunshine Anderson**

Sponsored By: **TROTWOOD**, **altafiber**, **rtta**, **92.1 WROU**, **HOT 102.9**, **American Legion Fort McKinley Post 613**

MADISON PARK
301 S. BROADWAY ST., TROTWOOD, OH

City Council

For City Council Contact

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| Kara Landis– Clerk | 937-854-7212 |
| Mayor Yvette Page | |
| Vice-Mayor Tyna Brown | Ward 4 |
| Bettye Gales | Ward 1 |
| Martha Clark | Ward 2 |
| Milton Pearson | Ward 3 |
| Rhonda Finley | At-Large |
| Denise Moore | At-Large |

City Services

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| City Manager | 937-854-7215 |
| Code Enforcement | 937-854-7222 |
| Economic Development | 937-854-7214 |
| Fire Administration | 937-854-7270 |
| Income Tax | 937-837-3415 |
| Parks & Recreation | 937-854-7228 |
| Planning & Development | 937-854-7227 |
| Police Administration | 937-854-7204 |
| Public Works | 937-837-1702 |
| Utility Billing | 937-854-7220 |

City of Trotwood Holidays

City Offices Closed

Labor Day-

Monday, September 1, 2025

Thanksgiving & Day After-

Thursday, November 27, 2025

Friday, November 28, 2025

Christmas-

Thursday, December 25, 2025

New Years-

Thursday, January 1, 2026

Martin Luther King Jr.

Monday, January 19, 2026

Memorial Day-

Monday, May 25, 2026

Juneteenth-

Friday, June 19, 2026

Independence Day-

Friday, July 3, 2026



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Trotwood Parks & Recreation Spring Calendar

- **Madison Park Live - Summer Concert Series Mark your Calendars**
"Trotwood, get ready! Madison Park Live is bringing nationally recognized artists to YOUR backyard for an unforgettable summer of music, food, and community vibes! Whether you love R&B, soul, or jazz, we've got the perfect lineup to keep you dancing all night long. Each concert date will feature a different opening and headline artist, making each experience unique."
Saturday, June 28 | The LeVert Experience
Saturday, July 12 | Tony Terry
Saturday, August 16 | Sunshine Anderson
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Madison Park- 301 S. Broadway St, Trotwood, OH 45426
- **Trotwood Community Market**
"Buy Local, Support Local, Enjoy Local! The Community Market was created by the Trotwood Parks and Recreation Department to provide products & locally-grown produce directly to consumers. Featuring fresh produce, baked goods, jewelry, cosmetics and body-related products, and food trucks!"
July 2 through September 24
WEDNESDAYS ONLY
3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Former Salem Mall - 5200 Salem Ave, Trotwood, Oh 45426
- **Smoke, Sizzle & Sounds Festival & BBQ Contest presented by Minster Bank**
"The City of Trotwood is bringing the ultimate festival experience with Smoke, Sizzle & Sounds! This isn't just any BBQ festival—it's a full-day celebration of mouthwatering flavors, sizzling competition, and incredible live entertainment that will have you dancing, eating, and enjoying every moment!"
Saturday, September 13, 2025
12 PM – 7 PM
Madison Park- 301 S. Broadway St, Trotwood, OH 45426



Do you have a product or service you would like to sell or promote? Consider joining the City of Trotwood for our upcoming community events throughout the year – become a part of our mission to "Grow Together". We have vendor spaces available for the Community Market and Smoke, Sizzle & Sounds Festival, scan the QR Code to complete the inquiry form

For complete event information contact Charles Wheeler III - Parks and Recreation Coordinator 937-854-7228, visit the City Facebook Page or the City Website:

<https://trotwood.org/community/calendar/>

