



March 2024

Election Day is March 19

5.5 mill renewal would benefit police department

The Miami Township Police Department is asking voters to consider a 5.5 mill renewal tax levy. Issue 17 is on the ballot during in the Primary Election on March 19, 2024.

The levy helps maintain the level of police service that our community has come to expect. It will generate approximately \$3.4 million a year for 5 years for operating expenses. [Click to download the levy fact sheet:](#)



TAX RENEWAL LEVY ELECTION DAY - MARCH 19, 2024

LEVY FACTS

ISSUE 17 IS A
5.5 MILL
RENEWAL LEVY

DOES NOT
INCREASE TAXES

GENERATES \$3.4
MILLION A YEAR FOR
OPERATING EXPENSES



**For informational purposes only. Not intended to support or oppose the proposed levy.*

HOW WILL LEVY FUNDS BE USED?

- Operating expenses
- Maintain current police service levels
- Maintain department vehicles and facility
- Maintain communication equipment
- Assist with officer recruitment and retention

HOW OFTEN DO I NEED TO RENEW THIS LEVY?

- Issue 17 is a renewal levy that will not increase taxes
- The levy has a duration of 5 years
- It continues the current levy passed in May 2019

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO ME?

- Maintains the quality police services that residents expect
- Updates and increases use of modern crime-fighting technology
- Allows for community outreach programs for youth and crisis intervention

COST CUTTING MEASURES ALREADY IMPLEMENTED?

- State traffic safety grant used to reduce traffic offenses such as OVI
- State and federal forfeiture funding source
- Funds from sale of obsolete equipment

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

- In 2023, MTPD responded to 34,000+ calls for service, up from 29,000+ in 2022
- MTPD is nationally accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement
- MTPD provides the highest quality of policing to make Miami Township the safest place possible to work, live and shop

BOT schedule change in March

The Board of Trustees meeting schedule for March is changing to accommodate Election Day. The March 19 board meeting will be moved up one day to Monday, March 18, at 6 p.m., to avoid any conflict. The March 5 meeting remains as scheduled.



Township Business Briefs

Take our new Parks & Trails Plan survey

Throughout the process of drafting the Miami Township Parks and Trails Plan, feedback from the community has been an invaluable guide to developing a series of Goals and Objectives that will inform decision-making by township elected officials and

staff.

Goal statements have been drafted that represent the broad aspirations our community has for our parks. Corresponding Objectives have been established that will lead to realizing the vision presented by each Goal.

Please share your thoughts on the importance of each goal by taking our newest **survey**.

This will help elected officials and staff understand what matters most to our community.



[Take the survey](#)



2023 Annual Report

The 2023 Miami Township Annual Report is complete. The underlying theme this year is progress!

[Click to read it now.](#)

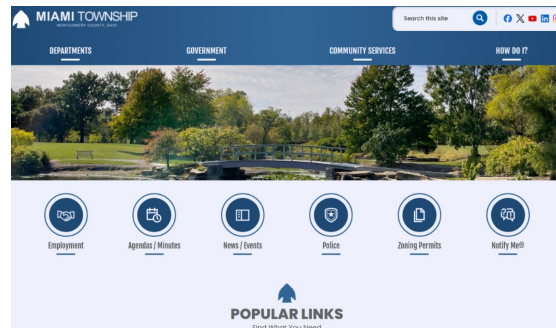
Coming March 12 - A new look

The Miami Township website will have a brand new look on March 12!

Our content will be streamlined and easier to use. The calendar will now be on the homepage so that you can quickly see upcoming meeting dates and special events.

Be sure to sign up for *Notify Me* to receive emails and texts about meetings and events of your choice.

You also will have a better experience on your mobile device including easy navigation and content interaction. *Remember the date: March 12 after 3 p.m.*



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Meet Your Neighbor - Linda Wright

Snacks for service workers honor resident's late daughter



Travel through the Villages of Miami and you might catch a glimpse of a peculiar snack station. On the surface, it is a thank you to service people who deliver packages, meals and the like, but there is a much deeper meaning. It is a loving tribute to a daughter gone too soon.

LaTonya Booze was only 49 years old when she died suddenly after a short illness in October 2023. She would offer snacks to service people in her neighborhood at the urging of her husband, Deon, who is a delivery driver. Linda Wright now offers treats outside her Miami Township home to honor her late daughter and to inspire LaTonya's 15-year-old daughter, Destiny, to be as loving as her mother.

[Read more](#)

At Your Service - News and Events



Eclipse excitement is building

The state of Ohio has eclipse fever. Experts agree that Ohio is among the states that will see a total eclipse of the sun on April 8, 2024. Montgomery County will see the eclipse begin at 1:53 p.m., reaching totality at 3:09 p.m. It will last 2 minutes, 42 seconds. Here are some fun resources to help you prepare:

[NASA facts](#)

[Public Health information](#)

Severe Weather Safety Week

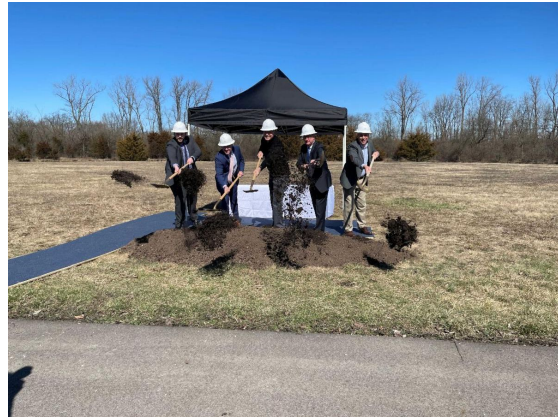
Severe Weather Safety Awareness Week is March 17-23, 2024. Now is the time to prepare for severe storms. Have an emergency plan ready. Know where to seek shelter and put it to the test during the state tornado drill on March 20, at 9:50 a.m. If actual severe weather is possible that morning, the drill will most likely be cancelled to avoid any confusion.



[Prepare now](#)

Rushlight Assets breaks ground on new facility

Miami Township was happy to take part in a groundbreaking for Rushlight Assets' new facility in the 8800 block of Washington Church Road. This new facility will sit next to Cornerstone Research Group. The new building will provide added office space for the growing company, and a community gathering spot down the line.



Community Development Director Alex Carlson took part in the ceremony February 19, and presented a proclamation on behalf of the Board of Trustees.



Shoot a Marketplace video with us

Miami Township offers local businesses the opportunity to shoot a video free of charge. It takes about an hour with us to draw attention to your company on our website, social media and newsletters. Use the video for your purposes as well. Call (937) 433-9969 or email twpstories@miamitownship.com to get started. [CLICK](#) to see more videos.



Celebrate with a ribbon cutting

Many new businesses are opening in our community and we want to help

celebrate. Miami Township is offering businesses a ribbon-cutting ceremony to help put a spotlight on your new venture. Opening soon? Contact us at (937) 433-9969 or email contact@miamitownship.com.



Did You Know?

- **March 10** - Daylight saving begins; Spring forward one hour at 2 a.m.



March 17 - Who doesn't love green spaghetti? Here is a St. Patrick's Day treat... Green Way Day at Skyline on Kingsridge Drive.

- **March 20** - Statewide tornado drill at 9:50 a.m., weather permitting



Singers wanted: The Centerville Community Chorus is looking for new members. If you love to sing, you are qualified! No auditions required. **CLICK** now for contact information. You can support the choir by attending an upcoming bowling event on March 23. **CLICK** for more

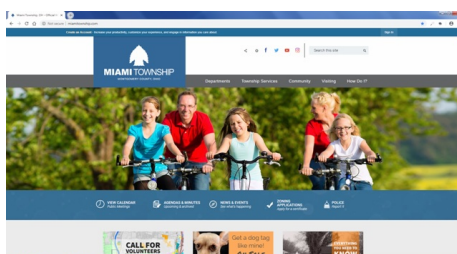


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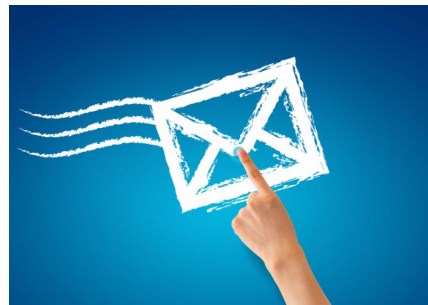


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