

NORTH OLMSTED

E-Newsletter

Brought to you by Mayor Kevin M. Kennedy



Renew and Restart

With spring in full swing, signs of growth and renewal are all around us. There is reason for cautious optimism as Governor DeWine recently announced the Responsible RestartOhio plan, which aims to protect the health of all Ohioans while responsibly getting back to work. City officials continue to review guidance coming from our state and local health officials as we plan for the responsible restart of our own programs and facilities affected by the pandemic. Keep informed of the latest COVID-19 impacts on our community [here](#). You can also watch my weekly YouTube updates [here](#)!

Thank you for continuing to do your part to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

We are in this together!

Kevin M. Kennedy
Mayor

Service Department

Bulk Collection: May 7th

Trash Delay: May 28th to 29th due to Memorial Day.

REPUBLIC SERVICES YARD WASTE COLLECTION:

Weekly collection on garbage day

-Brown lawn/leaf bags or a can clearly marked YARD WASTE

-Brush must be cut into 4ft lengths or less and bundled

-The complimentary yard waste bags program has been discontinued due to lack of grant funding

Website is updated with full details: <https://www.north-olmsted.com/curbside-brush-chipping/>

CITY CURBSIDE BRUSH CHIPPING:

ONE WARD PER WEEK - see schedule on our website or in our 2020 Residential City Services mailer.

-All brush must be out by 7am on Monday

-Pile on tree lawn in neat, orderly fashion with cut ends facing same direction, keeping braches as long as possible

-Root-balls and logs will also be picked up but it may be later in the week or early the following week

Website is updated with full details and Ward schedule: <https://www.north-olmsted.com/curbside-brush-chipping/>

TIP: Help keep our City's water flowing. Keep your front ditch and catch basins free and clear of debris.

Sign up for the VIP TEXT LIST | Text T724 to 36000

Springvale Reopens!



Springvale Golf Course has reopened for golf. Hours are 8 am to 6 pm. The golf course is operating under new precautions to ensure the safety of golfers and staff.

Golfers are required to practice social distancing and maintain a space of six feet between each other. Congregating before or after rounds is not permitted. Credit card payments are requested with check in at the outdoor pavilion. The Clubhouse is closed but pavilion restrooms are open. No food will be served but drinks and prepackaged snacks are available. One person per golf cart. Tee times are first come, first served.

Make North Olmsted count!

The Census helps determine how our government resources are allocated.
Respond to the 2020 Census today!

Cuyahoga Counts!
CENSUS
2020

Did you know for every person not counted in Ohio, more than \$1,200 per person would be lost in funds that would go toward programs and resources. Programs that would be affected include:

- Medicaid
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or "food stamps"
- Medicare Part B
- Special Education Grants
- National School Lunch Program
- Head Start/Early Head Start
- Foster Care
- Health Care Programs (Community, Migrant, Homeless, Public Housing)

There are several easy ways to complete the Census:



1. Online - <https://www.my2020census.gov>



2. Over the phone - 1-844-330-2020



3. Submit a paper form - you will receive a Census questionnaire in the mail.

**You Matter ...
Be Counted!**

Shape
your future
START HERE >

United States
Census
2020

The City of North Olmsted's annual street resurfacing program begins

Traffic will be maintained as residential streets are prepped for asphalt resurfacing, curb repair and crack sealing. Drivers are reminded to slow down and drive cautiously through construction zones. The resurfacing project is expected to last for 90 days. Over the next several weeks, construction will impact Alden Drive, Ashbury Park Drive, Brendan Lane, Brendan Circle, Brighton Drive, Cambridge Drive, Forest Ridge Drive, Hampton Drive and Somerset Drive. Smoother driving ahead!



Social Services

North Olmsted Senior Center

The North Olmsted Senior Center is closed to the public; however, staff is available to assist senior citizens in need by phone or email. The hot lunch program has been converted into a meal delivery service for qualified North Olmsted seniors only. Preregistration is required. Contact the Senior Center at (440) 777-8100 for more information. Additional information about senior services can be found online at <https://www.north-olmsted.com/senior-center/>.

Oxcart Pantry

The Oxcart Pantry continues to provide food assistance for residents in need; however, the building is closed to the public until further notice. All service requests must be made by phone at (440) 716-4165. Voicemails will be returned as soon as possible; please keep in mind we have limited office hours. We are distributing by appointment only on Wednesday afternoons using a drive-through procedure. We will not accept walk-in service requests. We are not accepting individual or group donations of goods at this time. Financial donations can be made [online](#) and will be used to purchase food through the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. Persons in need may also contact First Call for Help at 211 for other assistance.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEWS & INFORMATION

Having a hard time finding PPE for your employees? The Ohio Manufacturing Alliance to Fight COVID-19 has launched the Ohio Emergency PPE Makers' Exchange, an online marketplace where organizations that need PPE and related equipment can find a selection offered by Ohio manufacturers and makers. Link to online marketplace: [PPE Marketplace](#)

Save Small Business Fund – This fund is a grant-making initiative of the US Chamber of Commerce, offering short-term relief for small employers in the United States and its territories. Funded by corporate and philanthropic partners, the Save Small Business Fund is a collective effort to provide \$5,000 grants to as many small employers as possible. Applications are live now. Click the link below for more information and to apply: [Save Small Business Fund](#)

New Job Search Portal – The Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation has developed a website specifically geared toward matching essential businesses with Ohioans who are able and willing to work as an essential employee during the COVID-19 crisis. Essential businesses wanting to post open positions and current job seekers can click this link: [COVID-19 Job Search Site](#)

Governor DeWine, Lt. Governor Husted Submit Formal Request for Federal Assistance for Small Businesses – On March 17, 2020, Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted sent a letter and application to the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) to qualify the State of Ohio for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan program. This federal program will enable small businesses and non-profits throughout the state impacted by the outbreak of COVID-19 to apply for low-interest loans up to \$2 million in assistance that can provide vital economic support to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. Additional information about the SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available at [SBA.gov/Disaster](https://www.sba.gov/disaster).

Please contact Economic Development Representative Greg Myers at myersg@north-olmsted.com with any questions.

North Olmsted Awarded Two Parks Grants

The City of North Olmsted has been selected as the recipient of two grants by Cuyahoga County that will improve parks and recreation amenities in the community. One grant will result in a new walking path at North Olmsted Community Park. Another grant will be used to construct a pocket park on Butternut Ridge Road.

“With the support of Cuyahoga County, we are excited to be able to make these investments in our community,” said Mayor Kevin Kennedy. “At this time of social distancing, access to nature and open space has become even more important to our health and well-being. These projects will encourage North Olmsted residents to get outside, get some fresh air and exercise.”

Planning and Development Director Kim Lieber believes community support for these improvements was important to the city’s success. “Local volunteer and recreation organizations really helped us make the case for these projects by showing up at public meetings and writing letters of support,” said Lieber.

Both projects are currently in the planning and design phase. Construction is anticipated in 2020.

North Olmsted Community Park Walking Path

The North Olmsted Community Park Walking Path project received \$100,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds through Cuyahoga County’s Municipal Grant Program.

The project involves construction of a new walking path around the perimeter of the park. The 6-foot wide asphalt path will be designed to provide an accessible walking and running surface. The layout will build off the small segment of existing path at the northeast corner of the park and will connect existing and future park amenities.

Recreation Commissioner Betsy Drenski is thrilled that the walking path will become a reality. “This path is something that we have been talking about for a very long time,” said Drenski. “We are grateful to Cuyahoga County for the opportunity we now have to improve North Olmsted Park. So many park users will benefit from this new amenity, and it will also bring new visitors to our park as well.”

The project will support community goals for health and wellness by removing barriers to fitness, both physical and financial. Since the park is open to all, visitors can benefit without needing special equipment or memberships. The proposed path is designed to serve all population groups, from youth to seniors to those with disabilities, accessible to everyone in the community.

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Senior Center Administrator Jackie Chavez-Anderson believes the new path will be a great addition to programming currently offered at the center, which is located in the park. “The Senior Center organizes a health and fitness walking challenge every year, often competing with other Westshore senior centers,” said Chavez-Anderson. “Having a convenient and safe walking path is a wonderful way for older adults to build strength and balance and have the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful park setting.”

Butternut Ridge Pocket Park

The Butternut Ridge Pocket Park project received \$50,000 through the Community Development Supplemental Grant program funded by the county’s Casino Revenue Fund. A small, vacant lot on Butternut Ridge Road near Canterbury Road will be improved with seating and landscaping. The project will incorporate public art, the City of North Olmsted’s first public art project.

“This project will benefit North Olmsted on many levels – providing new park land, increasing awareness of the historic district neighborhood, beautifying the community and demonstrating pride for our city,” said Lieber.

As a first step toward the development of the pocket park, the city acquired the property through a land donation made by the Kiwanis Club of North Olmsted in 2019. Kiwanis representatives continue to be involved on the planning committee for the park’s design. A key goal of the committee is ensuring the park complements the Historic District.

“Butternut Ridge is a special place in North Olmsted with an obvious historical significance, and this park will be a great addition,” said Ward III Councilman and Landmarks Commission member Paul Schumann. “It is one of our oldest streets with a diverse and unique housing stock that tells the story of North Olmsted’s growth and development. This project will be another chapter in that story.”

HERITAGE HOME PROGRAM

Virtual Information Sessions



Our new virtual information sessions are scheduled using Zoom web conferencing. You can register for any session that fits your schedule. Join us and learn more about the Heritage Home Program!

Upcoming sessions:

Wednesday, May 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13th at 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, May 18th at 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 21st at 2:00 p.m.

**TO REGISTER: CALL 216-426-3116 OR EMAIL
HHP@HERITAGEHOMEPROGRAM.ORG**

Happy Mother's Day to all the amazing
women out there!



Sunday, May 10th

City offices will be closed on
Monday, May 25th
in observance of
Memorial Day.

A close-up, slightly blurred image of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes in a patriotic color palette of red, white, and blue. The flag is draped and appears to be waving.

**ON THIS MEMORIAL DAY,
WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES.
WE WILL NEVER FORGET THEIR SACRIFICES.
WE WILL TELL THEIR STORIES.
WE WILL CELEBRATE THEIR LEGACIES.
WE WILL HONOR THE FALLEN.**