

COMMISSIONERS CORNER



Sandusky County, Ohio

May 2026



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK



The Commissioners presented Chief Jackson with a proclamation declaring the week of May 17th through May 23rd, 2026, Emergency Medical Services Week.

The official campaign theme for 2026 was “Improving Outcomes, Together,” which highlights the critical partnerships between EMS workers, 911 dispatchers, public health agencies, law enforcement and fire departments.

Emergency care personnel, including skilled dispatchers, first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and emergency physicians, whether volunteers or paid personnel, complete thousands of hours of specialized training and education to enhance their lifesaving skills.

Emergency medical services are a vital public service to the people and community of Sandusky County providing lifesaving care to those in need 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

This week recognizes the people behind the patch and reaffirms our commitment, as partners and communities, to “Improving Outcomes, Together.”.

During the Commissioners session, Chief Jackson also recognized their Employee of the Year and their Officer of the Year. Paramedic Alexi Berkel was honored as the Employee of the Year and Lieutenant Kelly Stoudinger was named Officer of the Year.



Pictured Below Left: Commissioner Scott Miller & Chief Jackson.



Pictured Above Lieutenant Kelly Stoudinger & Chief Jeff Jackson.

Pictured Below Right (L to R) : Commissioner Justin Smith, Captain Amanda McGinnis, EMT Meredith Boes, Lieutenant Kelly Stoudinger, EMT Ryan Baun, Paramedic Alexi Berkle, EMT Adreanna Lopez, Chief Jeff Jackson, Assistant Chief Mike McGinnis & Commissioner Scott Miller.

Pictured Above Paramedic Alexi Berkel & Chief Jeff Jackson.

Congratulations



FREMONT SPEEDWAY'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Commissioners Miller and Smith attended the Fremont Speedway's 75th anniversary ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, May 12th at the speedway.

The ribbon cutting ceremony was a great reminder that this isn't just a track, it's a place where generations of race fans have made memories right here in Sandusky County.

Commissioner Miller presented Rich and Shelly Farmer with a proclamation celebrating the 75th anniversary of the 1/3-mile oval dirt track know as the "Track That Action Built" to honor its history at the Sandusky County Fairgrounds.

The 75th Birthday Bash event highlighted a \$75,000-purse featuring the All-Star Circuit of Champions and was presented by Kistler Racing Products. The event featured 410 winged sprints with top regional and touring drivers.

Thank you to Promoter, Rich Farmer and his wife Shelly for their continued dedication to carrying on this remarkable legacy and investing in the future of the Speedway.

The Commissioners recognize and appreciate 75 years of incredible service to Sandusky County by the Fremont Speedway.

Pictured Right (L to R): Shelly Farmer, Rich Farmer and Commissioner Miller.



MARATHON CONVENIENCE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY

Commissioners Miller and Smith along with County Administrator, Marc Glotzbecker, attended the Gibsonburg Marathon Convenience ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, May 21st.

This was a great celebration of the Instone family's continued commitment to the Gibsonburg community and the pride they've taken in serving the area for 30 years.

If your in the area, stop by 208 S. Main Street in Gibsonburg for their hot food, specialty candy, fountain drinks, diesel fuel, coffee, slushies and more.



WELLNESS PROGRAM



REMINDER



Just a reminder, the Wellness Program ends June 30th.

Be sure to get those last minute Self-Report Activities in by logging into your Healthworks Portal and submitting them!

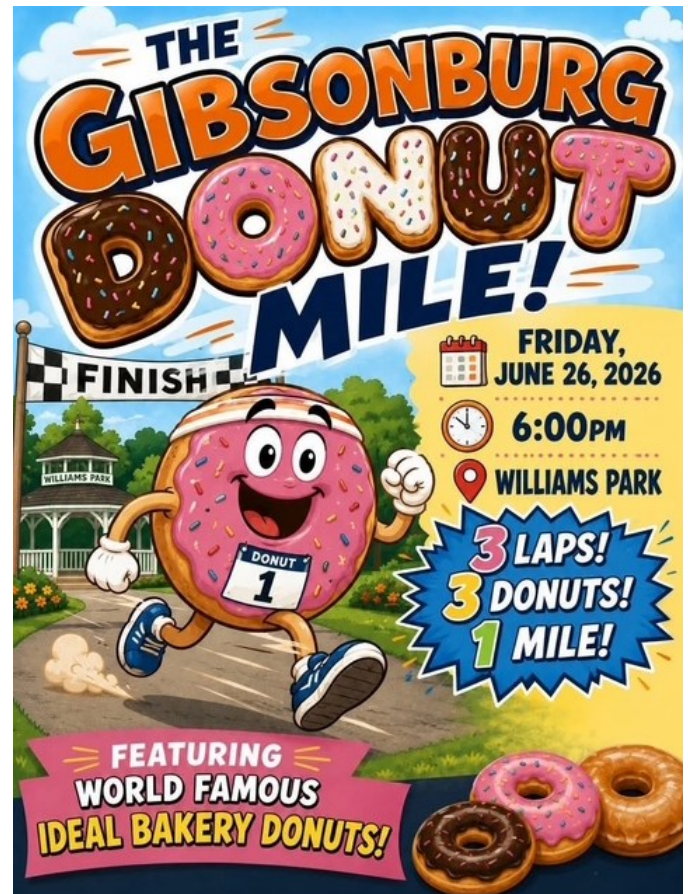
Also make sure you have all of your completed items in the system within a few weeks of the deadline in order to receive credit for the completions.

GIBSONBURG DONUT MILE

Whether you're a seasoned runner/walker or just looking for a way to stay active, this event offers something for everyone.

Participants will run/walk the event on a paved path around the Williams Park Quarry where they will eat a donut then run/walk a lap for three laps (receiving three yummy Ideal Bakery donuts).

Google **The Gibsonburg Donut Mile 2026** and click on the **Sign Up Link** to register.





SPECIAL OLYMPICS SUPPORT



Local law enforcement, Special Olympians, friends, neighbors, and the Sandusky County Board of Developmental Disabilities team laced up and joined forces bright and early Wednesday morning, May 27th, for the Law Enforcement Torch Run in support of Special Olympics Ohio.

Together, they proudly carried the Flame of Hope from the Sandusky County Visitors Bureau on North Street, continued down Franklin Street to the Fremont Police Department, and crossed the finish line at FOP Lodge #35.

A huge thank you to the Fremont Police Department for organizing the celebration and to all of the incredible first responders and law enforcement partners who participated including the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Sandusky County Fire, Sandusky County Sheriff's Office, FOP, and many more. Your support means the world to these athletes.



2026 SAFETY TRAINING SCHEDULE

For planning purposes, the dates, times and locations for our annual safety training courses are noted below. Additional information for each training session will be sent out closer to the start dates.



08/11/26 8:30 AM
Health Department

08/11/26 1:30 PM
Service Center/DJFS

08/12/26 8:30 AM
Court House

08/12/26 1:30 PM
JJC

08/13/26 8:30 AM
JJC

08/13/26 2:00 PM
ENGINEERS



SANDUSKY COUNTY
ENGINEERS
2500 WEST STATE
STREET
FREMONT, OHIO
43420

ONLY

WEDNESDAY
09/09/2026
8:30 AM-1:00 PM

NOTE:

ONLY ONE DAY
AVAILABLE FOR
INSPECTIONS WITH
MULTIPLE
INSPECTORS DUE TO
INSPECTOR
AVAILABILITY

Participation by our County employees is required in order for us to successfully complete the CORSA Loss Control Incentive and receive a credit to be applied to our CORSA program year.

Safety is the key to be
accident free.



SANDUSKY COUNTY
ENGINEERS READY
ROOM
2500 WEST STATE
STREET
FREMONT, OHIO
43420

THURSDAY
10/15/2026

9:00-12:00 PM
BASIC

1:00-3:00 PM
REFRESHER

MEET YOUR NEW COLLEAGUES



Marc Glotzbecker
Commissioner's
County Administrator



Paige Wehring
Clerk of Courts
Deputy Clerk



Richard "Will" Miller
Prosecutor's Office
Intern



Hailey Frondorf
EMS
EMT



Cameron Belloma
EMS
EMT



Sophia Blausey
DJFS
Social Service Worker



Taylor Imus
DJFS
Social Service Worker



Cadence Hacker
DJFS
Social Service Worker



Jessica Wagner
DJFS
Social Service Worker



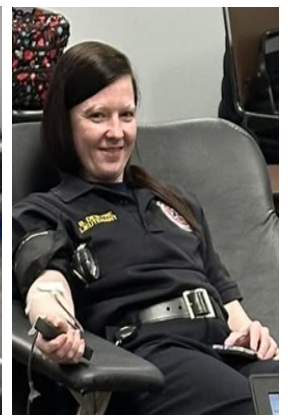
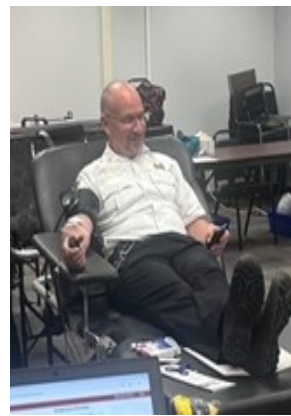


BLOOD DRIVE SUCCESS



The EMS Blood Drive held at the Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services on Tuesday, May 19th was a success! They were able to collect 26 units of blood.

Thank you to all of the donors for coming out to support this critical need and a special thank you to the activities committee members for assisting at the drive and the employees that donated.



FIRE REHAB ON SCENES & MASS CASUALTY TRAINING

April training consisted of how to properly perform fire rehab on scenes and why rehab is crucial. Along with that, employees learned how to perform CPR on a down fireman that has all their gear on. There is a specific step by step process to complete to get them out of their gear while completing chest compressions.

A big thank you to Fremont Firefighters Local 328 for educating our EMS professionals on their different styles of gear as well as how to operate their SCBA bottles.

Being trained for various unique situations they may face while in the field could save someone's life. Their efforts to increase their skills and knowledge to help them be as prepared as possible is commendable.

In early May, EMS personnel completed a mock mass casualty training exercise at the fairgrounds. This training allows our EMS personnel to become better prepared to handle treating multiple patients at once should a mass casualty event occur.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISITS

Our EMS department has been very busy this month teaching 5th grade students about hands-only CPR.

- Lieutenant Brittany Devos and Paramedic Austin Shade spent time at Croghan Elementary on Monday, May 18th.
- EMTs Callie Klingman and Sophie Norman worked with Otis Elementary students on Tuesday, May 19th.
- Paramedics Vernon Horst and Austin Shade were at Atkinson Elementary on Wednesday, May 20th.
- Lieutenant Brittany Devos worked with Lutz Elementary students on Thursday, May 21st.

Thank you for taking timing time to teach these valuable life-saving skills to Sandusky County 5th grade students. Your commitment to the community shines through your actions and your involvement in the community.

CROGHAN ELEMENTARY



ATKINSON ELEMENTARY



OTIS ELEMENTARY



LUTZ ELEMENTARY



2026 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



RECYCLING DEADLINE REMINDER

Dates, times, and locations for each event will be provided during the registration process.
Register at RecycleOSS.org or call 419-334-7222.



ELECTRONICS

- Audio/Visual equipment
- Cables & Cords
- Cell Phones
- Computers & Related Equipment
- Copiers & Printers
- Flat Screen LCD/Plasma TVs
- Glass Tube CRT TVs
- Radios
- Stereo Components
- NO HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES
- NO WOOD COLSOLE OR PROJECTION SCREEN TVS

**REGISTRATION ENDS
APRIL 30**

APPLIANCES

Only steel appliances or household objects made primarily of steel such as:

- Air Conditioners
- Cook Tops / Ovens
- Dehumidifiers
- Dishwashers / Hot Water Tanks
- Freezer / Fridge
- Grills
- Lawn Mowers
- Microwaves
- Washers / Dryers
- Refrigerators with food inside are not accepted, but units containing freon are accepted for free.

**REGISTRATION ENDS
JUNE 11**

TIRES (RESIDENTIAL)

- Car and small truck tires (on or off the rim) \$1 each
- Racing tires \$3 each
- No semi or tractor tires are allowed
- Have the number of tires you plan to recycle ready when you register.
- Residents with tires larger than a car or small truck tire (e.g., large truck, farm, and semi tires) should call OSS for proper collection arrangements.

**REGISTRATION ENDS
JUNE 11**

HOUSEHOLD (HHW) HAZARDOUS WASTE

- Adhesives
- Automotive Fluids
- Fluorescent Lighting
- Household Cleaners
- Mercury - Liquids, Thermostats & Thermometers
- Paint Related Materials
- Pesticides
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Roof tar / Driveway Sealers
- Spray Aerosol Cans

**REGISTRATION ENDS
OCTOBER 8**

The OSS 2026 Special Collections screenprint on the left shows the specific details for what can be dropped off.

The registration deadline for the Appliances and Tires collections is **June 11th**.

You have until October 8th to register for the Household (HHW) Hazardous Waste collection drop off.

Dates, times and locations for each event will be provided during the registration process.

Registration is essential for participating in special collections offered by The District. There will only be one collection date for each special collection.

Those that do not register will be unable to participate.

Registration is limited, residents are advised not to sign up unless they are sure they will attend.

Collections are open to Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca County residents including all residents of Bellevue and Fostoria.

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JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth takes place on Friday, June 19th this year. It is an official federal holiday in the U.S. that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans.

The annual observance honors June 19, 1865, when Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas, to announce the end of the Civil War and the freedom of enslaved people.

Because June 19th falls on a Friday, it creates a long weekend and will be marked by closures of banks, post offices, schools, and government offices.

Locally, you can attend the Juneteenth Celebration on the Jackson Street Pier in downtown, Sandusky. This is a free community event.

POLICY REVIEW: 4.01 VACATION LEAVE

It's that time of the year. Many will be scheduling time off for vacations.

Take a minute to review the County's Vacation Leave (Section 4.01) policy.

Under Item F., it states that "Approval from an employee's Department Head or Supervisor must be obtained prior to using vacation leave. Vacations shall be scheduled at a time mutually convenient to the Employer and the employee."

Work with your supervisor to schedule your vacation time to ensure there are no issues prior to making reservations.

THROTTLE SOCIETY GRAND OPENING

Commissioners Miller, Smith and Zimmerman attended the official ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening of Throttle Society in Fremont on Wednesday, May 27th.

Bringing together the experience and legacy of Schiets Motorsports and Fox Cycle Works, Throttle Society is more than a dealership, it's a destination for the powersports community. From motorcycles and dirt bikes to ATVs, side-by-side, apparel, accessories, financing, and full-service repair, they're creating an experience centered around riders and community.

Congratulations to Dane Fox, Nate Pfeiffer, and the entire Throttle Society team. Stop out and see what they have to offer at their new location, 1316 Oak Harbor Road, Fremont.



THROTTLE SOCIETY

1316 Oak Harbor Road,
Fremont, OH 43420

(419) 332-9902

HOURS

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9:00 AM — 6:00 PM
Wednesday	9:00 AM — 6:00 PM
Thursday	9:00 AM — 6:00 PM
Friday	9:00 AM — 6:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM — 3:00 PM
Sunday	Closed

4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS

FIREWORK CELEBRATIONS

FRIDAY - July 3rd
Oak Harbor

SATURDAY - July 4th
Bellevue
Cedar Point
Clyde
Fremont
Port Clinton
Sandusky - downtown
Tiffin
Toledo
Woodville

*** UTOPIA WELLCARE UPDATE ***

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM ANTHEM

Per Anthem, **Utopia is not currently contracted as in-network** at this time.

The Anthem Contracting team is actively working to complete the in-network setup, but they do not yet have a confirmed date/ETA. **Until the contracting is finalized, services through Utopia should be considered out-of-network, and any applicable out-of-network benefit levels and member cost share would apply (as applicable to the member's plan).**

Anthem apologizes for the confusion this may have caused. They will follow up as soon as they receive confirmation that Utopia is in-network, along with the effective date and any other information.

Members can check out our in-network provider group of dietitians, Nourish at <https://www.usenourish.com/>.

FUREVER HOME



NEEDED



Timber

Timber came to the Kennel as a stray. She is a 1 year old female Pit Bull Terrier. She is a very sweet girl, has manners and will sit on command. She needs a little work on her confidence on walks. With the right love and attention, she may be the best dog you could ever own.



Timber:

Kennel ID #: D26-049
Intake Date: 03/02/26



Romeo

Romeo came to the Kennel as a stray. This sweet boy does not have a mean bone in his body. He's a 1 1/2-2 year old Pit Bull mix. He's a little reserved at first. He is housetrained and he has not been reactive to other dogs at the kennel. He does need some leash work and we are working on that. We believe someone has been heavy handed with him.

Romeo:

Kennel ID #: D26-094
Intake Date: 04/22/26



ADOPTION INFORMATION: Adoption fee is \$200, which includes the spay or neuter, 4 in 1 vaccine, 1 year rabies vaccine, heartworm test, deworming, heartworm & flea/tick prevention, Microchip, and the current year's dog license.

ADOPTION REQUIREMENTS: Adopters must be 18 years of age or older, required to ensure the spay/neuter is completed, must not have a conviction of animal cruelty on their record and must confine and license the dog in accordance with ORC 955.

SUMMERTIME

Summer officially starts on June 21st, and the sunny days and warmer temperatures are already here.

Sun Exposure & Heat

Heat Exhaustion & Stroke: High temperatures cause the body to lose fluids and salts rapidly. Stay hydrated with water and electrolytes, and seek shade during peak hours.

Sunburns: UV exposure causes skin damage and increases cancer risk. Protect your skin using board-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher, reapply every two hours. Don't forget about your ears and scalp.

Dehydration: Hot weather increases your risk for dehydration and even kidney stones. Always carry water when spending time outdoors.

Water & Food Safety

Water Safety: Drowning is a major summer risk, especially for children. Always designate a water watcher, used life jackets, and follow safety protocols near lakes and pools.

Food Poisoning: Picnic and cookout foods left in the danger zone (40°F to 140°F) quickly grow bacteria. Keep coolers chilled and discard any food left sitting out for more than two hours.

Bugs & Allergens

Tick & Mosquito Bites: Ticks carry Lyme disease, while mosquitoes can carry West Nile virus. Use an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, and check your body thoroughly after hiking or spending time in tall grass.

Seasonal Allergies: Grass, trees, and flower pollen can trigger allergies. Track local pollen counts and consider starting allergy medications early in the season to build up a defense.

FAMILY PETS

Don't leave your pet in a hot vehicle, even for a few minutes. The temperature inside the car can quickly reach 120 degrees even with the windows cracked open.

Animals can suffer heat stroke, a common problem for pets in warmer weather. Dogs with short noses or snouts, like the boxer or bulldog, are especially prone to heat stroke, along with overweight pets, those with extremely thick fur coat or any pet with upper respiratory problems.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Free Summer Day Camp** - June 8th through August 28th (Contact MariaMaxwell@familylifecounseling.net or 567-327-3167 for more information)
- **Turn the Page** - Monday, June 15th 10 AM - 6 PM at Woodville County Court, Woodville OH
- **Juneteenth** - Friday, June 19th - HOLIDAY
- **Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum 50th Anniversary Celebration** - Saturday, June 20th
- **Gibsonburg Donut Mile** - Friday, June 26th 6 PM
- **Wellness Program Deadline** - Tuesday, June 30th
- **Fire Extinguisher Training:** August 11th - 13th (Tuesday - Thursday)
- **Vehicle Inspections:** Wednesday, September 9th 8:30 am - 1:00 pm
- **Defensive Driving Training:** Thursday, October 15th
- **Seasonal Burn Ban** - The months of October & November, no burning from 6 AM - 6 PM

EVENT REMINDER

TURN THE PAGE

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

215 W. MAIN ST
WOODVILLE, OHIO

Resolve pending cases, lift warrants & BMV blocks, options for collections/fees owed, seal/expunge cases same day.

See the attached flyer for more details.

MORE INFO:

SDICKMAN@SANDUSKYCOUNTYOH.GOV

(419) 547-3262 EXT 3

The Sandusky County Commissioners serve as administrators for Sandusky County by:

- Formulating a Multi-million Dollar Budget;
- Approving Purchase Vouchers;
- Negotiating and Approving Union Contracts;
- Pro-active long term planning;
- Handling day-to-day county issues;
- Approving the county road program for the County Engineer;
- Advertising and taking bids on all road, bridge, ditch and sewer projects;
- Implement maintenance on the inside and outside of county buildings;
- Holding hearings to discuss drainage ditch projects, establishing and vacating roads, personnel and equipment needs for county departments, budget and expenses for upcoming county projects; and
- Attend as a Commissioner Representative on 37 Local/Regional/State boards and committees.

The Commissioner's board meetings are held weekly, on Tuesday and Thursday, commencing at 8:00 a.m. Public forum sessions begin at 10:00 a.m. Generally, all sessions are open to the public and anyone interested in attending the meetings are welcome to do so!



Sandusky County Commissioners
622 Croghan Street
Fremont, Ohio 43420
(419)334-6100-T
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Commissioners:

Russ Zimmerman
Scott Miller
Justin C. Smith

Staff:

Theresa Garcia, County Administrator
Marc Glotzbecker, County Administrator
Sandy Gillig, Clerical Specialist
Ian Cantu, Human Resources
Traci Myles, Account Clerk

SANDUSKY COUNTY COUNTY COURT IS HOSTING:

TURN THE PAGE



MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
215 W. MAIN ST
WOODVILLE, OHIO

REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED

MORE INFO:
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OPPORTUNITIES

Resolve Pending
Cases

Lift Warrants and
BMV Blocks

Options for
Collections/Fees
Owed

Seal/Expunge Case
Same Day

ON-SITE SUPPORT

Court Staff
Probation Officers
Judge/Magistrate

Prosecutor
Public Defenders
Deputy Clerks