



PERRY TOWNSHIP

FRANKLIN COUNTY

1ST QUARTER 2025

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VISIT US ONLINE

<https://www.perrytwp.org>



Did you know that most discarded electronics, including string lights, can be recycled? Specialized recycling programs can recover metals from old electronics like copper, iron, and steel, while toxic elements such as lead, cadmium, and beryllium are captured for proper, safe disposal. Best of all, recycling e-waste reduces the need to mine for rare earth minerals, such as lithium, while reducing the amount of waste that's going to our landfills.

Almost any item that has batteries or a cord to plug in counts as e-waste, and most kinds can be recycled. SWACO and local community partners offer seasonal holiday light recycling programs and year-round electronics drop-off locations, including for string lights.

Holiday lights and e-waste recycling locations include:

- [SWACO Recycling Convenience Center, 2566 Jackson Pike in Columbus](#)
- [Dublin Services Center, 6555 Shier-Rings Rd](#)
- [Upper Arlington Public Service Ctr., 4100 Roberts Rd](#)
- [Worthington Service & Engineering Dept., 380 Highland Ave.](#)

For more info about reducing holiday waste, check out SWACO's Green Holiday Guide:

<https://www.swaco.org/DocumentCenter/View/2511/Green-Holiday-Guide-PDF>

For more information about recycling, visit SWACO Recycle Right:

<https://recycleright.org/>



Rumpke can accept Christmas trees as part of normal trash pickup. To dispose of Christmas trees, please:

1. Remove the decorations.
2. Cut the trunks and limbs to a length of four (4) feet or shorter.
3. Tie the trunk and limbs into bundles with string or twine.
4. Place the bundles at the curb alongside your trash and recycling bins.

Artificial trees cannot be recycled or composted.

If you have any questions, please call Rumpke at 1-800-828-8171.

RUMPKE SERVICE CONTRACT FOR TRASH, RECYCLING, AND YARD WASTE TO CONTINUE IN 2025

The service rate for 2025 is \$22.90 per month and will remain effective through December 31st, 2025. To request additional carts, please call Rumpke's customer service line at 1-800-828-8171.

Seniors ages 65 and over can receive a 10% senior discount. The discounted monthly rate for 2025 is \$20.61 per month. **If you currently receive the discount, you do not need to reapply.** Your senior discount will carry over into 2025. Senior residents can apply for the senior discount by emailing llabuhn@perrytwp.org a copy or photo of your driver's license or state ID along with your service address.

2025 PERRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS



Regularly scheduled Trustee meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 6:00 PM. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays when Monday is a legal holiday.

Regular meeting recordings are available on the official Perry Township YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@PerryTownshipFranklinCounty/streams

Meeting agendas and minutes are available on the official Perry Township website at www.perrytwp.org/agendacenter

Notices of regular meetings are sent out via the Perry Township Facebook Page along with a link to the meeting agenda. Visit our FaceBook page at www.facebook.com/PerryTownshipFranklinCounty

Residents who wish to speak at public hearings and those with inquiries about public meetings should contact Township Administrator Beth Beatty at bbeatty@perrytwp.org or (614) 889-2669.

Winter Snow & Ice Removal Provided by the Perry Township Road Department



Snow and ice has returned to Central Ohio. During snow and ice events, the Road Department will respond as quickly as possible to clear the roads for residents.

The Road Department asks residents to follow the below safety guidelines for the safety of both residents and the Road Department's crew:

- **Slow down.** Drive carefully when visibility is reduced due to precipitation. It can be difficult to see pedestrians and other vehicles.
- **Keep the road clear.** Do not park your car on the street during snow and ice events. Snowplows need space to maneuver safely.
- **Do not push snow onto the street or into the curb.** The road crew only puts enough salt down to treat the roads after plowing. Any piles pushed into the road will not melt and create a hazard to vehicles.
- **Be alert.** Trucks and snowplows can turn on to or from streets with little warning. They may also move across street centerlines or partially into traffic to improve road conditions.
- **Stay back.** Maintain a distance of at least ten car lengths between your vehicle and the snowplow.
- **Be patient.** Our crew works hard to improve road conditions. Our trucks are large machines and the drivers work in weather that reduces visibility. They will drive slowly for everyone's safety. **Never attempt to overtake a snowplow.**

We also ask that parents prevent their children from playing in the snowbanks created by the snowplows. Drivers have limited visibility and do not want any children to be injured.

Please email iwarren@perrytwp.org or call 614-889-8781 with any questions.



Pictured from left to right: Road Superintendent Ian Warren, Prairie Township Trustee Rod Pritchard, and FSWCD Asst. Director Kyle Wilson

Congratulations to Road Superintendent Ian Warren for receiving Franklin Soil & Water's Great Blue Heron Award for outstanding contributions to stream and natural resource protection in Franklin County!

The Great Blue Heron Award is presented for exceptional efforts in promoting stormwater compliance through educational messaging, engaging the community in meaningful ways, and utilizing innovative approaches to meet NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permit requirements.

Stay Up-to-Date with the Latest Construction Updates



The Road Improvements Project and Safe Routes to School sidewalk construction projects are just a couple of the construction projects residents can expect to see in 2025.

Visit the Road Department's Construction Updates page on the Perry Township website to view the latest news, project plans, and information: www.perrytwp.org/2263/Construction-Updates

Be Salt Smart for Water Quality

By the Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District



Many freshwater lakes and rivers across the country are contaminated with chloride. This chemical comes in large part from the salt and deicers used to keep ice off roads in the winter, but once it is washed into waterways via rainfall and snowmelt it is virtually impossible to remove.

Many public works agencies provide their crews with special training and tools to minimize this type of pollution. You can do your part by following the steps below.

Remove snow the right way:

- **Shovel, Scrape, Repeat.** Yes, it can be a lot of work, but it is the best way to remove snow and minimize salt usage.
- **Don't Let Snow Get Compacted.** Shovel early and often before the snow gets compacted or starts to melt and freeze again.

Use the right product and amount for the conditions:

- **Know When to Use Salt.** Typical rock salt, sodium chloride, does not work below 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Check the label on your salt or deicer to make sure it will work before you apply it.
- **Use the Right Amount.** More salt does NOT equal faster melting - just more pollution and wasted money. Shoot for a 3-inch spread between salt granules. A hand spreader can make the job easier and more accurate. To be more exact, try to apply no more than 1 pound per 250 square feet of pavement. (Tip: A regular-size coffee mug typically holds about 1 pound of salt.)
- **Use Sand for Traction, Not Melting.** Use sand when it's too cold for salt to work. Sprinkle just enough to provide traction on walkways. Sweep up any excess sand after the ice melts and dispose of in the trash or reuse so that it doesn't get carried into storm drains. Remember, sand pollutes too. Do not mix sand with salt. They do two different jobs, and they won't work well together.



SAFER

SOCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY REDUCTION

ABOUT US

SAFER is a social wellness program operating within the Worthington Division of Fire & EMS, designed to connect at-risk populations with necessary community resources and interventions at no cost to participants.

WHO CAN BENEFIT?

- High utilizers of emergency services
- Isolated and vulnerable older adults
- Individuals with a substance use or mental health diagnosis
- Homes & individuals facing food insecurity
- When in doubt, reach out!



HOW TO REFER

SAFER is available to all residents of Worthington, Sharon Township, Perry Township, and the Village of Riverlea. Please contact SAFER at 614-436-6867 or SAFER@Worthington.org to create a referral.



PERRY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



Congratulations to Perry Twp Sgt. Miller for receiving the Franklin County Sheriff's STAR Award!

Officer Kontul III Commended by Worthington Fire & EMS for Life-Saving Actions



From left to right: Sheriff Baldwin, Sgt. Miller, Lt. Conkle, Chief Cesaro, and Lt. Forsythe

From left to right: Worthington Fire Chief Mark Zambito, Officer Kontul III, Worthington Fire Asst. Chief Jennifer Cochran

The STAR award is given to officers from Franklin County law enforcement agencies who distinguish themselves and embody the values of **Selflessness, Teamwork, Accountability, and Respect.**

On May 31st, Officer Kontul displayed remarkable courage and composure while packing the wound of a woman critically shot in the neck and shoulder as a passenger in a car. The car stopped on SR-315 to wait for help. Officer Kontul's quick-thinking and decisive actions stopped the bleeding and saved her life.

Officer Kontul's commitment to protecting our community deserves our deepest appreciation. His willingness to start patient care is a testament to his character and dedication to serving. Thank you to Officer Kontul for your outstanding service and for living the Perry Township Police Department motto, **Service Above Self.**

VACATION HOUSE CHECKS



Keep your home and property safe while you're away! We offer daily house checks for residents while you're on vacation. Officers will regularly stop by your home to ensure that it is safe and secure.

Access the online vacation house check request form on the Perry Township website at <https://www.perrytwp.org/2176/Vacation-House-Checks> or call 614-339-0240 to request a house check.

Here are a few tips for while you are away:

- Remember to lock your doors *and* windows.
- Try and maintain a lived in look while you are away, such as by using timers on lights.
- Leave emergency contact numbers with someone you trust.
- Be careful about who you tell of your vacation plans.
- Stop all postal and newspaper deliveries.

TRANSIENT VENDORS

All salespeople who canvass door-to-door in Perry Township to promote their goods and services are required to obtain a transient vendor permit from the Perry Township Police Department. Vendors must provide a valid driver's license or state-issued ID to the Police Department for each person doing business in Perry Township.

If you are approached by a door-to-door salesperson, ask if they have received a permit from the Police Department. Please report vendors operating without permits to the Perry Township Police Department by calling our non-emergency line at 614-889-1231.

No solicitation stickers are available for Perry Township residents on our website:

<https://www.perrytwp.org/2171/Soliciting-Transient-Vendors>



MID-OHIO REGIONAL
MORPC
PLANNING COMMISSION

MORPC offers home energy efficiency (weatherization) and safety services at no cost to income-eligible residents to help keep them warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer, all while lowering energy bills. These programs are available all year to Franklin County residents. Based on eligibility, customers may receive the following services at no cost:

- Repair or replacement of furnaces and water heaters
- Attic and sidewall insulation
- Air sealing
- A full home energy inspection
- Safety checks on appliances

To apply and learn more information about MORPC's free residential services please visit <https://www.morpc.org/programs-services/residential-services/>



DOG LICENSING

Ohio law requires dogs to have a valid dog license. This law applies regardless of whether the dog is kept primarily inside or out and regardless of breed. Many dogs are found each year wearing a valid dog license, but the address or phone number in our records is outdated. In order to aid in the return of dogs to their owners, the Auditor's office provides a found dog search feature. It is important to keep your owner information current by renewing your license, updating your owner information, or by licensing a new dog. The majority of funds from licensing go to support the Franklin County Dog Shelter.

2025 dog licenses are available through January 31st. You can purchase your dog license in person at the Franklin County Dog Shelter, at the Franklin County Auditor's Office, or online by visiting <https://doglicense.franklincountyohio.gov/>



ALERT Franklin County
Emergency Notification System



ALERT Franklin County is a mass notification and warning program used by Franklin County Emergency Management & Homeland Security to inform residents about severe weather and important emergency/disaster alerts in Franklin County. Any Franklin County resident or commuter can register for ALERT Franklin County.

Sign up for ALERT Franklin County on the official website: alertfranklincounty.org/

You can also text FCREADY to 888777 to receive emergency management alerts that do not require an account in ALERT Franklin County.

Follow FCEM&HS on social media for emergency alerts and information: www.facebook.com/FCEMHS. Due to possible delays, do not rely on social media as your primary source of emergency information.



Rumpke has partnered with Hefty to provide the Hefty ReNew Program to central Ohio residents. Hefty ReNew allows residents to recycle normally hard-to-recycle plastics including, plastic packaging, bags, and wraps, foam products, including egg cartons, bubble wrap and other plastic wraps, and much more! Participation is entirely voluntary.

To participate, purchase Hefty ReNew bags from your local grocery store, fill the bag with acceptable, hard-to-recycle plastics, and place it in your curbside recycling cart, NOT your trash bin. Rumpke will collect the Hefty ReNew bag along with your regular recycling.

Free Hefty ReNew starter kits are available: <https://www.hefty.com/hefty-renew-starter-kit>

Learn more about the Hefty ReNew Program online: <https://www.hefty.com/products/hefty-renew>



BIG ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Administrative Offices
614.889.2669

Police House Checks
614.339.0240

Rumpke
1.800.828.8171

For Additional
Information Visit:
www.perrytwp.org

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■ = Leaf Collection - October 20, 2025 - December 5, 2025
 ■ = Trash, Recycling & Yard Waste Every Friday unless noted
 ■ = Brush Chipping - April 21, 2025 - May 2, 2025

2025 Service Calendar

If you would like a magnetic service calendar for your home or office, please fill out the online sign-up form at <https://www.perrytwp.org/2325/Service-Calendar> or email Luke LaBuhn at llabuhn@perrytwp.org.

COMMUNITY DONATION CENTERS

Red Cross Carriage Place Blood Donation Center
4820 Sawmill Rd, Columbus, OH 43235
1-800-RED-CROSS
www.redcross.org/

Smoky Row Food Pantry
7260 Smoky Row Rd, Columbus, OH 43235
614-889-5224
office@smokyrow.org
smokyrow.org/smoky-row-food-pantry.html

Worthington Resource Pantry
6700 Huntley Rd, Columbus, OH 43229
614-985-1766
www.worthingtonresourcepantry.org

If you have any suggestions for community resources or donation centers to feature in the newsletter, please email Luke LaBuhn at llabuhn@perrytwp.org

PERRY TOWNSHIP E-BLAST SIGN-UP

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE:

- ◆ POLICE & ROAD ADVISORIES
- ◆ CONSTRUCTION NOTICES
- ◆ UPDATES ON SEASONAL BRUSH CHIPPING & LEAF COLLECTION
- ◆ TOWNSHIP NEWS & EVENTS

Visit our sign-up form via the QR code below or by going to <https://www.perrytwp.org/2198/>



You can also call us at 614-889-2669 or mail us your contact information at 7125 Sawmill Rd, Dublin OH 43016 to be signed up for email communications

SMALL GOVERNMENT



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BIG ACCOMPLISHMENTS