

2025 PROPOSED CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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Overview & Highlights

On behalf of the city administration, I am proud to share the proposed 2025 Capital Investment and Community Development Program, commonly known as the Capital Budget.

This proposed budget focuses on maintaining and investing in Akron's infrastructure – our streets, sidewalks, and bridges, our community centers, parks, and public spaces, our police and fire facilities, vehicles, and equipment, our water and sewer systems – as well as exciting opportunities to support our neighborhoods and our economy.

Just a few key highlights from the 2025 budget include:

- Four gaming/e-sports rooms in our community centers.
- Resurfacing of approximately 48 miles of roads, including 34 miles for the 2025 program and 14 miles of carryover roads from the 2024 program.
- Local and state funding to demolish commercial buildings that have blighted our neighborhoods for years, including:
 - Rankin Elementary
 - Goodrich Middle School
 - The Morley Health Center
 - Firestone Plant #1
- Construction of 10 units of affordable infill housing in the Summit Lake neighborhood, as well as other housing efforts throughout Akron.
- Investments in our Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and homelessness support services.
- Our city match for the Polymer Industry Cluster that has secured almost \$100M in local, state, and federal funding for the future of our economy.
- Replacing the final 1,700 active lead service lines remaining in Akron. By the end of 2025, there should be no occupied homes being served by a lead service line in the city!



Overview & Highlights

Prioritizing Fiscal Responsibility

Fiscal responsibility is a key pillar of this budget proposal. In recent years, General Operating (GO) debt borrowing and ARPA funding have allowed the city to make significant investments in large capital projects. As ARPA funding ends, the city's path to long-term financial sustainability requires keeping debt spending in check. During this year's capital budget process, Long Range Planning received capital requests from city departments totaling \$46 million in GO debt. For the second straight year, we are keeping budgeted new GO debt under \$12 million, part of our administration's commitment to spend city money responsibly.

Additional Notes

For this year's capital budget, we have also included two appendices at the end of the document. Appendix A shows capital budget spending by category from 1993 to the present, and includes some analysis of trends over that time. Appendix B shows proposed 2025 spending specifically for the Issue 4 income tax funding approved by Akron voters in 2017, which is allocated for police, fire, and transportation related expenses.

Additionally, in this year's budget, we have separated out the categories of Water and Sewer, which have historically been grouped together. These systems are paid for and managed through separate funding streams, and it is important to look at them separately, especially as Sewer spending has dramatically increased in recent years due to the federal CSO consent decree.

Acknowledgements

This year's capital budget process began in the summer, with requests submitted by each city department and by City Councilmembers. Throughout the fall, we focused on public engagement at City Council ward meetings, which is detailed in the next section. Many people have put in hard work to make this budget possible. In particular, I want to thank the Long Range Planning Division, especially Helen Tomic, Jim Ashley, and Amy Woodill, and Planning Director Kyle Julien. A special thanks to Patricia Porter, who gave this year's budget document a new, updated look. In each department, there are many other people to thank, and this budget is truly stronger because of each person who contributed.

In the coming weeks, our administration looks forward to engaging with City Council on this important piece of our city's budget.

Sincerely,



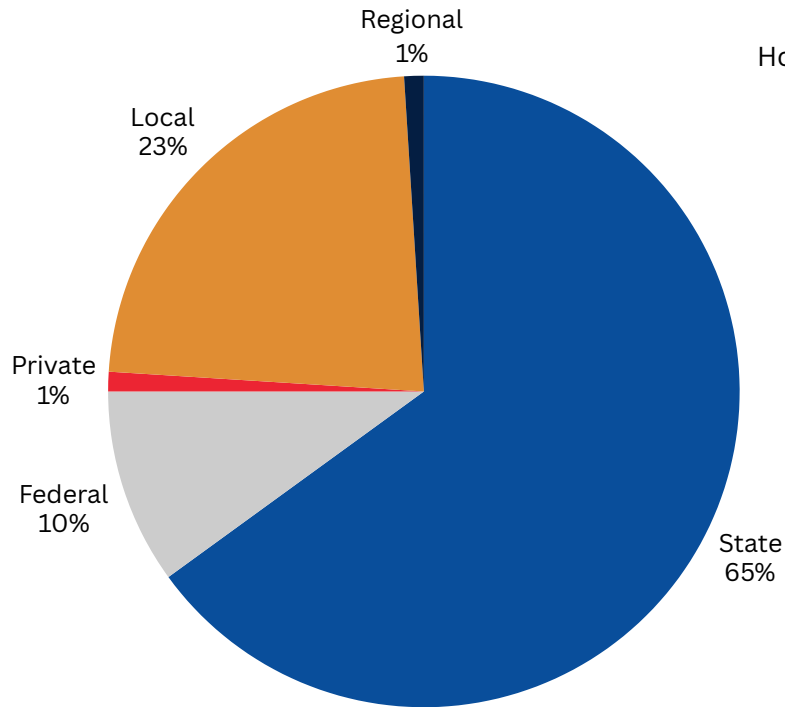
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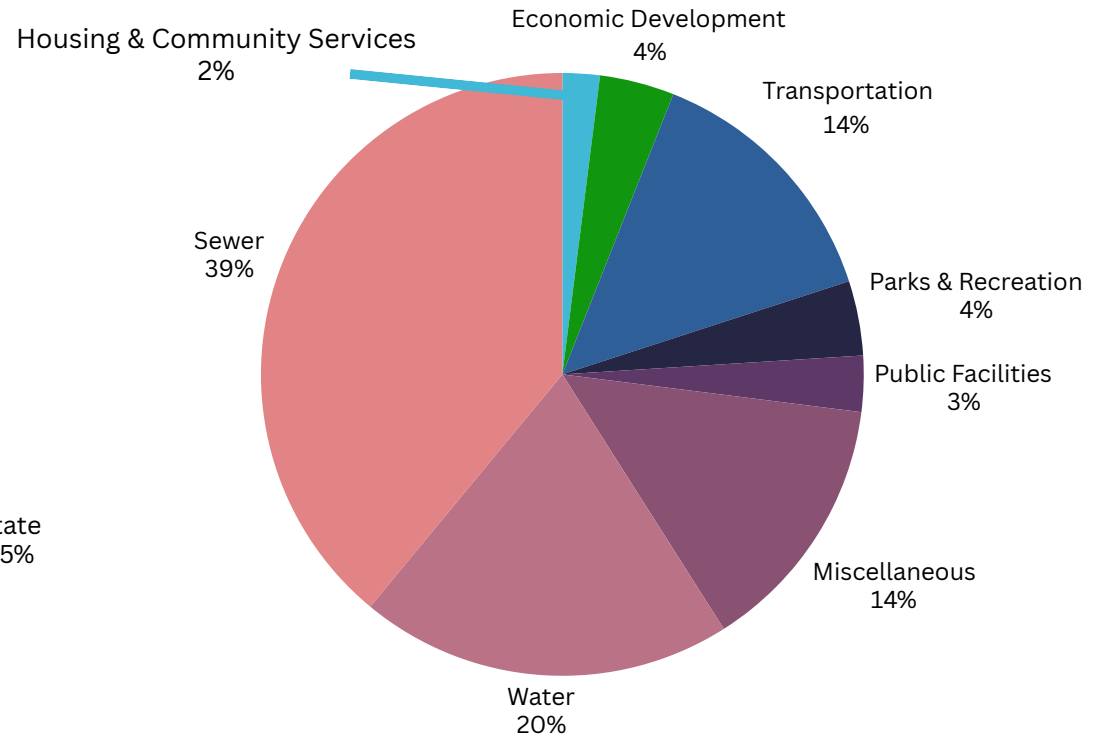
2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REVENUE & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY



FUNDING



EXPENDITURE



FUNDING SUMMARY **\$368,036,684**

● State (65%)	\$240,944,939
● Federal (10%)	\$35,466,666
● Private (1%)	\$5,098,732
● Local (23%)	\$84,749,617
● Regional (1%)	\$1,776,730

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY **\$368,036,684**

● Water (20%)	\$74,861,270
● Sewer (39%)	\$144,129,000
● Miscellaneous (14%)	\$51,379,932
● Public Facilities (3%)	\$10,671,000
● Transportation (14%)	\$50,100,280
● Parks & Recreation (4%)	\$13,404,450
● Economic Development (4%)	\$13,860,000
● Housing & Community Services (2%)	\$9,630,752

WARD ENGAGEMENT

As part of our administration's commitment to creating a more transparent and engaging city government, over the past several months, city staff have presented about the 2025 capital budget at City Council ward meetings across the city.

At these meetings, the city provided residents with an overview of the capital budget process, and asked them to identify investments that should receive priority in the capital budget. Attendees were asked to identify their priorities across five categories: Parks and Recreation, Transportation, Public Facilities, Housing and Community Service, and Public Safety. Each attendee was provided six stickers and asked to indicate their priorities by placing the stickers on posters labeled with the spending categories.

The input from those meetings has been gathered to help ensure that the budget reflects the public's priorities as much as possible. A few key themes emerged from this engagement.

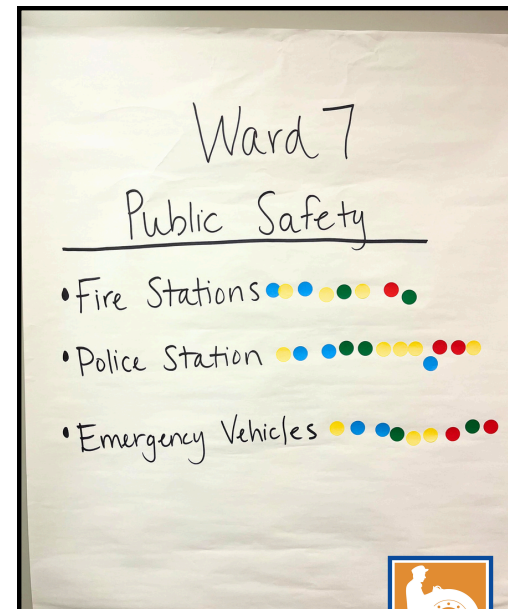
First, Housing and Community Services—encompassing activities such as affordable housing, services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness, demolition, and housing repair—emerged as a clear priority across six wards. This category received 34% of the total number of stickers. As a result of this feedback, we are increasing the demolition budget to include Goodrich Middle School, a blighted structure in East Akron for which we did not receive state demolition funding.

Residents from Ward 7 and Ward 10 placed more emphasis on Public Safety than the other wards, although they still emphasized the need for spending around Housing and Community Services.

Investments in transportation infrastructure received steady support across all wards, with 24% of the stickers, as did Parks and Recreation (16%).

The Capital Budget is directing \$9.6 million to supporting Housing and Community Services. This budget number reflects anticipated allocations of program funding through the federal government's Department of Housing and Urban Development. That funding is used to support organizations developing affordable housing and providing those services, and leverages funding that they receive from other sources. Our ability to support this work is constrained by the funding received from the federal government.

The budget also allocates \$13.4 million to Parks and Recreation, including supporting the Akron Parks Challenge, upgrading and maintaining existing parks facilities, and investing in our community centers.



WARD ENGAGEMENT

Below are the findings from the budget ward meeting discussions.

	1	*2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Totals
Parks and Recreation											
· Parks	6.8%	N/A	4.7%	8.7%	6.1%	2.6%	5.6%	5.9%	18.8%	11.4%	9%
· Community Centers	6.8%	N/A	7.1%	15.9%	4.5%	6.0%	5.6%	4.4%	2.0%	2.3%	5%
· Splash Pads/Water features	0.0%	N/A	1.2%	1.4%	3.0%	2.6%	0.0%	1.5%	2.0%	0.0%	1%
Subtotal	14%	N/A	13%	26%	14%	11%	11%	12%	23%	14%	16%
Transportation											
· Streets	9.6%	N/A	8.2%	4.3%	6.8%	12.1%	10.2%	7.4%	9.4%	5.3%	8%
· Sidewalks	6.8%	N/A	4.7%	5.8%	5.3%	3.4%	5.6%	7.4%	0.8%	6.1%	5%
· Traffic Calming	1.4%	N/A	1.2%	2.9%	5.3%	6.0%	4.6%	1.5%	0.8%	4.5%	3%
Subtotal	27%	N/A	22%	17%	24%	34%	31%	24%	20%	21%	24%
Public Facilities											
· Salt Dome	0.0%	N/A	2.4%	4.3%	2.3%	6.0%	2.8%	3.7%	3.3%	2.3%	3%
· Municipal Service Center	0.0%	N/A	1.2%	4.3%	3.8%	3.4%	0.9%	5.1%	2.0%	4.5%	3%
· Parking Decks	2.7%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	3.4%	2.8%	2.9%	0.4%	1.5%	2%
· Canal Park Stadium	1.4%	N/A	1.2%	1.4%	0.8%	0.0%	1.9%	0.7%	3.3%	1.5%	2%
Subtotal	4%	N/A	5%	10%	8%	13%	8%	13%	9%	10%	9%
Housing and Community Services											
· Affordable Housing	11.0%	N/A	14.1%	7.2%	9.1%	3.4%	6.5%	10.3%	3.3%	4.5%	7%
· Housing Repair	8.2%	N/A	12.9%	8.7%	15.9%	3.4%	6.5%	5.1%	4.1%	5.3%	7%
· Demolition	5.5%	N/A	5.9%	4.3%	4.5%	6.9%	2.8%	5.9%	14.7%	5.3%	7%
· Homelessness	13.7%	N/A	9.4%	4.3%	12.9%	7.8%	5.6%	7.4%	8.2%	6.8%	8%
· Public Services	8.2%	N/A	7.1%	2.9%	3.8%	2.6%	1.9%	7.4%	1.2%	3.8%	4%
Subtotal	47%	N/A	49%	28%	46%	24%	23%	36%	31%	26%	34%
Public Safety											
· Fire stations	0.0%	N/A	2.4%	5.8%	2.3%	3.4%	7.4%	2.2%	4.5%	6.1%	4%
· Police station	0.0%	N/A	7.1%	10.1%	4.5%	5.2%	11.1%	8.1%	7.3%	18.9%	8%
· Emergency vehicles	8.2%	N/A	1.2%	2.9%	1.5%	9.5%	8.3%	5.9%	4.5%	4.5%	5%
Subtotal	8%	N/A	11%	19%	8%	18%	27%	16%	16%	30%	17%
Totals	100%	N/A	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: The top priority from each ward is in bold.

*Only 1 resident attended the meeting set up in Ward 2 and did not participate in the exercise so there is no available data for Ward 2.

Parks and Recreation

Transportation

Public Facilities

Housing and Community Services

Public Safety



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LOCAL	FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGET (\$)	DESCRIPTION
Akron Safety Center	ASC	2,385,000	Akron Safety Center reserves
Certificates of Participation	COP	1,533,000	Debt-like instrument representing series of lease payments
General Obligation Debt	GO	11,987,607	Debt secured by City's full faith and credit
Income Tax	IT	37,100,000	27% of City's 2% Income Tax Collections
Income Tax - Safety & Streets	IT4	13,110,000	.25% Income Tax Increase for Police, Fire and Roads
Parking Capital Fund	PCF	100,000	Revenue from City's off-street parking facilities
Property Taxes	PT	1,800,000	Property tax revenue .41 mileage
Sewer Capital Fund	SCF	13,473,500	Sanitary sewer user fees used for capital projects
Street Lighting Assessments	SLA	400,000	Annual assessments levied for provision of street lighting
Tax Increment Financing	TIF	1,150,000	Payments in lieu of property taxes on new development
Water Capital Fund	WCF	1,710,510	Water user fees used for capital projects
SUBTOTAL		\$84,749,617	

REGIONAL	FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGET (\$)	DESCRIPTION
Joint Economic Development District	JEDD	1,750,000	Income Tax in JEDD areas
City of Cuyahoga Falls	CUYF	26,730	Funds from City of Cuyahoga Falls
SUBTOTAL		\$1,776,730	

STATE	FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGET (\$)	DESCRIPTION
Gas Tax	GAS	2,250,000	Additional 6 cents of Gas Tax returned to City
Ohio Department of Development	ODOD	250,000	State development agency funding
Ohio Department of Transportation	ODOT	17,461,760	State transportation agency funding
Ohio Public Works Commission	OPWC	14,928,123	Bond issue & 1 cent gas tax for infrastructure improvements
Ohio Water Development Authority	OWDA	1,217,013	State financial assistance for environmental infrastructure
State of Ohio	STATE	9,500,000	Funding through the State of Ohio
Water Supply Revolving Loan Fund	WSRLA	69,117,043	Ohio EPA Water Supply Rev. Loan Account
Water Pollution Control Loan Fund	WPCLF	126,221,000	Loan funds for wastewater treatment works projects
SUBTOTAL		\$240,944,939	



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FEDERAL	FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGET (\$)	DESCRIPTION
Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study	AMATS	50,000	Federal Funds for Metropolitan Planning Organizations
Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority	AMHA	390,000	Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority
American Rescue Plan Act - Local Award	ARPA	9,200,000	Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
Bridge Replacement	BR	4,285,314	FHWA funds for bridges
Community Development	CD	6,068,000	Community Development Block Grant, HOME funds from HUD
Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality	CMAQ	450,000	FHWA funds for road projects that improve environment
Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Program	CRISI	400,000	Federal Railroad Administration funding for intercity passenger and freight rail
Environmental Protection Agency	EPA	1,060,000	Funding for environmental improvements
Federal Aviation Administration	FAA	1,140,000	Federal Aviation funding
Other Federal Funding	OTHER	4,355,852	Future federal transportation funding programs
Federal SAFETY Funds	SAFETY	1,750,000	Stimulus (Amer. Recov. & Reinvest. Act) funds through AMATS
Healthy Homes Funds	HH	187,500	Healthy Homes grant funds from HUD
Lead Paint Program	LEAD	1,750,000	Lead Hazard Reduction grant funds from HUD
Surface Transportation Black Grant	STBG	3,200,000	FHWA funds for classified roads above minor collector & bridges
Transportation Alternatives Set Aside	TASA	700,000	Transportation Alternatives Set Aside
Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program	RCPG	480,000	Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program Grant
SUBTOTAL		\$35,466,666	

PRIVATE	FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGET (\$)	DESCRIPTION
Private	PVT	1,891,464	Various funding from private sector
Special Assessments	SA	3,207,268	Assessments levied for improvements adjacent to property
SUBTOTAL		\$5,098,732	

GRAND TOTAL → **\$368,036,684**



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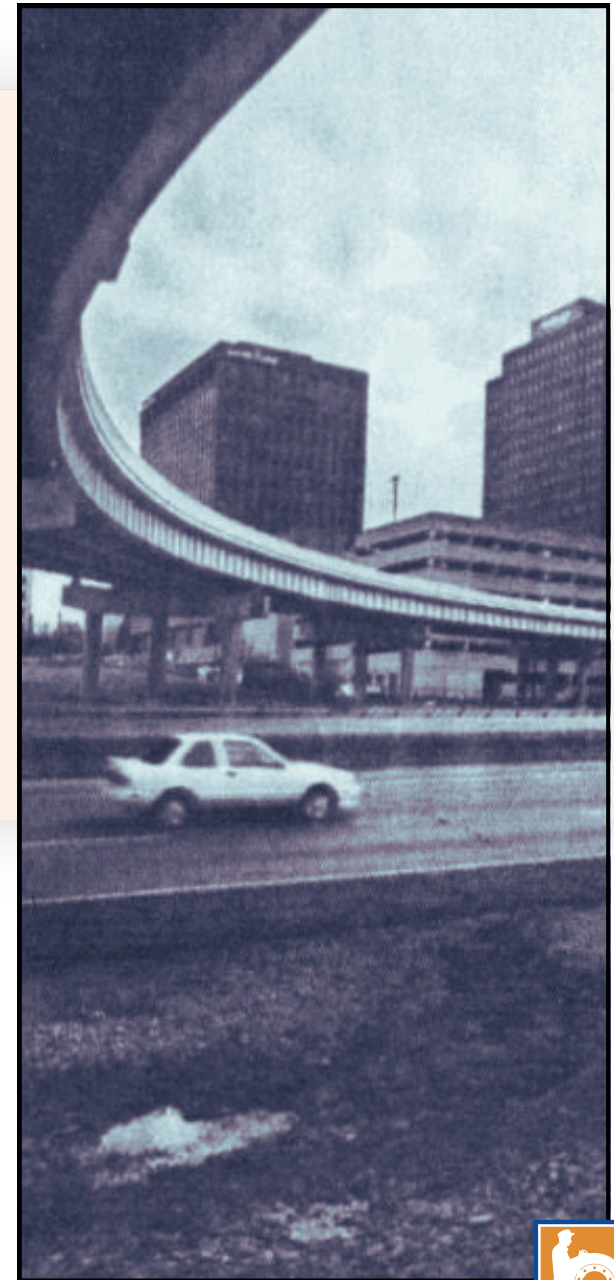
TRANSPORTATION

\$50,100,280

Since 2017, when voters approved a 0.25% income tax increase for to support Police, Fire, and Roads, the city has been able to go from paving 16 miles of roadway a year to approximately 48 miles per year on average, for a **total of 336 miles from 2018 to 2024**. Due to that ongoing work, most of Akron's roadways are now graded as "fair" to "good" which is an outstanding improvement from where the city was 5, 10, or 15 years ago.

Akron is responsible for **832 centerline miles of pavement** (or 122,000,000 square feet of pavement) and 144 bridges. Projects in the Transportation section of the 2025 budget have either deteriorated beyond simple maintenance or require safety improvements.

Highlights of this year's budget include North Main Street and various bridge projects. The North Main corridor connects the many neighborhoods in North Akron and Cuyahoga Falls directly into downtown. This project will modernize the corridor and improve safety. More importantly, the emphasis on bridge inspections will ensure future structure costs will be kept in check while keeping them functioning optimally. This budget also includes \$500,000 for speeding reduction projects, including speed tables and digital speed indicator signs. The city is budgeting \$5.75 million for the annual resurfacing program which will cover approximately 34 new miles of Akron roadway and 14 miles of carryover miles from the 2024 program. We are also budgeting another \$2.15 million for the concrete pavement program, and \$2.27 million for the sidewalk program.



Arterials/Collectors

\$13,257,433

E. Exchange Street - Complete Street - PID 102701 (Broadway St. - Fountain St.)

Carryover project. Complete Street public improvements. Includes interconnected signals, bike lanes, pedestrian improvements, and median.

Home Avenue Improvements (Tallmadge - Independence)

Replacement of the existing concrete pavement on Home Avenue with the full depth asphalt pavement from Independence Ave. to approximately 900 feet south of Tallmadge Ave. Curb and sidewalk will be patched as needed. Curb ramps will be replaced to meet ADA requirements.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	2,075,000
GO	75,000
SA	235,000
PVT	565,000
STBG	200,000
OPWC	1,000,000
TOTAL	2,567,433
IT4	445,068
SA	254,056
WCF	136,500
SCF	23,500
OPWC	1,708,309



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TRANSPORTATION

N. Main Street Complete Street (All America Bridge - N. Corp. Line)

Resurface existing pavement, repairing subbase. Implement a road diet within the existing pavement footprint through striping. Bring curb ramps up to current ADA standards, repair/replace deficient sidewalk. Traffic signals will be upgraded. Includes water main replacement. Construction will begin in 2025.

Tallmadge Avenue Improvements - PID 88556 (Main Street - State Route 8)

Closeout charges. Intersection re-alignment. Along with full depth pavement reconstruction and narrowing from four sub-standard lanes. Includes curbs, sidewalks, and signals.

Bridges

\$11,175,625

All America Bridge Fence Replacement - PID 122367 (SUM-261-1025R & SUM-261D-0000)

Replacement of fence on the bridge and performing concrete repairs.

Bowery Street Bridge over Canal - PID 116146

Improvements include: partial deck replacement, abutment reconstruction, replacement of drainage system, and other patching of sidewalk, curb, etc. Bike lanes will be included as an easy connection from the towpath to the Main Street cycle track.

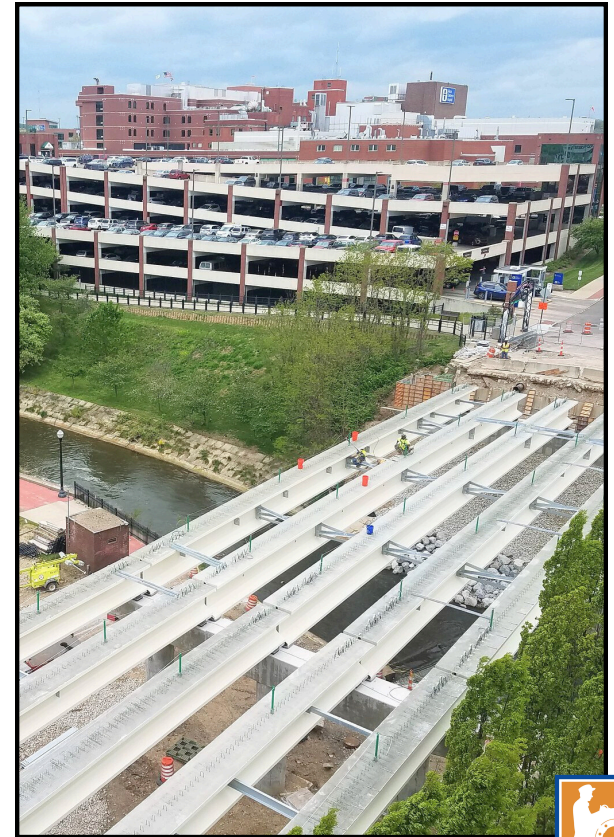
Bridge Inspection & SNBI Update

Hire a consultant to update the existing bridge inventory to the new Specifications for the Nation Bridge Inventory (SNBI) as required by the U.S. Department of Transportation & ODOT.

Kent Street Bridge Deck Replacement

Replacement of the Kent Street Bridge Deck. Includes minor repairs to the concrete abutments.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	8,495,000
IT4	495,000
STBG	3,000,000
WSRLA	1,675,000
CMAQ	450,000
SAFETY	1,750,000
OPWC	1,125,000
GO	120,000
TOTAL	3,908,900
GO	288,900
ODOT	3,620,000
TOTAL	5,042,497
GO	58,000
WCF	173,910
PVT	1,326,464
OPWC	500,000
BR	2,984,123
GO	150,000
TOTAL	864,000
GO	314,000
BR	550,000



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TRANSPORTATION

S. Main Street Bridge over CSX

(S. Main St. over CSX Railroad, Near Miller Ave.)

Bridge repairs including joint replacement, patching piers and abutments.

University Avenue Major Preventative Maintenance

Bridge rehabilitation including replacing deck overlay, expansion joints, approach slabs, as well as upgrading the sidewalk.

Residential Streets **\$1,250,000**

Belleau Wood Drive Improvements

(LaFayette Drive - north end)

Carryover project. Replace deteriorated concrete pavement with asphalt pavement and concrete curb and gutter.

Speeding Reduction Projects

Traffic safety intervention. Includes speed tables, curb extensions, flashing radar signage, and more.

Wendling Drive

Design. Full improvement with asphalt pavement and concrete curb and gutter. Other streets in the neighborhood will be patch and matched with concrete.

Resurfacing Program **\$22,146,010**

Resurfacing (Local sponsor) \$8,100,000

Annual Resurfacing Program

Annual resurfacing program. Includes arterial and collector, microsurfacing, partial depth resurfacing, preventive maintenance, residential resurfacing, and unimproved street resurfacing. This program covers approximately 34 new miles of roadway this year and 14 miles of carryover work.

Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation Program

Rehabilitate existing brick and concrete pavement with spot repairs and partial replacements to create a more uniform surface and extend the useful life of the pavement.

Funding Source Budget (\$)

GO 380,000

TOTAL **830,228**

GO 79,037

BR 751,191

TOTAL **700,000**

GO 260,300

SA 118,000

SCF 16,000

WCF 23,000

OPWC 282,700

IT4 500,000

GO 50,000

TOTAL **5,750,000**

IT4 2,145,000

GAS 2,100,000

SA 1,505,000

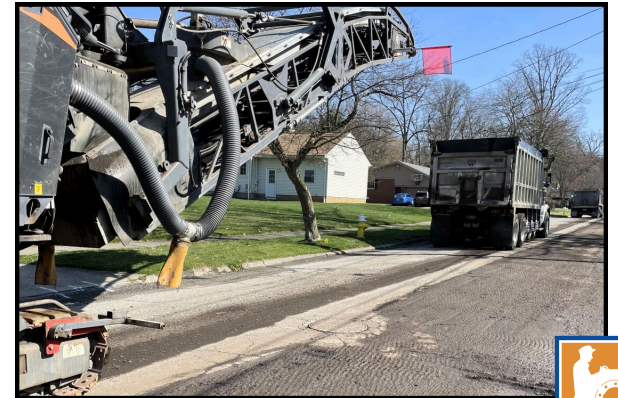
TOTAL **2,150,000**

GAS 150,000

IT4 100,000

SA 650,000

OPWC 1,250,000



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TRANSPORTATION

	Funding Source	Budget (\$)
East Market Street Resurfacing - PID 102744 (High St. - I76)	IT4	200,000
Carryover. City of Akron let resurfacing of E. Market Street from High Street to I76.		
ODOT Resurfacing - Vernon Odom Boulevard - PID 113037 (SR59 - 77/76)	TOTAL	2,510,400
ODOT managed resurfacing (2.22 miles).	IT4	265,000
	SA	80,000
	OTHER	156,600
	ODOT	2,008,800
ODOT - I76 east leg - PID 116820 (Central interchange - east corp line)	ODOT	2,982,800
ODOT managed resurfacing (3.43 miles).		
ODOT Resurfacing - I76/I277 Kenmore - PID 113086 (Kenmore leg and I277/I224)	ODOT	8,552,810
ODOT managed resurfacing (5.98 miles).		
Sidewalk Program		\$2,271,212
Citywide Sidewalk Program	TOTAL	1,000,000
Repair of sidewalks requested by property owners. Includes \$50,000 annually to improve ADA access to city parks and community centers.	GO	700,000
	SA	300,000
Portage Trail West Sidewalk	TOTAL	375,212
Carryover project. Construction of new sidewalk between Treetop Trail/Waterford Court to Portage Path.	GO	283,270
	CUYF	26,730
	SA	65,212
Safe Streets for All Improvements	TOTAL	896,000
Study focusing on safety within the East Akron area (Archwood, Wilbeth, Kelly and others) and the Copley District (Copley, Maple, Diagonal and others), with emphasis on pedestrian safety.	GO	100,000
	OTHER	796,000



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PARKS AND RECREATION

\$13,404,450

The City of Akron manages over **130 parks encompassing 1,500 acres** and is managed by the **Recreation & Parks division**. Programming includes city-wide special events, active adult activities, sports for kids and adults, community center programs and classes, as well as events for the whole family to enjoy for free or a minimal cost.

Since 2016, the City of Akron has budgeted over \$100 million for park and recreation improvements with a lot of help from ARPA funding. The 2025 Capital Budget provides \$13.4 million for community centers, pools/splash pads, ballfields, sport courts, and playgrounds. The Reservoir Park Community Center and Pool is budgeted to receive \$6.6 million of this year's budget towards the completion of their renovation. The city is also investing \$318,000 towards much-needed HVAC upgrades at Firestone Park and Joy Park. Additionally, 2 neighborhood parks are set to receive \$150,000 each for the Akron Parks Challenge grant program. There is also \$100,000 set aside for gaming/esports rooms at four community centers.



	Funding Source	Budget (\$)
<p>Akron Parks Challenge Design and construction of recommended park improvements identified by the Akron Parks Collaborative through the Akron Parks Challenge grant program.</p>	GO	300,000
<p>Akron Park Sign Replacement Program Annual program to replace signage in the city's parks to conform to new Akron Park Sign Standards.</p>	GO	10,000
<p>Court Resurfacing Program Annual program to address basketball and tennis court resurfacing needs.</p>	GO	125,000
<p>Davenport Park New play equipment installation.</p>	GO	40,000



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PARKS AND RECREATION

Elizabeth Park Splash Pad

Construction of a building which will consist of a restroom and control valve room to support the Elizabeth Park splash pad.

Gaming/Esports Rooms

Provide youth gaming rooms at four community centers.

Firestone Park Community Center

Replacement of all HVAC equipment in the building. Equipment is inefficient and beyond repair.

Firestone Park Pickleball

Construction of new concrete pickleball court.

Gorge Dam Removal

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant to pay for the design of removal of the Gorge Dam and associated river restoration. The grant is being managed by the City of Akron.

Gorge Dam Removal - Sediment Placement Area

Preparation of the 30-acre site to receive sediment from the Gorge Dam pool. Construction will include grading and stormwater ditches.

Gorge Dam Removal - Bank Stabilization

Grading and removal of failing sheet pile wall to stabilize the site for use by Gorge Dam Removal contractors.

Grace Park Lighting

Replace the underground fed steel pole lighting with aerial wood poles.

Hyre Park Nature Trail

Completion of renovations to the Hyre Park nature trail from Wedgewood Drive to Lions Park.

Joy Park Community Center HVAC

Replacement of HVAC units in multipurpose room to provide better control and energy savings. Units are inefficient and beyond repair.

Funding Source Budget (\$)

CD 160,000

ARPA 100,000

GO 216,000

GO 75,000

EPA 600,000

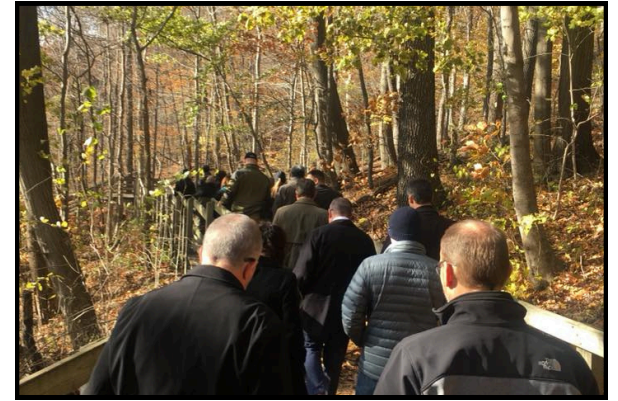
EPA 100,000

EPA 200,000

GO 95,000

GO 25,000

GO 102,000



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PARKS AND RECREATION

Kent Street Park

Design and construct a park in a disadvantaged community. The park will provide community access to green and blue spaces. This is a continuation from the Kent Street Dam removal project.

Funding Source: EPA
Budget (\$): 160,000



Lane Field Track Improvements

Improvements to the 8 lane running track.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 100,000

Lawton Street Community Center Restrooms

Interior restroom upgrades.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 20,000

Little Cuyahoga River Restoration and Lowhead Dam Removal

Restoration of floodplain areas, remove three lowhead dams to address channelization in the river, and improve fish habitat.

Funding Source: OTHER
Budget (\$): 2,528,000



Middlebury Run Park Trail Improvements

Painting the Innovation Way tunnel on the Rubber City Heritage Trail in Riverside Park, repair and replace outdoor interpretive historical signs, and power washing the trail.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 50,000

Miscellaneous Community Centers

Miscellaneous building improvements including HVAC systems, flooring, lighting, and restrooms at various community centers.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 300,000

Miscellaneous Parks

Small capital improvements at various parks including playground upgrades, park furnishing, electric, lighting, and fencing.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 260,000

Perkins Park

Park rehabilitation. Items may include improvements to basketball courts, parking lot, playground, walkways, and lighting.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 75,000

Parks, Lighting & Public Spaces

Installation of additional park lighting and security cameras at city parks and community centers.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 75,000

Prentiss Park

Park rehabilitation. Items may include improvements to courts, parking lot, playground, walkways, and lighting.

Funding Source: GO
Budget (\$): 150,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

PARKS AND RECREATION

Reservoir Pool Rehabilitation

Carryover project. Reconstruction of Reservoir Pool and rehabilitation of bathhouse.

Funding Source **Budget (\$)**

ARPA 3,300,000

Reservoir Park Community Center Renovations

Carryover project. Rehabilitation of the Reservoir Park Community Center including building expansion.

ARPA 3,300,000

Rubber City Heritage Trail - Phase 2

Phase 2 of a multi-use recreational trail that will utilize the 6-mile rail corridor formerly used by the rubber companies. From Exchange Street & Arlington Street intersection and ending at the Exchange Street & Hunting Avenue intersection.

TOTAL **863,450**

GO 113,450

TASA 700,000

AMATS 50,000

Rubber City Heritage Trail - Phase 3

Phase 3 of a multi-use recreational trail that will utilize the 6-mile rail corridor formerly used by the rubber companies. From Exchange Street to Brown Street.

GO 50,000

Waters Park

Park improvements. Includes amphitheater repairs.

GO 25,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

PUBLIC FACILITIES

\$10,671,000

The City of Akron owns and maintains **15 Fire facilities, 3 Police facilities, 12 Municipal facilities, 8 parking decks, 11 community centers, 1 fitness center, 3 in-ground swimming pools, 4 splash pads, 2 stadiums, and an airport.**

Akron's Building Maintenance Department not only works on these facilities but also provides support for Lock 3 and Recreation and Park's many community festivals throughout the year.

This year's budget prioritizes much needed infrastructure improvements. It includes \$600,000 for improvements to the Citi Center, High/Market, and Morley parking decks as well as general maintenance for all of the city-owned decks. It also features an additional \$2 million for the Cascade Parking Deck with another \$1.53 million for the elevators in the Cascade deck. The budget includes \$1 million for upgrades to the bathrooms at Canal Park Stadium and \$1.5 million for various upgrades at the airport.



Airport Fuel Farm Replacement

Replacement of below ground fuel farm to above ground tanks.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
FAA	125,000

Airport Snow Removal Equipment

Purchase of 10-ton dump bed truck with spreader and front attachment broom/sweeper and plow to remove snow on runways & taxiways.

TOTAL	600,000
GO	60,000
FAA	540,000

Airport Taxiway P Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of pavement on Taxiway P.

TOTAL	500,000
GO	25,000
FAA	475,000

Airport Windcone Replacement

Replacement of the windcone that is over 25 years old and has reached the end of its useful life.

TOTAL	313,000
GO	15,650
ODOT	297,350

2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

PUBLIC FACILITIES

BF Goodrich Power Plant Demolition

Closeout charges. Demolition of the BF Goodrich power plant.

Canal Park Stadium Improvements

Rehabilitation of men's and women's public restrooms on the concourse level.

Cascade Parking Deck Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of levels 1 and 2, including patching all concrete, replacing traffic stopping, upgrade lighting. Replace stairs, railings, and stair towers. Address ADA issues as required. Update wayfinding and signage.

Cascade Parking Deck Elevators

Carryover project. Modernization of the two green and two orange elevators in the Cascade Plaza Parking Deck.

Central Services Vehicle Lift Replacement

Replacement of 9 vehicle lifts at the Central Services Garage. The existing vehicle lifts are 25 years old and parts have become obsolete.

CitiCenter Deck Entrance

Improvements to the CitiCenter parking deck High Street entrance. Includes ADA compliance.

High / Market Parking Deck Repairs

Replacement of three (3) failing expansion joints.

Greystone Steam Line Addition

Run a new steam line and connect building to City owned utility
Replacement of HVAC system to Greystone Hall.

Miscellaneous Facility Improvements

Improvements to public buildings including LED lighting, mechanicals, ceilings, and flooring.

Morley Parking Deck Sprinkler Replacement

Design of new fire suppression system.

Funding Source **Budget (\$)**

ODOD 250,000

GO 1,000,000

STATE 2,000,000

COP 1,533,000

GO 50,000

JEDD 150,000

PCF 100,000

GO 350,000

GO 200,000

GO 100,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

PUBLIC FACILITIES

Motor Equipment Pit Repairs

Repairs to the oil change pits at Motor Equipment. Pits require extensive repair and are vital to the operation of Motor Equipment.

Funding Source Budget (\$)

GO 115,000

Municipal Building Chilled Water

Installation of chilled water lines from Bowery to provide air conditioning to the building Municipal Building.

GO 400,000

MSC Training & Locker Room Restrooms

Upgrades to MSC training center & locker rooms. Includes Building 1 and Building 3.

GO 175,000

MSC Improvements - Public Works

Miscellaneous improvements at the Municipal Service Center.

GO 250,000

Parking Deck Maintenance Program

Rehabilitation of downtown parking decks and remediate safety concerns. Repairs include addressing known structural defects, knocking down loose concrete, various patching, waterproofing, expansion joint replacement and stair repair.

GO 250,000

Salt Storge Construction

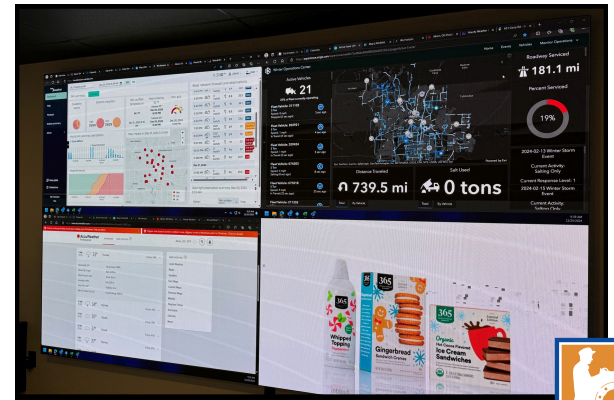
Replace the failing salt storage facility at the Municipal Service Center.

GO 325,000

Stubbs Elevator Modernization - Employee & Prisoner

Carryover project. Modernization of the Stubbs 3 employee elevator, and prisoner elevator.

ASC 1,885,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

MISCELLANEOUS

\$51,379,932

This section of the budget includes a variety of needs including **debt services, and various public safety equipment.** With the 2025 budget, the city will pay \$39 million in annual repayments on various forms of debt including safety forces bond funds. There's an additional \$3.6 million for equipment replacement for police, fire, and service replacing vehicles which have reached their end of life. The Service department will focus on upfitting 23 trucks with snow and ice equipment. The city recently received a grant to establish much of Akron as a "Quiet Zone" for railroads due to resident feedback. This budget allocates \$500,000 towards that effort including \$400,000 from the grant. The city will invest \$750,000 for the replacement of trees throughout Akron. There is also \$1 million allocated to tree removal and tree trimming.

Debt Service

Annual repayments on various forms of debt. Includes safety forces bond funds.

Derby Downs Drive Security Cameras

Installation of security cameras near Derby Downs Drive.

Downtown Beautification

Annual beautification to various downtown areas.

Equipment Replacement

Annual replacement of obsolete or otherwise unusable rolling stock. Police, Public Works, and Fire.

Fire CAD System

Annual maintenance of new Tyler CAD system to be used by City of Akron safety forces.

Fire Combined Communication Center

Combined Communications Center expenses.

Fire / EMS Miscellaneous Safety Equipment

Miscellaneous equipment purchases at various fire stations. Includes washer/extractors for cleaning of structural fire gear.

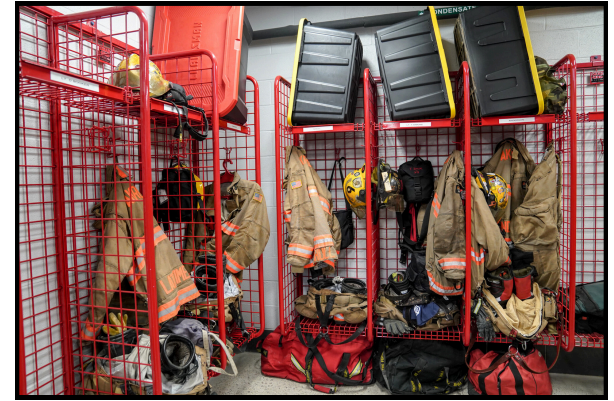
Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	38,950,000
IT	36,000,000
TIF	1,150,000
PT	1,800,000
GO	20,000
IT	20,000
IT4	3,079,937
IT4	164,500
IT4	185,500
IT	100,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

MISCELLANEOUS

	Funding Source	Budget (\$)
<p>Fire Facility Improvement Program Repair various fire station kitchens, HVAC systems, overhead doors, generators, drive aprons, and parking lots.</p>	GO	250,000
<p>Fire Vehicle Refurbishment Program Refurbish vehicle bodies on mechanically sound Fire / EMS vehicles.</p>	GO	100,000
<p>Fire Management Software, Hardware, and Renewals Funding of ongoing support and maintenance of critical software systems.</p>	IT4	205,000
<p>Fire Structural Turn-Out Gear Replacement Annual program to provide for the replacement of structural fire protective clothing equipment.</p>	IT4	150,000
<p>Fire Station Debt Service Debt service for fire stations 2, 4, and 12 construction.</p>	IT4	2,000,000
<p>Police Academy / Training Funding for continued improvements to APD Training facility and to cover costs of the APD Basic Academy and the Citizens Academy.</p>	IT4	731,000
<p>Mass Notification System New Mass Notification System for Police, Fire, Service.</p>	IT4	31,995
<p>Mobile Communication Center New mobile communication center for Police and Fire.</p>	IT4	330,000
<p>Police Body Worn Cameras Annual Contract Primary contract for BWC cameras, docking equipment, licenses, and evidence.com storage.</p>	IT4	390,000
<p>Police CAD System Contract Scheduled contract payment for CAD system. Multi-year contract with Summit County/Tyler Technologies.</p>	IT4	305,500
<p>Police Combined Communication Center Combined Communications Center expenses.</p>	IT4	344,500
<p>Police Dan St. Training Bureau Facility Improvements Replacement of the HVAC units and roof repairs.</p>	ASC	250,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

MISCELLANEOUS

Police Gear & Equipment Replacement

Miscellaneous equipment purchases for police officers. Replacing SWAT tactical body armor past manufacturer's warranty and Tasers that are non-repairable.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
IT4	87,000

Police Management Software, Hardware & Renewals

Funding for ongoing support and maintenance of critical software systems including NetMotion, Grayshift, and LEFTA. New development of METR, Acquisition, E-cite, and other software systems critical to improving department operations and customer service.

IT4	664,000
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Police Stubbs Justice Center Improvements

Workspace improvements to Patrol DT/Mat room, Patrol Sergeant Office, and Office of Professional Standards and Accountability. Includes hydronic riser replacement.

ASC	250,000
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Police Taser Replacement Equipment

Contract for latest CEW device technology to provide all Uniform officers Taser devices.

IT4	291,000
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Railroad Quiet Zones

Establish much of Akron as a 'Quiet Zone' which prohibits the railroads from blowing their horns. Received a CRISI Grant from the Federal Railroad Administration. Includes additional gates at 3 public crossings (White Pond, N Hawkins, N Portage Path) and install a median at 1 public crossing (Castle Blvd). Equipment will be installed and maintained by the railroads.

TOTAL	500,000
GO	100,000
CRISI	400,000

School Flashing Lights Remote Access

Purchase new school flasher controllers that provide cell phone technology for the purpose of updating and monitoring flasher functioning.

IT	30,000
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Street Signal Support Replacement Program

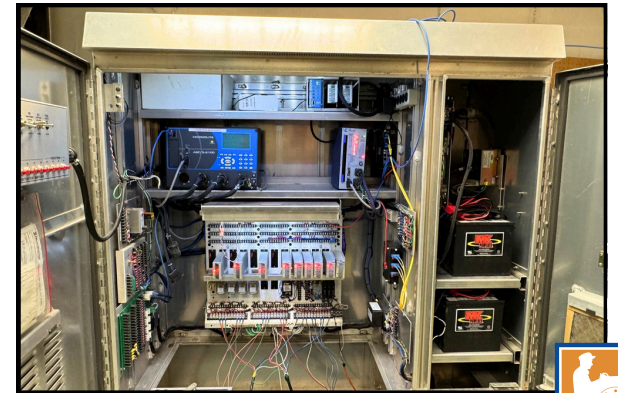
Annual signal support replacement program.

IT	50,000
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Traffic Miscellaneous

Replacement of traffic related devices and signals throughout the city.

GO	100,000
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2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

MISCELLANEOUS

Tree Planting (AWR)

Annual replacement of trees throughout the City which are located in the right-of-way, Parks, or other City-owned lands to increase the canopy coverage.

Tree Removal (Citywide)

Annual removal of dead, diseased, and/or dying trees throughout the City located within the right-of-way, Parks, or other City-owned land.

Tree Trimming (Citywide)

Annual trimming of trees located throughout the City located within the right-of-way, Parks, or other City-owned land to improve tree structure and health which will extend the life of the trees, clear site obstructions from street signs, and to clear from street lights.

Youngs Restaurant Site Improvements

Pre-development activities including studies, evaluations, and site preparation to the former Young Restaurant site.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	750,000
IT	300,000
SCF	450,000
IT	400,000
TOTAL	600,000
IT	200,000
SLA	400,000
JEDD	50,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

\$9,630,752

Housing and Community Services Programs are supported with funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program.

The City of Akron continues to move forward with activities to stabilize neighborhoods and assist residents in keeping a safe, warm and dry home. CDBG and HOME funds are used to support rehabilitation assistance to existing homes city-wide. In this year's budget \$3.3 million will be used to support neighborhood revitalization through improvements to existing homes. Rebuilding Together receives \$400,000 to provide minor home repair assistance to low-income seniors and disabled homeowners. Additionally, Akron will support area developers with \$1,050,000 in HOME funds to construct 163 new affordable housing units along with the rehabilitation of 101 existing affordable units.

Community service programs assist lower income residents with a range of public social services concentrating on infant mortality, public safety, the judicial system, fair housing, financial empowerment and information and referral. Thousands of residents take advantage of these programs every year.

Other objectives include assisting unhoused persons to obtain and retaining affordable housing, increasing the availability of permanent housing that is affordable to low-income people without discrimination and increasing supportive housing with features and services that enable persons with special needs to live in dignity.



	Funding Source	Budget (\$)
Acquisition/Relocation/Clearance Acquisition, relocation, and clearance of dilapidated structures or vacant lots in neighborhood development and redevelopment areas, land assembly to assist non-profits, and neighborhood blight removal.	CD	125,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

AMHA Environmental Reviews

Assistance to Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority by providing environmental reviews for property improvements.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
AMHA	60,000

Affordable Housing Development

Matching funds for housing development organizations.

CD	730,000
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Demolition

Demolition of vacant, abandoned, and/or deteriorated housing, garages, and commercial buildings.

CD	400,000
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Downpayment Assistance

Matching grants for downpayment assistance to low-income homebuyers in eligible areas.

CD	300,000
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New Housing Construction

Miscellaneous infill affordable housing projects.

CD	220,000
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Homeless Shelters

Support of homeless shelters.

CD	568,000
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Lead Based Paint Program - 2025

Remediate lead based paint from Akron's older housing stock while also preventing children from lead paint poisoning. Year 1 of 4 year program to address a minimum of 250 units.

TOTAL	2,462,500
CD	525,000
HH	187,500
LEAD	1,750,000

Minor Home Repair

Emergency home repair for low income, elderly, and handicapped homeowners.

CD	400,000
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Public Facilities and Improvements

Design and construction of public space improvements.

CD	200,000
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Summit Lake Infill Housing

Releasing scattered site parcels in the Summit Lake neighborhood for the development of infill housing. Provide HOME subsidy for the development of 10 income restricted affordable housing units.

CD	350,000
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2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Gardens

Support of community gardens throughout the City.

Community Services

Public Services to primarily serve City of Akron residents. Programs include infant mortality, public safety and the judicial system, financial employment centers, and information and referrals.

Fair Housing

Services that further fair housing activities in Akron including housing discrimination, complaint processing, tenant/landlord services, homeownership counseling, and public education.

Financial Empowerment Center

Provide funding for financial empowerment center.

Solar for All

Low-income single-family rooftop solar installation.

Neighborhood Revitalization & Sustainability

Grants and loans for housing rehabilitation and lead paint abatement to owners of property.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
CD	80,000
CD	400,000
CD	80,000
CD	180,000
OTHER	225,252
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2,850,000</u>
CD	350,000
ARPA	2,500,000



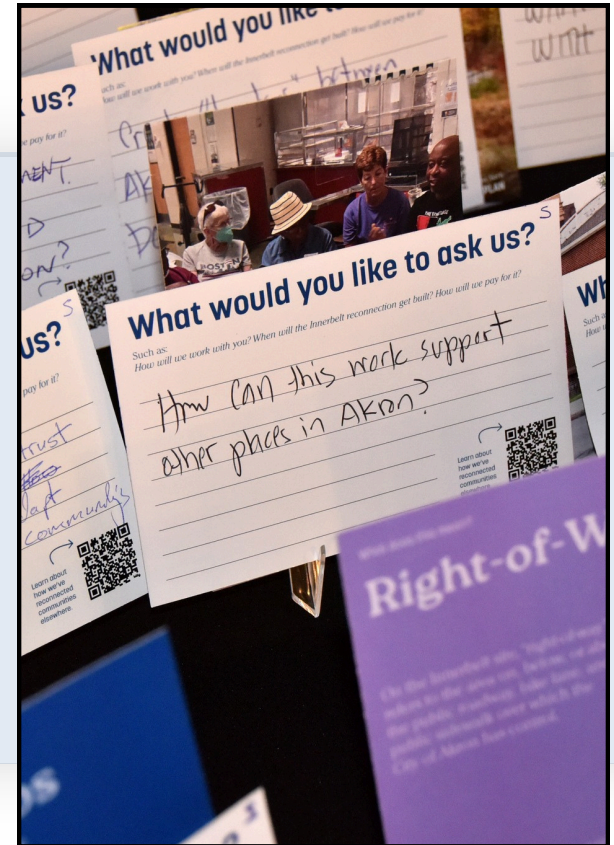
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ECONOMIC AND JOB DEVELOPMENT

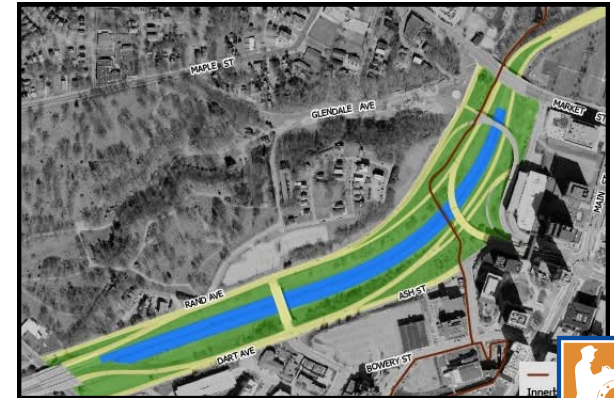
\$13,860,000

The City of Akron's Economic Development Department complements Planning Department initiatives within the Office of Integrated Development. The department focuses on **fostering economic growth, retaining, and attracting businesses, strengthening business districts, and improving the quality of life for residents.** The Economic Development team supports the spectrum of business from micro-entrepreneurship to mature businesses through a combination of city programming and capacity outsourced to a robust network of community partners. The department is an active participant in Elevate Greater Akron – a cross-sector collaboration between local, regional, and state organizations to drive prosperity in Akron and the Greater Akron region.

This year's budget allocates \$10.5 million for a variety of demolition projects including 1200 Firestone, Rankin Elementary, Goodrich Middle School and miscellaneous residential dwellings. The city is investing \$50,000 to support the development of the downtown CDC and another \$500,000 to support neighborhood CDCs. The city is focusing on the Innerbelt Master Plan and allocating \$480,000 towards this effort which will include additional community engagement in 2025.



		Funding Source	Budget (\$)
Brownfields	\$100,000		
Brownfield Assessments & Remediation Assessment, cleanup and revitalization of various sites.		JEDD	100,000
Commercial & Industrial Development & Support	\$12,360,000		
Business Enhancement Grant Grant moneys to be offered to offset upfront costs of opening or expanding facilities that provide new employment opportunities.		JEDD	500,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

ECONOMIC AND JOB DEVELOPMENT

Demolition Grant Match - Commercial

Matching funds received from State of Ohio for demolition of Firestone Plant #1. Also, includes funding for Goodrich Middle School.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	4,082,500
GO	552,500
STATE	3,530,000
AMHA	330,000
JEDD	500,000



Demolition Grant Match - Residential

Matching funds received from State of Ohio for demolitions of miscellaneous residential dwellings.

TOTAL	6,417,500
GO	2,447,500
STATE	3,970,000

Downtown CDC Support

Support downtown CDC.

JEDD	50,000
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Innerbelt Master Plan

Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program Grant to develop a community-based master plan to guide the transformation of a vacated mile-long section of Akron's Innerbelt.

RCPG	480,000
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Small Business & Neighborhood Business District Support **\$900,000**

Community Development Corporation Support

Support local community development organizations.

CD	500,000
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Polymer Cluster Support

City's contribution of costs for a new central innovation center. Physical improvements include maker space, co-working space, cafe, classrooms and mentoring services within the former BF Goodrich tire plant. Support the polymer industry.

JEDD	150,000
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University of Akron Redevelopment

Support University of Akron redevelopment of Polsky's.

JEDD	250,000
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2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

ECONOMIC AND JOB DEVELOPMENT

Neighborhood Business Districts

\$500,000

Great Streets - Facade / Development

Matching facade grants, loans, and other assistance to support businesses in designated Great Streets areas.

Funding Source

Budget (\$)

CD

400,000

Great Streets - Public Improvements

Public improvements to support the Great Streets Initiative.

CD

100,000

TRANSPORTATION, PARKS, PUBLIC FACILITIES, MISC., HOUSING, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOTAL

\$149,046,414



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SEWER

\$144,129,000

The **Sewer Maintenance Division operates and maintains the sewer collection system** which includes 1,348 miles of sanitary and storm sewers, 29,771 manholes, 23,424 inlets, 36 sanitary sewer pump stations, and 8 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) storage facilities (7 basins and 1 Tunnel). The Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) provides treatment of 70 million gallons of wastewater per day (MGD) and up to 280 MGD during rain events.

In 2009, the City of Akron was issued a Federal Consent Decree which has required the city to completely overhaul the combined sewer system throughout Akron. This decree includes 26 massive projects totaling over \$1 billion of investment. To date, the city has completed 24 of these projects and is in progress on the 25th, the Northside Interceptor Tunnel. Once the Northside Interceptor Tunnel is complete, Akron will be capturing 99% of wet weather flows and reducing Akron's number of combined sewer overflow events by 99.7%.

In 2025, the city is investing \$143 million towards implementing sewer projects to meet regulatory requirements and to maintain and enhance the performance of the sewer collection system, Water Reclamation Facility, and Renewable Energy Facility.



Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO)

\$111,652,000

Funding Source

Budget (\$)

Case Ave. Parking Lot

Closeout charges. Parking lot improvements at Case Avenue and Market Street.

SCF

420,000

Combined Sewer Overflow Real Time Control

Implementation of real time control system to monitor and control wet weather storage throughout the sewer system in storage basins, the Ohio Canal Interceptor Tunnel, and at the Water Reclamation Facility.

SCF

150,000

CSO Program Management Team

Consent Decree project. Program management for implementation of the City's Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Consent Decree and Integrated Plan, including the Program Management Team, Green Infrastructure, and Sewer Rate Study.

SCF

1,500,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SEWER

CMOM 5-Year Cycle

Consent Decree project. Implementation of the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program including, but not limited to, aggregate cleaning and inspection of the sewer system every 5 years; and identification of as needed projects to help prevent sanitary sewer overflows in the system.

Cuyahoga Street Storage Facility Disinfection

Consent Decree project. Provide treatment of overflows from the Cuyahoga Street Facility. This project is listed as an alternative project under the proposed Consent Decree Amendment No. 4.

Enhanced High Rate Treatment System

Consent Decree project. The Enhanced High Rate Treatment system will treat the remaining combined sewer overflows from the Ohio Canal Interceptor Tunnel. This facility is the last project listed in the Consent Decree.

Northside Interceptor Tunnel

Carryover project. Consent Decree project. Combined sewer overflow storage tunnel to capture combined sewer overflows from the Racks 32-35 drainage areas.

Ohio Canal Interceptor Tunnel

Closeout charges. Consent Decree project. This project intercepts and stores combined sewer overflows from Racks 4, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, and 37.

Riverside Sewer Separation (CSO Rack 34)

Closeout charges. Consent Decree project. Construct new storm sewers in the Rack 34 drainage area in North Hill to eliminate combined sewer overflows into the Cuyahoga River and significantly reduce the area's contribution to the future Northside Interceptor Tunnel.

Sanitary Sewers

\$17,170,000

Brittain Road Pump Station #2 Reconstruction

Carryover project. Reconstruction of the pump station built in 1973.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
SCF	4,500,000
WPCLF	2,827,000
TOTAL	15,500,000
SCF	500,000
WPCLF	15,000,000
WPCLF	78,250,000
TOTAL	8,005,000
SCF	5,000
WPCLF	8,000,000
WPCLF	500,000
WPCLF	1,306,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SEWER

Flow Monitoring & Rain Gauges

Continuation of the City of Akron rain gauges that collect rainfall data used in modeling and supporting the sewage collection system. Also included is flow monitoring the City's sewer system to support modeling efforts.

Hawkins District Sewer Improvements

Carryover project. This project will reduce defects in the Hawkins Sewer District that result in inflow and infiltration. Improvements include repair of sanitary trunk sewers, laterals, and manholes, and lining of the trunk sewer.

Miscellaneous Collection System Improvements

Improvements include commercial sewer lateral replacement and Water Reclamation Facility/Sewer Maintenance vehicle/equipment replacement.

Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Emergency Improvements

Design, construct, or reconstruct various sanitary sewer emergency improvements throughout the City.

Sanitary Sewer Force Main Replacement

Carryover project. Reconstruct deteriorated 4-inch diameter cast iron force mains from the Fairhill, Cromwell and Fairlawn Knolls Pump Stations, and the deteriorated 8-inch diameter cast iron force main from the Clearfield Pump Station.

Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2021 Large Dia. Lining

Closeout charges. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

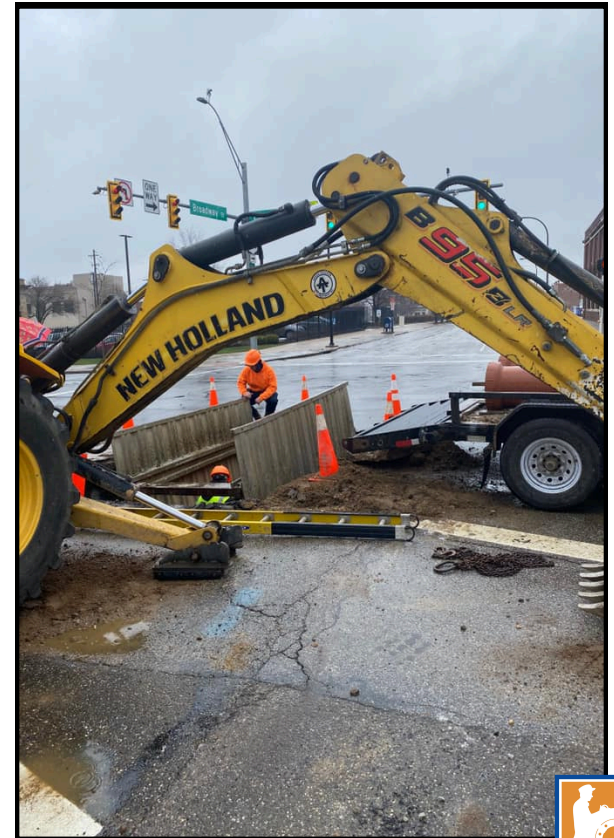
Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2023 Lining

Closeout charges. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2024

Carryover project. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
SCF	70,000
TOTAL	1,800,000
SCF	150,000
WPCLF	1,650,000
SCF	450,000
SCF	500,000
TOTAL	889,000
SCF	83,000
WPCLF	806,000
WPCLF	186,000
TOTAL	272,000
OPWC	136,000
WPCLF	136,000
TOTAL	4,409,000
OPWC	2,204,500
WPCLF	2,204,500



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SEWER

Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2025

Carryover project. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2026

Carryover project. Design of 2026 program. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction - 2027

Preliminary design of 2027 program. Annual rehabilitation of sanitary and combined sewers and manholes identified using the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance (CMOM) Program televising and inspection data.

Shoreline Pump Station Improvements

Carryover project. Improvements to the existing pump station. Redirect force main alignment to accommodate greater volume and relieve downstream pump station.

Springfield Lake Trunk Sewer Lining

Closeout charges. Reconstruction of approximately 3,500 feet of 33-inch diameter sanitary sewer using the CIPP lining process.

Storm Water Systems

\$807,000

Castle Blvd. Storm Outlet

Carryover project. Replacement of the Castle Boulevard storm sewer outlet which is failing and causing erosion of the slope.

Delaware Ave. Storm Sewer Extension

Extend storm sewer approximately 330 feet to the south on Delaware Avenue to improve storm water drainage.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	5,103,000
SCF	10,000
OPWC	2,546,500
WPCLF	2,546,500
SCF	485,000
SCF	10,000
SCF	1,281,000
WPCLF	409,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SEWER

Miscellaneous Storm Sewer Improvements

Design and construction of miscellaneous storm sewer improvements throughout the City, including ditch maintenance.

Funding Source Budget (\$)

SCF 250,000

Portage Path Culvert Improvements

Reconstruct the storm culvert over Alder Creek at the intersection of North Portage Path/Sand Run Parkway.

SCF 300,000

Water Reclamation Facility **\$14,500,000**

Annual Plant & Pump Station Renewal

Miscellaneous improvements to the Water Reclamation Facility including equipment overhauls/replacement, building improvements, electrical upgrades, energy efficiency improvements, roof replacement, pump stations within the collection system, and improvements at the Renewable Energy Facility.

SCF 2,000,000

Renewable Energy Facility Polymer System Improvements

Carryover project. As a result of reaching the end of its useful life, upgrade the existing polymer system used in the dewatering of solids at the Renewable Energy Facility.

TOTAL **8,000,000**

SCF 100,000

WPCLF 7,900,000

WRF Secondary Treatment Process Electrical Improvements

Carryover project. Modifications to the electrical system at the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) North Blower and Pre-Aeration buildings that include replacing motor control centers and providing backup power to the high-speed turbo blowers from the existing diesel generator.

WPCLF 1,250,000

WRF Process Control System Replacement

Carryover project. Replacement of the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) process control system.

WPCLF 1,700,000

WRF Headworks Improvements

Closeout charges. Upgrade the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Headworks to provide 280 MGD capacity.

WPCLF 1,550,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WATER

\$74,861,270

As the infrastructure of the **Akron Public Water System** ages, the need to **maintain, replace, and upgrade critical components within the Water System** are necessary. There are numerous tasks critical to the operation, maintenance, and sustainability of the Akron Water System including managing short- and long-term budgeting and planning of Capital Improvements. With the new rate increase which went into effect in 2024, Akron Water’s objective is to make a significant investment in updating its aging infrastructure by increasing the investment in water main replacements and extensions, making a major investment in replacing the main water storage reservoir in town, repair-replacement of critical Water Plant assets, and ensuring structural viability of water reservoir impoundment structures.

The city is currently replacing the final 1,700 active lead service lines remaining in Akron. The final round of removal began this fall, and completion is projected to be the end of 2025. After these projects are complete, there should be no occupied homes being served by a lead service line in the city. The city will continue finishing removing all galvanized pipes that were previously connected to lead by 2027.

Highlights of this year’s budget include the replacement of 1,200 feet of chronically breaking and deteriorating water mains, replacing the Brittain Road main water reservoir, replacing the sodium hypochlorite feed system, and improvements at the East Branch Dam.



Joint Economic Development Districts

\$9,271,878

Funding Source

Budget (\$)

Copley Township

Copley Road Water Main Extension Under SR 21

Carryover project. Construction of a 12" water main on Copley Road from Spafford Drive to the east side of State Route 21 to connect two existing service districts.

TOTAL

1,804,246

WSRLA

1,179,246

OTHER

625,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WATER

Coventry Township

Portage Lakes Water Main Extension

Carryover project. Extension of water mains in the Portage Lakes area to provide water service to residential customers and eliminate community wells.

Springfield Township

US 224 (Waterloo Road) Water Main Extension

Extension of a 16" water main on Waterloo Road to loop two dead-end water mains to provide additional pressure and flow.

Water Distribution

\$52,443,195

Archwood Avenue Booster Station Improvements

Carryover project. Update pumping station and add second pump. Full electrical upgrade. Replace doors, roof. Add backup generator. Reconfigure incoming piping for both pumps to feed the high service district.

Brittain Road Reservoir Replacement

Replacement of the main water main reservoir to increase the service pressure and volume of emergency storage in the distribution system.

Fixed Network Advanced Metering Infrastructure

Implement and installation of a fully integrated and managed metering system including a Fixed Network Advanced Metering Infrastructure System and replacement of approximately 85,000 5/8" through 12" water meters.

Force Main Rehabilitation

Replacement of 600 feet of the original 1912 steel force main under the railroad embankment at Jessie Smith Park, replacement of 4,100 feet of 1919 force main including crossover valves, pilot meters, mag meters, upgrade existing valve vaults, and repair to force main on Memorial Parkway.

Hawkins Avenue (S) Water Main Extension

Construct 1,200 feet of 8-inch water main on S. Hawkins Avenue between Morse Road and Jason Avenue to connect two non-circulating area to improve water quality.

Funding Source Budget (\$)

WSRLA 6,967,632

WSRLA 500,000

TOTAL 1,986,479

WSRLA 1,088,479

OPWC 898,000

WSRLA 15,000,000

WSRLA 10,000,000

WSRLA 3,000,000

WSRLA 346,300



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WATER

Kenmore Boulevard - 28th St. Water Main Connection

Bore 280-feet of 8 or 12 inch water main under the railroad at 28th Street and Kenmore Boulevard to replace an existing failing connection, improve circulation, and increase fire flow availability in areas on both sides of tracks.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
WSRLA	520,000

Lead Service Line Replacement Program

Annually reoccurring replacement of lead service lines between the water main and customer's property line, and reduce the number of homes served through lead services.

WSRLA	8,751,743
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NSSM Hudson Aurora Rd Herrick Park Dr. Water Main

Extend a 12-inch water main on Hudson Aurora Road from just north of the turnpike to approximately 883 feet north and extend an 8-inch water main on Herrick Park Drive from Hudson Aurora Road to Kate Drive to close three (3) dead-end water mains in Hudson as part of the North Summit Supply Main.

WSRLA	1,404,975
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NSSM Arborwood Water Main Replacement

Carryover project. Replace 765' of 8" chronically-breaking water main on Arborwood Drive from Olde Farm Lane to dead-end and extend 300' of 8" water main on Glenn Echo Drive in Hudson to loop the system, improve water quality, and eliminate a bleeder.

WSRLA	684,491
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Pumping Station Improvements - Quayle

Quayle pump station to receive full electrical upgrade, replacement of select pumps and valves, and miscellaneous improvements to building.

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>902,308</u>
WSRLA	595,694
OPWC	306,614

Water Main Replacement Program - 2024

Carryover project. Annual program to replace water mains to improve system reliability of operation, increase pressure and flow, and improve water quality.

WSRLA	4,396,899
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Water Main Replacement Program - 2025

Annual program to replace water mains to improve system reliability of operation, increase pressure and flow, and improve water quality.

WSRLA	5,000,000
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Water Main Replacement Program - 2026

Annual program to replace water mains to improve system reliability of operation, increase pressure and flow, and improve water quality.

WSRLA	250,000
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Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad Yard Water Main Repair

Replacement or lining of existing 12" water main beneath railroad on Gilchrist Road at Darrow Road.

WSRLA	200,000
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2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WATER

Water Plant

\$11,929,184

Backwash Pumps Rebuild

Removing, rebuilding, and reinstalling two (2) Vertical Lineshaft Turbine Backwash Pumps at the Akron Water Plant. Pumps must be removed and rebuilt one at a time.

Fluoride & Hydrochloric Acid Feed System Replacement

Carryover project. Upgrade the fluoride and hydrochloric acid feed systems due to age and maintenance issues consisting of bulk tanks (2), day tanks (3), transfer pumps (4), metering pumps (3).

High Service Pump Ball Valve and Limit Torque Manual Valve Replacement

Replace or rebuild six (6) existing 30" Pratt Ball Valves on the High Service Pump discharge header.

High Service Pump Discharge Header Surge Valve

Install automated valve control on the high service pumps discharge headers, includes four (4) surge relief valves and three (3) butterfly valves. Includes rebuilding the four (4) surge relief valves. May add flow meter to discharge line.

Miscellaneous Plant and Safety Improvements

Annual recurring miscellaneous improvements as necessary to support Water Supply operations.

Raw Water Intake Valve Replacement & Repair Ph 1

Replacement and repair of existing raw water intake valves as necessary to correct broken and deteriorated valves to ensure sustained operability of the raw water intake line.

Sedimentation Basins HVAC Replacement

Carryover project. Replacement of clarifier drives and chain and flight system in Sedimentation Basins 3 and 4 due to age deemed as necessary by the Asset Management Program.

Funding Source **Budget (\$)**

WCF 277,100

TOTAL **3,529,775**

WSRLA 2,306,275

OPWC 1,198,500

OTHER 25,000

WSRLA 2,000,000

WSRLA 260,348

WCF 500,000

WSRLA 443,400

WCF 600,000



2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WATER

Sodium Hypochlorite Feed System Replacement

Reduce and upgrade the sodium hypochlorite feed system due to age and maintenance issues consisting of bulk tanks (4), day tanks (4), transfer pumps (3), and metering pumps (4).

Water Plant Water Main Upgrade

Carryover project. Upgrade the existing Water Plant distribution line that provides drinking water to the Water Plant and feeds various chemical feed processes by tying into the North Summit Supply Main with a 12-inch water main and looping the Water Plant system.

Watershed

\$1,217,013

East Branch Dam Improvements

Carryover project. Construction of improvements at the East Branch Dam location to maintain structural integrity of the dam structures by completing drainage improvements at the foot of the dam in order to effectively move water off of the dam.

Miscellaneous Spillway Improvements

Improvements at the various dam locations to maintain structural integrity of the dam structures.

Funding Source	Budget (\$)
TOTAL	4,081,361
WSRLA	2,309,361
OPWC	1,772,000
WSRLA	237,200



OWDA 504,398

OWDA 712,615



WATER & SEWER TOTAL → **\$218,990,270**

TOTAL 2025 CAPITAL INVESTMENT & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM **»» \$368,036,684**



APPENDIX A - CAPITAL BUDGET SPENDING HISTORY

Note - the decimals listed reflect the budget amounts in millions of dollars

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Economic Development	13.4	17.2	30.5	49.2	34.1	29.0	28.8	50.9	58.9	42.1	42.6	34.8	35.8	56.3	40.0	116.1	104.5	88.2
Housing and Community Services	7.5	9.0	9.7	9.1	8.9	9.3	9.6	8.9	5.8	8.6	9.2	8.8	9.3	8.7	7.0	7.2	13.2	15.4
Miscellaneous	13.1	14.0	17.0	17.4	20.4	18.7	21.1	25.2	27.4	28.8	29.5	34.0	30.0	30.2	35.6	39.4	37.8	41.7
Parks and Recreation	6.3	2.6	4.8	4.0	3.1	7.1	8.6	4.7	13.2	12.8	9.9	5.7	5.5	3.8	10.2	7.8	8.4	7.1
Public Facilities	21.5	18.6	4.4	5.8	5.5	10.3	5.5	5.0	5.0	4.9	5.2	7.9	4.1	9.4	9.1	12.1	12.3	10.8
Transportation	68.2	38.7	39.8	32.0	35.9	27.9	17.3	46.3	47.8	76.5	35.2	45.9	34.3	104.6	62.0	71.2	50.0	51.1
Water	12.1	23.9	38.6	12.3	22.4	29.1	22.2	15.7	27.4	26.9	30.8	17.9	7.6	12.9	14.6	9.7	6.5	12.5
Sewer	31.8	31.4	11.4	17.1	28.2	38.3	20.9	17.1	16.4	14.5	21.8	31.9	7.8	13.0	11.1	26.9	29.4	26.0
Overall	173.8	155.2	156.3	146.9	158.5	169.7	133.9	173.7	202.0	215.1	184.1	186.8	134.4	239.0	189.6	290.5	262.1	252.9
Percentage Change		-10.73%	0.68%	-6.02%	7.94%	7.04%	-21.11%	29.72%	16.31%	6.49%	-14.43%	1.50%	-28.05%	77.79%	-20.65%	53.18%	-9.79%	-3.51%

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Economic Development	106.3	58.1	43.9	27.9	30.4	28.5	15.0	6.6	18.7	14.2	8.3	11.8	13.6	5.6	13.8
Housing and Community Services	9.6	9.2	4.6	4.6	5.4	6.4	6.7	6.5	7.2	7.0	10.0	20.0	11.4	10.3	9.6
Miscellaneous	37.2	33.6	38.8	41.1	46.5	46.7	49.8	55.7	55.3	54.3	60.6	50.9	50.1	57.0	51.3
Parks and Recreation	3.7	2.4	1.7	2.5	3.6	4.1	2.7	3.2	4.0	6.4	9.5	25.0	47.3	45.5	13.4
Public Facilities	10.1	3.0	1.6	3.2	3.4	1.4	23.9	22.1	8.3	14.5	10.0	17.5	27.1	15.8	10.6
Transportation	46.9	44.0	18.7	24.3	43.6	153.5	52.4	51.8	60.4	46.3	91.6	93.6	31.6	20.9	50.1
Water	11.5	9.5	29.5	19.5	15.2	12.7	11.9	15.1	63.5	36.7	38.1	74.9	67.4	71.7	74.8
Sewer	37.6	48.0	83.2	100.8	96.1	197.8	210.5	171.8	119.9	143.5	155.3	72.9	116.2	138.9	144.1
Overall	262.9	207.8	222.1	223.9	244.1	451.0	373.0	160.9	337.3	322.8	383.4	366.6	364.9	365.7	368.0
Percentage Change	3.97%	-20.95%	6.87%	0.80%	9.07%	84.71%	-17.29%	-56.87%	109.65%	-4.28%	18.76%	-4.39%	-0.46%	0.23%	0.63%



APPENDIX A - CAPITAL BUDGET SPENDING HISTORY

Reviewing the City of Akron's capital budgets from previous years brings a number of trends into focus. (These capital budgets are available from 1993 forward at the City of Akron's Finance Department webpage.)

The total investment budgeted for the city peaked in 2016 at over \$450 million, which represented an increase of 84% over the budget for 2015. This figure is also \$66 million greater than the second highest historical budget, in 2021. The dramatic increase in 2016 can be largely attributed to construction on the I-76/I-77 Main-Broadway interchange (\$112 million, funded mostly by Ohio Department of Transportation) and federally mandated work on the City's sewer and stormwater system (\$138 million).

The smallest capital budget was in 1999, when \$134 million of investments were planned.

The largest sustained investment has been the mandated work on the sanitary and storm sewers to eliminate combined sewer overflows. This work represents a significant amount of the capital budget from 2012 forward, exceeding \$100 million in 2016, 2017, 2021, and 2024.

Significant investment has been directed to the City's water infrastructure in recent years, including installing advanced water metering infrastructure and replacing lead service lines throughout the city.

From 2008-2011, Economic Development investments averaged \$103 million annually, reflecting investments to support redevelopment of the Goodyear headquarters and the Eastgate Urban Renewal Area. Much of that work was funded by state and federal programs.

Transportation investments showed significant increases in 2006, 2016, 2021, and 2022, all reflecting Ohio Department of Transportation projects to improve or maintain freeways and bridges.

The City utilized federal ARPA funds to significantly rebuild or upgrade recreational facilities across Akron since 2022, including the Ed Davis Community Center, the Patterson Park Community Center, Perkins Pool, Reservoir Pool, and the Summit Lake area.



2025 PROJECTED REVENUES*

\$19,730,000

PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Equipment Replacement	\$2,179,937	Outfit 23 trucks with snow and ice equipment.
Mass Notification System	\$10,665	Implementation of New Mass Notification System for Police and Fire services.
Resurfacing	\$4,150,068	Pave and replace additional streets based on roadway conditions and safety.
TOTAL	\$6,340,670	



AKRON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Equipment Replacement	\$600,000	Replacement of 10 marked police cruisers.
Management Software/Hardware/Training	\$664,000	Computers, cameras, server equipment, security upgrades, phone upgrades, and various software solutions.
Police CAD	\$305,500	Updated software solution for dispatching emergency calls, and new record management system for Police and Fire.
Safety Forces	\$3,310,000	Funding assistance to maintain staffing levels.
Academy / Training	\$731,000	Improve development, training and hardware for Police Academy and Citizens Academy, funds for training efforts.
Body Worn Cameras	\$390,000	Deployment of additional cameras for SWAT and SNUD units, and buildout of additional infrastructure to support expansion.
Police Combine Comm Center	\$344,500	Contract Costs for Communication Center facility, technology and utilities.
Mobile Communications Center	\$165,000	New Mobile Communication Center for Police and Fire.
Mass Notification System	\$10,665	Implementation of New Mass Notification System for Police and Fire services.
Police Gear Replacement	\$87,000	Replacement of aging tactical body armor for SWAT, safety equipment, and investigatory tools used to analyze evidence.
Taser Replacement	\$291,000	Contract to ensure that all APD patrol officers are issued tasers.
TOTAL	\$6,898,665	



AKRON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Equipment Replacement	\$300,000	Replacement of 2 SUVs and 2 vehicles for maintenance.
Fire Gear Replacement	\$150,000	Ongoing replacement of turn-out gear.
Management Software/Hardware/Training	\$205,000	Computers, cameras, server equipment, security upgrades, phone upgrades, and various software solutions.
Fire CAD	\$164,500	Updated software solution for dispatch emergency calls and new record management.
Safety Forces	\$3,310,000	Funding assistance to maintain staffing levels.
Safety Forces Bond	\$2,000,000	Financing for Fire Station #2, #4, and #12.
Fire Combine Comm Center	\$185,500	Contract Costs for Communication Center facility, technology and utilities.
Mobile Communications Center	\$165,000	New Mobile Communication Center for Police and Fire.
Mass Notification System	\$10,665	Implementation of New Mass Notification System for Police and Fire services.
TOTAL	\$6,490,665	

