State Supports 37 Community Improvement Projects

The Ohio Development Services Agency awarded grants totaling more than $11.6 million through the Community Development Critical Infrastructure, Downtown Revitalization and Neighborhood Revitalization Competitive Set-Aside programs. Thirty-three communities across Ohio will receive grants to revitalize neighborhoods and downtown business districts. The grants will improve streets, sidewalks, bridges, public facilities, and infrastructure as well as rehabilitate buildings in a community’s Central Business District.

“Communities with strong business districts and neighborhoods are better positioned for growth,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency.

Cities and counties receiving grants are:

**Adams County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to replace the Graces Run Road bridge in Oliver Township. The bridge and roadway approaches will be straightened, widened, and realigned. The project will benefit 1,510 people.

**City of Mount Vernon** (Knox County) will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to reconstruct West Pleasant Avenue. The project will replace 220 linear feet of sewer line, replace 260 linear feet of storm sewer line, install four catch basins, replace 320 linear feet of waterline, repair 660 linear feet of historic brick roadway, and replace 1,443 linear feet of sidewalk. The project will benefit 6,675 people.

**City of Piqua** (Miami County) will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to install 140 linear feet of 48-inch storm sewer to improve drainage in the Shawnee Neighborhood. The project will benefit 1,047 people.

**City of Tiffin** (Seneca County) will receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to help the owners of 12 buildings address code violations and make improvements to their building façades. The project will also improve 50 linear feet of sidewalk, install 11 decorative lights, and mark bike lanes along Main Street.

**City of Wooster** (Wayne County) will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to replace five traffic control devices and improve sidewalks at five intersections on Liberty Street. The project will benefit 24,495 people.

**City of Zanesville** (Muskingum County) will receive a $132,500 Critical Infrastructure grant to improve storm water and drainage management on Muskingum Avenue, installing 1,200 linear feet of curb and gutter and eight catch basins. The project will benefit 25,280 people.

**Clark County** will receive a $170,500 Critical Infrastructure grant to help the city of New Carlisle reconstruct Prentice Drive, including replacing two catch basins, and installing 28 feet of 12-inch storm pipe, approximately 1,440 linear feet of curb and gutter, and 720 linear feet of pavement. The project will benefit 109 people.
**Clinton County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to install 1,723 linear feet of storm sewer, 14 catch basins, and seven manholes in Sabina Village. The improvements also include replacing a failed railroad crossing. The project will benefit 2,327 people.

**Coshocton County** will receive a $83,300 Critical Infrastructure grant to assist the village of Nellie with street improvements, including replacing a bridge on County Road 41. The project will benefit 115 people.

**Defiance County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to assist the village of Evansport with replacing its pump station. The project will benefit 164 people.

**Erie County** will receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to assist the city of Vermillion with a downtown revitalization program. The project includes façade improvements and code violation corrections to 21 buildings as well as installing nine historic street lights, 16 trash receptacles, five bike racks, and seven additional trees along Main Street.

**Fairfield County** will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help Fairfield Beach rehabilitate 7,075 linear feet of Hawthorne Road, Maple Road, Lakeshore Drive, Narcissus Road, Oak Road, and Circle North Drive. Improvements include new sidewalks, storm drains, catch basins, and installing a walking path and parking lot. The project will benefit 1,380 people.

**Guernsey County** will receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to assist the city of Cambridge with rehabilitating 15 buildings in the Central Business District.

**Hardin County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to help the village of Ada improve flood and drainage facilities along Ream Street and the surrounding area. The project will include installing 200 linear feet of 12-inch storm sewer, 50 linear feet of 18-inch storm sewer, 870 linear feet of 30-inch storm sewer, 425 linear feet of 36-inch storm sewer, 600 linear feet of 6-inch storm sewer laterals, nine storm sewer manholes, and 14 catch basins. The project will benefit 329 people.

**Harrison County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to assist the County Home with sewer facility improvements. The county will install 12,100 linear feet of force main and one pump station. The project will benefit 26 people.

**Henry County** will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to help the city of Napoleon replace four fire hydrants and 2,115 linear feet of waterline. The project will benefit 420 people. The county will also receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to help the village of Deshler repair 15 building façades, and replace 2,665 linear feet of sidewalks in Village Park in the Central Business District. The project will benefit 1,635 people.

**Jackson County** will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help the city of Wellston improve the Southwest Neighborhood. The project includes improving waterlines, replacing eight fire hydrants, installing storm drainage, and repaving neighborhood streets. The project will benefit 1,829 people.

**Logan County** will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help the village of DeGraff install curbing, catch basins and storm drains along Main Street. The project will also reconstruct part of Bogg Street, including adding new drainage and utility lines. The project will repave 3,900 linear feet of roadway along multiple streets within the village, upgrade the waste water treatment plant, install new playground equipment, replace roofing on two shelter houses, add 17,700 square feet of parking at the local park, and demolish one blighted property. The project will benefit 1,145 people.
Mahoning County will receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to help the village of Lowellville improve the Central Business District. The project will help 15 business owners with rehabilitation projects, including façade improvements and code violation corrections. The city will also improve sidewalks, streets, parks and parking in the Central Business District.

Marion County will receive a $68,600 Critical Infrastructure grant to help the village of LaRue replace 670 linear feet of waterline along Market Street near the water tower. The project will benefit 645 people.

Medina County will receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to help the city of Wadsworth address code violations and make façade improvements to 22 buildings. The project will benefit 20,965 people.

Mercer County will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to assist the village of Montezuma with reconstructing 6,100 linear feet of streets. The project will benefit 154 people.

Miami County will receive a $75,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to complete water facility improvements in Bradford Village. The project will replace 1,250 linear feet of water main and install three fire hydrants. The project will benefit 1,676 people.

Monroe County will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help the village of Woodsfield improve the Woodsfield Village Park swimming pool retaining wall and construct a 768 square-foot picnic pavilion. The village will also resurface streets, install catch basins, and purchase 11 pieces of equipment for the fire department. The project will benefit 2,340 people.

Morgan County will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help the village of Stockport improve local infrastructure on Madison Street, Tieber Road, Jackson Street, and Water Street. More than 200 new street signs will be installed throughout the village, and the Stockport Community Center will receive electrical system, sidewalk, and roof improvements. The project also includes improvements at the local park. The project will benefit 510 people.

Paulding County will receive two $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grants. One grant will assist the village of Grover Hill with infrastructure improvements along Main Street, which will include replacing 2,000 linear feet of storm drainage, replacing and installing 3,100 linear feet of sidewalks, installing eight culverts, repaving 1,900 linear feet of Main Street, and installing 3,500 linear feet of curbs. The project will benefit 435 people. The second grant will assist the village of Paulding with 13,500 linear feet of full depth pavement replacement along Perry, Cherry, Emerald, Caroline, Harrison, Jackson, and Walnut streets. The project will benefit 3,895 people.

Perry County will receive two $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grants. One grant will assist the village of Roseville with improvements to streets, a community center, flood and drainage, fire protection facilities and equipment, and parks and recreation facilities. The project will benefit 1,855 people. The second grant will assist the village of Junction City with various infrastructure improvements, including streets, sidewalks, flood and drainage, fire protection facilities and equipment, and parks and recreation facilities. The project will benefit 803 people.

Portage County will receive a $300,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to assist the city of Ravenna with street improvements, flood and drainage improvements, and sidewalk improvements. The project will install 500 linear feet of storm sewer, 19 catch basins, 6,400 linear feet of curb, 31 curb cuts, 11 street lamps, 3,500 linear feet of sidewalk, and 8,200 square feet of concrete aprons. The project will benefit 3,375 people.

Preble County will receive a $100,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to help the village of Gratis
replace 750 linear feet of waterline, install four new water valves, and replace two fire hydrants for increased water pressure and fire protection. The project will benefit 799 people. The county will also receive a $300,000 Downtown Revitalization grant to assist the village of Lewisburg with a Downtown Revitalization Program. The county will help repair 15 building façades, install 550 square feet of decorative brick pavers, two traffic light poles, and 10 decorative planters, and replace six fire hydrants and 890 linear feet of sidewalk. The project will benefit 2,005 people.

**Shelby County** will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to help the village of Jackson Center create nine athletic fields, construct a new 838 square foot parking lot, and pave a 1,500 linear foot walkway that surrounds the fields. The project will also include street repaving, waterline replacement, sidewalks, curbs, and storm sewer installation, and relocating a utility pole. The project will benefit 1,369 people.

**Trumbull County** will receive a $270,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to help Weathersfield Township replace a bridge and make street improvements. The project will benefit 2,555 people.

**Van Wert County** will receive a $500,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant to assist the village of Willshire with a Neighborhood Revitalization Program. The county will assist the village with infrastructure improvements, demolishing a house, and repairing the village’s water tower and the Fire Department’s roof. The project will benefit 445 people.

**Vinton County** will receive a $234,000 Critical Infrastructure grant to replace 4,200 linear feet of sidewalk along two main thoroughfares in McArthur Village. The project will benefit 1,480 people.

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