

Village of Bluffton Council Meeting Agenda

December 22, 2025 at 7:00 PM



Opening Ceremonies

Call to Order, Mayor Johnson presiding
Pledge of Allegiance



Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the Council Meeting held on Monday, December 8, 2025.

Bills

Public Comment:

Committee Reports

Boards & Commissions

LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2025

3rd Reading

AN ORDINANCE ASSIGNING ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN ANNEXED PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 33-2025

1st Reading

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RUMPKE WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES FOR THE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO

Village Administration Report:

Mayor:

Safety Services Reports:

-EMS- -Fire Dept.- -Police Dept.-

Meeting Dates (meetings held at the Town Hall unless otherwise noted*)

- Council Meeting – Monday, December 22nd at 7:00 pm
- Council Meeting – Monday, January 12th at 7:00 pm

Public Comment

Adjournment – Motion and Second

Village of Bluffton – Regular meeting December 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Johnson presiding. Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia present.

Cupples motioned, seconded by Kingsley, to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on November 24, 2025. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Talavinia motioned, seconded by Sehlhorst, to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Sehlhorst motioned, seconded by Stahl, to approve the Chamber of Commerce request to host the horse drawn carriage rides that were canceled for the Blaze on December 13 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. The loading and unloading zone will be in front of the 1861 Wine Lounge and several parking spaces will be blocked off for this purpose. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

The Fiscal Officer gave the following readings:

2nd Reading:

Ordinance 13-2025 – An Ordinance assigning zoning district classifications to certain annexed properties located in the Village of Bluffton, Ohio. Stahl motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

1st Reading:

Ordinance 14-2025 – An Ordinance amending Ordinance 04-2025 (the annual appropriation ordinance) and declaring an emergency. Cupples motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Talavinia motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Ordinance 15-2025 – An Ordinance approving the transfer of balances in old debt service funds to capital project funds for the Village of Bluffton, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Kingsley motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Stahl motioned to approve the ordinance, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

2nd Reading:

Resolution 27-2025 – A Resolution authorizing the temporary appropriations for the year 2026 for the Village of Bluffton, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Sehlhorst motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Talavinia motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

1st Reading:

Resolution 28-2025 – A Resolution to accept the rate charged by the Village of Ottawa, Ohio to the Village of Bluffton, Ohio for bulk water beginning January 1, 2026, and declaring an emergency. Sehlhorst motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Talavinia. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Kingsley motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 29-2025 – A Resolution to renew the current contract with the firm Hackenberg, Werth & Vajskop LLC, with attorney Elliott T. Werth as the Village Solicitor for the Village of Bluffton, Ohio for a period of one (1) year effective January 1, 2026, and declaring an emergency. Cupples motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Stahl. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Talavinia motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Sehlhorst. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 30-2025 – A Resolution making certain transfers and declaring an emergency. Kingsley motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Talavinia. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Cupples motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Stahl. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 31-2025 – A Resolution making certain transfers at the legal level of control and declaring an emergency. Cupples motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Talavinia motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 32-2025 – A Resolution authorizing the Village of Bluffton, Ohio to make application to the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation, for an Ohio Airport Improvement Program grant for the SFY 2026 and declaring an emergency. Stahl motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Stahl motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Talavinia. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Cupples motioned to adjourn the meeting.

The following meetings/events were included on the agenda and/or scheduled during the meeting.

Council Meeting on Monday, December 22 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

FISCAL OFFICER

VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON
VOUCHER REPORT 12/22/2025

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION
AIM MEDIA MIDWEST	179.66	Administrative	ADVERTISING
ALLOWAY TESTING	75.00	Multiple	TESTING
ALLOWAY TESTING	1,748.00	Multiple	TESTING
ALLOWAY TESTING	340.00	Multiple	TESTING
ALLOWAY TESTING	1,977.00	Multiple	TESTING
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	6,429.03	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	1,403.37	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING CO.	450.00	Administrative	ORDINANCE CODIFICATION
ANGIE ESSINGER	86.42	Multiple	PETTY CASH REIMBURSEMENT
BASINGER PLUMBING & HEATING LLC	244.15	Sewer	HEATER REPAIR
BLUFFTON AUTO REPAIR CENTER, LLC	926.46	Police	CRUISER REPAIRS
BLUFFTON PAVING, INC.	2,800.00	Street	LAWN & COLLEGE REPAIR
BLUFFTON STONE CO.	127.10	Multiple	STONE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	170.00	Multiple	CABLE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	165.00	Multiple	CABLE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	170.00	Administrative	CABLE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	40.00	Administrative	CABLE
CINTAS	86.43	Administrative	UNIFORMS
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CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK	40,522.56	Capital Improvements	LOAN PAYMENT
COMPASS MINERALS	4,145.23	Street	ROAD SALT
ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO	1,571.15	Multiple	NATURAL GAS
ENCOMPASS ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS, INC	836.25	Park	SHELTER HOUSE DESIGN
GREAT LAKES BILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,396.73	Rescue	EMS BILLING SERVICE
HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC CO-OP	172.43	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
KLEEM	138.23	Street	STREET SIGNS
LEGACY FARMER COOP	2,576.36	Multiple	FUEL
OHIO UTILITIES PROTECTION SERVICE	8.00	Administrative	MANUAL CALLOUTS
PERRY CORPORATION	161.87	Administrative	IT CONTRACT
PERRY CORPORATION	3,670.31	Administrative	IT CONTRACT
PROMO HITS	215.19	Administrative	RECOGNITION
RUMPKE	27,697.85	Refuse	TRASH SERVICES
RYAN BURKHOLDER	41.58	Police	PETTY CAH REIMBURSEMENT
SMARTBILL	1,310.14	Multiple	BILLING SERVICES
SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS	2,603.00	Administrative	E-GOV SUPPORT RENEWAL
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	191.87	Multiple	SUPPLIES
SWANK, KYLE	336.56	Administrative	BOOTS
THE CINCINNATI INSURANCE COMPANY	698.00	Administrative	2026 BOND RENEWALS
UTILITY SERVICE CO, INC.	16,682.02	Water	WATER TOWER PEDISPHERE
VERIZON WIRELESS	130.41	Multiple	CELL PHONES
VILLAGE OF OTTAWA	52,816.98	Water	WATER
WESSLER ENGINEERING	210.00	Sewer	SANITARY ON-CALL SERVICES
	175,636.77		
LONGEVITY	14,800.00		
MEDICARE	214.60		
OPERS	1,176.00		
FICA	1,248.00		
BIWEEKLY PAYROLL 12/12/25	86,311.73		
MEDICARE	1,195.87		
OPERS	7,705.35		
OP&F	6,098.30		

Council Signature : _____

Date: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 13–2025

AN ORDINANCE ASSIGNING ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN ANNEXED PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 709, the Village of Bluffton, Ohio has approved the annexation of certain territory from Orange Township, Hancock County, Ohio, into the corporate limits of the Village of Bluffton; and

WHEREAS, the Bluffton Village Planning Commission has reviewed the annexed territory and recommends the assignment of zoning district classifications to the parcels described herein in accordance with the Village Zoning Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO:

SECTION 1: That the following five (5) parcels of land, previously located within Orange Township, Hancock County, Ohio, have been legally annexed into the corporate limits of the Village of Bluffton and are now subject to the zoning regulations of the Village of Bluffton:

Parcel No.	Street Address	New Zoning District
650001029591	Not Assigned	C-II Commercial District
650001029590	894 S.R. 103 Bluffton, OH	C-II Commercial District
650000090210	Not Assigned	I-II Industrial District
650001012798	1215 S.R. 103 Bluffton, OH	R-I Residential District
650001014860	Not Assigned	C-II Commercial District

SECTION 2: The Council of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio approves that the above-described parcels of land shall hereby be classified into the designated zoning districts as set forth in the table above, in accordance with the zoning regulations, map, and Code of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio.

SECTION 3: The Village Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to update the Official Zoning Map and zoning records of the Village to reflect the zoning classifications adopted herein.

SECTION 4: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____ 2025 by the governing board of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio by the following vote (2/3 required):

Yes: _____ No: _____ Abstain: _____

Attest:

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Village Solicitor

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C-II COMMERCIAL DISTRICT -- § 153.160 PURPOSE.

The purpose of the C-II Commercial District is to provide for those retail businesses and services which require a location other than in the central business district being either highway oriented, requiring larger tracts of land not normally available in the central business district, or to provide local neighborhood retail shopping facilities to those residential areas immediately adjacent.

I-II GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT -- § 153.200 PURPOSE.

The purpose of the I-II General Industrial District is to encourage the development of manufacturing facilities of a moderate and heavy nature which are clean, quiet and free of hazardous or objectionable elements such as noise, odor, smoke or glare.

R-I RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT – § 153.080 PURPOSE.

The purpose of the R-I Residential District to provide an area for low density residential and associated land uses. In an R-I Residential District, no building or premises shall be used and no building shall be erected which is arranged, intended or designed to be used for other than one or more of the following specified uses.

RESOLUTION NO. 33–2025

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RUMPKE WASTE AND RECYCLING
SERVICES FOR THE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING WITHIN
THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO**

WHEREAS, the Village of Bluffton, Ohio is responsible for ensuring the safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible collection of residential solid waste and recyclable materials within the Village limits; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council Utilities Committee along Village Administration and Mayor have evaluated the proposals received for refuse and recycling collection and have determined that contracting with Rumpke Waste and Recycling Services is in the best interest of the Village and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Rumpke Waste and Recycling Services is a licensed and experienced solid waste and recycling service provider that is capable of meeting the Village's collection, disposal, and recycling needs; and have provided the pricing for these services as shown in Exhibit A for a three year period beginning May 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract establishes the terms and conditions under which solid waste and recycling services shall be provided, including, but not limited to: collection costs, service levels, collection schedules and performance standards; and

WHEREAS, Village Council desires to authorize the Mayor and Village Administrator to execute said contract on behalf of the Village of Bluffton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Mayor and Village Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Rumpke Waste and Recycling Services for the collection of solid waste and recyclable materials within the Village of Bluffton, Ohio.

SECTION 2. The Mayor and Village Administrator are further authorized to execute any related documents and take all actions necessary to implement and administer the contract approved herein.

SECTION 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2026, by the Council of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio.

AYES: _____ NAYES: _____ ABSTAIN: _____

ATTEST:

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Village Solicitor

EXHIBIT A

RUMPKE PRICING

- Item #1:**
- Unlimited weekly same-day curbside recycling and garbage and refuse pick up service with Company-supplied carts.
 - Approved bulk items will be collected as part of the normal route. Residents will need to pre-schedule bulk collection using the approved policy, e.g. scheduling on the Company's website at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance. No charge for bulk items and no limitations.

Pricing: **\$22.73 Per Unit, Per Month** *Village adds \$0.50 per month to each bill

Temporary Services

Item #3: Unit price for Company to supply, upon request of resident, large roll-off dumpsters, or equivalent unit, to be **delivered to Bluffton residence for residential projects and disposal**

Pricing: \$80.00 Each 4 yd container

 \$100.00 Each 6 yd container

 \$120.00 Each 8 yd container

 \$160.00/LOAD 20 yd Roll Off
 \$40.00/TON

Item #4: 30-40 yd Roll-off fee & per ton disposal for annual Community Clean-up event and as needed.

Pricing: \$160.00/LOAD per delivery of 30-40 yd dumpster and

 \$40.00/TON per ton for disposal

Village of Bluffton

Administration's Report

To: Mayor Johnson & Council Members



12-22-25

2025 Zoning Permits Summary

See following pages for list of applications that were received.

- Total \$ amount of projects: **\$12,983,013.38**
 - Residential Total: \$6,035,163.38
 - Commercial total: \$6,947,850.00

- Highlights:
- 15 new residential units, 1 home rebuilt after fire
(averaged 6.1 residential units/year from 2010-2020)
 - 2024: 6 units
 - 2023: 9 units
 - 2022: 4 units
 - 2021: 5 units
 - Based off of 2020 Census analysis it was estimated that Bluffton would need to add 285 residential homes before a city population of 5,000 is reached. After 2025 the estimate is down to 246.
 - Large Commercial investment by Gerken Materials – new asphalt plant - \$6M

Multiple requests for Canadian Geese hunting within Village Limits:

Requests have been received to hunt geese at parcels on the edges of the Corporation Limits. Information is being gathered from ODNR about the issue. Currently against Village laws to discharge any firearm.

§ 137.09 POINTING AND DISCHARGING FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS.

(E) *Unlawful discharge.* No person shall discharge any BB gun, air gun, or firearm, or make use of any sling, bow and arrow, or crossbow, within the corporate limits of the municipality.

-Is there a safe and supported means to reduce the population of nuisance animals through hunting within Village Limits is the question at hand.

Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park District – Cooperative Park Improvement Grant Program

Bluffton was awarded \$25,000 to help fund the construction of the shelter house at Legacy Park. This puts the total amount of grant funding received from the Johnny Appleseed Metro Park District at \$70,000.00 towards the completion of Legacy Park!



THANK YOU!!

Surplus Equipment:

Request a motion from Council to declare the following items surplus and list for sale on GovDeals.com

Computers & Accessories (HARD DRIVES REMOVED)

- (1) HP EliteBook 840 G5
- (1) HP UltraSlim Docking Station
- (1) HP ProDesk 600 G5 MT
- (5) HP ProDesk 600 G4 MT
- (2) HP ProDesk 400 G1 MT
- (1) HP ProDesk 800 G1 TWP
- (1) Compaq Pro 4300
- (5) Misc Keyboards
- Misc Cords & Cables

Printer

- (1) HP Laser Jet P2055D Printer

Monitors

- (1) HP Pro Display P221 w/ Speakers
- (1) Dell Monitor w/ Speakers
- (1) HP Pro Display P221 (in box)
- (3) HP Pro Display P221
- (2) HP VH22
- (1) Acer V226HQL

Network Equipment

- (1) CISCO SG300-52P Switch
- (1) CISCO SG300-28P Switch
- (2) CISCO SG300-10MP Switch
- (2) CISCO Catalyst 3560-CG PoE
- (1) CISCO Catalyst 2960-S PoE
- (2) CISCO SG500-28P Stackable Switch

* No Power Supplies or Hardware Included *

OPWC – 2025 Summary

This year was a milestone year for the Ohio Public Works Commission. We saw the continued investment of millions in funding for infrastructure and conservation across the state, and the successful renewal of the State Capital Improvements Program. The nearly 70% passage rate reflects the strength and impact of OPWC's mission, and the trust earned through your hard work on behalf of communities across Ohio.



Village of Bluffton -- 2025 Zoning & Bldg

Residential	\$ 6,035,163.38	Total
Commercial/Industrial/Other	\$ 6,947,850.00	
Hancock County		\$ 12,983,013.38

Permit No.	Date	Owner	Address (of project)	Type of Construction	Cost Estimate
1	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	140 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
2	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	144 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
3	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	148 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
4	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	152 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
5	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	156 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
6	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	160 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
7	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	164 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
8	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	168 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
9	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	172 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
10	1/3/2025	Robert Fett	176 Chestnut Lane	New Home	\$ 225,000.00
11	1/7/2025	Charity Niese	209 Parkview Dr.	New Home	\$ 397,195.56
12	1/21/2025	Gerken Materials, Inc.	310 Quarry Dr.	Other - Asphalt Plant	\$ 6,000,000.00
13	2/10/2025	Universal-U-store-it	158 E College Ave.	Fence	\$ 108,000.00
14	3/24/2025	SumiRiko Ohio, Inc.	320 Snider Rd.	Storage Building	\$ 100,000.00
15	3/28/2025	Keith Hohenbrink	226 Grove St.	Driveway	\$ 4,000.00
16	3/28/2025	Nathan Risner	605 Lausanne Ave	Patio	\$ 3,500.00
17	3/28/2025	Randy Forrer	175 S. Mound	Garage	\$ 60,000.00
18	3/31/2025		612 Lausanne	House Demo	\$ 13,000.00
19	4/16/2025	Sydney Renner	412 Greding St	Patio	\$ 4,000.00
20	4/16/2025	Nicole Fruchey	301 Jared Circle	Fence	\$ 8,071.96
21	4/16/2025	Joe Sehlhorst	335 Cherry St	Addition	\$ 60,000.00
22	5/13/2025	Steve Lemley	579 Harmon Rd	Accessory Building	\$ 70,000.00
23	5/13/2025	Gretchen Bergstrand	362 W. Elm St	Patio	\$ 5,200.00
24	5/16/2025	Bluffton Schools	102 S Jackson St.	House Demo	\$ 50,000.00
25	5/16/2025	Bluffton Univ.	1 University Drive	Demo	\$ 272,350.00
26	5/23/2025	Shane Fredritz	151 Sunset Dr.	Sidewalk	\$ 2,900.00
27	5/23/2025	Darrell Buroker	116 Parkview Dr.	Driveway	\$ 10,000.00
28	5/23/2025	Phil Blount	343 Sycamore Ct.	Patio	\$ 12,820.00
29	5/23/2025	Steven Simon	118 Richland Dr.	Sidewalk	\$ 2,900.00

30	30	6/13/2025	William Locke		329 Riley St.	Accessory Building	\$	10,127.00
31	31	6/13/2025	David Yoder		229 Bentley Rd	Addition	\$	109,538.00
32	32	6/13/2025	Keith Stoll		200 Parkview Dr	Remodel	\$	28,500.00
33	33	6/13/2025	Michael Marcum		517 S. Main St.	Addition	\$	60,000.00
34	34	6/13/2025	Matt Ellerbrock		335 S. Main St.	Addition	\$	160,000.00
35	35	6/13/2025	John shannon		454 Cherry St	Fence	\$	2,000.00
36	36	6/13/2025	Olivia Laytart		146 W. Washington	New Home	\$	100,000.00
37	37	6/30/2025	Mark Delisle		207 Parkview Dr.	New Home	\$	573,028.45
38	38	6/30/2025	Robert Clinger		9968 N. Dixie Hwy	Pool	\$	1,200.00
39	39	6/30/2025	Lauren Corson		173 Geiger St.	Addition	\$	50,000.00
40	40	7/3/2025	Andy Chappel-Dick		201 N. Lawn Ave.	Porch	\$	10,000.00
41	41	7/17/2025	Beth Askins		189 W. Kibler	Garage addition	\$	474,212.80
42	42	7/18/2025	Bluffton Exempted Schools		102 S. Jackson St.	Artificial Turf Field	\$	400,000.00
43	43	7/18/2025	Sr. Citizens Center		132 N. Main St.	Awning - rear of building	\$	17,500.00
44	44	7/22/2025	Ana Oliveria		612 Lausanne Ave.	new home	\$	391,666.00
45	45	7/22/2025	Blane Miller		135 Shannon St.	driveway/patio	\$	6,900.00
46	46	7/22/2025	Ron Schwab		106 Richalnd Dr.	fence	\$	2,000.00
47	47	7/31/2025	Ann Herrera		209 S. Jackson St.	fence	\$	11,940.00
48	48	8/5/2025	Mark Carroll		421 Ethan Circle	fence	\$	9,827.00
49	49	8/20/2025	Steve Simon		118 Richland Rd.	shed	\$	5,000.00
50	50	8/20/2025	Steve Weihrauch		172 Susan Dr.	Shed / patio cover	\$	31,097.00
51	51	8/20/2025	Campito Lindo		142 N. Main St.	Sidewalk Café	\$	1,000.00
52	52	9/11/2025	Beau Clymer		316 Riley St.	Solar	\$	28,831.60
53	53	9/11/2025	Jennifer Hawkes		554 S. Main St.	Fence	\$	7,000.00
54	54	9/11/2025	Jo Lynn Burrell		182 E Jefferson St.	ADU		\$70,000.00
55	55	9/11/2025	Scott Shough		365 E. College Ave.	Accessory Building		\$1,200.00
56	56	9/11/2025	Tom Martin		55 Crystal Lane	Accessory Building		\$5,600.00
57	57	9/11/2025	Jason Neely		238 N. Lawn Ave	Accessory Building		\$500.00
58	58	9/15/2025	Greg Stever		218 Garmatter	Addition		\$15,000.00
59	59	9/19/2025	Michael Reichenbach		9988 Dixie Hwy	New Building		\$170,000.00
60	60	9/19/2025	Clair Winebar		581 Birch Ct.	Addition	\$	47,906.24
61	61	10/16/2025	Nathan Herrea		209 S. Jackson St.	porch		\$8,500.00
62	62	10/16/2025	John Hochstetler		596 Hunters Run	garage		\$30,000.00

63	63	10/30/2025	Bethany Theis	190 Huber St	Sidewalk / retaining wall	\$18,100.00
64	64	10/30/2025	Ginny Denbow	322 parkview	New home	\$600,000.00
65	65	10/30/2025	Jeff Gillen	535 East College Ave	sidewalk/ driveway	\$13,630.00
66	66	11/4/2025	Pete Suter	148 N. Lawn Ave.	Concrete pad	\$2,500.00
67	67	11/21/2025	Family Hardware	111 Cherry St.	Accessory Building	\$500.00
68	68	12/8/2025	Bluffton Hospitality	117 Commerce Lane	Signs	\$8,000.00
69	69	12/8/2025	Bluffton Schools	102 S. Jackson St.	Fence	\$19,471.77
70	70	12/16/2025	William sommers	400 W. Elm St	Garage	\$46,800.00
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						\$ 12,983,013.38



The Blanchard River Watershed Partnership

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December 7, 2025

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Dear Jesse,

The Blanchard River Watershed Partnership gratefully thanks the Village of Bluffton for their continued support and partnership with the BRWP. The village's leadership and **investment of \$1,500 will play a vital role** in protecting and improving the health of the Blanchard River Watershed. *We are also pleased to share that this collaboration helped us secure funding for the Bluffton University Urban Prairie through a grant submitted to the Enbridge-Western Reserve Land Conservancy.*

Because of the Village of Bluffton's support, BRWP is able to:

- Restore wetlands and riparian buffers through essential grant funding.
- Engage citizen scientists to monitor water quality and inform local decision-making.
- Assist farmers in adopting conservation practices that reduce nutrient runoff.
- Expand community-based litter cleanups that enhance local neighborhoods and public spaces.
- Provide education and outreach that inspire residents to become active stewards of our waterways.



YOUR commitment strengthens our impact across the watershed and helps ensure cleaner water, healthier ecosystems, and a more resilient community. We greatly appreciate your dedication to this important work and look forward to continued collaboration.

With appreciation,

Jane McCleary

President, Blanchard River Watershed Partnership

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*Your generous support of our
clean water efforts is truly
making a difference.*

Thank you !!

Clean Water, Bright Future

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Safe Recycling and Disposal of Household Batteries

Not all batteries are the same! Here's how to identify and safely get rid of your unwanted batteries:



Battery and electronics recycling programs: Some communities offer battery and electronics recycling programs, often in public places like libraries or government offices. Check with your solid waste district or visit the Recycling Facility Locator (click or scan the QR-Code), or visit epa.ohio.gov/recycling-facility-locator to find one near you.



Retailer take back programs: Some stores may have programs in place to recycle batteries. Check with your local home improvement or big box stores, or visit call2recycle.org.



Household hazardous waste: Your community may host household hazardous waste and electronics collections at special events or at a permanent location. Check with your local collection agency to see what types of batteries are accepted.



Household trash: The only types of batteries that can be thrown away safely in the trash are single-use alkaline and zinc-carbon batteries. No other batteries should ever be placed in household trash.



DO NOT PLACE ANY KIND OF BATTERY IN CURBSIDE BINS OR DROP OFF DUMPSTERS MEANT FOR GENERAL RECYCLING!

Recycling facilities are not designed to accept and sort batteries, so they will contaminate other recyclables. Lithium-ion batteries are a fire hazard if they are damaged or crushed during transportation or sorting.

Follow these simple steps



















1. Figure out what type of battery it is by checking the label or refer to the chart on the back.
2. Tape battery ends or place each in its own plastic bag to prevent any sparking.
3. Pick an option from the chart on the back based on what type of battery it is and what's available in your area.
4. Drop off your batteries!



There was a 19% increase in fires at waste, paper and plastic recovery facilities in 2022, largely due to incorrectly disposed batteries.



Don't forget, some batteries are built into electronic devices and cannot be removed. These batteries still pose the same risks!

Use Type	Type of Battery Chemistry	Use and Description	Disposal Tips	Options
Single Use	Alkaline and zinc-carbon 	These common everyday batteries can be used in products such as smoke detectors, flashlights, TV remote controls, remote-control products, children's toys, etc. Common examples: 9 Volt, AA, AAA, C, D and some button cells.	Can be safely disposed of in household trash. Should be recycled in communities where collection is available. Do not place in curbside recycling or single stream recycling drop offs.	 
	Button-cell or coin 	Typically found in watches, hearing aids, car keyless remotes, etc. Most contain lithium, and may contain silver, cadmium, or mercury.	Tape ends or place each in its own separate plastic bag to prevent sparking. Do not place in trash or recycling curbside containers or dumpsters as they pose a fire risk.	 
	Lithium single use 	Commonly used in products like cameras, remote controls, handheld games, and smoke detectors. May come in same sizes as alkaline batteries but also specialized shapes for specific equipment.	Can be recycled at participating retailers, local household hazardous waste collection programs, or special battery recycling programs.	 
Rechargeable	Nickel Cadmium or Nickel-Metal Hydride 	Commonly found in cordless power tools, cameras, etc.	Removable batteries: Remove and tape terminals or place each in plastic bag. Can be disposed at participating retailers, local household hazardous waste collection programs, or special battery recycling programs.	 
	Lithium-ion 	Commonly found in smartphones, laptops, vaping devices, appliances, etc.	Non-removable batteries contained in electronic devices: Some devices can be taken to electronics recyclers, retailers that provide electronics takeback services, or local electronics or household hazardous waste collection programs.	 
	Small sealed lead acid 	Commonly found in mobility scooters, emergency lighting, hospital equipment, and backup power devices.	Do not place in trash or single stream recycling curbside containers or dumpsters as they pose a fire risk.	 

In Ohio, retailers and wholesalers of lead-acid automotive batteries are required to take your old battery for recycling when you buy a new one.



Date: November 3, 2025

To: Mayor Johnson and Council

From: Chief Ryan M. Burkholder

Reference: Police Department Monthly Report

POLICE ACTIVITY SUMMARY

October 2025

Police Calls for Service- 705

Police Chief Calls for Service- 86

Traffic Stops - 25

CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS

Criminal Damaging	-	1
Miscellaneous	-	3
Violations of Protection Order	-	1
Total	-	5



Ticket Statistics

Print Date/Time: 11/04/2025 14:40
Login ID: rburkholder
Statute: All

From Date: 10/01/2025
To Date: 10/31/2025
Ticket Type: All

Bluffton Police Department
ORI Number: OH0020100

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Totals
Warning													
4511.68A10 Prohibited Standing/Parking Places - Obstruct Traffic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.46 Right-of-Way in Crosswalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.20 Willful/Wanton Disregard of Safety - On Streets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.21B3 Speed 35 MPH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
4511.21B2 Speed 25 MPH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Warning Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8
Traffic													
4511.68A17 Prohibited Standing/Parking Places - Bike Paths	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.38 Starting and Backing Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.202 Failure to Control - Weaving Course	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.21B6 Speed 50 MPH (also 45 MPH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.21B3 Speed 35 MPH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	6
4511.21B2 Speed 25 MPH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
4511.21B1a Speed - 20 MPH (School Zone)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
4511.44(A) Failure to Yield the Right of Way - Any Other Place (Driveways)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4511.42A Failure to yield the right of way when turning left	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
4513.241C WINDOW TINT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4
Traffic Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	20
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	0	0	28



Incident Activity Report

Print Date/Time: 11/04/2025 14:41 From Date: 10/01/2025 00:00 Bluffton Police Department
Login ID: rburkholder To Date: 10/31/2025 23:59 ORI Number: OH0020100
Layer: All Incident Type: All

Hour	SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		TOTAL	
	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%	INCIDENTS	%
24	4	0.6	5	0.7	4	0.6	4	0.6	4	0.6	2	0.3	1	0.1	24	3.4
1	2	0.3	3	0.4	6	0.9	1	0.1	5	0.7	2	0.3	0	0.0	19	2.7
2	0	0.0	3	0.4	1	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.3	1	0.1	0	0.0	8	1.1
3	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	2	0.3	1	0.1	3	0.4	2	0.3	9	1.3
4	2	0.3	2	0.3	1	0.1	2	0.3	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	8	1.1
5	0	0.0	1	0.1	1	0.1	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	2	0.3	5	0.7
6	1	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.3	5	0.7	4	0.6	2	0.3	1	0.1	16	2.3
7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.1
8	4	0.6	6	0.9	2	0.3	2	0.3	6	0.9	4	0.6	0	0.0	24	3.4
9	3	0.4	7	1.0	16	2.3	28	4.0	18	2.6	18	2.6	6	0.9	96	13.6
10	10	1.4	17	2.4	12	1.7	9	1.3	13	1.8	4	0.6	5	0.7	70	9.9
11	1	0.1	8	1.1	5	0.7	12	1.7	9	1.3	3	0.4	2	0.3	40	5.7
12	3	0.4	5	0.7	2	0.3	11	1.6	6	0.9	2	0.3	4	0.6	33	4.7
13	2	0.3	4	0.6	7	1.0	3	0.4	8	1.1	3	0.4	8	1.1	35	5.0
14	3	0.4	9	1.3	9	1.3	8	1.1	11	1.6	4	0.6	3	0.4	47	6.7
15	2	0.3	2	0.3	6	0.9	9	1.3	10	1.4	4	0.6	5	0.7	38	5.4
16	4	0.6	6	0.9	6	0.9	4	0.6	12	1.7	2	0.3	2	0.3	36	5.1
17	2	0.3	2	0.3	7	1.0	4	0.6	1	0.1	5	0.7	1	0.1	22	3.1
18	0	0.0	1	0.1	3	0.4	2	0.3	1	0.1	5	0.7	3	0.4	15	2.1
19	3	0.4	1	0.1	3	0.4	2	0.3	2	0.3	2	0.3	1	0.1	14	2.0
20	5	0.7	10	1.4	3	0.4	9	1.3	3	0.4	4	0.6	10	1.4	44	6.2
21	2	0.3	8	1.1	7	1.0	9	1.3	8	1.1	5	0.7	6	0.9	45	6.4
22	1	0.1	7	1.0	5	0.7	4	0.6	6	0.9	6	0.9	5	0.7	34	4.8
23	5	0.7	3	0.4	1	0.1	2	0.3	2	0.3	5	0.7	4	0.6	22	3.1
Totals:	59	8.4	112	15.9	109	15.5	133	18.9	135	19.2	86	12.2	71	10.1	705	100.00



Incident Breakdown By Month Report

Print Date/Time: 11/04/2025 14:38
Login ID: fourknoder
Year: 2025

Bluffton Police Department
ORI Number: OH0020100
Incident Type: All

Incident Type	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		September		October		November		December		Yearly Totals
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Accident Property	2	3.4	10	17.2	8	13.8	6	10.3	4	6.9	2	3.4	4	6.9	11	19.0	4	6.9	7	12.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	58
Accident w/injuries	1	7.1	3	21.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	7.1	1	7.1	1	7.1	1	7.1	3	21.4	3	21.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	14
Administrative	153	12.7	102	8.5	191	15.9	102	8.5	77	6.4	103	8.5	102	8.5	88	7.3	110	9.1	163	13.5	14	1.2	0	0.0	1205
Aiding Other	12	10.8	7	6.3	7	6.3	9	8.1	12	10.8	13	11.7	13	11.7	14	12.6	10	9.0	14	12.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	111
Alarm	4	5.8	5	7.2	4	5.8	7	10.1	5	7.2	14	20.3	10	14.5	8	11.6	6	8.7	6	8.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	69
Animal Complaint	0	0.0	4	16.7	3	12.5	4	16.7	5	20.8	1	4.2	1	4.2	4	16.7	1	4.2	1	4.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	24
Assist Police	8	10.0	11	13.8	9	11.3	5	6.3	6	7.5	6	7.5	12	15.0	9	11.3	6	7.5	7	8.8	1	1.3	0	0.0	80
B&E	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Child Abuse	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Civil Complaint	0	0.0	2	8.3	3	12.5	3	12.5	0	0.0	1	4.2	5	20.8	5	20.8	2	8.3	3	12.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	24
Criminal Damage	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	20.0	0	0.0	3	20.0	1	6.7	1	6.7	1	6.7	2	13.3	4	26.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	15
Deceased	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	50.0	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4
Domestic	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Escort	1	9.1	1	9.1	1	9.1	2	18.2	1	9.1	1	9.1	1	9.1	0	0.0	1	9.1	2	18.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	11
Fight Complaint	0	0.0	1	14.3	0	0.0	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0	2	28.6	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
Fire	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Follow Up	8	15.7	3	5.9	9	17.6	9	17.6	2	3.9	4	7.8	2	3.9	1	2.0	5	9.8	8	15.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	51
Forgery	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Hazmat	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	60.0	1	20.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	20.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5
Hit Skip	1	16.7	3	50.0	1	16.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
House/Building	381	9.8	483	12.4	498	12.8	473	12.1	382	9.8	370	9.5	352	9.0	284	7.3	306	7.8	345	8.8	29	0.7	0	0.0	3903
Intoxicated Driver	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3
Intoxicated Person	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Investigate Vehicle	19	7.3	28	10.7	34	13.0	29	11.1	20	7.6	29	11.1	29	11.1	23	8.8	25	9.5	21	8.0	5	1.9	0	0.0	262
Look Out	8	11.9	12	17.9	5	7.5	5	7.5	7	10.4	8	11.9	6	9.0	8	11.9	4	6.0	4	6.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	67
Menacing	0	0.0	1	12.5	1	12.5	1	12.5	2	25.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	8



Incident Breakdown By Month Report

Print Date/Time: 11/04/2025 14:38
Login ID: rburkholder
Year: 2025

Bluffton Police Department
ORI Number: OH0020100
Incident Type: All

Incident Type	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		September		October		November		December		Yearly Totals
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Mentally Ill Person	0	0.0	1	7.1	2	14.3	2	14.3	2	14.3	0	0.0	2	14.3	1	7.1	3	21.4	1	7.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	14
Miscellaneous	48	8.5	62	11.0	45	8.0	61	10.8	67	11.8	56	9.9	49	8.7	61	10.8	39	6.9	70	12.4	8	1.4	0	0.0	566
Missing Adult	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Missing Juvenile	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Motorist Assist	9	19.6	5	10.9	2	4.3	3	6.5	1	2.2	4	8.7	4	8.7	10	21.7	4	8.7	4	8.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	46
Paper Service	4	15.4	3	11.5	2	7.7	2	7.7	1	3.8	2	7.7	5	19.2	1	3.8	4	15.4	2	7.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	26
Pedestrian Stop	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	30.0	2	20.0	1	10.0	2	20.0	0	0.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10
Receiving/Recover	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	0	0.0	1	16.7	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
Sexual Abuse	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Shots Fired	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Special Detail	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Stolen Vehicle	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Suspicious Person	3	6.7	4	8.9	5	11.1	6	13.3	6	13.3	3	6.7	5	11.1	5	11.1	6	13.3	2	4.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	45
Telephone	0	0.0	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	50.0	1	25.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4
Theft	4	15.4	4	15.4	4	15.4	2	7.7	4	15.4	1	3.8	1	3.8	2	7.7	2	7.7	2	7.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	26
Traffic Obstruction	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Traffic Stop	40	9.8	52	12.7	64	15.7	30	7.4	31	7.6	59	14.5	45	11.0	31	7.6	28	6.9	25	6.1	3	0.7	0	0.0	408
Unruly Juvenile	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3
Unsecured Door	1	12.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	37.5	1	12.5	1	12.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	8
Unwanted Guest	0	0.0	1	9.1	1	9.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	18.2	2	18.2	3	27.3	0	0.0	2	18.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	11
Violating PTO	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	50.0	2	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4
Warrant Service	1	50.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Total:	714	10.0	814	11.4	910	12.8	769	10.8	648	9.1	688	9.7	656	9.2	579	8.1	581	8.2	705	9.9	61	0.9	0	0.0	7125



Incident Breakdown By Priority Report

Print Date/Time: 11/04/2025 14:41
Login ID: rburkholder
Incident Type: All

From Date: 10/01/2025 00:00
To Date: 10/31/2025 23:59

Bluffton Police Department
ORI Number: OH0020100

Priority	Sunday Totals		Monday Totals		Tuesday Totals		Wednesday Totals		Thursday Totals		Friday Totals		Saturday Totals		Calls
	Calls	%	Calls	%	Calls	%	Calls	%	Calls	%	Calls	%	Calls	%	
2-High/NC	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	1	33.3	0	0.0	3
4-Low	34	8.7	64	16.4	54	13.8	74	18.9	65	16.6	46	11.8	54	13.8	391
3-Medium	2	6.9	1	3.4	4	13.8	2	6.9	6	20.7	7	24.1	7	24.1	29
1-High	12	12.9	11	11.8	15	16.1	11	11.8	22	23.7	13	14.0	9	9.7	93
Total:	49	9.5	76	14.7	73	14.1	88	17.1	93	18.0	67	13.0	70	13.6	516

LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

ALLEN COUNTY, OHIO

This agreement is for all Government Entities with police powers within Allen County, Ohio, and will cover all the jurisdiction of the Government Entity within the State of Ohio. This agreement is contingent on the authorization by the governing body for each Government Entity that enters into this agreement based on their legal process for entering in such an "contract."

The term "Government Entity" will be used to define the Sheriff of a County, Municipal Corporation (Village or City), Township, Township Police District, Metropolitan Housing Authority, Port Authority, Water or Sewer District, School District, Library District, Health District, and Park District created pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 511.18 or Ohio Revised Code Section 1545.01, that is organized and existing by virtue of the Ohio Revised Code.

The term "contract" means the total legal obligation that results from the parties' agreement as determined by Ohio Revised Code Chapters 1301, 1302, 1304, 1305, 1307, 1308, 1309 and 1310 as supplemented by any other applicable laws.

The Ohio Revised Code, or an Entity's respective Code, Charter, or Ordinances, authorizes the Government Entity or the legislative authority of the Government Entity to enter into a "contract" with one or more Government Entities, upon such terms as may be agreed upon, for services of police departments or the use of police equipment or for the interchange of such services or equipment within several territories of the contracting Government Entity, irrespective of the territory in which the same may be used.

Sheriff of a County	Ohio Revised Code Section 311.29
Municipal Corporation	Ohio Revised Code Section 737.04 or its Code, Charter, or Ordinances
Township	Ohio Revised Code Section 505.43
Township Police District	Ohio Revised Code Section 505.50
Park District	Ohio Revised Code Section 1545.131

Therefore, in consideration of their mutual promises and obligation, the parties agree as follows:

- 1) In the event it becomes necessary to obtain law enforcement service, or to obtain additional law enforcement services, or to allow law enforcement officers to work in multi-jurisdictional drug, gang, career criminal or organized crime task forces, or for

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the use of law enforcement equipment, the parties to this "contract" acting through their respective police department chiefs, or their respective designees, may each request the other to render such assistance as in the opinion of the requesting department may be required. No department shall be required to provide such aid to the other department.

- 2) Mutual Aid may be provided only upon the authorization of appropriate departmental personnel as determined by the respective chief and/or their designee of each department.
- 3) Each party will respond, so far as the judgement of the officer in charge of the department at any particular time deems it consistent with the proper protection of his/her own territory, to the request of the officer on duty in charge of the police department or any other party for police assistance or of a duly authorized officer of said police department who may make such a request.
- 4) When an officer of any department requests assistance, that officer shall state the nature of the request and the reason or reasons therefore and shall detail the equipment and manpower needed. If additional manpower is believed to be required to respond to the request, the officer in charge of the assisting agency at the time may request additional manpower and/or equipment from his/her department to respond for assistance.
- 5) The requesting officer shall give explicit directions as to the location where assistance is needed and shall, whenever possible, dispatch someone to that location to escort the officer or officers responding to that location.
- 6) Each department will respond to any request for assistance, subject to the judgement of the officer in charge of the responding department at any particular time that the provision of such assistance is consistent with the proper protection of its own territory.
- 7) All personnel of a responding department, while responding to a request for assistance, shall be considered to be acting within the scope of their employment by the responding department while in route to or from, and while acting within the territory of the requesting department.
- 8) No department shall charge the other for any costs, fees, or expenses associated with the provision of law enforcement services or equipment under this agreement, unless otherwise specifically agreed to in writing by the Government Entities and/or their designees involved in the request. Each party shall assume the expenses, loss or damage to equipment or apparatus that it may incur while in the other party's jurisdiction, or while responding to a request pursuant to this contract.

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- 9) No department shall be required to reimburse the other for any premium, contribution or award assessed against the employing subdivision for worker's compensation benefits for injuries or death of its law enforcement department members occurring while engaged in rendering services pursuant to this agreement.
- 10) On any occasion when assistance is provided under this agreement, the officer in charge of the requesting department shall have full charge of and authority over the assisting equipment and personnel of the responding department, unless other command authority is agreed upon by the respective department chiefs and/or Sheriff. The responding department may withdraw its equipment and personnel from providing such assistance if the responding department determines it is being requested to act contrary to any of its own policies, procedures, directives, or any state, local or federal law. When possible, all parties agree to communicate all requests for assistance and responses thereto via official email of the party, or on a recorded voice line.
- 11) In no case shall the responding party be liable in damages to the requesting party or any of its inhabitants for failure to answer a request for services or equipment, or for any inadequacy of services or equipment, negligent operation of equipment or negligent provision of services, or other cause growing out of such use of law enforcement equipment or personnel.
- 12) No party shall be liable to the other party as a result of any acts or failures to act of their respective departmental employees. Each party shall be responsible to defend and indemnify the acts or failures to act of their respective employees as required by law.
- 13) The Government Entities have, by their duly authorized officials, entered into this agreement with any/all parties, prior to and any/all parties subsequent to the date of their entering. This agreement shall remain in effect forthwith upon any Government Entity entering it, PROVIDED that any Government Entity may withdraw from the agreement with fifteen (15) days written notice to the other Government Entities.
- 14) This agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. It may not be modified orally, but only by agreement in writing signed by the interested parties.
- 15) Provisions of this "contract" shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio. This "contract" is performable in Allen County, Ohio, and the parties agree that jurisdiction over any issue in controversy herein shall vest solely with the Common Pleas Court of Allen County, Ohio.