

ANNUAL REPORT

Fulton County, Ohio

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2012 A Year in Review



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Bringing state & local government to light.



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Open Government

Open government is the political doctrine which holds that the business of government and state administration should be opened at all levels to effective public scrutiny and oversight. In its broadest construction it opposes reason of state and national security considerations, which have tended to legitimize extensive secrecy.

Among recent developments is the notion of open source governance which advocates the application of the philosophies of the free software movement to democratic principles to enable interested citizens to get more directly involved in the process. Government transparency has proven in case studies to lead to more accountability, check against mismanagement and corruption, boost public confidence, and create informed participation of citizens.

Sunshine Review, a national nonprofit group that aims to encourage state and local government transparency, has given Fulton County an A+ rating. Your County leaders try very hard to conduct the business of the people right before your eyes.

The county previously scored a 'C'; and was found to have violated Ohio's Sunshine Law in the 1990's. The Sunshine Law was written to ensure citizens know when officials plan to hold meetings and make decisions.

To Read more vist: http://sunshinereview.org/index.php/Fulton_County,_Ohio

County's web address is <http://www.fultoncountyoh.com/>

The following report are highlights of the year 2012.

We hope you enjoy reviewing this report that outlines your county government at work for you and your neighbors.



Perry Rupp



Paul Barnaby



Dean Genter



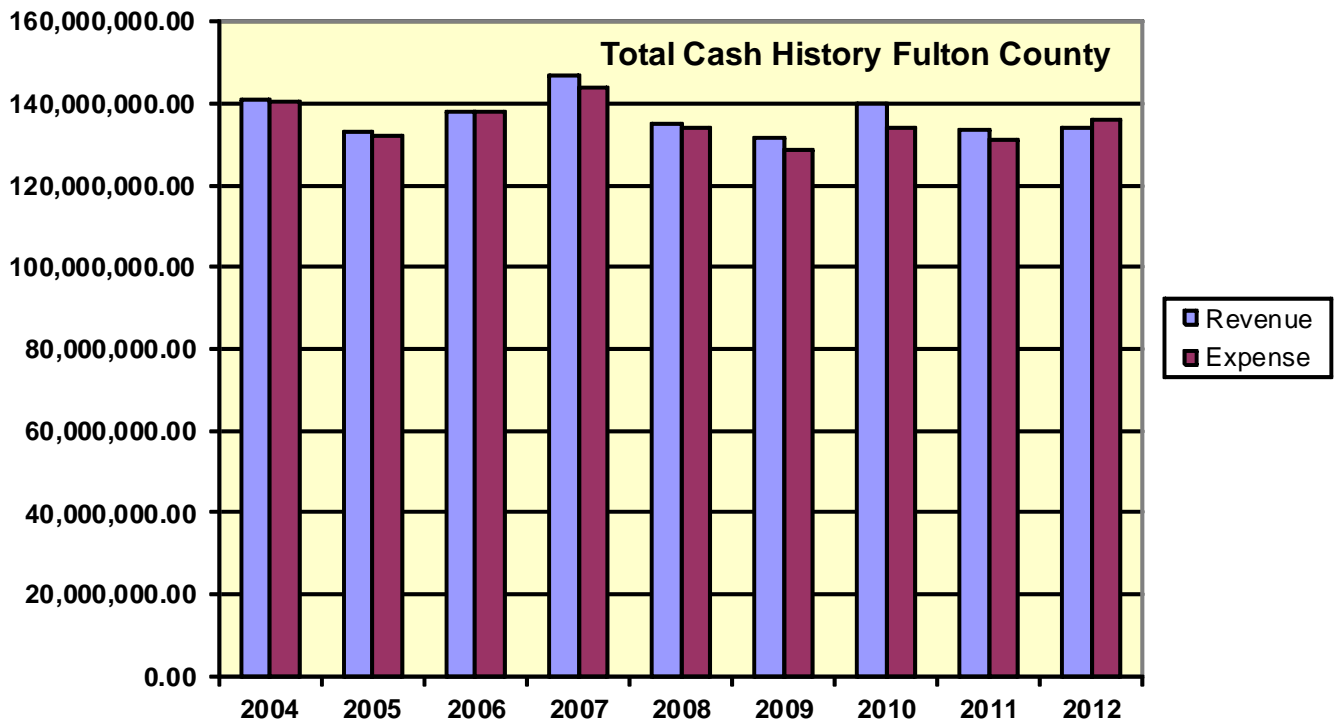
Fulton County Board of Commissioners
Dean Genter, Paul Barnaby, and Perry Rupp

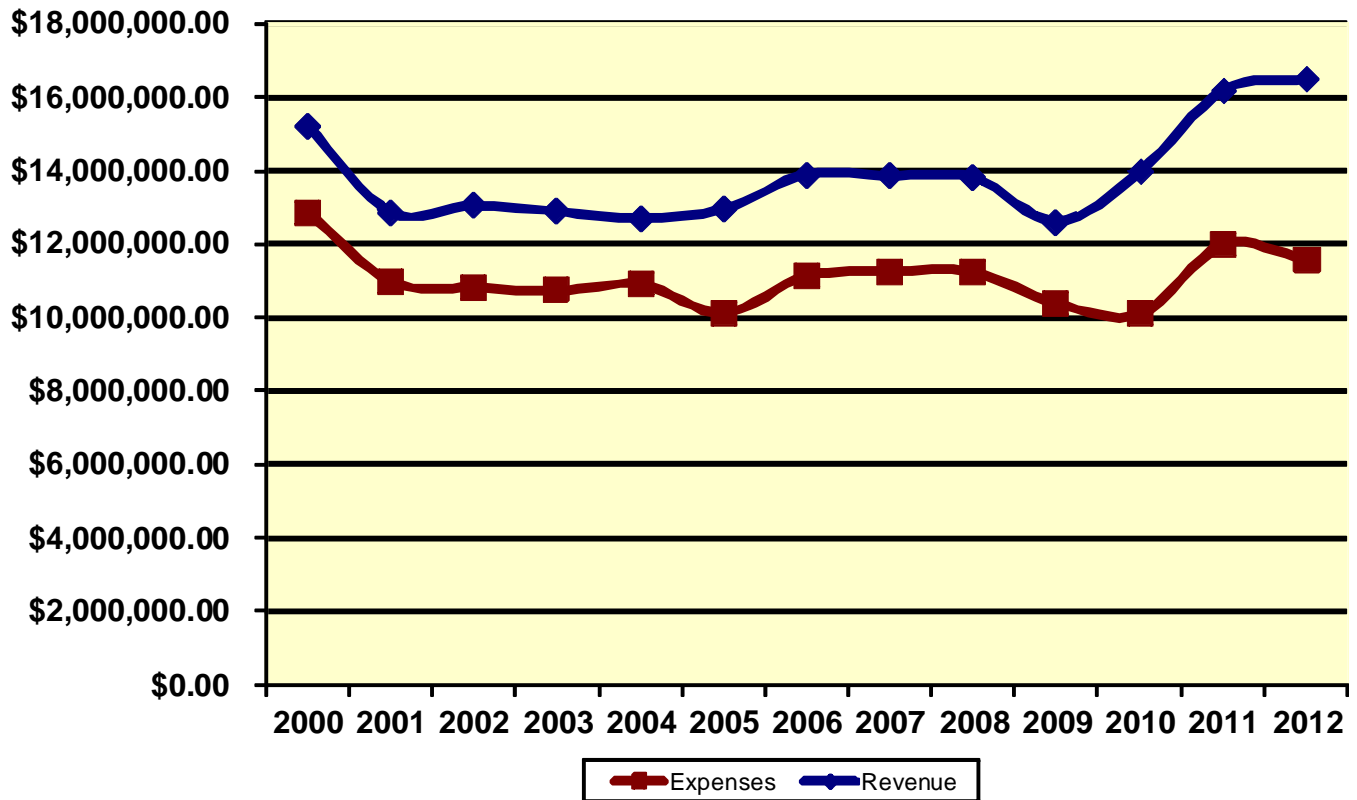
Financial Activity Statement

Fulton County provides law enforcement, judicial activities, social services, water and sewer services and community and economic development programs. The county budget has eight fund groups which designate money for specific purposes. They are the General Fund, Enterprise, Internal Service, Debt Service, Special Revenue, and Capital Funds. For example, the General Fund is the county's primary operating fund and represents resources that the county may use in any way deemed appropriate by the County Commissioners. This fund is also one of the chief indicators of the county's financial health. The General Fund budget for 2012 was \$11.5 million. Special Revenue Funds have legal restrictions and must be used for a designated purpose. An example would be grant funds received from the federal or state governments such as the Community Development Block Grant Program. Internal Service funds include services which provide support to general operations and which are supported by fees charged to county departments. Enterprise funds include departments which operate almost exclusively on fees charged to the public or customers. Trust and Agency funds are dollars that flow through the county. An example would be your Schools, Libraries and Townships. Below is a breakdown of each funds activity for 2012.

Y-T-D CASH FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDING 12- 31- 2012

	Y-T-D RECIEPTS	Y-T-D EXPENSES
<u>General Fund</u>	\$12,336,466.40	\$11,578,353.67
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	\$21,817,590.56	\$25,565,452.99
<u>Debt Service Funds</u>	\$226,141.48	\$213,077.19
<u>Capital Project Funds</u>	\$1,888,353.85	\$1,277,574.67
<u>Enterprise Project Funds</u>	\$4,851,403.12	\$4,834,892.24
<u>Internal Service Funds</u>	\$364,796.64	\$362,225.07
<u>Trust & Agency Funds</u>	\$86,883,547.04	\$86,515,994.07
<u>Non reporting Funds</u>	\$5,764,592.15	\$5,894,182.95
Totals	\$134,132,891.24	\$136,241,752.85





CALENDAR YEAR	GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	CRIMINAL JUSTICE EXPENSES	%of GF
2003	\$10,736,618.34	\$4,469,679.57	41.63%
2004	\$10,904,766.13	\$4,714,136.07	43.23%
2005	\$10,124,027.06	\$4,512,299.03	44.57%
2006	\$11,143,303.74	\$4,937,599.03	44.31%
2007	\$11,251,237.60	\$5,042,115.37	44.81%
2008	\$11,307,694.65	\$5,199,358.18	45.98%
2009	\$10,392,465.41	\$5,076,399.97	48.85%
2010	\$10,090,835.14	\$5,106,156.68	50.60%
2011	\$11,995,650.14	\$4,851,423.47	40.44%
2012	\$11,551,345.97	\$5,063,221.45	43.83%

Fulton County Senior Citizen Services Provided in 2012

Available to All County Residents 60 Years & Over

Senior Center Philosophy & Programs

The primary goal of the Fulton County Senior Center is to help senior citizens remain in their own homes as long as is safely possible. To achieve this goal, the Senior Center has a number of programs and services that assist seniors in various ways.

The Senior Center and Nutrition Sites work hard to meet the needs of the senior community. The County is extremely proud of its senior programs, which are available to any Fulton County resident 60 years old and older.

Services Available:

Education and Socialization; Home Delivered Meals; Congregate Meals; Monthly Newsletter; Escort Service for Medical Appointments; Housekeeping Service; Information and Referral; Protective Services Referral; Grocery Shopping and Bill Paying Transportation; Free Legal Service – by appointment only; Blood Pressure Checks; Blood Sugar Level Checks; Exercise Classes; Lending Library; Assistance with Applications and Claims for Social Security Benefits, Medical Insurance, Golden Buckeye Cards, Ohio & Home Energy Credits, Food Stamps – Medicaid.

For more data on each topic please visit the following website.

<http://www.fultoncountyoh.com/index.aspx?nid=380>
<http://www.fultoncountyoh.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/297>



Cheryl Witt, Supportive Service - Appointments for:

2012

107 Medical Bills/insurance; 125 agency referrals; 361 Medicare; 51 Social Security
30 General Questions. \$38,592.49 saved for local seniors during
open enrollment for medicare part D.

Peggy Rupp, Escort Services

2012

112 persons escorted, (1,031 requests resulting in 904 trips) ; 23 volunteer drivers
35,519 miles driven in escorting to medical appointments, obtaining prescriptions, and other
essential services

Laura Ankney, Housekeeping Program

2012

178 individuals received housekeeping for 5,961 hours of service
36,254 miles traveled by housekeepers

Rebecca Steinhauser Legal Aid of Western Ohio

2012

33 appointments for free legal assistance in Wauseon.

THANK YOU FULTON COUNTY VOTERS for Making These Services Possible!

ARCHBOLD - Scout Cabin, Ruihley Park, 419-445-3590

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Jill Hale, Site Manager

2012

4,411 hot meals served to Seniors at the Site
 9,712 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Archbold area
 484 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the West Unity area



DELTA - Memorial Hall, 419-822-3452

Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Robbie Price, Site Manager

1,290 hot meals served to Seniors at the Site
 11,167 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Delta area
 245 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Liberty Center area

FAYETTE - Opera House, 419-237-1340

Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Jill Hale, Site Manager

949 hot meals served to Seniors at the Site
 2,810 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Fayette area

SWANTON - 210 N. Main Street, 419-826-9776

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Robbie Price, Site Manager

1,740 hot meals served to Seniors at the Site
 8,932 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Swanton area
 2,699 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Lyons area
 988 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Metamora area

WAUSEON Senior Center - 240 Clinton St., 419-337-9299 and 1-800-686-9217 Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

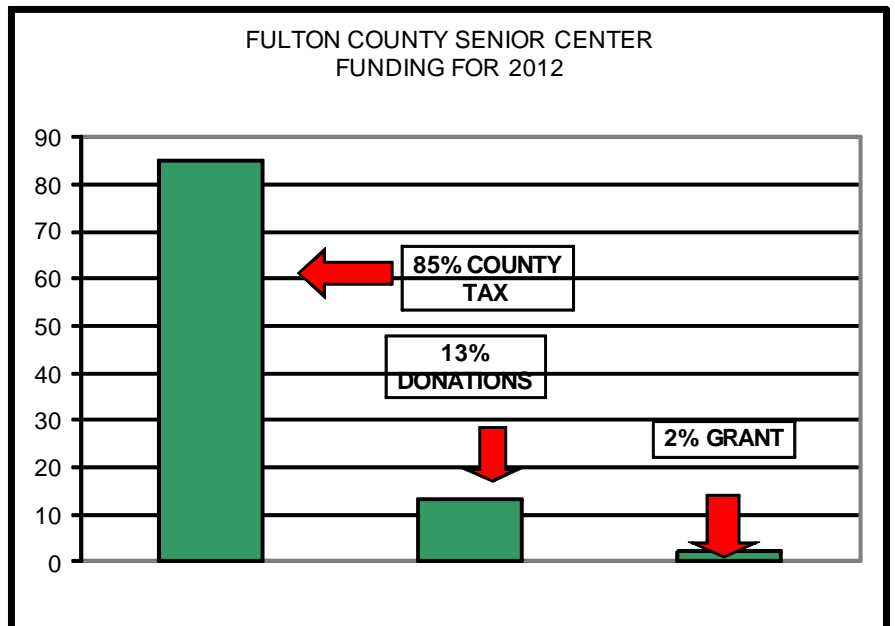
Sandra L. Griggs, Director
 Connie Sperry, Activity Director
 Kyle Wilcoxon, Head Cook/Kitchen Manager

12,177 hot meals served to Seniors at the Site
 26,567 hot meals delivered to Seniors in their homes in the Pettisville/Wauseon area

TOTAL MEALS PREPARED

57,071 Home Delivered
 20,758 Congregate

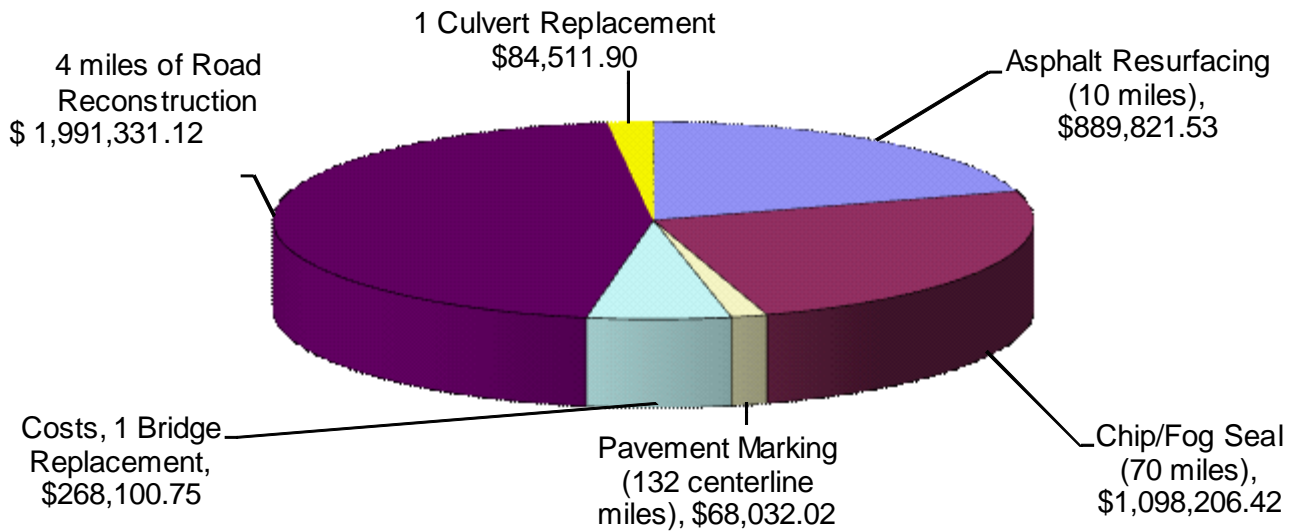
The Fulton County Senior Center Program of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, funded through levy money, donations, and Title III-B & Title III-C grant, and administered by the Ohio Department of Aging and the Area Office of Aging.





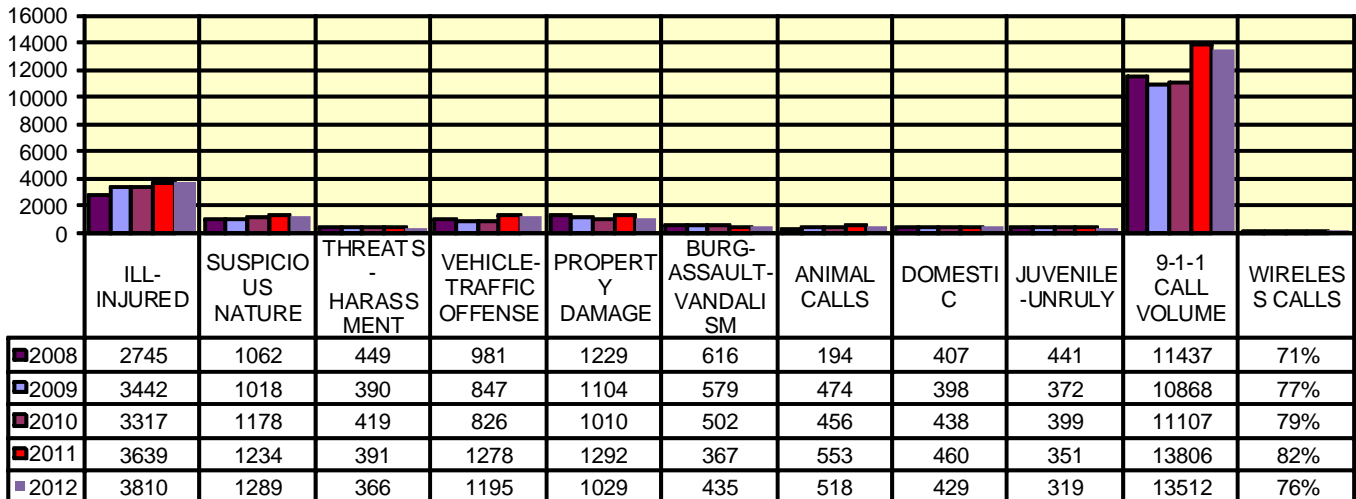
Engineer

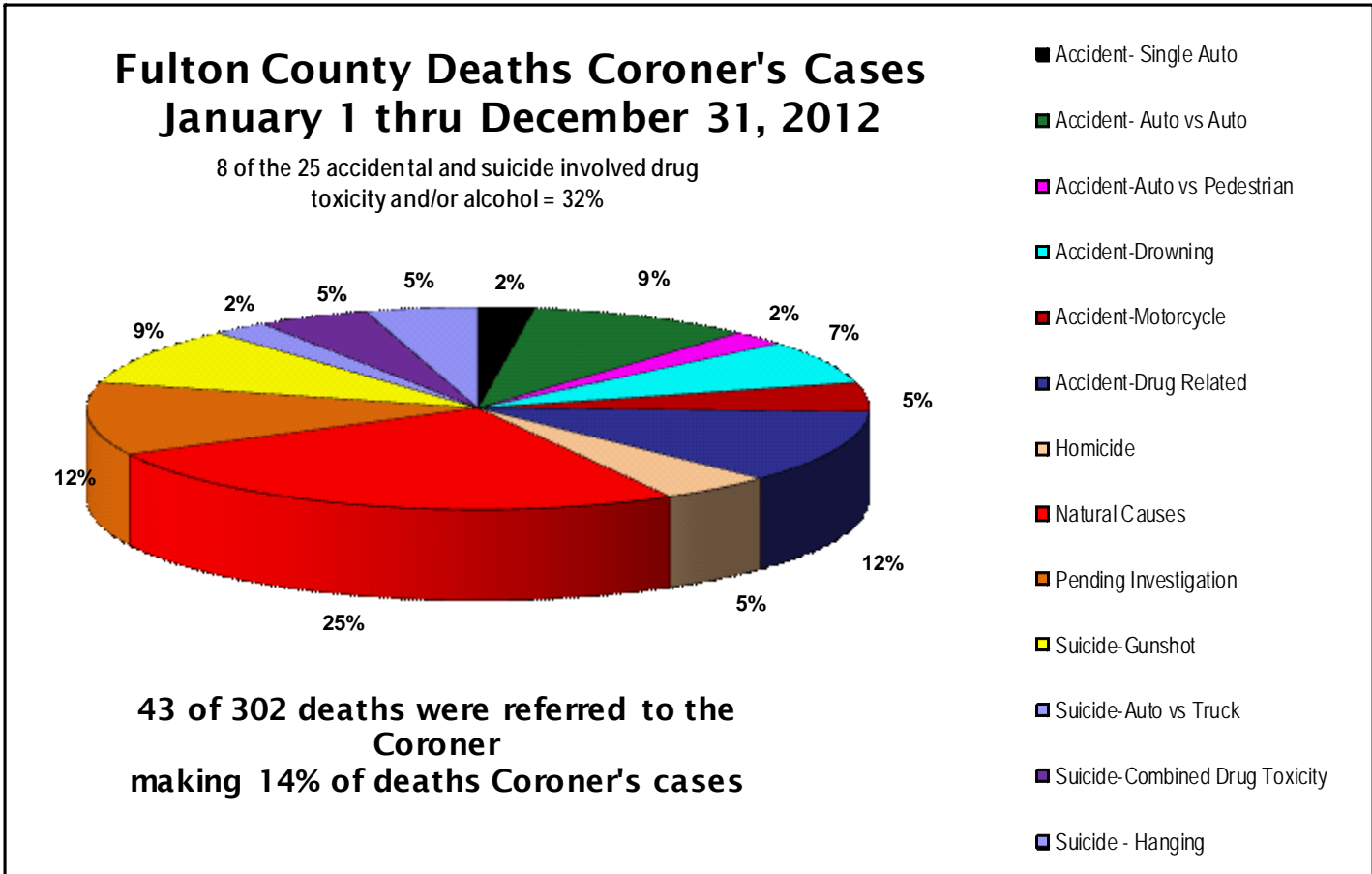
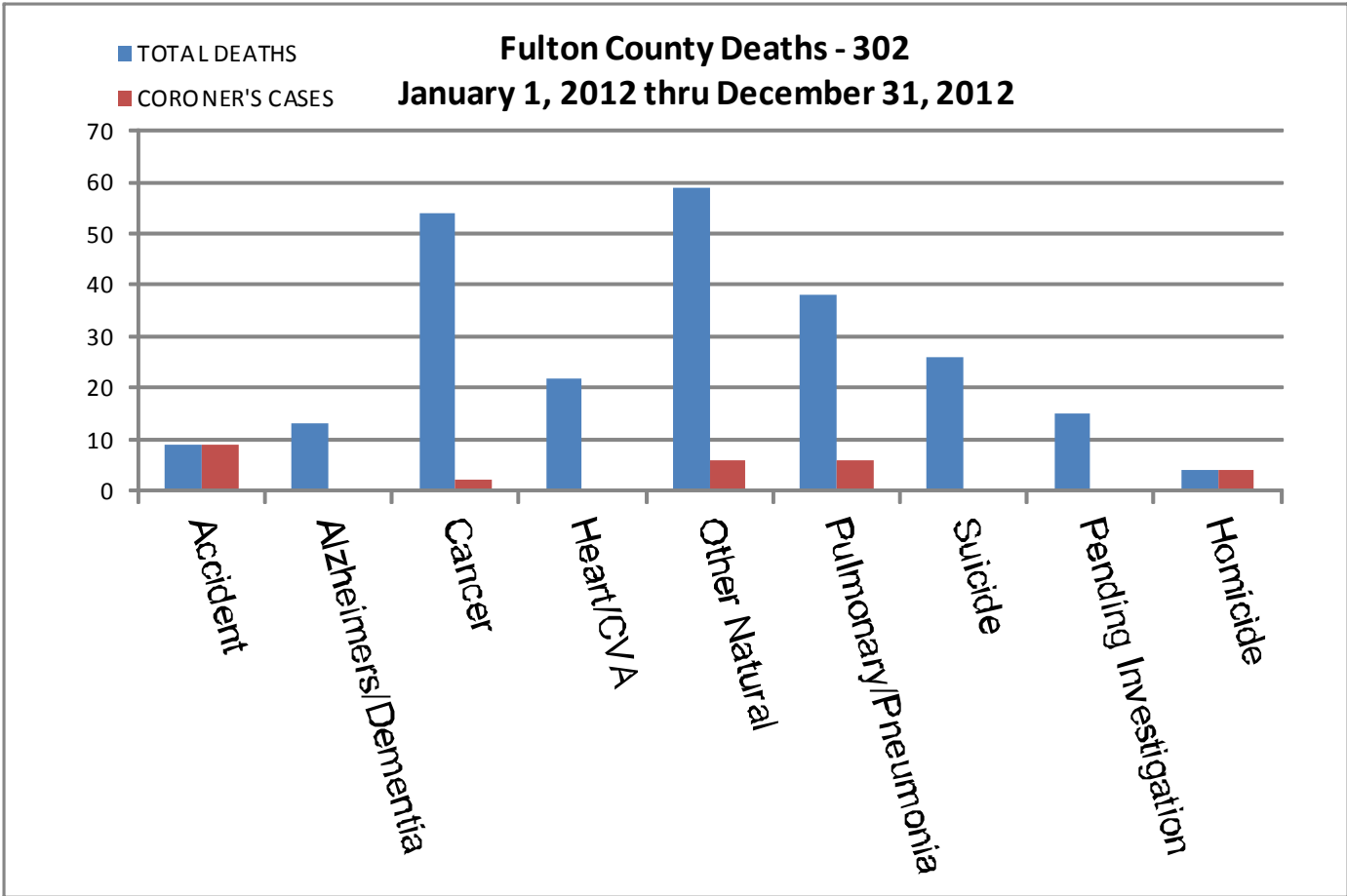
Local County funds	\$ 2,935,115.82	<u>\$ 4,400,003.74</u>
OPWC Issue 2 Grant	\$ 275,000.00	
OPWC Issue 2 Loan	\$ 125,405.00	
Other Governmental Entities	<u>\$ 1,064,482.92</u>	
	\$ 4,400,003.74	



Sheriff

2008 - 2012 Sheriff Calls

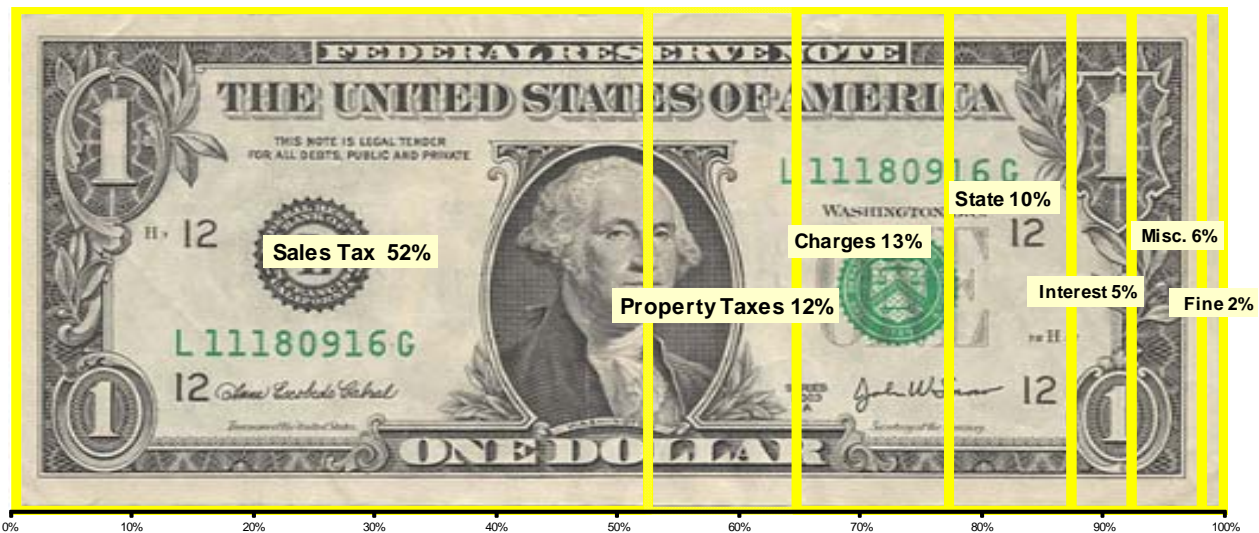






Revenues and Expenses in Detail General Fund

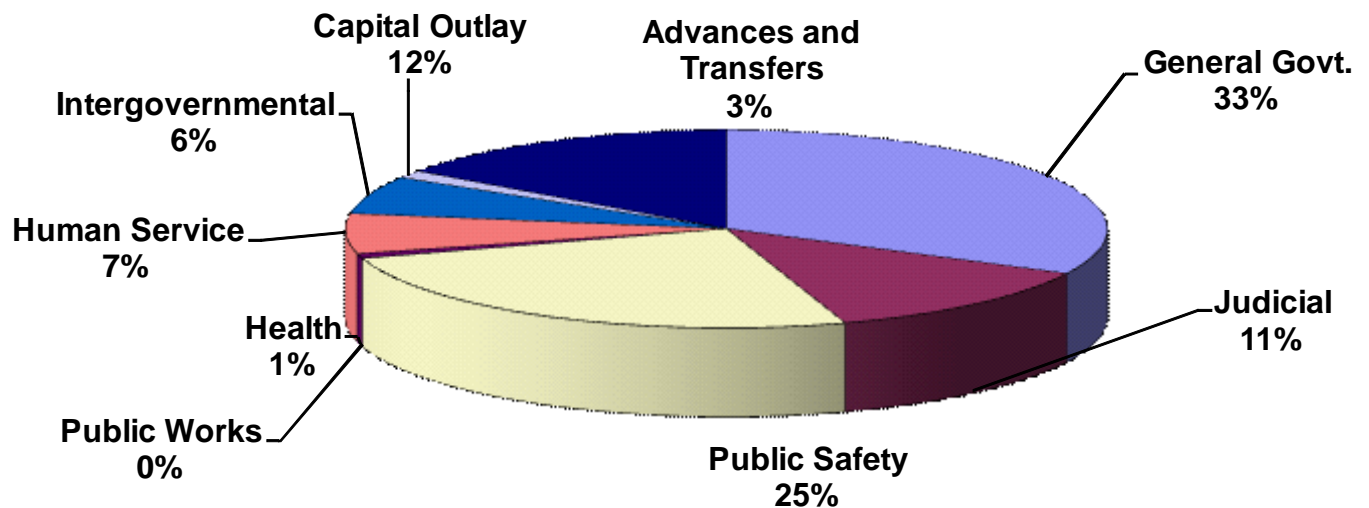
Where the Money Comes From Revenue \$12,302,979.11



Where the Money Goes

Expense \$ 11,551,345.97

Overall 2012
County Expenses
General Fund



Fulton SWCD
8770 State Route 108, Suite B
Wauseon, OH 43567
Phone: (419) 337-9217

E-mail: kbowles@fultoncountyoh.com
Website: <http://swcd.fultoncountyoh.com>

All Fulton SWCD/NRCS programs and services are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, marital or family status, or handicap.

Supervisors

Bill Shining, *Chairman*
Jake Holland, *Vice-Chairman*
Todd Studenka, *Secretary*
Curt Jones, *Treasurer*
Larry Short, *Fiscal Agent*

Staff

Kim Bowles, *District Administrator*
Dan Bruner, *Resource Mgt. Specialist*
Pete Carr, *District Technician III*
Sarah Castor, *Soil Con. Technician*
Brice Nemire, *Farm Bill Biologist*
Amanda Podach, *Education Spec.*
Kyle Snyder, *SWAT*
Mike Weaver, *District Conservationist*

*"Serving Your Conservation Needs
for Over 65 Years"*

Accomplishments for 2012

6 Erosion Control Structures
4.8 acres of Grassed Waterways
3 Waste Storage Facilities
2 Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans
7.6 acres of Filter Strips
87 acres of Permanent Wildlife Habitat
60.2 acres Oak Savanna
4.3 acres of District Windbreaks
5 acres of Hardwood Tree Plantings

1911 trees replaced for the Emerald Ash Borer devastation

6,820 seedlings sold-Tree Sale

14,071 fish sold-Annual Fish Sale

Conservation Air Tour— 200 people attended

406 School & Adult Presentations

Woodland & Wildlife Workshop

Black Swamp Educators Extravaganza

Kids' Outdoor Science Camp (formerly Conservation Camp)

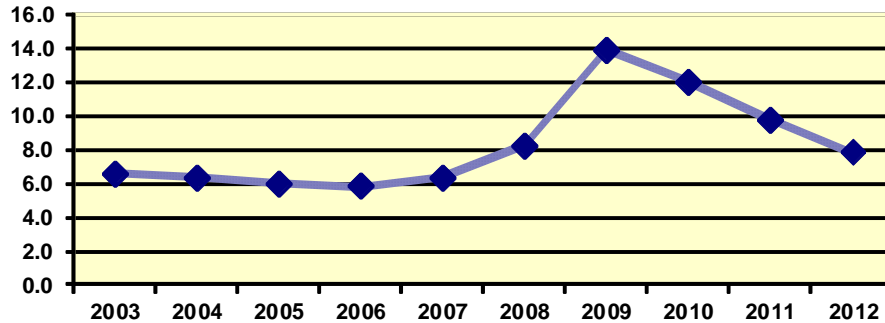
4th Grade Ag Fest —576 students

Hosted Area 1 Envirothon—365 students



Fulton County Economic Indicators

FULTON COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT HISTORY



2012 County

Unemployment by month

Jan-12	10.0%
Feb-12	10.0%
Mar-12	9.6%
Apr-12	8.0%
May-12	7.0%
Jun-12	7.1%
Jul-12	7.8%
Aug-12	6.7%
Sep-12	6.5%
Oct-12	6.2%
Nov-12	7.1%
Dec-12	7.6%

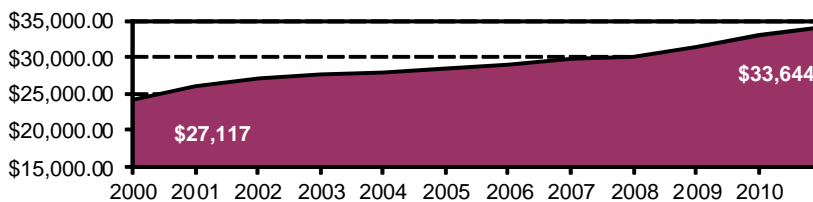
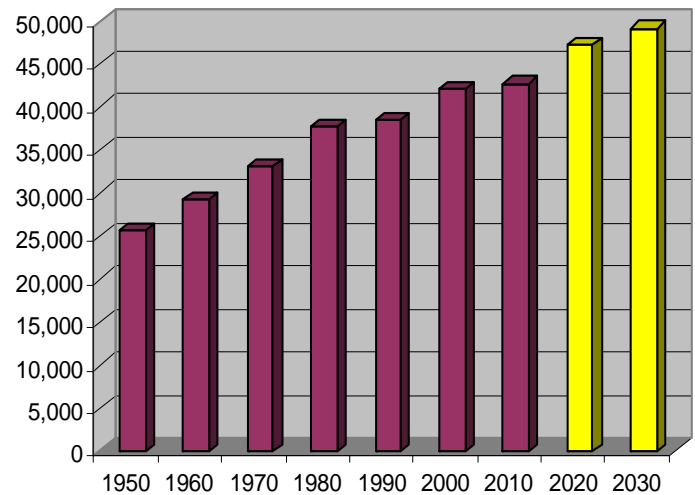
Education Number	Person over 25Yrs.	%
No high school diploma	3,298	11.7%
High school Graduate	12,276	43.4%
Some college, no degree	6,315	22.3%
Associates degree	2,156	7.6%
Bachelor's degree	2,904	10.3%
Master's degree or higher	1,316	4.7%

Agriculture

Land in farms (acres)	181,000
Number of farms	750
Average size (acres)	241
Total cash receipts	\$122,995,000
Per farm	\$163,994

Per Capita Personal Income

County Population (with projections)



Fulton County Commissioners

Wauseon, OH 43567

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Your County Government

Adult Probation	337-9236	Health Department, WIC	337-0915
Airport	335-3993	Highway Department	335-7052
Auditor	337-9200	Juvenile Probation	337-9244
Board of Disabilities	337-4575	Educational Serv Ctr	567-444-4800
Elections	335-6841	OSU Extension	337-9210
BMV	335-8808	Probate Court	337-9242
Clerk of Courts - Legal	337-9230	Prosecuting Attorney	337-9240
-Auto Title	337-9204	Recorder	337-9232
Common Pleas Court	337-9260	Regional Planning	337-9214
County Commissioners	337-9255	Sanitary Engineer	337-9263
County Court - Eastern	826-5636	Senior Center	337-9299
County Court - Western	337-9212	Sheriff's Department	335-4010
Job & Family Services	337-0010	Soil & Water	337-9217
Dog Pound	337-9219	Transfer Station	337-9250
Drivers Examination	385-6479 (Toledo)	Treasurer	337-9252
Economic Development	337-9215	United Way	337-9606
EMA/EMS	337-9207	Veterans Service Office	337-9266
Engineer	335-3816	Workforce Development	337-9215
Fairgrounds	335-6006		
GED	337-9604		
GIS	337-9605		

For E-mail addresses, refer to
www.fultoncountyoh.com
to look up by department if available