

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

A summary of the municipal operations of the Village of Obetz, Ohio for the calendar year 2020—issued April 2021



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LETTER FROM MAYOR KIRK

Angela Kirk

There are many notorious years throughout our history, and 2020 has positioned itself among them. In late 2019, the United States was struck with the COVID-19 virus. As the virus took hold in early 2020, Americans struggled to control its spread and were forced to adjust their lives in many dramatic ways to survive during the pandemic. Mostly, we were required to distance ourselves from one another leading to a year of isolation and very little physical contact. Many of the businesses, restaurants, recreation facilities, and other things we had grown used to were shut down for most of 2020.

In the face of these new challenges, the Obetz staff and elected officials had to rethink the way we had done things in the past. We worked hard to come up with new ways to hold our traditional events. Things were rescheduled or redesigned to accommodate the rules and policies associated with the pandemic. Unfortunately, we were not able to hold the annual ZucchiniFest because of the restrictions. I am happy to report that we were able to successfully hold many events in our community.

In the spring of 2020, we held a rolling car show. The Rolling Car Show allowed people to come out onto their porches or into their front yards and watch as classic and custom cars rolled by on a beautiful spring day. We also held the Paint Your Garage Door contest. It was a great success and we got to see the artistic talents of our community on full display. With a great amount of planning and cooperation, we were able to host the Hamilton Township High School Graduation in a drive through graduation ceremony. It was the first of its kind and allowed our graduating seniors to show off their accomplishments. With heavy pandemic restrictions in place, we were forced to close the Obetz Athletic Club. To continue providing that opportunity to our residents, we created the OAC Lite—an outdoor workout space on a converted basketball court that afforded the residence another three months of workout opportunity during the pandemic. Finally, as the year ended, we redesigned our Christmas celebration to create a drive through Trail of Lights that community members could view from their vehicles. We also designed a new Santa Claus Float and Santa was able to ride up and down the streets of Obetz waving to our children.

I am proud of the work of our staff, and the dedication and resilience of our community. I hope that the pandemic resolves soon and that we can return to normal. I also hope that we never face such adversity again; but, if we do, I am certain that Obetz will be just fine.



ELECTED OFFICIALS



Angela M. Kirk
Mayor



Michael Flaherty
Council Member



Derek Varney
Council Member



Guiles Richardson
Council Member



Robert Kramer
Council Member



Mike Kimbler
Council Member



Bonnie Wiley
Council Member





ADMINISTRATION

The Administration team manages all Obetz departments and reports directly to the officials elected by the residents.

Rod Davisson

- **CHALLENGES OVERCOME.** 2020 offered Obetz many challenges; and, I am pleased to report, Obetz met those challenges. The country was ravaged by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Obetz residents, officials, and employees worked relentlessly to ensure the safety and sanity of our people. While the pandemic made things tough, Obetz employees managed to continue progressing and developing the Obetz of the future.
- **BECOMING A CITY.** From its days as a stagecoach junction, to its settling in 1834, its incorporation in 1924, and its declaration of Charter in 2010, Obetz has thrived for nearly 200 years. In 2021, Obetz expects to exceed 5,000 residents and become a city under Ohio law. We will begin a new chapter in the history of Obetz.



- **PROGRESS CONTINUES.** As we look forward with weary hearts and minds resulting from the trials of the Pandemic, our hopes are high for a return to normalcy soon. But, if we could pause for a second and look back, a group of resilient employees worked hard and accomplished many things in the face of the adversity of 2020.
- As usual, I have been amazed at the rugged spirits of Obetz and proud to be associated with people that relentlessly work to improve and enrich the lives of Obetz. It is with great honor and pride that I present you with a summary of those accomplishments.

\$40,205,867

Annual Budget

\$43,030,091

Total Revenue

\$5,725,284

Revenue Increase

\$2,824,224

Budget Surplus

\$422,638

Grants Obtained

76

Employees

\$5,539,374.77

Carry Over

5,300

Population

656

Businesses

\$8,282,753

Income Tax Revenue

1,240

Training Hours

55.03

Acres Purchased

47

New Companies

\$6,049,648

Capital Investment



ENGINEERING/BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Engineering team plans, develops, designs, repairs, and maintains Obetz infrastructure and manages the Building Department.

Mike Corbitt

- **BUILDING DEPARTMENT.** We had to start the Village of Obetz Building Department from scratch after the departure of our previous “in-house” Chief Building Official.
- **COVID-19 CLOSURES.** We had to implement new processes and procedures to operate the building department during that Covid closures. With the help and flexibility of Tammy Kitchen, we were able to process and permit the most ever new house starts (with available data) in the Village of Obetz history. We were able to achieve this during lock downs, closures, and working remotely for a good portion of 2020.



• **PROJECTS MANAGED:**

1. Virtual (video conferencing) council and staff meetings
2. OAC automated occupancy sensor system
3. GIS / Cityworks implementation
4. Groveport Road / Bixby Road Improvement project
5. Fortress video board
6. Water plant upgrades

\$85 Million

Assets Managed

130

New House Starts

470K

SF of New Houses

\$33.7 Million

New house valuation

210

Total Res. Permits

1665

Res. Inspections

\$247K

Res. Permit Fees

70

Lane Miles of Roads

105

Right-of-Way Permits

2.8 Million

SF of Commercial

\$18 Million

Com. Valuation

116

Total Com. Permits

171

Com. Inspections

\$139K

Com. Permit Fees





UTILITIES

The Utility Team plans, designs, maintains, and operates Obetz' water, sewer, gas, electric and refuse utilities.

Todd Garwick

- **CITYWORKS.** In 2020, we implemented Cityworks management systems in combination with the current ArcGIS Pro database management system to enhance the maintenance and management of the Village of Obetz Utility Infrastructure. These two computer software systems will provide us vital planning tools in the coming years.

- **ASSETS.** The Utilities Department manages the following assets:



Water Main – 163,105 linear feet
 Sanitary Sewer Mains – 177, 208 linear feet
 Storm Sewer – 187,091 linear feet
 Gas Main – 53,434 linear feet
 Electric Distribution Main – Unavailable
 Billed approximately \$11,576,757 in 2020.

- The following development projects added to the utility infrastructure in 2020:
 1. Sheetz Gas Station
 2. Dilly Farms
 3. Butler Farms
- The Village of Obetz processed 105 Right-of-Way permits in 2020

2,029	176	1,963	87	102	1,796	NPDES Compl.
Water Accounts	Leak Alerts	Sewer Accounts	Gas Accounts	Electric Accounts	Refuse Accounts	Storm Sewer
271,000,000	5,879	1/1	218,589 MCF	73,400,000 kwh	111	2,628
Gallons Provided	Water Quality Tests	Sanitary Overflow	Gas Provided	Electric Supplied	New Trash Cans	OUPS Markings



FINANCE

The Finance team manages Obetz budgets, financial records, and financial policies.

Matt Cramblit

- **AWARDS.** In 2020 the Finance Department was awarded the Auditor of State Award with Distinction and the GFOA Financial Reporting Award for its 2019 financial reporting.
- **TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES.** The Finance Department spearheaded the upgrade of the mobile workforce capabilities including infrastructure improvements, mobile applications, security software, and new phones and laptops for all full-time staff.



- **BONDING.** The Village issue three new bonds, a combination of tax-exempt and taxable bonds that resulted in retiring three notes and one bond, brought in \$1,000,000 of capital outlay dollars, and saved \$68,843 in interest costs.
- **AUDITS.** Obetz was successfully audited by the Auditor of State and was allowed to negotiate a contract with an Independent Public Auditor for succeeding annual audits.

\$47,809,829

Total Revenue

\$ 43,897,788

Total Payments

1,878

Vendor Payments

2,406

Payroll Payments

53

Funds

627

Appropriation Accounts

160

Revenue Accounts

\$ 201,578

Investment Income

1,404

Requisitions

740

Purchase Orders

1,119

Receipts

53,350

UAN Transactions

3

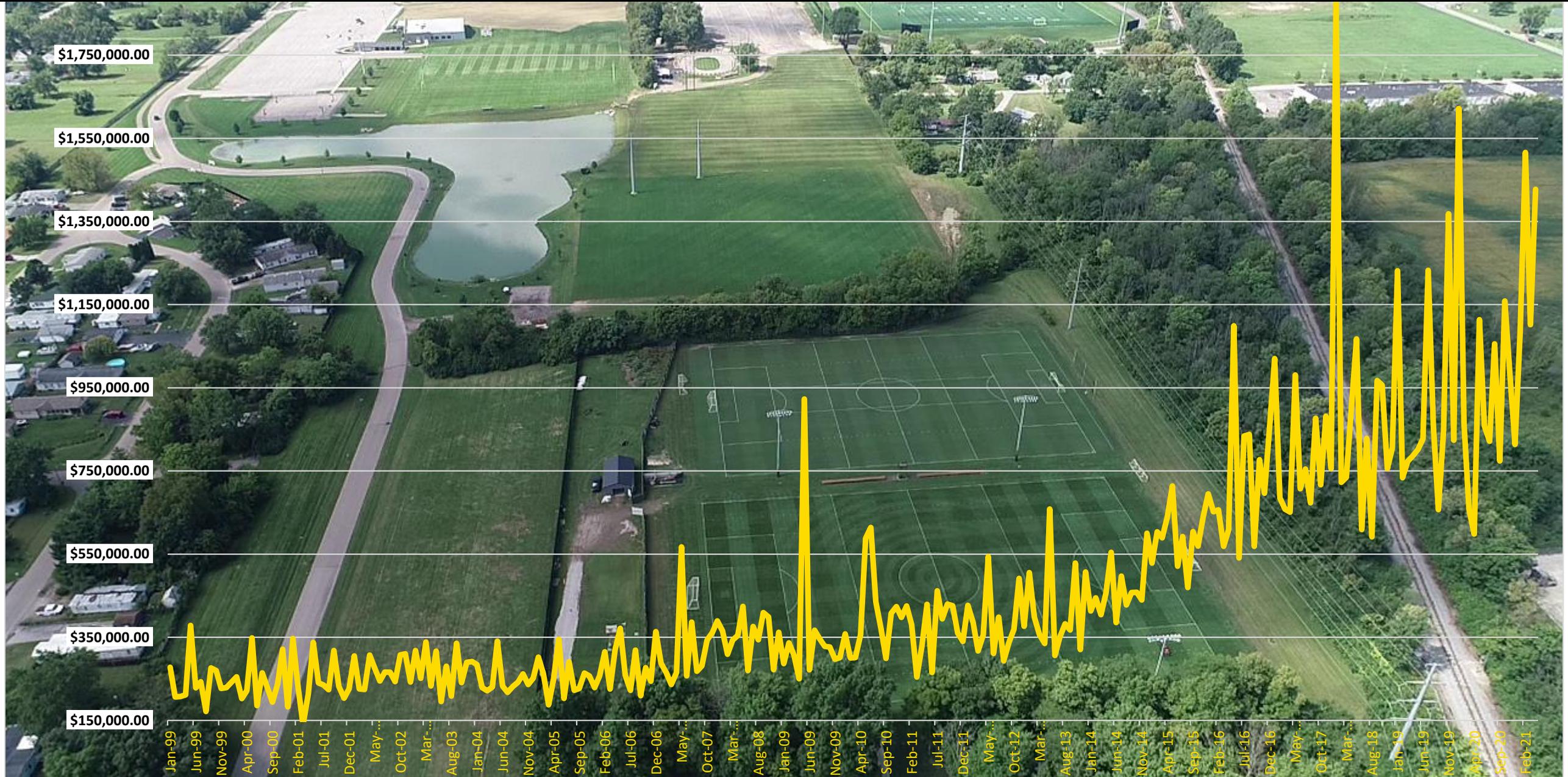
Bonds Issued

4

Debts Retired



MONTHLY INCOME TAXES 1999-PRESENT





HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resource team ensures that Obetz hires and keeps the best employees.

Derek Duncan

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** 2020 turned out to be a challenging year as our employees were given ever changing guidance from the state and local health departments on workplace restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With the help of our IT department, our employees were fitted with new laptops, cell phones, and Microsoft Teams accounts to maintain work efficiency while working from home for parts of the year.
- **TRAINING.** This also allowed us to shift more focus on our training proficiency while most operations and projects were on temporary hold. Suffice it to say, our Obetz Team made significant achievements in training hours completed, courses completed, and certificates earned.



- **NEW REVIEWS.** 2020 saw a much-anticipated revamping of our employee performance review form displaying easier to read format for grading and feedback.
- **HEALTH PROGRAMS.** Given the environment, we were still able to complete our annual biometric screening. This is a great wellness benefit for our employees to get a snapshot of their current health and be alerted to any serious changes in their health status.
- 2021 holds many new initiatives on the horizon. Some of our 2020 statistics are below.

62	11	65	52	\$215,800	3	0
Full-time Employees	Part-time Employees	Health Enrollees	Biometric Screenings	HSA Deposits	BWC Claims	Loss-time Injuries
123	761	1,240	15,880	22	44	73
Training Enrollees	Courses Completed	Hours Completed	Videos Completed	OSHA 30 Certificates	First-Aid Training	Employees Happy

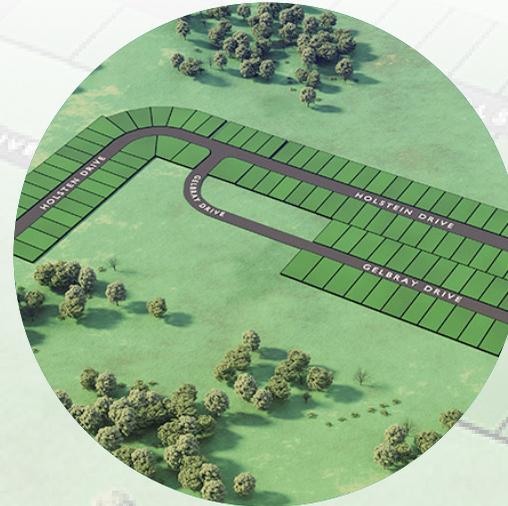


COMMUNITY SERVICES & PLANNING

The Community Services team plans events like the ZucchiniFest and manages the growth in Obetz.

Stacey Boumis

- DEVELOPMENT.** Our increasing development means a lot of planning and zoning activity. Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) review is the first step in getting any development approved. The Planning and Zoning Commission comprises of Mayor Angela Kirk, Councilman Derek Varney, Phil Hankins, Chuck Hughes, James Love, Kay Peters, and Dan Raver.
- HOUSING GROWTH.** The housing market in Obetz is robust. Butler Farms and Bixby Grove continue to expand because land is still available. All available lots in Mulberry Grove have been platted and sold. Walnut Run started selling lots in 2020 and is already planning for phase 2.



- SHEETZ.** Central Ohio was buzzing with the news that Sheetz was entering the market. The first location in central Ohio—OBETZ. In 2020, the land for the store was annexed and the Final Development Plan approved. The store is located at the corner of Toy Road/ Alum Creek Drive. Sheetz will provide needed convenience services including made to order foods for the tens of thousands of people employed in Obetz' industrial parks and travelers using the Rickenbacker Airport.
- NEW FEE SCHEDULES.** A comprehensive update of the zoning and building department fees was completed in August. Fees had not been updated since 2006.

10	238	165	10	34	94	10
P&Z Meetings	Zoning Permits	Units of Multi-Family	Development Plans	MORPC Meetings	Code Comp. Cases	Mayor's Court Cases
43	108	32	2	17	84	172
P&Z Cases	New SF Lots Platted	Acres Annexed	Rezoning	Acres Dedicated Parks	Code Cases Closed	See.Click.Fix Cases



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Economic Development team recruits new businesses and works to retain businesses already in Obetz.

Stacie Davisson

- **ZENNI USA (ZENNI OPTICAL)** expects to create 189 full-time positions, generating \$8.2 million in new annual payroll. Zenni Optical is an online retailer that sells prescription and non-prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, sports glasses, and goggles.
- **SHEETZ, INC.** is an American chain of convenience stores and coffee shops offering custom food, beverages, and convenience store items. The new 6,000 square foot facility is located at 5238 Alum Creek Drive. The Obetz location is part of the \$225 million investment Sheetz, Inc. will be making in the Central Ohio market.



- **FRESENIUS DIALYSIS CENTER** provides in-center and home dialysis services. The new center located in the Walnut Creek Development (behind the Ohio Health Emergency) is committed to helping people with chronic kidney disease and end stage renal disease.
- Despite all of the challenges of 2020, Obetz continues to prove its resilience with our upcoming future developments including Molto and Casto, as well as, the expansions of existing businesses namely Bare Escentuals and Oberfields. Moving forward into 2021, Obetz' optimism prevails for our community as we continue to grow and expand with many new and exciting developments on the horizon.

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CRA Zones

4

TIF Zones

25

Current Abatements

2

Expired Abatements

2

New Abatements

\$90,934,856

Payroll Created

78 Acres

Acquired Real Estate

32 Acres

Annexation

\$151,600

BWACIC Income

\$4,721,293

JEDZ Income

3,794 Rides

GREAT Bus Line

7

New Deals





POLICE

The Police team provides quality law enforcement with community pride, cultural respect, and a first-rate delivery of services.

Mike Confer

- **ACCREDITATION.** We were accredited by the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board, which establishes best practices for modern day policing in: Use of force, Recruitment and hiring processes, Community Engagement, Bias Free Policing, Investigation of employee misconduct, and Vehicle Pursuits. We updated most of our policy and procedures and trained our officers on the new policies.
- **CIT TRAINING.** All the Officers on our department are now Critical Incident Training (CIT) certified. This training gives officers a better grasp on how to de-escalate violent situations and teaches them how to quickly identify mentally ill individuals and gives them more resources to deal with these difficult situations.



- **USE OF FORCE SYSTEM.** We implemented a new Use of Force Reporting System. It helps us track and report uses of force that involve tazers or firearms. Uses of force are reviewed by an internal board to ensure that the department adheres to our policies and State and Federal guidelines.
- **EQUIPMENT.** We were able to equip our cruisers with STOP sticks, allowing for much safer pursuit terminations as required by our updated policies.

29,681

Calls for Service

408

Offense Reports

287

Arrests

15,129

Business Checks

28

House Checks

38

Domestic Violence

151

Theft Offences

486

Auto Accidents

32

Parking Citations

533

Traffic Citations

625

Traffic Warnings

990

Traffic Stops

500+ hours

In Service Training

108,839

Patrol Miles Driven





PARKS & RECREATION

The Parks and Rec team creates recreational opportunities for youth, families, and seniors.

Kerri Doddroe

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** Because of the Pandemic, we had three months of regular activities including: the Daddy Daughter Dance, in-person senior lunches, chair volleyball, euchre, paint classes, cake decorating classes, Stewart Hall facility rentals, and personal training.
- **REVISED EVENTS.** 2020 offered many challenges to operating Parks and Recreation facilities and programs, but the Village rose to the occasion by creating new, socially distanced events to make the year special amid nationwide shutdowns. The Village of Obetz hosted virtual messages from the Easter Bunny, Virtual Social Media Challenges, Rolling Car Show, Garage Door Decorating Contest, two Famers' Markets, Fireworks, Halloween Drive in Movie, Santa Parade, and the Trail of Lights.



- **ADJUSTMENTS.** From the start of the 2020 Ohio Shutdowns, staff learned the value of being able to adapt to new circumstances and did so with grace. Staff learned to navigate the virtual world by meeting on Teams, continuing their education through Linked In Learning online courses, conducted personal training sessions via Zoom, set up appointments via phone for food pantry pickups and senior transportation rides, etc. Their ability to adapt allowed us to continue to serve the community during a critical time. We reworked our facilities many times to comply with Pandemic related rules and laws.

12

Parks

432

Park Acres

4

Playgrounds

6

Shelter Houses

1

Archery Range

2

Bocce Ball Courts

1

Splash Pad/Ice Rink

1

Community Center

1

Athletic Club

4

Baseball Fields

2

Rental Facilities

6

Basketball Courts

11

Multi-Purpose Fields

1

Tennis court





OBETZ ATHLETIC CLUB

The OAC team provides opportunities for improving the health and well-being of Obetz.

Ben Swauger

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** The Obetz Athletic Club was able to provide a health and fitness outlet to members for five months out of the year amid Covid-19 shutdowns; and, the OAC Lite was able to provide an outlet for 3 additional months.
- **OAC LITE.** The OAC Lite was used as a solution to accommodate health and fitness needs of our members. We moved our equipment that was due to be replaced, outdoors and provided an opportunity for outdoor exercise.



- **SAFETY.** We implemented the following covid enforcement protocols to remain open: Occupancy monitors were installed at the OAC to monitor occupancy limitations, plexiglass was installed at the OAC around the front desk and contact tracing protocols were added to ensure the safety of our members.
- **UPGRADES.** While the OAC was closed to the public, we improved many aspects of the building. The walls received a fresh coat of paint, plexiglass was installed on the surrounding free weight areas to protect the walls from further damage, drywall was fixed in several areas, the floors were thoroughly cleaned, and the entire building was fogged/sanitized.

18,656

Total Check-Ins

\$21,820

Member Revenue

36

New Equipment

3 Months

OAC Lite

339

Memberships

57 Players

Golf League

38 Members

Silver Sneakers

2

Golf Simulators

1

Multipurpose Room

5 Months

OAC Open

5

Occupancy Monitors

34

Cardio Machines

21

Replaced Equipment

36

Weight Machines



OBETZ COMMUNITY CENTER

The OCC team provides community support and services, and manages gathering places for recreation, learning, and celebrations.

Mel Ross

- **NEW CLASSES.** At the beginning of 2020 we introduced two new popular classes, Cake Decorating and Barn Quilt Painting, in addition to our previously offered Card Craft and Canvas Painting classes and Euchre nights.
- **CRITICAL SERVICES.** Senior transportation and food delivery to those in need were among the many services that we continued to supply for our community members and fortunately, we were able to sustain those services, albeit with adjustments, as we navigated through the last 9 months of the year and the unforeseen Covid-19 pandemic.



- **SUCCESS.** Once the pandemic forced a shutdown of our facilities and by extension, the activities that took place in them, we were forced to rise to the occasion and make important changes in our operations methods and the services we provide. We were able to continue to supply our seniors with much needed transportation to medical appointments, grocery pickups, and basic errands. In spite of the challenges that we faced, we were lucky to continue to foster and build strong relationships with our residents.
- **DELIVERY SHIFT.** We focused on delivering food to our most vulnerable seniors who are homebound. We carried on with our food pantry with curbside appointment only and received multiple large donations from local businesses and community members.

256

Senior lunches

560

Lunch Deliveries

101

Senior Rides

5

Senior Outings

21

Craft Class

153

Food Pantry Visits

40

Holiday Food Pantry

42

Stewart Hall Rentals

1343

Transportation Miles

10

Euchre Nights

2

Card Craft Classes

1 Class

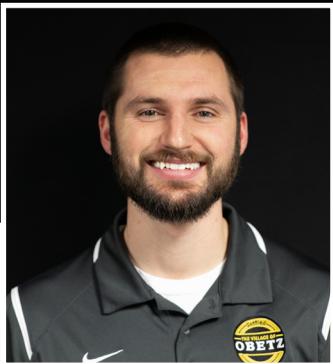
Cake Decorating

2 Classes

Barn Quilting

4

Rental / Activity



YOUTH SPORTS

The Youth Sports team creates a fun and welcoming atmosphere where kids can learn the game, work as a team, and have fun.

Jacob Gifford

- **FOOTBALL.** Our fall football season consisted of a tackle football and cheer program and a flag football program. We partnered with Bally Sports to offer a full-contact alternative. This instructional program was for grades K-2 serving as an introduction to the game. They met weekly in the Fortress where they would spend the first half of the day working on techniques and fundamentals, and then finish each day with competition.
- **PARTICIPATION.** Our turnout for the tackle football and cheer season was not greatly impacted by COVID. In fact, we had about a dozen more kids in 2020 than we did in 2019. Our season kicked off in July with our annual combine. Our cheerleaders started their season with a cheer camp ran by the Hamilton Township Varsity Cheer coaches.



- **LEAGUE CHANGE.** In 2020, we made the decision to switch Obetz from the Mini OCC to the Youth Mid State League. Unfortunately, the move to our new league was pushed back to 2021 due to the cancellation of the Youth MSL season. All things considered, our final season with the Mini OCC went well. You will find some highlights below for Obetz youth sports in 2020.

150

Total Participants

29 kids

5th/6th Grade Football

21 kids

3rd/4th Grade Football

20 kids

K/2nd Grade Football

20 Games

Fortress Games

7,000

Broadcast Views

4 Month Season

0 Reported Covid Cases

18 kids

Flag Program

22 kids

5th/6th Grade Cheer

18 kids

3rd/4th Grade Cheer

22 kids

K/2nd Grade Cheer

YouTube

Livestreamed Games

3,000 Miles

Viewer Distance

Washington

To Florida



FORTRESS OBETZ & MEMORIAL PARK

A community owned Sports and Entertainment Complex – Built to entertain, encourage dreams and development.

Steve Adams

- **FORTRESS OBETZ** and Memorial Park will host events, on average, 40 of the 52 total weeks each year. The size and versatility of the facility can accommodate multiple, unrelated events simultaneously.
- The Pandemic created challenges for other facilities in and around Central Ohio and presented new opportunities for us. We hosted many first-time events in 2020, that quickly become new annual events here due to the amazing experiences had by the staff, spectators, and participants.
- These new relationships combined with our existing partnerships will make 2021 and beyond even stronger and provide more opportunities for individuals and organizations to discover Obetz.



• **NEW RELATIONSHIPS IN 2020:**

1. Under Armour All-America Middle School and High School Combine and Camp
2. OHSAA State of Ohio Jr High and High School Cross Country State Championships
3. OHSAA State of Ohio High School Post-Season Tournament Games
4. National Fallen Firefighters 9/11 Tribute Stair Climb
5. Community Cup – Presented by the Columbus Foundation

1100	6500	4586	64	31	140,000 sq ft	12
Paved Parking Spots	Marked Seating	Seating with Backs	Women's Restrooms	Men's Restrooms	Synthetic Turf Field	Grass Fields
1850	3	6	5	3	4	2
Gravel Parking	Locker Rooms	Broadcast Cameras	Video Boards	Sound Systems	Concessions	Concert Stages



NEWS & ENGAGEMENT

The Engagement team keeps our community informed and up to date on everything Obetz.

Jacob Gifford

- **GOAL.** Our goal is to create effective channels for our community to learn and stay informed about everything Obetz has to offer.
- **ENGAGEMENT.** Audience engagement is a big factor in everything we do. We want to make sure not only are we creating effective ways for people to stay up to date, but also keeping our community engaged and interested in everything we have to offer. We accomplish this by interacting with our audience, providing unique and interesting events, answering questions, sharing precise and accurate information, and by always being available to our audience. This helps create and maintain a positive public image for our Village.



- **MEDIA.** We share our own original content such as pictures and videos, but also through sharing other people's pictures, videos, posts, and experiences as well.
- **PLATFORMS.** We maximize outreach through many modern and traditional platforms including nine social media platforms, 3 websites, monthly e-newsletters, monthly water bill messages, hardcopy flyers, and digital graphics.
- Look below to find the summary of our public outreach to our community in 2020.

9 Accounts

Social Media

630 Total Posts

Facebook/Twitter/IG

10.5k Followers

Facebook

3k Followers

Twitter & Instagram

3 Websites

150,000 Web Visits

7,000 Views

Livestreamed Games

1,800 / month

Water Bill Messages

14,000

Total Followers

1,000,000 +

Impressions

334 Posts

813,000 Impressions

300 Tweets/IG's

190,000 Impressions

500k Views

COVID Notification

60k Views

Snowplow Bar

950 People

Monthly e-newsletter



COUNCIL CLERK

The Clerk organizes Council meetings and keeps all the public records.

Stacey Boumis

- **COUNCIL CONTINUES.** Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 6:00 PM. All meetings are in Council Chambers located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive. Council meetings were a challenge in 2020. Everyone had to adjust to having meetings virtually to stay safe during the Pandemic.
- **CHARTER REVIEW.** In 2020, a Charter Review Commission was formed. This group met multiple times during 2020 to review and recommend changes to the Obetz Charter. The Clerk's Office was the secretary for the Charter Review Commission.



THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

1. Preparing Council agendas
2. Preparing Council ordinances in consultation with the Solicitor
3. Processing all ordinances once adopted
4. Preparing meeting minutes
5. Maintaining the current Codified Ordinances and updating them yearly
6. Assisting with legal notifications
7. Preparing proclamations and certificates of Managing public records requests

22

Regular Meetings

123

Filler Text

4 Meetings

Virtual Council

6

Public Hearings

4

Charter Commission Meetings

64

Ordinances Passed

67 Pages

Records Provided

2

Special Meetings

284 Pages

Records Indexed

2

New Council Members

39

Council Meeting Hrs.

1000+ Pages

Codified Ordinances

1

Staff Member

5

Record Requests





GROUNDS

The Grounds team designs, develops, maintains, and manages Obetz' grounds and landscape assets.

Jess Griffith

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** The pandemic delayed or interrupted many services—maintenance of grounds was not one of them. We worked during the pandemic to keep a professional image throughout the community.
- **SERVICES.** We provide many services for the village including mowing, pruning, weed control, vegetation control, lawn care, mulching, tree care, snow removal, landscape installation, core aeration, turf repair, irrigation, seeding, holiday installation and removal, tree management, and mosquito control.



- **EFFICIENCY.** We are constantly challenging ourselves to provide a more efficient and professional service to the community. A good example of this is we have been able, through pre and postproduction meetings, to reduce the man hours to put up the large Christmas tree by 100 hours. Our first meeting for holiday decorations is typically in June.
- **TECHNOLOGY.** We use satellite imagery to map and manage the more than 300 acres of ground owned by Obetz.
- **GOALS.** We have many goals and projects on our to do list, but one of the big ones is to get the 270 cloverleaves in much better shape—a project we have begun.

15,800 Pounds

Fertilizer

3,000 Gallons

Weed Control

12,800 Pounds

Brush Removal

3,260

Flowers Planted

6,000 Acres

Mowed

800 Hours

Trash Pick Up

200+ Acres

Maintained

85

New Certifications

10k Dollars

Saved in repairs

OSHA

Certifications

2 Commercial

Applicator License

2,500 Pounds

Leaf Pick Up



FACILITIES

The Facilities team maintains Obetz' buildings and physical assets.

Tim Ross

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** The Facilities Department was able to maintain the Village owned assets during the pandemic by being laser focused, creating a work schedule that fostered teamwork while distancing and wearing face masks. We restructured our scheduled work time to ensure minimal exposure to one another while keeping the facilities safe for everyone that entered them.
- **TEAMWORK.** We were able to assist other Village departments in providing some sense of normalcy to our residents and local community. We helped in the construction and setup of two amazing Village sponsored events. The Hamilton Township graduation and the Obetz Trail of Lights.



- **THE HAMILTON GRADUATION** ceremony was achieved as the product of a partnership between Hamilton, Obetz, and Franklin County. We were proud to be an integral part of constructing an organizing the event to ensure the safety of its participants.
- **THE TRAIL OF LIGHTS** was our adapted version of the Christmas Kickoff but allowed for residents to safely spread holiday cheer rather than the virus.
- The following is a summary of services, repairs and accomplishments obtained in 2020.

5	4	54	40	38	12	31
Paint Projects	OSHA 30 Certificates	Certificates	HVAC Units	Iwaves-C's Installed	Lights Replaced	Buildings/Structures
9	200,000 sq ft	9	113	300	11	3
Flags Flown	Buildings Cleaned	Vehicles Maintained	Fire Extinguishers	Door Locks	Backflows Inspected	Security Systems



SERVICE DEPARTMENT

The Service Department maintains the streets, rights of way, streetlights, and cleanliness of Obetz.

Kyle Inglad

- **CHURCH LIGHTS.** We took on the task of adding semi- permanent, holiday lighting to the historic church. This job took over 600 feet of lights and required the group of people to hang them at heights over 50 feet in the air.
- **MAINTENANCE.** 2020 the Service Department not only worked extremely hard removing litter to keep our village beautiful, but our employees were also persistent ensuring that the streetlights remained in service.
- The amount of hard work and willingness to do whatever it takes amazes me daily. I am extremely proud of what our team accomplishes under tight deadlines and in the face of unique challenges.



- We will continue to grow as a department and adapt to any situation that may arise. This department is excited to see what 2021 has in store.

92 Tons

Salt Spread

737

Gallons of Brine

25.29 Tons

Street Sweepings

2500 Hours

Litter Pickup

400+ Hours

Snow Removal

26 Street lights

Repaired

10 Street poles

Replaced

5 OSHA 30

Certificates

50 E-Learning

Certificates

38 Street signs

Replaced

5 Storm Water

Certificates

1500 Feet

Christmas Lights

120 Ton

Cold Patch

97

Potholes Filled





RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

The R&D Team works on special projects and develops cost saving production techniques.

Bill Baker

- **COVID OPERATIONS.** This year we developed and installed various safety measures related to the pandemic. We designed and manufactured door pulls, barriers, and made many modifications to existing buildings to accommodate the COVID rules.
- **CHRISTMAS TRAIL OF LIGHTS.** We designed, built, and installed more than two dozen custom light displays to create a pandemic-proof Christmas celebration. We constructed the displays in rebar that we custom bent and welded before attaching the lights. We also integrated computer control units to the displays to allow for lighting effects. In addition to the lights, we made a Santa float to visit the children throughout the village.



- **HAMILTON GRADUATION.** We constructed a custom stage and barrier system that allowed for a “drive-through” graduation for the Rangers.
- **OAC LITE.** We were able quickly design and build the OAC Lite—an outdoor workout space converted from the existing basketball courts.
- **EXPANDED CAPABILITIES.** We expanded our internal production capabilities this year integrating a new pipe bending machine and several smaller tools. We are currently studying 3D printing and CNC milling machines for future use.

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Christmas Displays

1,200 Feet

Feet of Rebar Used

1.5 Miles

Christmas Lights

400 Feet

Steel Tubing

230 Feet

Light Tunnel

1,120 S.F.

COVID Barriers

400 Gallons

OAC Lite Floor

96 Hours

Training

225 Hours

Equipment Operation

60 Hours

OSHA Training

120 Hours

Welding Time

24 Hours

Facility Training

2

Dept. Employees

1

Launcher Prototype

