

Franklin County
Government

2005/2006 Resource Guide

welcome

Franklin County, Ohio is a great place to live and work.

The Board of Commissioners is dedicated to preserving that high quality of life through programs and services offered to our community. The *Franklin County Government Resource Guide* is a helpful way to identify resources needed by your family, neighborhood, or business.

We are pleased to make available the 2005/2006 edition of this directory. Whether you would like information about finding a job, registering to vote, or adopting a dog, you will find this guide to be a helpful resource. When you need to contact a county agency or elected official, search for programs and services, or learn more about Franklin County government, let this be your first stop.

The index provides a telephone number, page number, and map listing for all county programs and services. The rest of the guide is separated into four sections:



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- Elected Officials--location and contact information and a summary of services provided by each elected official's office.



Dewey R. Stokes

- County Agencies--all agencies, boards and commissions affiliated with Franklin County government.

- Just Moved to Franklin County?--for new residents who need to register to vote, contact their school district, note their local fire or police department phone number, register a vehicle, or make other inquiries.



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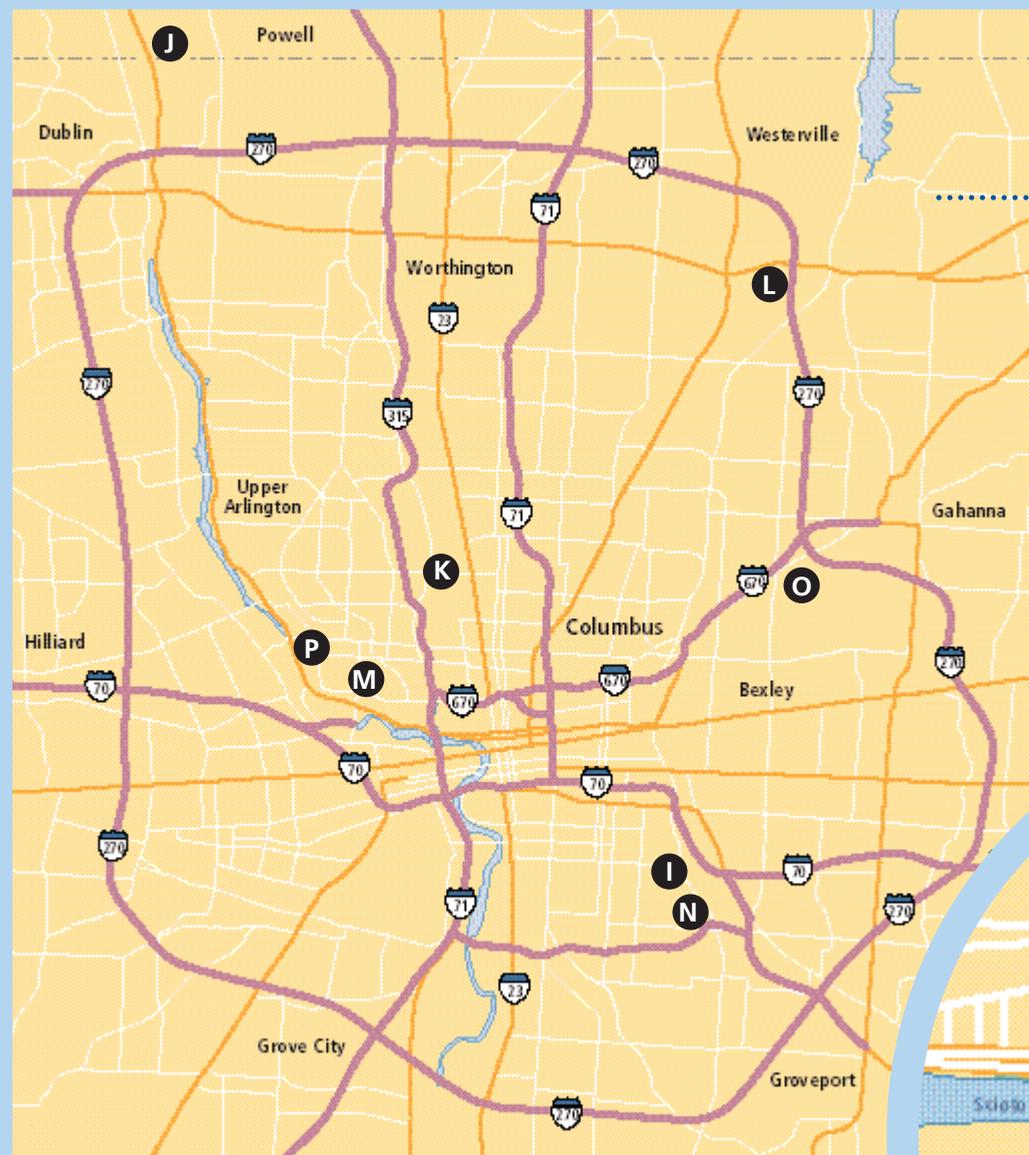
- Answers to Frequently Asked Questions--such as community employment training through MR/DD, county surplus property sales, how to get a building permit, or how to apply for a job with Franklin County.

We are confident the 2005/2006 *Franklin County Government Resource Guide* will be a valuable tool as you explore all that your county government has to offer. For the most up-to-date information on Franklin County, visit our Web site at:
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov

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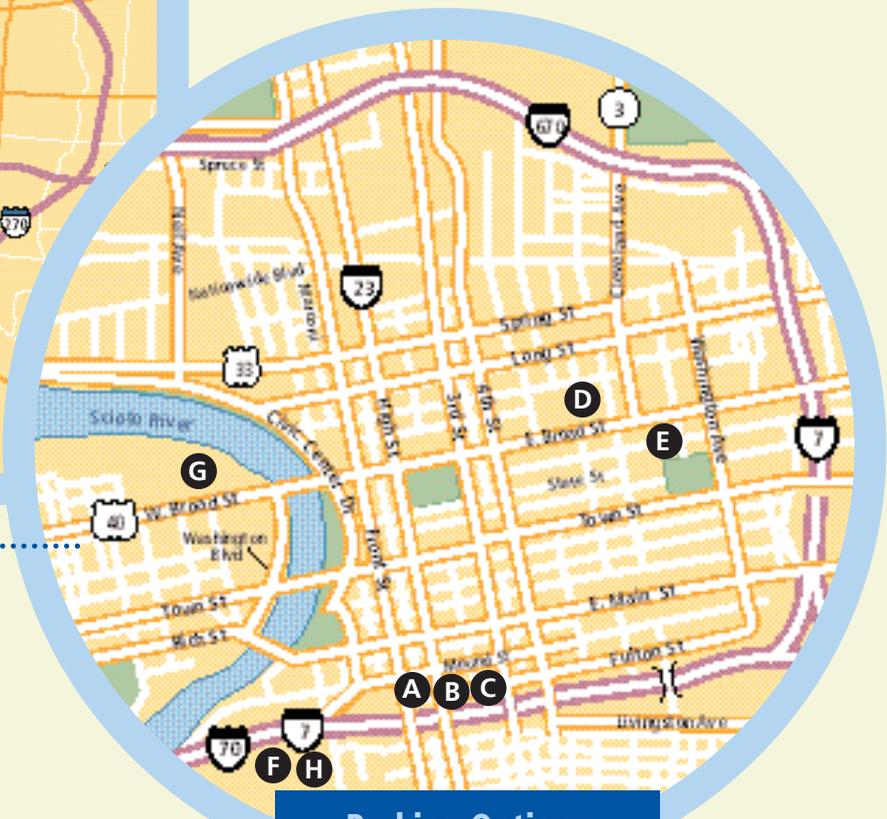
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Agency Locator Maps



Metro Map Locator Key

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- J** Columbus Zoo & Aquarium, 9990 Riverside Dr.
- K** Coroner, 520 King Ave.
- L** Emergency Management & Homeland Security, 5300 Strawberry Farms Blvd.
- M** Engineer, 970 Dublin Rd.
- N** Fleet Management, 1721 Alum Creek Dr.
- O** MR/DD Board, 2879 Johnstown Rd.
- P** Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District, 1328 Dublin Rd.



Downtown Map Locator Key

- A Courthouse Building**
373 South High Street:
Auditor, 21st fl.
Board of Commissioners, 26th fl.
Clerk of Courts, 23rd fl.
Community and Economic Development, 25th fl.
Court of Appeals, 24th fl.
Domestic Relations/Juvenile Court, flrs. 3-6
Human Resources, 25th fl.
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Probate Court, 22nd fl.
Prosecutor, 14th fl.
Public Defender, 12th fl.
Public Facilities Management, Lobby Level
Purchasing, 15th fl.
Recorder, 18th fl.
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- B Hall of Justice**
369 South High Street:
Common Pleas Court, flrs. 4-9
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- C 80 East Fulton Street:**
Child Support Enforcement Agency
Job & Family Services
- D Memorial Hall**
280 East Broad Street:
Board of Elections, 1st fl.
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Development, 2nd fl.
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Sanitary Engineers, 2nd fl.
Other Offices:
- E** ADAMH, 447 E. Broad St.
- F** Columbus Clippers, Cooper Stadium 1155 W. Mound St.
- G** Veterans Memorial, 300 W. Broad St.
- G** Veterans Service Commission, 250 W. Broad St.
- H** Children Services, 855 W. Mound St.

Parking Options

Parking for the Courthouse Building, Hall of Justice and 80 East Fulton Street offices is accessible by:

- The Fulton St. Garage off E. Fulton, west of 3rd St.
- The Front St. Garage off Front St., north of Fulton St.
- Metered parking on Fulton and Front Streets (one-hour limit).

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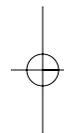
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Community & Economic Development
Development
Emergency Management & Homeland Security
Fleet Management
Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District
Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs
Human Resources
Job & Family Services
Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MR/DD)
Public Defender
Public Facilities Management
Purchasing
Sanitary Engineers
Veterans Memorial Auditorium & Exhibition Hall
Veterans Service Commission

Frequently Asked Questions



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Frequently Asked Questions

Does ADAMH provide services to people who can't afford to pay?

ADAMH-funded services are offered on a sliding-fee scale, making them affordable for any county resident, regardless of income. For more information call ADAMH at 224-1057.

How do I adopt a child in Franklin County?

Many adoptive families are needed in Franklin County. Prospective parents can call 341-6060 for more information or to get started in the process. The requirements to adopt are simple. Families can be single, married, widowed or divorced. Prospective parents should be at least 18 years of age, live in Franklin County and be self-supporting.

How do I adopt a dog from the Franklin County Dog Shelter?

Prospective adopters can view dogs or puppies that are available for adoption by visiting the Dog Shelter during open hours or logging onto the Shelter's Web site at FranklinCountyDogs.com. After approval is granted for the adoption, the dog receives all of the necessary vaccinations, a dog license, a leash, a matching collar and other goodies. Instructions are given for proper care and medical follow-up by a veterinary technician. Call the shelter at 462-4360 for more information.

How do I obtain an annexation application?

Annexation applications are available on the Development Department Web site, FranklinCountyOhio.gov/development or by calling 462-3094.

How do I apply for a job with Franklin County?

Persons interested in posted employment opportunities in the Board of Commissioners' organization can apply by sending an application, which may include a resume. Applications are available on the commissioners' Web site at

FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners or can be obtained by visiting the Human Resources Department at 373 S. High St., 25th floor. (The Human Resources Department accepts applications only for the Board of Commissioners and its agencies).

How do I obtain assistance finding a job?

JobSight is Franklin County's comprehensive one-stop for employment services. The Career Resource Room is ADA equipped with job listings, computerized job matching, labor market information and access to the Internet, fax machines and copiers. Also available are free workshops on job search assistance, resume writing, interviewing, career exploration and how to start your own business. Resource rooms and limited services can be accessed at our other four Community Opportunity Centers. For more information, visit our Web site at www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/jafs.

How do I find information about auto titles?

The Clerk of Courts' Web site, franklincountyclerk.com has a list of addresses, maps, required forms and frequently asked questions for both the Auto Title and Legal Divisions.

How do I become a foster parent in Franklin County?

Foster parents provide a vital service to children in this community and to Children Services. Interested families can call 341-6060 for more information or to get started in the process. Prospective foster parents should be at least 21 years of age, live in Franklin County and be self-supporting. Families can be single, married, widowed or divorced.

How do I participate in Franklin County's budget process?

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners approves the county's annual budget each fall. Prior to the budget's approval, the commissioners hold a series of budget hearings to encourage residents to provide input as the commissioners consider budgetary priorities. For more information about the annual budget hearings or Franklin County's budget, visit FranklinCountyOhio.gov/budget.

How do I receive a building permit?

Call 462-3166 or visit the Development Department Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/development.



Frequently Asked Questions

Does the Franklin County Dog Shelter accept cats or other animals?

The Franklin County Dog Shelter is a dog only facility. However, the Shelter will accept a cat or a wild animal if it has been involved in a bite to a human and needs to be tested for rabies. Call the shelter at 462-4360 for more information.

What is the difference between the Franklin County Clerk of Courts of Common Pleas and the Franklin County Municipal Clerk?

The Franklin County Clerk of Courts of Common Pleas processes and maintains records for civil cases over \$15,000 and criminal felony cases, and also maintains records for the Franklin County Domestic and Juvenile Courts, and the 10th District Court of Appeals. The Franklin County Municipal Clerk processes records for criminal misdemeanor cases, traffic fines and civil actions under \$15,000.

Where can I get information about the Columbus Clippers?

Check out the Clippers Web site at clippersbaseball.com or call the Clippers Office at 462-5250 for information about game schedules, current roster and purchasing tickets. You may also purchase tickets at the ticket windows (open one hour prior to game time).

Where can I get information about Columbus Zoo & Aquarium?

Check out the Columbus Zoo & Aquarium Web site at columbuszoo.org or call 645-3550. You can also purchase a membership on zoo grounds at the membership window or by calling 724-3489.

How do I file a complaint about a county driver?

Call the Fleet Management Department at 462-3412 or visit FranklinCountyOhio.gov, click on "Fleet Management" and fill out a County Driver Issue/Feedback Form.

How do I schedule a meeting to discuss conservation opportunities on my property?

Call the Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District Office at 486-9613 and you will be directed to the correct person. FSWCD provides assistance in the areas of drainage, erosion control, stream bank stabilization, conservation easements, and soil suitability.

How do I get information about the county surplus property sale?

You can check out online auction items at govdeals.com. You can also call the surplus inventory coordinator at 462-7258 or visit our Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov and click on "Public Facilities Management."

How do I obtain a copy of the county's financial report?

The complete financial report (CAFR) and highlights of that report (PAFR) are available at franklincountyauditor.com. To obtain a bound copy or a CD, submit your written request to: Franklin County Auditor, Fiscal Services Division, 373 S. High St., 21st Floor Columbus, OH 43215.

Where can I find more information about criminal justice grants?

You can obtain information regarding criminal justice grant opportunities by calling the Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs at 462-5577, the state Office of Criminal Justice Services or the state Department of Youth Services. Additional information may be downloaded from each of the agency Web sites.

How do I purchase a dog license?

Dog licenses can be purchased in person at the Franklin County Dog Shelter (1731 Alum Creek Dr.) or the Franklin County Auditor's Office (373 S. High St., 21st Floor). You can also apply online at franklincountyauditor.com or receive a paper application by calling the Consumer Services Division at 462-3260. You must provide proof of a current rabies vaccination before you are able to purchase a dog license for any dog or puppy three months of age or older.

How do I find out my Domestic/Juvenile Court date?

Call 462-4426 or 462-5360.

Where can I get literature on emergency preparedness?

For more information, call the Emergency Management Agency at 794-0213 or visit their Web site at ema.fc.com.

How do I obtain community employment training through MR/DD?

For information about community employment, call ARC Industries, Inc. at 475-6440, ext. 215 and ask to speak to the Employment Services Department.



Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I learn more about environmental education?

The Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District Environmental Education Team offers presentations for classes, youth groups and service organizations. Workshops are available for educators. They also provide resources and activities on specific environmental topics and lend educational kits concerning soil, trees, water and water quality. For more information call the Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District Office at 486-9613.

What is the easiest way to establish paternity for my child?

If you are currently pregnant and facing an out-of-wedlock birth, you can contact the social worker at your prospective hospital for more information concerning in-hospital, paternity establishment (post delivery) through completion of the Acknowledgment of Paternity Affidavit. This is the quickest method available for paternity establishment. However, in order to go this route, the baby's father must be willing to cooperate and must sign the affidavit.

How do I establish paternity through the Child Support Enforcement Agency?

If you are receiving Ohio Works First (OWF) benefits, the Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services will automatically refer your case to the CSEA for paternity establishment. If you are not receiving OWF benefits and are interested in pursuing paternity establishment and receiving follow-up child support services, you can request that an enrollment packet be mailed to you by calling the agency at 462-3275.

How do I obtain estate tax forms?

Phone the Estate Tax Division at 462-3235 and forms will be mailed to you. You may download documents from the Auditor's Web site at franklincountyauditor.com.

How can I find out more about family assessment?

Call 462-4460 or go to fccourts.org/DRJ/brochures.html

Where do I get a flu shot?

The Franklin County Board of Health typically provides flu shots throughout the community during October and November of each year. For more information, call the Board of Health at 462-3160 or visit our Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov and click on "Board of Health."

How do I apply for food stamps?

The Department of Job & Family Services takes food stamp applications in person at all five of our Community Opportunity Centers. Food stamp eligibility is based on monthly gross income, family size and living expenses. For more information, visit our Web site at www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/jafs or call us at 462-4000.

What does the Franklin County Board of Commissioners do?

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners serves as the administrative head of Franklin County government. Together, the three-member board manages nearly \$1.25 billion in county funds, more than 130 county-owned buildings and serves as the county's sole contracting and taxing authority. For more information on the commissioners, call 462-3322 or visit FranklinCountyOhio.gov and click on "Board of Commissioners."

How do I contact the Franklin County Board of Commissioners?

You can contact the board by e-mail at commissioners@FranklinCountyOhio.gov, or you can reach each commissioner individually:
Commissioner Mary Jo Kilroy
462-5589
Commissioner Dewey Stokes
462-3461
Commissioner Paula Brooks
462-5729

How do I get to the Franklin County Courthouse Complex?

The Franklin County Courthouse Complex is located on the corner of High and Fulton Streets. Directions to the complex can be found at FranklinCountyOhio.gov.

How do I get an additional copy of the "Franklin County Government Resource Guide"?

You can request an additional free copy of the "Resource Guide" by calling 462-6638.

Can Franklin County help with home repair?

Yes. Our Department of Community and Economic Development provides home rehabilitation loans to income eligible families in amounts up to \$25,000. This money can be used for the repair of major home systems, such as windows, furnaces, siding, plumbing and electrical systems. Grants are also available under this program for the removal of lead-based paint hazards from the home. For more information, call 462-5631.



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Can Franklin County help me buy a home?

Yes. The Department of Community & Economic Development's Down Payment Assistance program is designed to promote home ownership by providing up to \$5,000 in down payment and closing costs on new or existing homes. These funds are available to income eligible families who are purchasing a home in Franklin County (outside of the city of Columbus). For more information on these programs, call 462-5631.

How do I report illegal dumping?

Franklin County residents can report littering or the illegal dumping of trash by calling the Nail-A-Dumper hotline at 871-5322 or by visiting nailadumper.com. Both are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Where can I view county invitations to bid/requests for proposals?

Visit the Franklin County Purchasing Department Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/prch and click on "Bid Opportunities."

Where can I find more information on current justice programs?

You can obtain information on current justice programs by contacting the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs at 462-5577 or by logging on to the agency Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/jpu.

How do I access Franklin County Common Pleas and Domestic Court legal records?

Stop by any one of our legal divisions located in the Franklin County Government Complex. One of our staff members will be happy to help you get started. For more information on specific legal division locations, call 462-3600.

How do I find out if there is a lien on my property?

To find out if you have a lien on your property, you may search the Franklin County Recorder's Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/recorder or call 462-3930 and speak to a representative of the Recorder's Office.

How do I obtain living will forms?

Visit the Franklin County Recorder's Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/recorder and click on the "living will forms" link or visit our office on the 18th floor of the Franklin County Courthouse (373 S. High St.).

How do I find out about mediation services?

Call 462-6640 or go to fccourts.org/DRJ/brochures.html.

How do I receive mental health and substance abuse services available to the community?

ADAMH purchases care for Franklin County residents from mental health and recovery experts including more than 40 contract providers you know and trust located in neighborhoods throughout Franklin County. These community not-for-profit agencies provide quality mental health and alcohol/drug prevention and treatment services and are our community's safety net for recovery care. Call ADAMH at 224-1057 for more information.

How do I get immediate help for a mental health or substance abuse emergency?

Individuals who are experiencing mental health, alcohol and drug abuse problems may contact NetCare Access, the front door to the ADAMH system of care, at 276-CARE (2273) 24 hours a day, seven days a week for crisis and assessment services in Franklin County.

Where do I park when I am visiting county buildings?

Franklin County Government Complex

- Parking garage at 34 East Fulton St.
- Parking garage at 399 South Front St. Memorial Hall
- Surface lot parking adjacent to facility (enter from Gay St.)

Parking at all facilities costs \$5 per day. Parking is free at most other county facilities. Call 462-3800 with parking questions or visit our Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov and click on "Public Facilities Management."

How do I make a partial payment on my real estate taxes or establish a delinquent tax payment plan?

Recent legislation now allows the county treasurer to accept partial payments. Any partial payment sent will be credited to your account; however, penalties and interest will continue to accrue on any unpaid balance. Delinquent tax payment plans are available under certain circumstances. For more information, please contact the Treasurer's Delinquent Tax Division at 462-3438, or e-mail questions to Richard_Cordray@franklincountyohio.gov



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I find out personal property tax due dates?

When Form 920 is timely filed with the county auditor, one-half of the total tax must be paid at the time of filing. The county treasurer mails a bill for the second half balance due. The concluding payment is due September 20th. Information is also available by visiting our Web site at www.co.franklin.oh.us/treasurer, by calling the Treasurer's Office at 462-3438 or by e-mailing questions to Richard_Cordray@franklincountyohio.gov

How do I file personal property tax returns for my business?

The county return of taxable business property is due each year on April 30th. Taxpayers unable to meet the deadline may request an extension. Call the Auditor's Office at 462-3230 for assistance or visit franklincountyauditor.com.

How do I prepare my family for a tornado?

Getting safe doesn't take a lot of time. As soon as you know a tornado is in the area, go to a safe place immediately. If you are at home, go to the basement and get under the stairs or a heavy table. If your home doesn't have a basement, find an interior room with no windows on the first floor. It is a good idea to plan ahead for a tornado emergency by picking your safe location in advance. Once you know where to go, make sure that the room or area has a battery operated radio and flashlight. For more information, visit the Emergency Management Agency Web site at ema.fc.com or call the agency at 794-0213.

How do I prepare my family for an emergency or disaster?

The American Red Cross recommends following these 4 steps to prepare for an emergency or disaster:

- Find out what could happen to you: contact your local emergency management or civil defense office and American Red Cross Chapter.
- Create a disaster plan.
- Make a checklist of actions you can take to better prepare yourself and your family.
- Practice and maintain your plan.

For a complete guide to disaster preparedness, contact the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency at 794-0213 or visit their Web site at ema.fc.com.

How do I find additional information about how to prepare my family for an emergency or disaster?

Additional information is available through:

- The American Red Cross of Greater Columbus
253-2740
<http://columbus.redcross.org>
- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security
1-800-BE-READY
www.ready.gov

How do I obtain prisoner information?

Prisoner information can be obtained by calling 462-3368 or 462-7100.

How do I estimate how much a proposed property tax levy will cost me?

Visit the Auditor's Web site at franklincountyauditor.com for an individualized levy cost estimate. You may also call 462-HOME (4663).

How do I apply for the 2.5% property tax rollback for owner-occupied residential property?

Call 462-HOME (4663) or complete an application on the Auditor's Web site. Homeowners may receive the tax reduction on their primary residence.

How do I locate my property's appraised value?

View property appraisal data using the "property search" option at franklincountyauditor.com. You may also call the Auditor's real estate hotline at 462-HOME (4663).

How do I obtain a real estate tax reduction as a senior citizen?

Homeowners who are age 65 or older and meet income eligibility guidelines may qualify for a property tax reduction. Call the Auditor's Office at 462-3240 to learn more.

How do I apply for direct debit or monthly pre-pay programs to pay my real estate taxes?

Monthly pre-payments and direct debit application information can be obtained by visiting our Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/treasurer. You can also make a written request or call the Treasurer's Office at 462-3438, or e-mail questions to Richard_Cordray@FranklinCountyOhio.gov



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register to vote?

Visit the Franklin County Board of Elections Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/boe and complete a voter registration form online. You can also register:

- At any county board of elections or the Secretary of State's Office
- At any public high school or vocational school
- At the offices of designated agencies that provide public assistance or disability programs
- Public libraries
- At the county Treasurer's Office
- By mail

You may request a registration form from a board of elections or the Secretary of State's Office by mail, telephone or in person. After completing the form, return it to the board of elections or Secretary of State's Office by mail. For more information, contact the Franklin County Board of Elections at 462-3100.

How do I report a gasoline pump, price scanner or retail scale that I think is operating incorrectly?

Contact the Franklin County Auditor's Office at 462-3742. You may also submit an online complaint form on the Auditor's Web site at franklincountyauditor.com.

How do I report child abuse?

Anyone can report child abuse or neglect by calling our 24-hour hotline number at 229-7000. Abuse reports can remain anonymous. Any professional working with children is mandated to report suspected abuse or neglect.

How do I report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of the elderly?

In Franklin County, incidents of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation of the elderly should be reported to Adult Protective Services (APS) at 462-4348, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On evenings, weekends or holidays, leave a voice message at 462-4356.

How do I obtain current road and bridge project information?

You may call the Engineer's Office at 462-3030 or visit the Web site at fceo.co.franklin.oh.us.

How do I obtain a Franklin County road atlas?

The atlas, our map in book form, is available at the nominal cost of \$1 at the Engineer's Office located at 970 Dublin Road. The map and atlas can also be obtained at the Engineer's Tax Map Division Office at 373 South High Street, 19th floor.

How do I obtain a free Franklin County road map?

The map is free to the public and may be picked up at the Engineer's Office at 970 Dublin Road, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Maps are also available in our front parking lot from a box accessible from your vehicle 24 hours a day and at most libraries and deputy registrars.

How do I find information about senior services in Franklin County?

The "Senior Citizen Information Handbook" links Franklin County's older adults and their families with services that promote independent living. The handbook entries contain valuable information about agencies and services in Franklin County that primarily serve or support older adults and families or caregivers. The publication is available free of charge and also highlights the services offered by Franklin County Senior Options. For copies, call the Franklin County Office on Aging at 462-5230.

How do I locate services for my elderly parent who lives alone in Franklin County?

Franklin County Senior Options helps Franklin County's older adults, age 60 and older, to remain independent and safe in their homes by providing community-based services. A single call to 462-6200 can link older adults and their families with a case manager who can answer questions, determine the current need, and create a plan for services. Services are provided on a cost-sharing basis to those with a demonstrated need.

How and where do I get a sewer repair permit?

Call the Sanitary Engineer's office at 462-3940 and ask to speak with the operations superintendent. He can provide you with information on the cost of the permit and schedule a time for you to come into the office to pick up your permit.

How do I view the Sheriff's sexual offender database?

The Sheriff's Office Web site address is sheriff.franklin.oh.us. Once on the site, click on "Sexual Offender Database."

What is the Sheriff's Office emergency number?

462-3333



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How do I apply for subsidized child care?

The Department of Job & Family Services has applications for subsidized child care available at all five of our Community Opportunity Centers or you may call 462-4000 to request an application by mail. Our agency also offers child care provider certification programs. For more information on these programs, contact the Child Care Certification Unit at 719-8627.

How do I learn about supported living and group homes provided by MR/DD?

For information about supported living options and group homes, call the Service Coordination Department at 464-2743.

How much does it cost to transfer an auto title or to file a legal document?

Please check the Clerk of Courts' Web site, franklincountyclerk.com. Click on the "Forms/Applications" button, and then click on the specific division (Auto Title, Domestic, etc.) There is a separate Fee Schedule Form for each division.

How do I search for unclaimed funds?

The Auditor's Fiscal Services Division serves as trustee of the county's unclaimed funds and wages accounts, and processes valid claims. You can search for unclaimed funds at franklincountyauditor.com.

How can I reduce my monthly utility costs?

The Department of Community & Economic Development Home Weatherization program is designed to help eligible families weatherize their homes to enhance energy efficiency and reduce utility costs. The department will refer eligible homeowners to local service providers for a home energy audit to determine the need for additional insulation and furnace repair or tune-up. For more information, call 462-5631.

Where can I find more information about the Franklin County vehicle auction?

Call the Fleet Management Department at 462-3412 or visit FranklinCountyOhio.gov and click on "Fleet Management."

Can I complete vendor registration online?

Visit the Franklin County Purchasing Department Web site at FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/prch and click on "Vendor Information" then "Vendor Registration."

Where do I obtain a vendor's license?

Vendor's licenses are available at the Auditor's Office, 373 S. High St., 21st Floor. Call 462-3260 for more information.

How do I find out about Veterans Memorial exhibit/convention space availability?

Contact General Manager Richard Nolan by phone at 221-4341, by fax at 221-8422 or email at info@fsvm.com

How do I find out about Veterans Memorial upcoming events?

Call 221-4341 or check out the Veterans Memorial Web site at fsvm.com.

How do I find out more about veterans services?

The Veterans Service Commission encourages you to visit our office at 250 W. Broad St. or call us at 462-2500 if you need help or have questions pertaining to financial assistance, veteran's benefits or entitlements.

I live in Franklin County and have water and sewer service provided by the county. How can I find out the location of water and sewer lines on my property?

Call the Sanitary Engineer's Office at 462-3940 and ask to speak with the operations superintendent or with one of our billing clerks. They will set up a time to come out to your property and mark the runs on your lines.

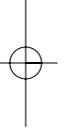
Does Franklin County have a Web site?

Yes, Franklin County's home page can be viewed at FranklinCountyOhio.gov. This site has a wealth of information about county programs and services, as well as links to the county's elected officials, agencies, boards, commissions and departments.

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Franklin County's

government structure

includes 33 agencies,

42 independently elected

officials, and 45 appointed

boards, commissions and

committees. The Franklin

County Commissioners

manage a budget of more

than \$1 billion each year.

Attractions

- Center of Science and Industry (COSI)
- Columbus Blue Jackets Professional Hockey Team
- Columbus Clippers Minor League Baseball Team
- Columbus Crew Professional Soccer Team
- Columbus Zoo & Aquarium
- City Center Mall
- Easton Town Center
- Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Garden
- German Village
- Historic Ohio Theater
- James Thurber House
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing and Cultural Arts Complex
- Memorial Hall
- Ohio Historical Museum
- Ohio Statehouse
- Restored Palace and Southern Theaters
- Short North
- The Ohio State University
- Wexner Center for the Arts

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County Profile

1,068,978	Population-33rd largest in the U.S.
1803	Established
540	Area in square miles
Columbus	County Seat
\$30,820	Per capita income
32.5	Median age
438,778	Number of households
2.39	Persons per household

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.

Educational Statistics

Public Schools	343
Students	172,231
Teachers	11,144
Teacher-Pupil Ratio	1:15.1
Graduation Rate	75.0%
Colleges and Universities	9
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Source: The Ohio Department of Development, Franklin County Profile 2003.

Cities & Villages

- Bexley
- Brice
- Canal Winchester
- Columbus
- Dublin
- Gahanna
- Grandview Heights
- Grove City
- Groveport
- Harrisburg
- Hilliard
- Lockbourne
- Marble Cliff
- Minerva Park
- New Albany
- Obetz
- Reynoldsburg
- Riverlea
- Upper Arlington
- Urbancrest
- Valleyview
- Westerville
- Whitehall
- Worthington

Weather

Average Temperature	56.4° F
Average Precipitation	37.57 in

Source: The Ohio Department of Development, Franklin County Profile 2000.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.



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Franklin County Departments

ADAMH	224-1057
Office on Aging	462-5230
Animal Care & Control Auditor	462-4385
Board of Commissioners	462-3200
Board of Elections	462-3322
Board of Health	462-3100
Child Support Enforcement Agency	462-3160
Children Services	462-3275
Clerk of Courts	275-2571
Columbus Clippers	462-3600
Columbus Zoo & Aquarium	462-5250
Community & Economic Development	645-3400
Coroner	462-5631
Court of Appeals	462-5290
Court of Common Pleas	462-3580
Development	462-7492
Domestic Relations/Juvenile Court	462-3166
Emergency Management & Homeland Security	462-6320
Engineer	794-0213
Fleet Management	462-3030
Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District	462-3412
Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs	486-9613
Human Resources	462-5577
Job & Family Services	462-6224
MR/DD	462-4000
Probate Court	475-6440
Prosecutor	462-3894
Public Defender	462-3555
Public Facilities Management	462-3194
Purchasing	462-3800
Recorder	462-3750
Sanitary Engineering	462-3930
Sheriff	462-3940
Treasurer	462-3360
Veterans Memorial	462-3438
Veterans Service Commission	221-4341
	462-2500

Animal Information

Adoptable Dogs
Franklin County Dog Shelter 462-4360

After Hours Emergency Vet Care
Columbus Veterinary Emergency Service 846-5800
Ohio State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital 292-3551
Capital Vet Emergency Center 870-0480

To Report Barking Dogs
In Columbus: city prosecutor's office 645-7483
In other areas: contact your local police department (see page 14)

Cruelty, Abandonment or Neglect
Capital Area Humane Society 777-7387

Dogs Running Loose, Sick and Injured Stray Dogs
Franklin County Department of Animal Care & Control 462-3400

Lost or Found Pets
Franklin County Dog Shelter 462-4360

Pet Licenses
Franklin County Auditor 462-3260

Reporting of Dog Bites*
Columbus Health Department (Columbus & Worthington) 645-6134
Franklin County Board of Health (All Other Areas of Franklin County) 462-3160
*If the dog involved in the bite is still running loose, call the Franklin County Animal Shelter Enforcement Division at 462-3400

Bus Service
Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) 228-1776

Chambers of Commerce
Bexley 470-4500
Canal Winchester 837-1556
Columbus 221-1321
Dublin 889-2001
Gahanna 471-0451
Grandview/Marble Cliff 486-0196
Grove City 875-9762
Southeastern Franklin County 836-1138
Hilliard 876-7666
New Albany 855-4400
Reynoldsburg 866-4753
Upper Arlington 481-5710
Westerville 882-8917
Whitehall 237-7792
Worthington 888-3040

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Village of Canal Winchester 837-7493
City of Columbus 645-8100
City of Dublin 410-4400
City of Gahanna 342-4000
City of Grandview 488-3159
City of Grove City 277-3015
Village of Groveport 836-5301
Village of Harrisburg 877-4053
City of Hilliard 876-7361
Village of Lockbourne 491-3161
Village of Marble Cliff 486-6993
Village of Minerva Park 882-5743
Village of New Albany 855-3913
Village of Obetz 491-1080
City of Reynoldsburg 322-6800
Village of Riverlea 885-3567
City of Upper Arlington 583-5000
Village of Urbancrest 875-1279
Village of Valleyview 279-5630
City of Westerville 901-6400
City of Whitehall 338-3106
City of Worthington 436-3100

Driver's License/Vehicle Registration/License Plates
Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles 752-7500

Fire Departments

Emergency calls, dial 9-1-1

Numbers listed are non-emergency

Blendon Township Fire Dept.	882-2213
Clinton Township Fire Dept.	471-5771
Columbus Division of Fire	221-2345
Franklin Township Fire Dept.	279-9411
Grandview Heights Fire Dept.	488-7901
Hamilton Township Fire Dept.	491-1041
Jackson Township Fire Dept.	875-5588
Jefferson Township Fire Dept.	861-3757
Madison Township Fire Dept.	837-7883
Mifflin Township Fire Dept.	462-4098
Minerva Park Volunteer Fire Dept.	882-5678
Norwich Township Fire Dept.	876-7694
Perry Township Fire Dept.	885-7640
Plain Township Fire Dept.	855-7370
Pleasant Township Fire Dept.	877-4375
Prairie Township Fire Dept.	878-7100
Truro Township Fire Dept.	864-2445
Upper Arlington Fire Division	451-9700
Washington Township Fire Dept.	889-2347
Westerville Fire Dept.	901-6600
Whitehall Division of Fire	237-5478
Worthington Fire Dept.	885-7640

Hospitals

Children's Hospital	722-2000
Doctor's Hospital West	544-1000
Grant Medical Center	566-9000
Mount Carmel East	234-6000
Mount Carmel West	234-5000
Mount Carmel St. Ann's	898-4000
Ohio State University Medical Center	293-5123
Riverside Methodist Hospital	566-5000

Libraries

Bexley Public Library	231-2793
Columbus Metropolitan Library System	645-2275
Grandview Heights Public Library	486-2951
Southwest Public Libraries	
Central Crossing Library	801-6530
Grove City Library	875-6716
Westland Area Library	878-1301
Upper Arlington Public Libraries	
Main Library	486-9621
Lane Road Branch	459-0273
Miller Park Branch	488-5710
Westerville Public Library	882-7277
Worthington Public Library	807-2630

Parks & Recreation

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Gahanna	
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Grandview Heights	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	488-3111
Grove City	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	277-3050
Hilliard	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	876-5200
New Albany - Plain Local	
Joint Parks District	939-7275
Reynoldsburg	
Recreation Dept.	322-6806
Upper Arlington	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	583-5300
Westerville	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	901-6500
Whitehall Community Park	
Activities Building	863-0121
Worthington	
Parks & Recreation Dept.	436-2743

Police Departments

Emergency calls, dial 9-1-1

Numbers listed are non-emergency

Franklin County Sheriff's Office	462-3333
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*Blendon Township Police Dept.	889-9494
*Village of Brice Police Dept.	864-8591
Canal Winchester	(740) 653-5223
*Clinton Township Police Dept.	471-5720
Columbus Airport Police Dept.	239-4029
Columbus Police Dept.	645-4545
Dublin Police Dept.	889-1112
*Franklin Township Police Dept.	462-3333
Gahanna Police Dept.	342-4240
Grandview Heights Police Dept.	488-7901
Grove City Police Dept.	277-1710
Groveport Police Dept.	836-5301
Village of Harrisburg Police Dept.	877-4053
Hilliard Police Dept.	876-7321
*Madison Township Police Dept.	836-5354
*Mifflin Township Police Dept.	471-4444
*Minerva Park Police Dept.	882-1408
Village of New Albany Police Dept.	855-7547
*Obetz Police Dept.	491-3211
Ohio State Highway Patrol	1-877-7-PATROL
Ohio State University Police Dept.	292-2121
*Perry Township Police Dept.	889-9153
Reynoldsburg Police Dept.	866-6622
Sharon Township Police Dept.	885-3777
Upper Arlington Police Dept.	459-2800
*Valleyview Police Dept.	274-7676
Westerville Police Dept.	901-6450
Whitehall Police Dept.	237-6333
Worthington Police Dept.	885-4463
<i>*Services also provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office</i>	

Postal Service

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Dublin City Schools	764-5913
Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools	471-7065
Grandview Heights City Schools	481-3600
Groveport Madison Local Schools	836-5371
Hamilton Local Schools	491-8044
Hilliard City Schools	771-4273
New Albany-Plain Local Schools	855-2040
Reynoldsburg City Schools	866-2815
South-Western City Schools	801-3000
Upper Arlington City Schools	487-5000
Westerville City Schools	797-5700
Whitehall City Schools	417-5000
Worthington City Schools	883-3000

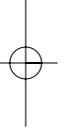
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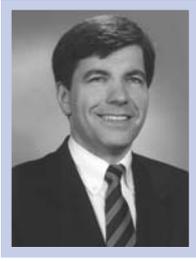
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Elected Officials



Elected Officials



Auditor

Joseph W. Testa

Main Office

373 S. High St., 21st Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3200
Fax (614) 462-7384
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/auditor

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Franklin County Auditor's Office provides real estate appraisals; specific tax, licensing and consumer protection services; and financial reporting to individuals, businesses, and governmental agencies in order to fund local governments, support business and economic development and demonstrate financial accountability.

The Auditor provides:

Board of Revision	462-3913
Budget Commission	462-3743
County Financial Reports	462-7390
Dog Licenses	462-3260
Estate Tax Return Processing	462-3235
Gas Pump Inspection/Certification	462-7380
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Personal Property Tax	462-3230
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Property Tax Revenue Distribution	462-3211
Real Estate/Manufactured Home Appraisal	462-7369
Retail Scale Inspection/Certification	462-7380
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UPC Price Scanner Inspection/Certification	462-7380



Franklin County **Elected Officials**

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov



Board of Commissioners

Mary Jo Kilroy, Dewey R. Stokes, Paula Brooks

Main Office

373 S. High St., 26th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone	(614) 462-3322
Fax	(614) 462-5999
Public Information	(614) 462-6638
TDD	(614) 462-7588

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun	Closed

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County Administrator

Don L. Brown
Telephone (614) 462-3324

Purpose

As the administrative head of Franklin County Government, the three-member board of commissioners sets the strategic direction, fiscal priorities and management practices of one of the largest counties in America. With an annual budget of \$1.25 billion, the commissioners are vital community partners who work collaboratively to preserve the high quality of life that makes Franklin County a great place to live and work.

Franklin County Government is well known for its expert leadership and continues to be recognized nationally for sound financial planning and overall management practices. Franklin County recently earned AAA bond ratings from Moody's Investors Services and Standards & Poor's for the tenth consecutive year. These ratings place Franklin County in the top one percent of counties in the nation. Franklin County is also recognized as one of the best managed counties in America in a study conducted by Governing Magazine and Syracuse University. In a five-tiered evaluation of overall management, only four counties in America received scores higher than Franklin County.



Clerk of Courts

John O'Grady

Administration Office

373 S. High St., 23rd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3600
Fax (614) 462-4325
TDD (614) 462-7588
www.franklincountyclerk.com

Hours of Operation

Legal Division	Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
	Sat & Sun	Closed
Title Division	Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Service Centers	close at 5:30 p.m.	weekdays
	Sat.	8 a.m. - 12 p.m.
	Sun	Closed

Title South Branch is closed on Saturdays

Legal Division:

Appeals Section
373 S. High St., 23rd Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3624

Domestic Section
373 S. High St., 4th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-4410

Civil Section
369 S. High St., 3rd Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3621

Juvenile Section
373 S. High St., 4th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-4411

Criminal Section
369 S. High St., 3rd Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3650

Title Division:

South Title Branch
Main Office
Great Southern Shopping Center
45 Great Southern Boulevard
Title Help Line: (614) 462-3090
FAX: (614) 462-6656

West Title Branch
Great Western Shopping Center
3451 Great Western Boulevard

East Title Branch
Wyandotte Center
5111 E. Main Street

North Title Branch
The Patio Shops
1484 Morse Road

Service Centers
(in conjunction with the BMV)
1970 W. Broad Street
1583 Alum Creek Drive

Purpose

The Clerk of Courts Legal Division maintains filing and record-keeping services for the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas and the 10th District Court of Appeals. As an agent of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, the Clerk of Courts Title Division processes automobile, motorcycle, ATV, motor home and watercraft titles. The Franklin County Clerk of Courts provides legal record searches, title services, processing of passport applications and recording of notary publics.



Coroner

Bradley J. Lewis, M.D.

Main Office

520 King Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43201

Telephone (614) 462-5290
Fax (614) 462-6002
www.coroner.co.franklin.oh.us

Hours of Operation

Administrative Office
Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Morgue
24 Hours a Day

Purpose

The Coroner provides identification of decedents, notification of next-of-kin, and determination of cause and manner of death under our jurisdiction so the public can be assured that public health is preserved and justice is served.

Please call (614) 462-5290 for information about these Coroner's Office services:

Autopsy Reports
Coroner's Reports
Toxicology Reports

To obtain a death certificate

Contact the Columbus Health Department Vital Statistics Office at (614) 645-7331 or visit www.cmhhealth.org*

**For deaths that occurred in Franklin County only.*



Court of Appeals

Main Office

373 S. High St., 24th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3580
Fax (614) 462-7249
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/appeals

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed



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Front row, from left to right, Judges:

Susan Brown, Presiding Judge
William A. Klatt, Administrative Judge

Back row, from left to right, Judges:

Judith L. French, Lisa L. Sadler, Patrick M. McGrath,
Charles R. Petree and Peggy Bryant

Not Pictured:

Alan C. Travis

Purpose

The Court of Appeals hears appeals from the Franklin County Common Pleas and Municipal Courts. The Court also hears appeals from the Ohio Court of Claims and several state agencies. The Court also hears original actions filed against state agencies, employees and other state departments. The Court reviews records of the trial court proceedings, reads briefs, conducts oral argument, researches law and writes opinions.



Court of Common Pleas, General Division

Main Office

369 S. High St., Floors 4-9
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Civil Case Information (614) 462-3621
Criminal Case Information (614) 462-3650
Fax (614) 462-4480
TDD (614) 462-7587
www.fccourts.org

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed



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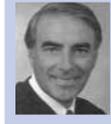
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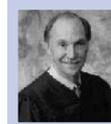
Julie M. Lynch



Beverly Pfeiffer



Guy L. Reece III



Charles A. Schneider



Richard S. Sheward

Purpose

The Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, General Division, is dedicated to dispensing equal justice in all matters under the court's jurisdiction, preserving the rule of law, protecting the rights and liberties guaranteed under the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Ohio and providing the highest quality of professional support in a prompt, efficient and cost effective manner.

The Court of Common Pleas provides:

Adult Probation 462-3700
Community Based Correctional Facility 462-4600
Jury Commission 462-3450
Magistrates 462-3118
Official Court Reporter 462-4284
Pre-Trial Services 462-3744
Work Release/House Arrest 462-3089



Domestic Relations/Juvenile Court

Divisions of the Common Pleas Court

Main Office

373 S. High St., Floors 3-6

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-6320

Fax (614) 462-7440

www.fccourts.org

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed



Jim Mason
Administrative Judge



Dana S. Preisse
Lead Juvenile Judge



Kay Lias



Carole Squire



Kim Browne

Purpose

The Domestic Relations Division of the Common Pleas Court has jurisdiction in matters of divorce, dissolution, annulment, legal separation, parentage within divorce or dissolution, civil domestic violence actions, child support and child custody determinations. The Juvenile Division has jurisdiction in all proceedings affecting abused, dependent, neglected, unruly and delinquent children and traffic offenders under the age of 18. The Court also has jurisdiction with respect to custody, parentage and criminal non-support of children, as well as adults charged with contributing to the delinquency or unruliness of children. The Juvenile Division operates and manages the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center. The goal of the Court is the strengthening of family life and the rehabilitation of, rather than the punishment of, the youthful offender.

Domestic Relations/Juvenile Branch provides:

Administration	462-3628
Child Support Liaison	462-4258
Domestic Court Dates	462-4426
Family Assessment	462-4460
Juvenile Court Dates	462-5360
Juvenile Detention Center	462-4490
Juvenile Probation	462-7535
Mediation Services	462-6640
Pre-Sentence Investigations	462-7539



Engineer

Dean C. Ringle, P.E., P.S.

Main Office

970 Dublin Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Tax Map Division

373 S. High St., 19th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Main Office (614) 462-3030
Tax Map Div. (614) 462-3084
Fax (614) 462-3359
www.fceo.co.franklin.oh.us

Hours of Operation

Main Office Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tax Map Div. Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Franklin County Engineer's Office provides and maintains a county highway system and provides public engineering, surveying and mapping services for the residents of Franklin County, the general public and related agencies so they can travel safely, efficiently and effectively and receive accurate and timely road and boundary information.

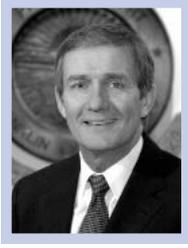
The Engineer provides:

Annexation Cases Past and Future	462-3084
Construction Project Information	462-3072
Deed Descriptions	462-3084
Franklin County Road Map and Atlas	462-3030
Historical Road, Bridge, Survey, Map Records	462-3045
New Street Information	462-3084
Oversized/Overweight Vehicle Load Permits	462-3042
Road and Bridge Maintenance* (24-hr. emer.)	462-3072
Snow and Ice Control*	462-3072
Street Address Assignment*	462-3084
Survey Control Information	462-3045
Survey Plat Review	462-3084
Traffic Signal and Sign Outage Reporting*	462-3072
Utility/Right-of-Way Access Permits	462-3063

Engineer's Current and Upcoming Road Projects:

www.fceo.co.franklin.oh.us

*Denotes services are provided in unincorporated areas of Franklin County only.



Probate Court

Lawrence A. Belskis, Judge

Main Office

373 S. High St., 22nd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3894
Fax (614) 462-7422
TDD (614) 462-7591
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/probate

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Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Probate Court provides a variety of services to the legal community and general public, including but not limited to, will and estate administration, birth and adoption recording and marriage licenses.

Probate Court has jurisdiction in:

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| Adult Incompetence Determinations | Involuntary Mental Commitments |
| Adult Protective Services Protective Orders | Issues Regarding Terminal Illness |
| Birth Certificate Corrections | Marriage Licenses |
| Conservatorship | Mentally Retarded Persons Protective Services |
| Delayed Birth Registration | Minor Guardianships |
| Designation of Heirship | Name Changes |
| Disinterment | Power of Attorney |
| Estates | Presumption of Death |
| Health Care Power of Attorney | Trusts |
| HIV Testing for Public Servants | Uniform Transfer to Minors |
| Injury Settlements Involving Minors | Wrongful Death Settlements |

Additional Information:

Pleadings requiring a new case number or the payment of court costs need to be filed by 4:30 p.m., including the application for a Marriage License.



Prosecutor

Ron O'Brien

Main Office

373 S. High St., 14th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/Prosecuting_Attorney

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The mission of the Office of the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney is to professionally, effectively and efficiently provide legal representation and advice to governmental clients and within the bounds of law and ethics, aggressively prosecute criminal offenders in order to protect the citizens of Franklin County and obtain justice for victims.

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Additional Information:

Civil Division

373 S. High St., 13th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3520
Fax (614) 462-6012

Criminal Division

373 S. High St. 14th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3555
Fax (614) 462-6103

Juvenile Division

373 S. High St. 13th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-4440
Fax (614) 462-6072

Screening and Diversion Unit

373 S. High St., 15th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3692
Fax (614) 462-2532

Tax Unit

373 S. High St., 17th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3500
Fax (614) 462-2530

Victim Witness Assistance

373 S. High St., 14th Floor
Telephone (614) 462-3555
TTY/TDD Users (614) 462-7698



Recorder

Robert G. Montgomery

Main Office

373 S. High St., 18th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3930
Fax (614) 462-4299
TDD (614) 462-7592
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/recorder

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Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Recorder's Office records, preserves and retrieves real estate, personal property and other records for the public so that their interests in property are safeguarded.

Please call (614) 462-3930 for information about these Recorder's Office services:

Assignments of Mortgage
Deeds
Liens
Living Wills
Mortgages
Plats
Uniform Commercial Code Filings



Sheriff

James A. Karnes

Main Office

369 S. High St., 2nd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

9-1-1 Emergency	911
Emergency 24 Hours	(614) 462-3333
Administration Telephone	(614) 462-3360
Administration Fax	(614) 462-3739
TDD	(614) 462-7699

www.sheriff.franklin.oh.us

Administration Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun	Closed

Purpose

The Sheriff's Office protects the lives and property of the citizens of Franklin County, preserves the peace, and prevents crime and disorder while constantly guarding personal liberties as prescribed by law.

The Sheriff's Office provides:

Abandoned Vehicles	462-3333	Honor Guard	462-3300
Arrests for Non-Payment of Child Support	462-3346	Jail Tours	462-5785
Bagpipes	462-3300	Juvenile Investigations	462-3355
Civil Process - Subpoenas, Summons	462-3343	Missing Persons Investigations	462-3355
Civil Protection Orders	462-3344	Prisoner Information/Jackson Pike	462-7100
Community Events/Education	462-4507	Prisoner Information/S. Front St.	462-3368
Community Policing/Westland	279-3123	Public Fingerprinting	462-3191
Complaints Against Personnel	462-3033	Real Estate – Foreclosures	462-4231
Court Services	462-7495	Records Checks/Report Copies	462-3364
Crash Investigations	462-6113	School Bus Violations	462-6113
Crash Reports	462-6113	Sexual Predator Information	462-3350
Crime Statistics	462-3008	Sheriff's Office Employment	462-3397
Criminal Investigations	462-3350	Special Deputies (Volunteers)	462-3300
D.A.R.E.	462-4507	Vehicle Immobilization	462-6113
Environmental Crimes	462-7449	Vehicle Impound Records	462-6113
		Weight Enforcement	462-6113



Treasurer

Richard Cordray

Main Office

373 S. High St., 17th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-3438
Fax (614) 462-7167
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/treasurer

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

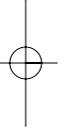
Purpose

The Treasurer's Office provides centralized tax collection and certification and investment and banking services for the taxpayers and agencies of Franklin County so they can be assured of the safekeeping and investment of public monies.

The Treasurer's Office provides:

Delinquent Tax Information	462-3431
Direct Debit Program	462-7516
Manufactured Home Tax Information	462-3433
Personal Property Tax Information	462-7506
Pre-Pay Program (Treasurer)	462-7515
Real Estate Tax Information	462-3438
Senior Citizens Property Tax Assistance Program	462-5229
Tax Bill Address Changes	462-3445
Tax Bill Information	462-3438
Tax Bill Penalty Remissions	462-3434
Tax Overpayments	462-7501
Tax Payment History	462-3438

Agencies



Agencies



Office on Aging

Main Office

280 E. Broad St., Room 300
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 462-5230
Fax (614) 462-5300
TDD (614) 462-7550
www.officeonaging.org

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Special Telephone Numbers

Adult Protective Services
(614) 462-4348 Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
(614) 462-4356 Evenings, Weekends & Holidays

Senior Options
(614) 462-6200

Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Thurs 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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Purpose

The Office on Aging provides centralized access to diverse programs and individualized services for older adults and their families so they can preserve their independence and quality of life.

Please call (614) 462-6200 for information about these Senior Options Program services:

Adult Day Services
Caregiver Relief (Respite Care)
Case Management Services
Emergency Response Systems
Home Delivered Meals
Homemaker Services
Information and Advocacy Services
Medical Transportation Services
Minor Home Repair
Personal Care Services

Please call (614) 462-4348 for information about these Adult Protective Services Program services:

Investigation/Assessment of Abuse,
Neglect, Exploitation (Age 60+)
Guardianship Assistance (Age 60+)



ADAMH

Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board
of Franklin County

Main Office

447 E. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone (614) 224-1057
Public Information (614) 222-3767
Fax (614) 224-0991
www.adamhfranklin.org

Special Telephone Numbers

Emergency NetCare Access
(614) 276-CARE (2273)

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Director

David A. Royer

Purpose

ADAMH's mission is to improve the well-being of the community by reducing the incidence of mental health problems and the abuse of alcohol and other drugs in Franklin County. The ADAMH Board funds, evaluates and plans for the necessary services in our community, then purchases care from a network of more than 40 non-profit agencies you know and trust.

The NetCare Access contract provides:

Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Crisis
Intervention/Assessment 24-hour Hotline -
(614) 276-CARE (2273)



Animal Care & Control

Main Office

1731 Alum Creek Dr.
Columbus, Ohio 43207

Dog Shelter (614) 462-4361
Enforcement Division (614) 462-3400
Community Relations (614) 462-5227
24 Hour Info Line (614) 462-4360
Fax (614) 462-6658
www.FranklinCountyDogs.com

Hours of Operation

Dog Shelter Division
Mon-Fri 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sat & Sun 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Enforcement Division
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Community Relations
Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Purpose

The purpose of the Department of Animal Care & Control is to provide compassionate care for impounded dogs, as well as adoption, education and enforcement services to the residents of Franklin County, so that they can adopt appropriate dogs and live in an environment free of animal-related health and safety dangers.

The Animal Care & Control Department provides:

Dog Adoptions, Lost/Found	462-4360
Dog Licensing, Redemptions	462-4361
Loose/Stray Dog/Dog Bites	462-3400
Pet Therapy	462-7282
Pure Breed Rescue	462-5357
Volunteer Opportunities	462-7282
Behavior Helpline	462-3488
THE FIX Spay/Neuter Line	462-5581



Board of Elections

Main Office

280 E. Broad St., 1st Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3100
Fax (614) 462-3489
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/boe

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Director

Matthew Damschroder

Purpose

The Franklin County Board of Elections provides election services, information and education to the residents of Franklin County so they can exercise their right to vote and have confidence that the elections are fair, impartial and accurate.

The Board of Elections provides:

Absentee Voting Services	462-3470
Campaign Finance Filing	462-2370
Election Records	462-3923
Liquor History Updates	462-3945
Local Options Filing	462-6675
Petition/Candidate Filing	462-2370
Precinct Official Recruitment (Dem)	462-5206
Precinct Official Recruitment (Rep)	462-5209
Public Information	462-3923
Voter District/Representative Information	462-3100
Voter Registration	462-3100
Voting Location Information	462-3100
Ward/District Maps	462-3893

Online Election Results:

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/boe

Online Voter Registration:

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/boe

Online Precinct Official Recruitment:

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/boe



Board of Health

Main Office

280 East Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3160
Fax (614) 462-6672
Emergency (614) 645-6971
(evenings, weekends, holidays)
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/board_of_health

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Health Commissioner

Susan A. Tilgner, MS, RD, LD, RS

Purpose

The Franklin County Board of Health protects public health through programs and services that: promote healthy behaviors; protect against environmental hazards; help prevent the spread of disease, injury and epidemics; assure the quality and accessibility of health services; and respond to emergencies and complaints.

Please call (614) 462-3160 for information about these Board of Health services:

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| Adult Immunization Program | Mercury Exchange Program |
| Animal Bite Investigations | Mosquito Control Program |
| Childhood Immunization Program | Nail-A-Dumper Program |
| Children with Medical Handicaps | Plumbing Inspections |
| Clinical Experience for Students | Rabies Immunizations for Your Pet |
| Communicable Disease Reporting | Restaurant & Grocery Store Inspections |
| Emergency Preparedness & Response | School Inspections |
| Food Protection Inspections | Senior Health Assessment Clinics |
| Garbage Complaints | Sewage System Inspections |
| Handicap Accessibility and | Solid Waste Services |
| Urgent Repair Programs | Swimming Pool Inspections |
| Health Education Programs | Tattoo and Body Piercing |
| Housing Rehabilitation | Establishment Inspections |
| Housing Violations | Water and Wastewater Inspections |
| Landfill Inspections | Water Sampling |
| Lead Paint Hazard Inspections | Watershed Protection Planning |

Childhood Immunization Schedule

http://www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/board_of_health/immunizations.htm

Senior Assessment Clinic Schedule

http://www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/board_of_health/senior_assessment_clinics.htm



Child Support Enforcement Agency

Main Office

80 E. Fulton St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3275

Fax (614) 462-6409

TDD (614) 462-7697

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners2/csea

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Child Support Enforcement Agency provides services for the establishment and enforcement of support orders to enhance the economic security of children in the families it serves.

Please call (614) 462-3275 for information about these **Child Support Enforcement Agency services:**

Enforcement of Child Support and Health Insurance Orders

Establishment of Paternity

Establishment of Support Orders

Genetic Testing

Investigation of Emancipation and Termination of Orders

Location of Absent Parents

Payment Histories and Other Agency Records

Review and Adjustment (Modification) of Child Support Orders



Children Services

Main Office

855 W. Mound St.
Columbus, Ohio 43223

Phone/Fax

Telephone	(614) 275-2571
Fax	(614) 275-2755
24 Hour Abuse Hotline	(614) 229-7000
Community Relations	(614) 275-2523
Human Resources	(614) 351-2000

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/children_services

Hours of Operation

Intake Open 24 Hrs.	
Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun	Closed

Executive Director

John Saros

Purpose

Children Services provides culturally competent protection, placement, prevention, leadership, and advocacy services to children and families so they can live and grow up in safe, stable, permanent homes.

Children Services provides:

Administration	275-2650
Child Adoption	341-6060
Child Abuse Hotline	229-7000
Children Services	275-2571
Community Relations and Speaking Engagements	341-6017
Foster Parenting	341-6060
Malaika Mentoring	275-2630
Ombudsman	275-2621
Simba Mentoring	275-2683
Volunteering	275-2633



Columbus Clippers

Main Office

1155 W. Mound St.
Columbus, Ohio 43223

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-5250
Fax (614) 462-3271
www.clippersbaseball.com

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat (home games only) 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sun (home games only) 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

President & General Manager

Ken Schnacke

Purpose

The Columbus Clippers Minor League Baseball team is the AAA affiliate of the New York Yankees.

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Please call (614) 462-5250 for information about these Columbus Clippers services:

Columbus Clippers Roster
Columbus Clippers Schedule
Columbus Clippers Tickets



Columbus Zoo & Aquarium

Main Office

9990 Riverside Dr., Box 400
Powell, Ohio 43065

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 645-3400
Fax (614) 645-3465
www.columbuszoo.org

Hours of Operation

Labor Day to Memorial Day Weekend
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Mid-June to mid-August
Open Wednesdays until 8 p.m.

Executive Director

Gerald Borin

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Purpose

The Columbus Zoo & Aquarium promotes awareness and understanding of the interdependence of the natural world and presents to our community interactive, participatory and educational exhibits and activities, which represent that relationship.

The Columbus Zoo & Aquarium provides:

Animal Exhibits	645-3400
Animal Presentations	645-3488
Conservation Programs	724-3409
Education Programs	645-3488
Group Discounts	645-3466
Meeting Facilities	645-3466
Membership Benefits	724-3489
Outreach Programs	645-3488
School Discounts	645-3410
Senior Discounts	645-3466
Special Events	645-3581
Volunteers	645-3400



Community & Economic Development

Main Office

373 S. High St., 25th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-5631

Fax (614) 462-4007

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners2/ced

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Community & Economic Development Department provides strategic programs and resources to Franklin County residents so they can enjoy an improved quality of life in a stable, sustainable economy.

Please call (614) 462-5578 for information about these **Community Development Division services:**

Downpayment Assistance
Emergency Shelter Grants
Fair Housing Services
Handicapped Accessibility Grants
Home Weatherization Grants
Homelessness Prevention & Crisis Transition
Homesharing
Single Family Home Rehabilitation Assistance
Urgent Care Repair Grants
Water Quality Partnership Loans

Please call (614) 462-5630 for information about these **Economic Development Division services:**

Brownfield Assistance
Community Reinvestment Areas
Enterprise Zones
Franklin County Growth Fund
Infrastructure Grants
Micro-Enterprise Loan Program
Tax Increment Finance Districts



Development

Main Office

280 E. Broad St., 2nd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Building Regulations (614) 462-3166
Planning Services (614) 462-3094
Zoning Regulations (614) 462-3094
Fax (614) 462-7155

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/development

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Development Department provides zoning enforcement, land-use planning, residential building inspection, floodplain administration and information services to protect and enhance the quality of life for the inhabitants of Franklin County and the central Ohio community.

The Development Department provides:

Annexation Applications	462-3094	Land-Use Planning	462-3094
Building	462-3166	Technical Review	
Condemnations		Land-Use	462-3094
Building Information	462-3166	Regulation Opinions	
Building Permits	462-3166	Lot Split Analysis	462-3094
BZA Applications	462-3094	Lot Split	462-3094
Complaint-Based	462-3094	Consultations	
Inspections		Lot Split Permits	462-3094
Comprehensive Plans	462-3094	New Construction	462-3166
Conditional Use	462-3094	Building Inspections	
Permits		Preventative	462-3166
Court Testimonies	462-3094	Inspections	
(zoning compliance)		Rezoning Applications	462-3094
Demolition Permits	462-3166	Subdivision	462-3094
Electrical Permits	462-3166	Applications	
Floodplain	462-3094	Subdivision	462-3094
Environmental Planning		Consultation	
Floodplain Information	462-3094	Variance Permits	462-3094
Floodplain Permits	462-3094	Zoning Consultations	462-3094
GIS Land Use Planning	462-3094	Zoning Information	462-3094
HVAC Permits	462-3166	Zoning Permits	462-3094
Inter-Jurisdictional	462-3094	Zoning Resolution	462-3094
Planning Facilitation		Recommendations	

The following information is available online at www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/development:

Annexation Cases Department Public Meeting Agendas
Building Code Floodplain
Board of Zoning Appeals Zoning/Zoning Resolution Online
GIS Mapping



Emergency Management & Homeland Security

Main Office

5300 Strawberry Farms Blvd.
Columbus, Ohio 43230

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 794-0213
Fax (614) 882-3209
Emergency (614) 882-6614
www.emafc.com

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Interim Director

Donna Monell

Purpose

The Emergency Management Agency for Franklin County coordinates countywide emergency/disaster planning, education, warning, response and recovery to minimize the adverse impact on area residents and property.

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Please call (614) 794-0213 for information about these Emergency Management Agency services:

Emergency Preparedness Literature
Emergency Preparedness Presentations
Outdoor Siren Warning System
Plan Review and Assistance



Fleet Management

Main Office

1721 Alum Creek Dr.
Columbus, Ohio 43207

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3412
Fax (614) 443-1132
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/fleet

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Fleet Management Department provides safe vehicles for county employees so they can perform their jobs.

Please call (614) 462-3412 for information about these Fleet Management services:

County Driver Complaints
Vehicle Auction



Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District

Main Office

1328 Dublin Rd., Suite 101
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 486-9613
Fax (614) 486-9614
www.franklinswcd.org

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Director

Jennifer Fish

Purpose

The Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District promotes responsible land use decisions for the conservation, protection and improvement of soil and water resources through effective partnering and technical guidance in Franklin County.

Please call (614) 486-9613 for information about these Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District services:

Conservation Easements
Drainage and Storm Water Management
Environmental Education
Sediment and Erosion Control
Stream Bank Assistance and Stewardship



Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs

Main Office

373 S. High St., 25th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-5577
Fax (614) 462-5549
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/jpu

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs provides quality grants management and community-based justice planning for the Franklin County community so they can maximize justice services to enhance their health, safety and welfare.

Please call (614) 462-5577 for information about these Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs services:

- Alternative Corrections
- Crime Prevention
- Criminal Justice Research/Planning
- Delinquency Prevention
- Juvenile Justice
- Law Enforcement
- Prosecution Enhancement
- Rehabilitation Projects
- Violence Prevention



Human Resources

Main Office

373 S. High St., 25th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-6224

Fax (614) 462-6273

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/hr

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Human Resources Department provides quality employment services, effective training, and technical human resources assistance for the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and other designated agencies so they can continue efficient agency operations.

The Human Resources Department provides:

Employment Opportunities*

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/hr

Employment Application*

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/hr

*Employment opportunities are provided by the Franklin County Human Resources Department for the following Board of Commissioners' agencies: Animal Care & Control, Office on Aging, Board of Commissioners, Child Support Enforcement Agency, Communications, Community & Economic Development, Development, Fleet Management, Human Resources, Job & Family Services, Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs, Office of Management and Budget, Public Facilities Management, Purchasing and Sanitary Engineers.



Job & Family Services

Administrative Office

80 E. Fulton St., 4th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-4000
Fax (614) 462-5974
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/jafs

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

Franklin County Job & Family Services provides career development opportunities and support services so our community can thrive and prosper.

The Department of Job & Family Services provides:

Career Exploration Assistance	462-4104
Community Program Referrals	462-4000
Educational Training	462-4104
Employment Training	462-4104
Employment Trends and Analysis	462-4104
Family Support Services	462-4000
Food Stamps	462-4000
Healthy Start/Healthy Families	341-2287
Job Placement and Job Readiness Activities	462-4104
JobSight	462-4104
Medicaid	462-4000
Nursing Homes	308-1259/308-1269
Ohio Works First	462-4000
Prevention Retention & Contingency (PRC)	462-4000
Subsidized Child Care	462-4000
Transportation Services	462-6622
Workforce Development	462-5818
Youth Programs	462-4104

Opportunity Centers:

East	North
1055 Mt. Vernon Ave	345 E. Fifth Ave.
Columbus, Ohio 43203	Columbus, Ohio 43201
(614) 251-6300	(614) 719-8600

Northeast	South
3443 Agler Rd.	3723 S. High St.
Columbus, Ohio 43219	Columbus, Ohio 43207
(614) 428-6703	(614) 492-6900

West
314 N. Wilson Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43204
(614) 308-1200



Board of MR/DD

Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities

Main Office

2879 Johnstown Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43219

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 475-6440
Fax (614) 475-0403
www.fcbmrdd.org

Hours of Operation

Hours vary depending on service

Superintendent

Jed Morison

Purpose

The Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities provides programs, services and support to eligible children, adults and their families so they can live, work, learn and participate in the community.

MR/DD provides:

Early Childhood Services	475-0564
Habilitation Services	475-7007
Residential Services	844-3800
School Age Services	475-6440
Service Coordination	464-2723
Support Services	475-6440
Supported Living Services	844-3800
Vocational Services	475-7007



Public Defender

Main Office

373 S. High St., 12th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3194 or (614) 645-8980
Fax (614) 461-6470

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun	Closed
24 Hour Emergency Services	See Below

Interview Hours

Common Pleas Unit

By appointment with assigned attorney

Juvenile Unit

Tues & Thurs 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Municipal Unit

Tues, Weds & Thurs 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Public Defender

Yeura R. Venters

Purpose

The mission of the Franklin County Public Defender's Office is to provide comprehensive legal representation services in criminal, juvenile and custody proceedings to indigent persons in Franklin County so as to fulfill the constitutional mandate of "equal justice under the law."

Please call (614) 462-3194 for information about these Public Defender services:

Legal Representation

24 Hour Emergency Message Service



Public Facilities Management

Main Office

373 S. High St., Lobby Level
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3800

Fax (614) 462-3180

TDD (614) 462-7466

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/pfm

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The purpose of the Public Facilities Management Department is to provide quality facility management services to Franklin County employees and the general public so they can conduct business in a safe and comfortable environment.

Please call (614) 462-3800 for information about these Public Facilities Management services:

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Ambassador Program (Volunteering)

County Operator

Meeting Rooms

Parking at County Buildings

Surplus County Property



Purchasing

Main Office

373 S. High St., 15th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone	(614) 462-3750
Fax	(614) 462-3144
Bid Hotline	(614) 462-6624
Customer Service	(614) 462-3752
Mail Room	(614) 462-5277
Print Shop	(614) 462-3424

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/prch

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun	Closed

Purpose

The Purchasing Department provides purchasing, printing and mail services/products so that agencies can have the goods and services they need to operate in a timely and cost effective manner.

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Please call (614) 462-3750 for information about these Purchasing Department services:

- Bid Assistance Program
- Bid Bond Service
- Bid Lists
- Bid Openings
- Bid Specifications
- Bid Tabulations
- Legal Advertisements
- Online Surplus Auctions
- Pre-Bid Facilitations
- Vendor Notifications
- Vendor Registration
- Vendor Research Services

Check out current bid opportunities or complete vendor registration at:

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners/prch



Sanitary Engineers

Main Office

280 E. Broad St., Room 201, 2nd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-3940

Fax (614) 462-5210

Emergency (614) 462-3072

www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/commissioners2/sanitary

Hours of Operation

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sat & Sun Closed

Purpose

The Sanitary Engineer provides safe water and sewer services for the residents of Franklin County in order to protect the environment and our standard of living.

Please call (614) 462-3940 for information about these Sanitary Engineer Department services:

Sewer Billing

Sewer Permits

Water Billing

Water Permits



Veterans Memorial Auditorium & Exhibition Hall

Main Office

300 W. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 221-4341
Fax (614) 221-8422
www.fcv.com

E-Mail info@fcvm.com

Hours of Operation

Open evenings and weekends as dictated by scheduled events
Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

General Manager

Richard P. Nolan

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Purpose

Veterans Memorial is a publicly owned, non-profit multi-purpose exhibition, entertainment and meeting facility. It contains a 3,916-seat auditorium and 110,000 feet of exhibition space, a ballroom and 9 meeting rooms all available for public rental for all occasions. An 11-member Board of Trustees, appointed by the County Commissioners, oversees the operation of Veterans Memorial.

Veterans Memorial Auditorium & Exhibition Hall provides:

Catering & Food Service	621-8734
Concert/Performance Auditorium	221-4341
Convention Space	221-4341
Exhibition Space	221-4341
Meeting Rooms	221-4341
Pre-Event Planning	221-4341



Veterans Service Commission

Main Office

250 W. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Phone/Fax

Telephone (614) 462-2500
Fax (614) 462-2505
www.FranklinCountyOhio.gov/vets

Hours of Operation

Mon, Weds, Thurs, Fri 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sat & Sun Closed

Director

David M. Bradley

Purpose

The Veterans Service Commission is a county agency dedicated to helping veterans and their dependents. The VSC provides advice and assistance when applying for claims, benefits or entitlements from federal, state or local agencies. The VSC also provides financial assistance to eligible veterans and active-duty members of the armed forces and their dependents.

Veterans Service Commission Outstations

To learn more about your benefits or to get financial help you may also visit one of these locations and speak to a Veterans Benefits Specialist:

East Community Opportunity Center
1055 Mt. Vernon Ave.
Columbus, Ohio 43203
(614) 251-4990

West Community Opportunity Center
314 North Wilson Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43204
(614) 308-1384

South Community Opportunity Center
3723 S. High St.
Columbus, Ohio 43207
(614) 492-6981
Mondays Only

Please call (614) 462-2500 for information about these Veterans Service Commission services:

Flag Holders & Flags
Veterans Benefits and Entitlements Assistance
Veterans Claim Assistance
Veterans Employment Assistance
Veterans Financial Assistance
Veterans Transportation Assistance

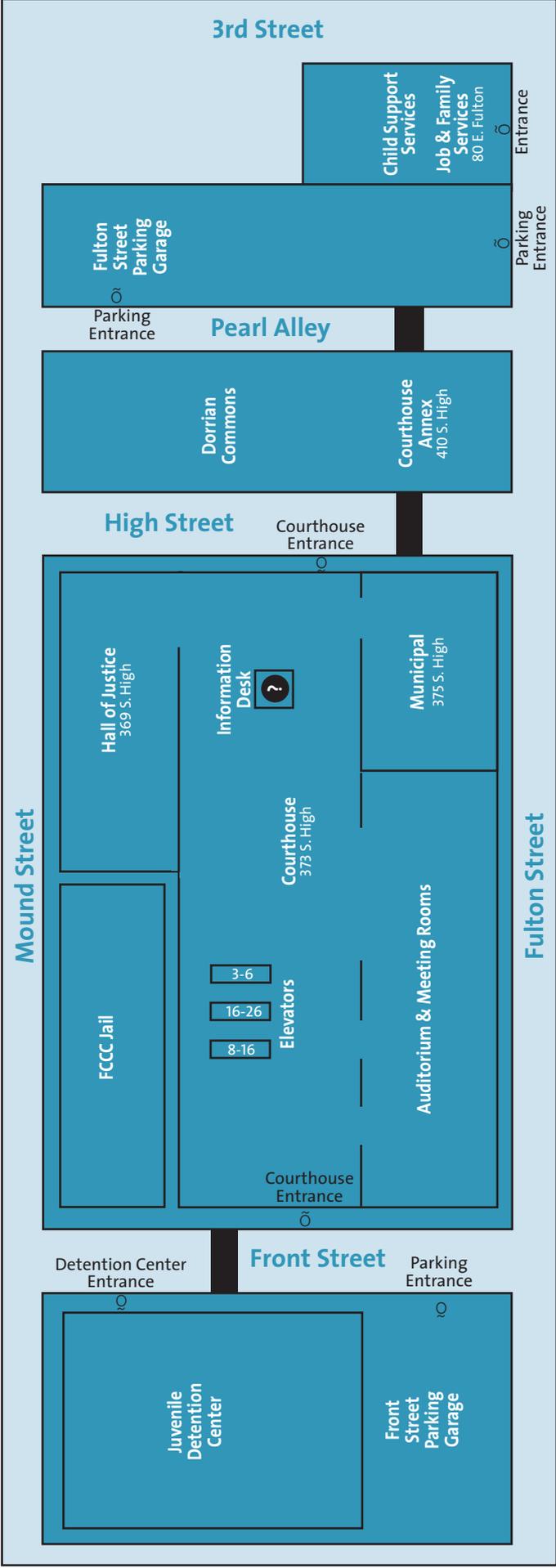


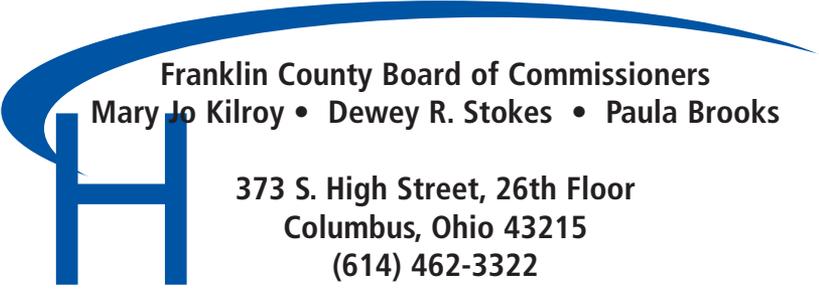
Franklin County **Appointed Authorities Boards, Commissions and Committees**

Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA)
Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation Board of Trustees
Central Ohio Workforce Investment Board of Directors
Columbus Downtown Development Corporation Board of Directors
Columbus/Franklin County Affordable Housing Trust Corporation Board of Trustees
Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority
Columbus Regional Airport Authority Board of Directors
Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council #1 (Jefferson)
Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council #2 (RPA)
Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council #3 (Hamilton)
Community Shelter Board of Trustees
County Hospital Commission of Franklin County, Ohio
Franklin Community Improvement Corporation Board of Trustees (CIC)
Franklin County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board (ADAMH)
Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MRDD)
Franklin County Board of Parks and Recreation Columbus Baseball Team, Inc.
Franklin County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)
Franklin County Children Services Board (FCCS)
Franklin County Community Corrections Planning Board
Franklin County Community Development Advisory Committee
Franklin County Convention Facilities Authority (CFA)
Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board
Franklin County Planning Commission
Franklin County Public Defender Commission
Franklin County Rural Zoning Commission
Franklin County Veterans Memorial Board of Trustees
Franklin Park Conservatory Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees
Human Services Levy Review Committee
Intergovernmental Placement Oversight Committee
Joint Columbus and Franklin County Housing Advisory Board
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)
Pinnacle Community Infrastructure Financing Authority Board of Trustees
Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Board of Trustees (SWACO)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Grandview Heights Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Grove City and the
Village of Urbancrest Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Hilliard Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Upper Arlington Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the City of Whitehall Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the Franklin/Prairie Townships Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the Hamilton Township
Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council #3
Tax Incentive Review Council of the Jefferson Township Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of Village of Groveport Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of Village of New Albany Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
Tax Incentive Review Council of the Village of Obetz Enterprise Zone (TIRC)
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The Board of Trustees of the Columbus Metropolitan Library
The New Albany Community Authority District Board of Trustees

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