



City Utilizes Grant Funding for Local Reconstruction Projects

Reconstruction of High Street is in the final stages of completion with the assistance of a \$250,000 federal grant. The project included the complete replacement of the roadway, curb & gutter, and sections of sidewalks. New handicap accessible ramps were added and underground storm sewer and water main have been replaced.

Plans for reconstruction of Maple Avenue are slated to begin in spring 2016 with the support of an Ohio Public Works grant for \$405,000. The current 3-way intersection of South Broadway, Maple Avenue and McBurney Drive is being

evaluated for the potential installation of a 3-way stop if traffic parameters warrant the upgrade.

Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements Coming to Downtown

The City received a 100% reimbursable state safety grant in support of pedestrian crosswalk upgrades for downtown. These upgrades include restriping of the crosswalks at the intersections of Broadway with Silver Street, Mulberry Street, and Main Street.

The project will also include installation

of pedestrian, count-down style, signals at Broadway and Mulberry Street, and the placement of new crosswalk markings with pedestrian crossing signs at the intersection of Main Street and South Mechanic Street. LED Rapid Flashing Lights, that can be activated by a push button, will be installed as part of the safety upgrades.

Beautification Program Seeks Nominations

The Lebanon Beautification Program recognizes residential, business and rental property owners who have enhanced the beauty of Lebanon by either planting flowers, shrubs, trees and other landscape improvements on their property.

Properties will be evaluated during May - October by members of the City's Shade Tree Commission, the Garden Clubs of

Lebanon and a Master Gardener. Judges will use the following criteria:

1. General Appearance & Compatibility
2. Design
3. Maintenance

Download a nomination form from the City's website at www.lebanonohio.gov. Click on *Departments*, and follow to *Parks & Recreation*, and *Programs & Events*.

Are You a Good Neighbor?

We can all help to make Lebanon a great place to live and work. One of the best ways to be a good neighbor is to follow the City's ordinances regarding property maintenance. Contact the Code Enforcement Inspector at 228-3157 for more information regarding property maintenance or to report a violation.

Lawn Care

Property owners are required to keep grass from growing more than ten inches in height and prevent the growth of noxious or poisonous weeds. The maintenance of the strip between the sidewalk and curb is the property owner's responsibility.

Trees and Shrubs

It is the responsibility of property owners to keep trees and shrubs trimmed back to provide a minimum of nine feet of clearance over roadways and sidewalks. This helps keep our sidewalks and roads safe for pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

Red Hot Blues Run Raises Money for Local Parks

The City of Lebanon's 10th annual Red Hot Blues Run raises money for our local parks! The event is family-friendly and takes place during the annual Blues Festival on August 1, 2015 in downtown Lebanon.

The run starts at 7 p.m. downtown, in

front of the Golden Lamb, and continues on the Lebanon-Countryside YMCA Trail. Participants can register for the 15k, 10k or 5k and kids' run online at https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=120613. Registration is \$30, and the Kids' Run is free for kids, 12 and under.

Early registrations are guaranteed a T-shirt, and all registrations are still welcome the day of the event. Participants will receive \$5 Blues Bucks that can be used at the Blues Festival, which runs from 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.



Community Calendar

3rd Friday

Downtown Lebanon on Mulberry Street
July 17, August 21; 5-11 p.m.

Live music, food, beer, wine, and kids' activities. Visit www.lebanonchamber.org for details.

Warren County Fair

Warren County Fairgrounds; July 20-25

Visit www.warrencountyfairhio.org for information.

Lebanon Blues Festival

Downtown Lebanon; August 1; 11 a.m. -11 p.m.

Come experience the blues with live music, delicious food and a beer garden. Free admission. Call 588-0321 or visit lebanonbluesfestival.org.

Girls Night Out

Shops of Downtown Lebanon; August 8, Nov. 7; 4-9 p.m.

Come down for a nice change of pace, and an opportunity to pamper yourself. Visit www.historicdowntownlebanon.com for details.

Day Out with Thomas

LM & M Railroad; August 21-23 & August 28-30

Train rides with Thomas the Tank Engine and festival. Visit www.lebanonrr.com for information.

Lebanon Feast & Fall-y

Mulberry Street in Downtown Lebanon

September 26; 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sample unique cuisine and do some chic shopping in historic downtown. Visit www.historicdowntownlebanon.com for details.

Country Applefest

Warren County Fairgrounds; September 26, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Homemade crafts and food festival. Visit www.countryapplefest.com for information.

Oktoberfest

Downtown Lebanon

October 17, 11 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

This fundraiser for Miller Park Nature Playscape offers something for everyone. Live music, delicious food, craft beers, wine tasting, silent auction, shopping, kids' zone, nature demonstrations and Halloween costume contest are part of the fun. Free admission. Visit millerecopark.org.

Lebanon Farmer's Market Offers Local Variety

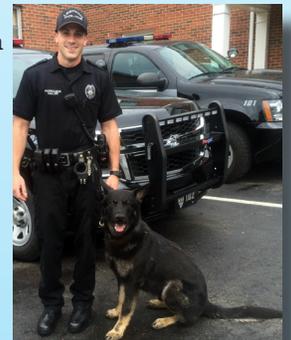
The Lebanon Farmer's Market is back for the 2015 Growing Season. Visitors to the market can select from a wide variety of locally grown produce, baked goods, flowers, soaps, honey, jams, meat, and other items.



The market is located in downtown Lebanon at the corner of Sycamore Street & Main Street, and runs every Thursday, through October 15, from 3 -7 p.m. Visit www.lebanonohiofarmersmarket.com for details.

Community is Invited to National Night Out

Lebanon Police Department will host National Night Out on August 4 from 7-9 p.m. at the Lebanon Countryside YMCA, located at 1699 Deerfield Road. Many services and activities will be provided, including a SWAT display, Lebanon's newest K-9 officer Brix, crime prevention tips, child ID kits, entertainment, including music and an inflatable bounce house, and refreshments.



National Night Out is an annual event designed to strengthen communities by encouraging neighborhoods to engage in stronger relationships with each other and with local law enforcement partners to heighten crime-prevention awareness, build support and participation in local anti-crime programs. It's also the perfect opportunity to get to know your neighbors even better. For more information visit nationallightout.org.

