



2023

CITY OF ELIZABETHTOWN ANNUAL REPORT

PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICE TO
OUR CITIZENS



**“THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTOWN SAW TREMENDOUS GROWTH IN 2023
AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO MORE GROWTH TO COME AS WE
CONTINUE TO REINVEST IN OUR COMMUNITY.”**

-MAYOR JEFF GREGORY

Proudly serving over 32,000 residents

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2023 IN NUMBERS

\$110,000,000
BUDGET

PAVED **12.5 MILES**
OF CITY STREETS AT
THE COST OF
\$1,100,000

INSTALLED
1,120 FEET OF NEW
NATURAL GAS LINES

348
EMPLOYEES
96 POLICE 63 FIRE

\$1,805,371.61
ALCOHOL REGULATORY
FEES COLLECTED
TO FUND DARE PROGRAMS,
POLICE OFFICER'S SALARY, PROVIDE
COMMUNITY OUTREACH, AND
ABC ENFORCEMENT

WELCOMED **127,000**
VISITORS TO
CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK

EXPANDED SUMMER
CAMP TO **6 WEEKS**

POLICE LOCATE AND RETURN
KIDNAPPED CHILD IN
UNDER 1 HOUR
USING NEW
FLOCK CAMERA SYSTEM

FIRE DEPT I.S.O NUMBER
IS AN IMPRESSIVE

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BEST

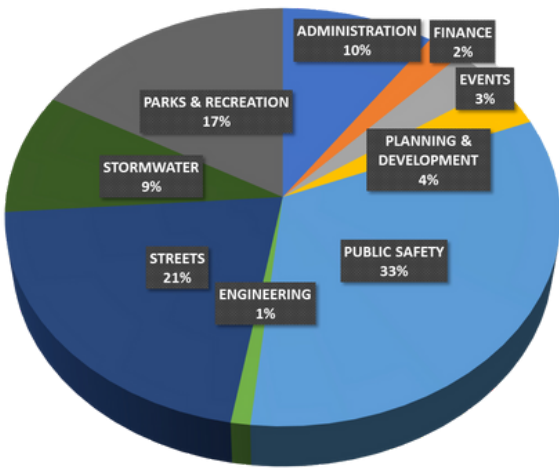


GROWTH OF 2023

The City of Elizabethtown had a successful year embracing growth and preparing for the future by capitalizing on opportunities for its citizens.

FINANCE:

How General Fund dollars are spent:



WASTEWATER:

Treated a staggering 2.15 billion gallons of wastewater and have procedures underway to embrace population growth.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Completed The Bandstand renovation, built 12 new pickleball courts, began construction on 5 new tennis courts and installed a \$600,000 new playground.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Deployed 32 FLOCK cameras throughout the City and implemented 5 additional SRO positions in local schools.

STORMWATER:

Completed several projects including Buffalo Lake Restoration, Henry Street Drainage Phase 1, and Foxborough Estates Drainage.

GAS:

Improved natural gas storage wells for industrial and residential customers. No curtailments in 2023.

ENGINEERING:

Added over 13,102 feet of new sewer lines, developed over 885,931 feet of public streets and completed several improvement projects throughout the City including sidewalk installation and repair.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Progress made on the future Stations #4 and #5 and put a new pumper truck into service.

PLANNING:

Issued 530 building permits including 82 commercial permits, 27 industrial permits and 255 residential permits for 1,161 housing units. Received several grants including Safe Streets for All.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Improved 11,661 feet of drainage ditches and installed 1,320 feet of drainage pipe. In addition to the thousands of loads of litter and brush, removed hundreds of diseased or damaged trees, recycling them to mulch.



COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Public Works, Phase 3 (building construction)
- Henry Street, Phase 1 (drainage project)
- Foxborough Estates, Phase 1 Basin (drainage project)
- Buffalo Lake restoration (lake dredging project)
- Commerce Drive/Buffalo Lake Trail design completed
- Sanitary sewer along South Ring Road design completed
- North Main Street sidewalks
- Natural Gas Storage wells refurbished
- Sidewalk repairs/replacements on Park Avenue and South Maple Street
- 12 new Pickleball courts at American Legion Park
- Brownfields Environmental evaluation grant for Southern Elizabethtown
- Applied for and received Safe Streets for All grant totaling \$200,000
- Design completed for Fire Station #4
- Purchased land for Fire Station #5
- Inaugural year for the Heartland Harvest Festival

QUALITY OF LIFE EVENTS

The City of Elizabethtown and The Historic State Theater hosted several events including the recently added monthly Lawn Party at the newly reconstructed Bandstand located at Freeman Lake Park. The City also hosted

- The Etown Wine Fest
- Cruisin' the Heartland (2 days)
- Heartland Harvest Festival
- Two Parades
- Established The Hub in our Downtown District
- Christmas in the Park
- The Santa House
- 34 Public Movies
- 20 Concerts at The State Theater
- The Princess Tea
- Breakfast with Santa
- The Holly Jolly Experience and so much more!

PROPOSED 2024 CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Hawkins Drive sanitary sewer
- Pear Orchard Road Northwest
- Fire Station #4 design/construction
- Trails (Commerce Drive Phase 1)
- EPD expansion
- North Main Street sidewalks
- Downtown utility relocations
- Downtown Master Plan
- Public Works Complex Phase 4
- Neighborhood (pocket) parks
- ADA accessibility at parks
- Pavilions at parks
- Sidewalk program

Etown **FUN FACT**

Elizabethtown has more miles of sewer lines than City streets