



2024

CITY OF ELIZABETHTOWN ANNUAL REPORT

PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICE TO
OUR CITIZENS



“It’s such a blessing to live, work, and play in Elizabethtown. We look forward to continuing the hard work to make the greatest community in the Commonwealth even better.”

-Mayor Jeff Gregory

Proudly serving over 32,000 residents

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2024 IN NUMBERS

\$119,723,702
BUDGET

PAVED **12.66 MILES**
OF CITY STREETS AT
THE COST OF
\$1,125,00.00

INSTALLED
20,800 FT OF NEW
NATURAL GAS LINES

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED
CRUISIN' THE HEARTLAND
WELCOMED OVER
2,000 SHOW CARS

\$1,852,722.40
ALCOHOL REGULATORY
FEES COLLECTED

TO FUND DARE PROGRAMS,
POLICE OFFICER SALARIES,
PROVIDE COMMUNITY OUTREACH
AND ABC ENFORCEMENT

CONSTRUCTION
ACTIVITY IN THE CITY
TOTALLED
\$211,732,879.00

POLICE RESPONDED TO
32,819 CALLS FOR
SERVICE

WE TREATED
2.5 BILLION GALLONS
OF SEWAGE LAST YEAR, THAT'S
ENOUGH TO FILL RUPP ARENA TO
THE BRIM OVER 6 TIMES

375
EMPLOYEES
115 POLICE 71 FIRE

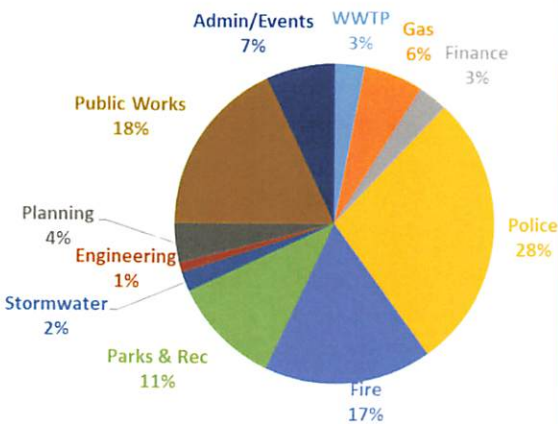


GROWTH OF 2024

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

FINANCE:

The City saw a growth in the number of employees.



WASTEWATER:

Treated 2.57 billion gallons of wastewater, which is a 19% increase from 2023.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Opened the Oasis Playground and 5 new tennis courts at Freeman Lake Park to include a new pavilion, restroom facilities and increased parking.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Overall fatal and injury collisions decreased due to the US 31W renovation. Partnered with ECTC in adding 2 SRO positions.

STORMWATER:

Freeman Creek LOMR removed multiple homes from the 1% annual chance floodplain, resulting in decreased insurance premiums for residents.

GAS:

Completed Phase 3 of the gas well restoration initiative.

ENGINEERING:

Expanded the capacity of the Hawkins Drive lift station. Updated sidewalks and streets on Meadow Lane as well as updating sidewalks on North Main Street to comply with ADA guidelines.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

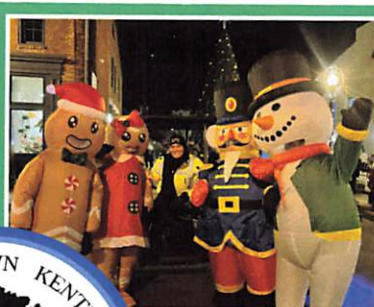
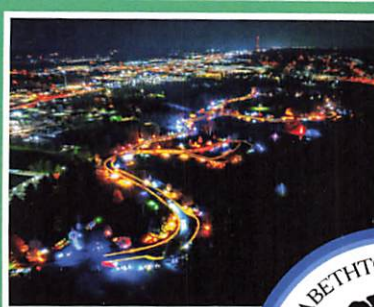
Broke ground on Fire Station #4 and acquired land for Station #5. Took possession of a \$513,000.00 state of the art training facility which is designed for live fire training sessions.

PLANNING:

Issued 458 building permits, 747 electrical permits and 222 sign permits.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Street services collected 2,566 loads of brush and 4,818 bags of litter. 539 miles of City streets were swept.



COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Public works Phase 4 complex renovation
- Commerce Drive road design
- Hawkins Drive sewer upgrades
- North Main St. sidewalks
- Police Department evidence room expansion
- Freeman Lake Park new pavilion
- Freeman Lake Park 5 new tennis courts
- Freeman Lake Park Oasis Playground
- Completed gas well restoration
- Brownfields Assessments Grant Phase 1 and 2 completed
- Meadow Lane Phase 3 street and sidewalk improvements
- Buffalo Lake connector trail Phase 1

PROPOSED 2025 CAPITAL PROJECTS

- Commerce Drive extension
- College Street drainage retrofit
- Freeman Lake Park, north end parking lot expansion
- Nature Park building design
- Upgrade Carroll Soccer Complex parking & trails
- Sanitary sewer improvements on French St. and North Mulberry St.
- University Drive park upgrades
- Safer Streets for All program sidewalk lighting and street upgrades on south end of town
- Police Department renovation
- Completion of Fire Station #4
- Outdoor Music Venue with Etown Tourism

QUALITY OF LIFE EVENTS

The City of Elizabethtown and The Historic State Theater hosted several events in 2024 including:

- An expanded Etown Wine Fest
- An extended Cruisin' the Heartland event (3 days)
- Heartland Harvest Festival
- 4 Lawn Party events at the Bandstand
- Heartland Parade
- Veterans Day Motorcade
- Light Up Etown Parade & Tree Lighting with added pre-parade entertainment
- Christmas in the Park
- The Santa House- 3 day event
- 37 Public Movies
- 19 Concerts at The Historic State Theater
- Breakfast with Santa
- The Holly Jolly Experience and so much more!



Etown **FUN FACT**

Snow removal and treatment of 163 miles of city streets for one (1) winter storm event costs \$16,800.00. This includes labor, fuel and 100 tons of Sodium Chloride/Road Salt.

