

CITY OF BEDFORD



2012

ANNUAL REPORT



CITY OF **BEDFORD** OHIO

HENRY J. ANGELO
City Manager

To Mayor Daniel S. Pocek and
Members of City Council:

Submitted herein is the Annual Report of the City of Bedford for year
2012.

Each department report once again provides an insight to the quality of
services the City provides to its residents. This is a record that Council
and the Administration can be proud of.

I am confident after reading this review you will share my pride in our
Department Heads and the entire staff of the City of Bedford.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry J. Angelo
City Manager

HJA/mh

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Reports submitted by:

DIVISION OF BUILDING

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Acting Building Director

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Michael Mallis
Director of Economic Development

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Recreation Director

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Superintendent

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Brian J. Melling
Administrative Judge

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MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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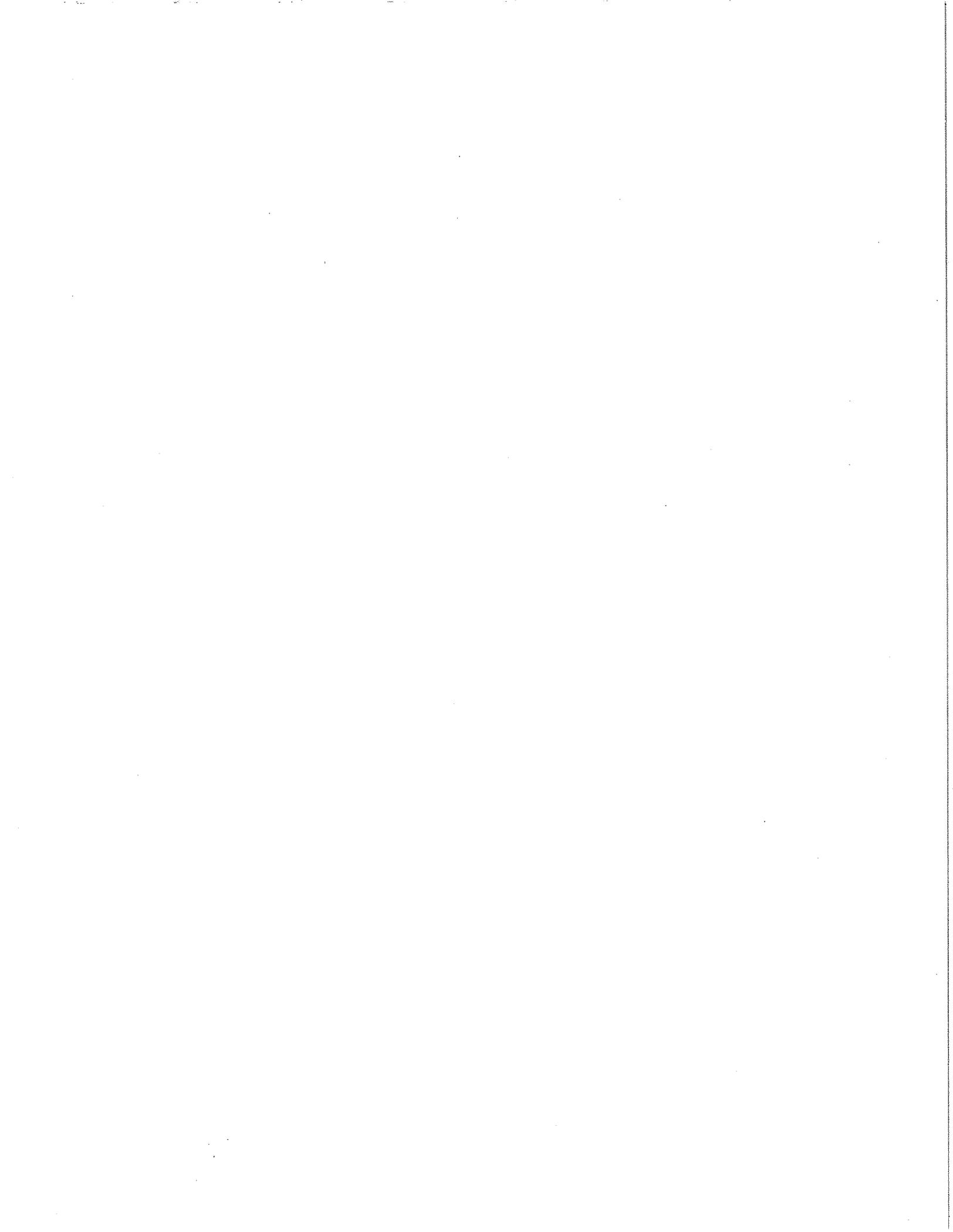
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Ward 6

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Clerk of Council

CITY MANAGER

Henry J. Angelo

Michelle Hollo
Administrative Assistant





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NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED AND REVENUE GENERATED

<u>PERMIT TYPES</u>	<u># OF PERMITS</u>	<u>PERMIT FEE</u>
BUILDING	116	\$ 12,556.40
CONCRETE & ASPHALT	154	4,950.00
ELECTRICAL	112	6,615.13
FENCE	15	375.00
FIRE SUPPRESSION	8	2,524.85
HVAC	51	6,220.26
MISCELLANEOUS PERMITS	5	2,000.00
PLUMBING	119	6,074.18
ROOF	139	4,350.00
SIGN	23	1,725.00
SNOW PLOW	21	135.00
POOL	5	125.00

TOTAL:

768

\$47,650.82

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF REVENUE

• 475 Contractor Registrations Issued	\$26,850.00
• 549 Rental Inspections Performed	11,225.00
• 227 Point of Sale Inspections	11,900.00
• 125 Permits requiring 2% City Assessment	539.31
• Apartment/Rooming House Annual License	38,200.00
• Dwelling Annual Rental License	25,840.00
• Certificate of Residency	1,950.00

TOTAL: \$116,504.31

BUILDING DEPT. INSPECTIONS

- 157 Pre-pour Inspections
- 161 Electrical Inspections
- 160 Plumbing Inspections
- 71 HVAC Inspections
- 32 Footer/Framing
- 290 Follow-up Inspections

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE / RENTAL VIOLATIONS

- 259 Houses Inspected and Cited
- 61 Grass notices sent
- 285 Follow-up Inspections
- 19 Court Summons Issued

NEW PROJECTS TO BEGIN IN YEAR 2013

- New businesses interest in area surrounding Wal-Mart
- Continued Development of Tinkers Creek Industrial Park – Hemisphere Way
- Work with the city manager and department of development in the new marketing campaign of “The Bedford Advantage”
- Train and implement the new Building Department software

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM (NSP) GRANT

For Fiscal Year 2010 the Building Department was awarded a \$500,000 competitive municipal Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) grant from the Cuyahoga County Department of Development. In July of 2010 this award was increased by an additional \$200,000 under an addendum to this grant contract with the County. These additional funds would be used to acquire/renovate/resell additional properties within the Presidential District area of the City.

The Building Department purchased four (4) vacant/foreclosed/abandoned homes under this NSP grant, located at 741 Washington Street, 775 Lincoln Boulevard, 166 Woodrow Avenue and 831 Lincoln Boulevard.

In 2010 renovation work was started on all but 831 Lincoln Boulevard.

By December, 2010, 775 Lincoln Boulevard was the first Presidential Grant property to be ready to be marketed.

2011 - Work has been progressing on the four (4) NSP grant houses. Of these four (4) properties, 775 Lincoln Boulevard and 166 Woodrow Avenue have been advertised as "For Sale" and have each received numerous inquiries and a number of showing appointments by interested buyers. It is anticipated that one of these two properties will be the first to sell. Since this is a "reimbursement grant" from the County, what proceeds the City receives from sales of these properties is treated as "program income" to be used in other NSP projects.

2012 – After a temporary suspension of renovation work on the city-owned houses, renovation work was started once again with the award of a contract to Marni, Inc. on or about September 18, 2012. From October 2012 to December 2012 work was completed on all eight (8) houses in the City's Housing Program (NSP and Dollar Home Sales to Local Governments.)

From December 2012 to present the houses have been actively marketed to the general public and to agents in the area. For this same time frame, there have been numerous showings of each of our houses (with perhaps the exception of 361 W. Grace) and numerous inquiries about the houses and our housing program in general. Use of the City website to learn about the housing program is very high and often leads to further direct inquiry by either a phone call or e-mail message to the Housing Program Manager.

NEW PROGRAMS FOR 2013

- Continue to operate the NSP grant program as necessary to fulfill terms of the grant contract – i.e., as renovation work is completed on NSP properties and the properties are sold to qualified buyers, grant proceeds must be used to reinvest in other vacant/foreclosed/abandoned residential properties.
- Expansion of NSP grant program with the award of a NSP 3 grant to the City of Bedford from the Cuyahoga County Department of Development, Housing Division. This grant, in the amount of \$150,000.00, was awarded for the eligible use of building a “green” home on a vacant residential lot. Work under this grant has also commenced, with the selection of an appropriate vacant lot and the design for the energy efficient home.

DOLLAR HOME AND VACANT HOME PROGRAM

- 2007 – City Purchased 2 homes through this program
 - 2007/2008 – Total of 7 homes purchased through this program
 - Since 2008 – 7 homes have been sold – net profit \$102,933.70
 - 2009 – City Purchased an additional 11 homes for rehab/resale; 3 through the Dollar Home program and 8 through HUD or Bank owned properties
 - 2010 – City purchased one property from HUD under its Dollar Home Sales to Local Governments Program: 22 Nordham. This property was not included in the renovation/resale program, but instead demolished by the City based upon property condition. The cost of the demolition was reimbursed to the City under another City NSP grant. This vacant lot is likely to be split and sold to the property owners on the adjacent parcels.
- 2010 – Four City-owned homes were sold to qualified buyers:
- 4/20/10 – 324 Paul Street – Sold
 - 6/9/10 – 109 Palmetto Ave. – Sold
 - 10/28/10 – 97 Flora Dr. – Sold
 - 11/17/10 – 91 Tudor Ave. – Sold
 - One City-owned home went under contract for sale on or about 11/17/10 – 9 West Interstate St.

DOLLAR HOME AND VACANT HOME PROGRAM**CONTINUED:**

2011 - One (1) city-owned home was sold under the program to a qualified buyer:
2/28/ 2011 – 9 West Interstate Street

The City currently holds four (4) houses under this section of the housing program. All of these homes have been substantially repaired for resale to qualified buyers and are currently “For Sale” by the City. There is (and has been) substantial interest in both the two-family property located at 227/229 West Glendale Street and the single-family home located at 526 Belle Avenue.

Since February 2013 there has been serious interest in the city house located at 227/229 West Glendale - an offer is in the process of being prepared by the buyer’s agent for presentment to the City.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT GOALS FOR 2012

- Development of Industrial District north of Ben Venue Complex
- Work with City Manager to Develop design guidelines for Tinkers Creek Industrial Park / Hemisphere Way
- Continue Working with the Bedford Historical Preservation Committee to revitalize the downtown Bedford area
- Continue to purchase under HUD’s \$1 HOME Sales to Local Government Program for renovation-resale to qualified buyers
- Continue City Residential Rehab Program under NSP Grant Program for the acquisition/renovation/resale of foreclosed/vacant/abandoned properties
- Continue to pursue reinvestment in foreclosed properties in the city
- Continue to pursue policy of exterior maintenance code enforcement for foreclosed and/or bank-owned (REO) properties.
- Continue to work with the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor’s Office Tax Foreclosure Unit to secure appropriate parcels of land available to City of Bedford Land Bank
- Continue to work with Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation and Cuyahoga County Department of Development to make appropriate use of limited demolition funds

CITY RESIDENTIAL REHAB PROGRAM

Assessments Paid on All Houses

- 2005 - Two homes completed – 286 W. Grace St. and 378 Union Ave.
- 2006 – One house completed – 91 Tudor Ave.
- 2007 – Seven homes completed – 391 Kenyon, 260 W. Glendale, 862 Archer, 198 Logan, 85 Southwick, 52 W. Monroe, and 81 Powers

- 2005 - One home demolished – 70 W. Glendale Ave.
- 2009 – NSP Residential Demolition Fund Request for 271 W. Grace
- 2010 – NSP Residential Demolition Fund Request &/or Grants awarded four homes: 271 W. Grace St., 22 Nordham Dr., 1275 Broadway Ave., and 88 Northfield Rd.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS

PROPERTY OWNER	MONTH ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST
JANUARY			
ZAREMBA MANAGEMENT	625 TURNEY #163	REPAIRS TO FIRE DAMAGED APT.	\$ 20,000.00
CITY OF BEDFORD - REC	124 ELLENWOOD	RENOVATE ENTRANCE	\$ 13,549.00
SIMMONS	468 NORTHFIELD	ALTERATIONS FOR NEW BUSINESS	\$ 25,000.00
FEBRUARY			
QUA INCORPORATED	17700 ROCKSIDE (10 BRWY.)	DEMO SMALL BLDG.	
TOMKEN, INC.	310 BROADWAY	GUTTING INTERIOR FOR RENOVATION	
MARCH			
TOMKEN, INC.	310 BROADWAY	BLDG. RENOVATIONS	\$ 1,200,000.00
FRIEDMAN	1504 BROADWAY	BUILDING RENOVATION	\$ 25,000.00
GETGO PARTNERS	400 NORTHFIELD	BUILDING RENOVATION	\$ 140,000.00
APRIL			
BEN VENUE	300 NORTHFIELD	DEMO -1ST FLOOR REMED. PROJ.	
MAY			
ROCKSIDE PARTNERS	19550-19600 ROCKSIDE	RENOVATIONS - ENTERPRISE	\$ 145,000.00
JUNE			
BEDFORD PLACE APTS., LTD	600 TURNEY	ADA TOILET ROOM	\$ 14,000.00
UNITED CHURCH HOMES INC.	315 BONNIEVIEW	AWNING @ FRONT & REAR ENTRANCE	\$ 5,960.00
JULY			
CHARTER ONE BANK	435 BROADWAY	DUMPSTER ENCLOSURE	\$ 9,700.00
BEN VENUE	300 NORTHFIELD (I)	DEMO - AIRLOCK 2ND FLOOR	
BEN VENUE	300 NORTHFIELD (J)	RENOVATIONS	\$ 400,000.00
AUGUST			
ROCKSIDE LIMITED PARTNER	19500 ROCKSIDE	DEMO INTERIOR ONLY	
SEPTEMBER			
ROCKSIDE LIMITED PARTNER	19500 ROCKSIDE	BLDG. RENOVATIONS	\$ 300,000.00
BEN VENUE	300 NORHTFIELD (L)	TEMP. MODULAR TRAILER	\$ 25,000.00
BEN VENUE	300 NORHTFIELD (L)	TEMP. MODULAR TRAILER	\$ 25,000.00
BEN VENUE	300 NORHTFIELD (L)	TEMP. MODULAR TRAILER	\$ 25,000.00
WENSO DEVELOPMENT INC.	980 SOLON	ADA TOILET IN WAREHOUSE	\$ 9,780.00
OCTOBER			
GOUND HOGS 2000 LLC	33 INDUSTRY	DEMO INTERIOR OFFICES IN WAREHOUSES	
NOVEMBER			
PILLA	400 CENTER	BLDG. RENO - NEW STEEPLE	30,000.00
FRANKENBERRY	22 CENTER	BLDG. RENO - NEW BUSINESS	\$ 10,000.00
DECEMBER			
123 BROADWAY LLC	123 BROADWAY	BLDG. RENOVATIONS	\$ 950,000.00
PAG BEDFORD PROPERTIES /AUDI	19400 ROCKSIDE	19400 ROCKSIDE	\$ 1,500,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF CONSTRUCTION:			\$ 4,872,989.00
BOLD ESTIMATES OF \$100,000.00			

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS MONTH</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EST. COST</u>
JANUARY			
MALCOLM	853 NORTHFIELD	SIDING AND AWNINGS	\$ 11,850.00
GREENE	1337 BROADWAY	MISC. REPAIRS FROM POINT OF S/	\$ 1,800.00
ASTALOS	105 W. GRACE	PORCH REPAIR - SMALL STOOP	\$ 200.00
FEBRUARY			
ULLEMEYER	50 LEYTON	50 LEYTON	\$ 4,200.00
DEUTSCH BANK NATL.	63 GREENCLIFF	MISC. EXTER. REPAIRS FROM POF	\$ 300.00
DEUTSCH BANK NATL.	63 GREENCLIFF	MISC. INTER. REPAIRS FROM POF	\$ 300.00
MARCH			
SMITH	299 GRAND	SIDING	\$ 4,800.00
SCHUMAN	715 MCKINLEY	ADDITION TO BACK OF DWELLING	\$ 15,000.00
SMITH	11 WOODROW	AWNING	\$ 500.00
FANNIE MAE	110 PALMETTO	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS FROM POF	
DEUTSCH BANK	31 LEYTON	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS FROM POF	
APRIL			
JUSS GALAXY CORP.	65 PALMETTO	REPAIR PORCH FLOOR	\$ 2,500.00
CUYAHOGA COUNTY LAND	122 HARRIMAN	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS POF	
WHITEHEAD	51 GOULD	DECK	\$ 4,900.00
PICKETT	210 BEXLEY	SIDING	\$ 1,755.00
THOMAS	680 WASHINGTON	SHED	\$ 2,240.00
EQUITY TRUST CO.	39 GOULD	GARAGE	\$ 8,700.00
MANARO ASSOCIATES LTD	527 BROADWAY	DEMO DWELLING	
MORGAN	441 TERRACE	REBUILD CHIMNEY FROM ROOF LI	\$ 1,700.00
STEPNICKA	750 NORTHFIELD	DEMO GARAGE	
MAY			
OLDENBURG	237 UNION	ADDITION TO GARAGE	\$ 7,000.00
STERLING	424 COLUMBUS	DECK	\$ 1,300.00
SAFELY HOME	26 E. GRACE	PORCH REPAIR	\$ 2,500.00
SAFELY HOME	290 SOLON	PORCH REPAIR	\$ 500.00
WILSON	855 LINCOLN	DECK	\$ 3,000.00
RAMBERT	548 SHAWNEE	SIDING	\$ 8,200.00
RANDHAWA	738 NORTHFIELD	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 1,200.00
YOUNG	951 ARCHER	SIDING	\$ 8,700.00
HORNBECK	1316 BROADWAY	SIDING	\$ 2,500.00
WRIGHT	461 CENTER	10x31 DECK	\$ 3,325.00
NEDELKA	148 WOODROW	ADDITON	\$ 20,000.00
SHALASHNOW	17 ELM	DECK	\$ 800.00

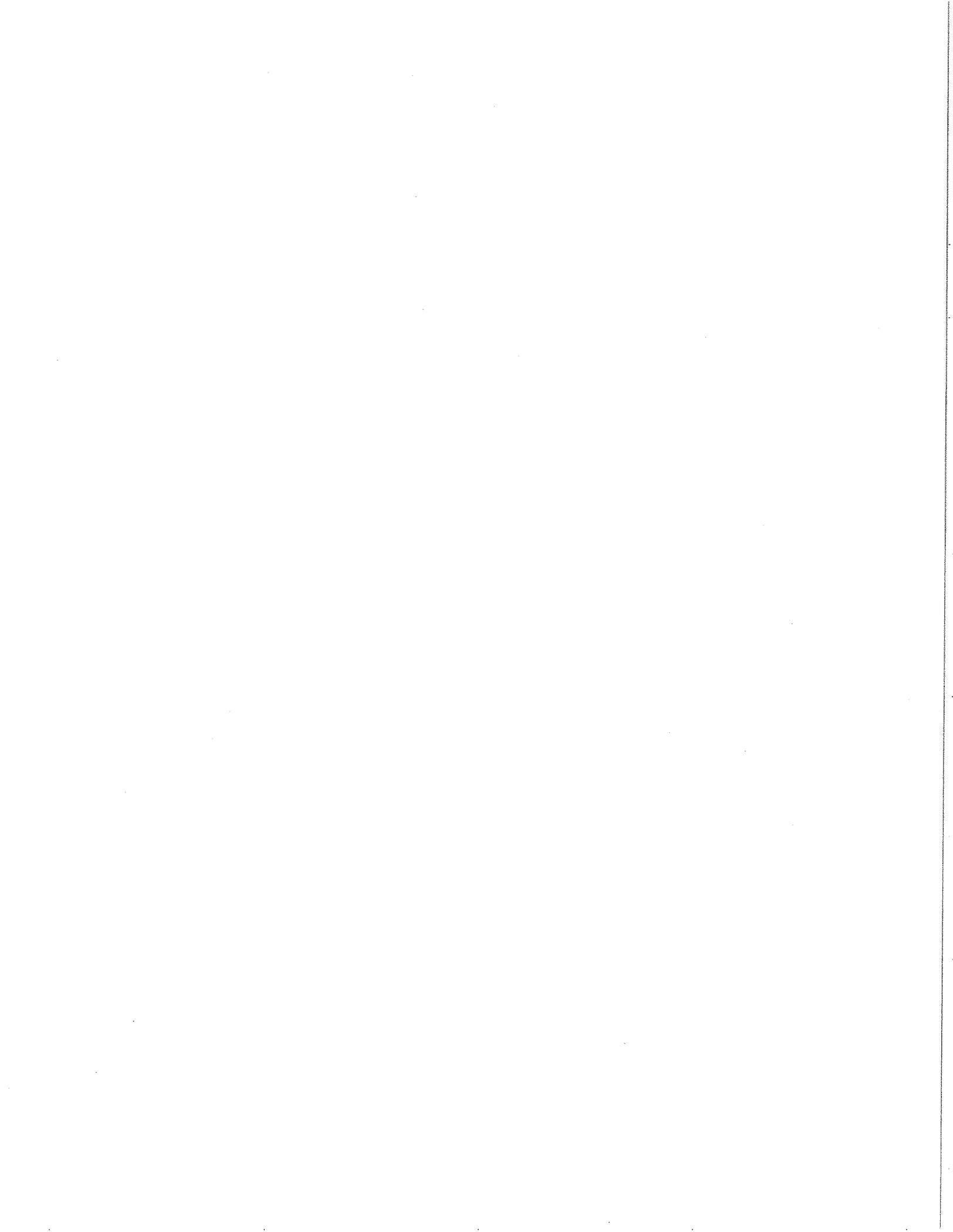
RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS MONTH</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EST. COST</u>
MAY - CONTINUED			
CCLRC	136 PAUL	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 1,000.00
SLEZAK	27 TALBOT	SIDING HOUSE AND GARAGE	\$ 8,100.00
MCCANDLISH	24 LEYTON	SIDING GARAGE	\$ 200.00
REID	45 SOUTHVIEW	SHED	\$ 650.00
YOKIEL PROP., LLC	63 CRESSWELL	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 5,000.00
JUNE			
SPINKS	265 GRAND	SIDING GARAGE ONLY	\$ 2,550.00
RANDHAWA	35 WOODROW	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 1,000.00
HEARTY	561 BUTTON	SIDING	\$ 4,000.00
DEOLIVEIRA	577 NORTHFIELD	SIDING	\$ 500.00
CHAPMAN	155 BEST	DECK	\$ 2,000.00
CUYAHOGA COUNTY LAND	80 TUDOR	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 10,000.00
BALTEK	35 WOODROW	SIDING	\$ 1,100.00
JULY			
BALLACHINO	481 TERRACE	GARAGE ADDITION	\$ 4,000.00
WILLIAMS	605 BUTTON	SIDING	\$ 6,000.00
POYMAN	322 UNION	PATIO ENCLOSURE	\$ 25,000.00
THOMPSON	68 GREENCROFT	GARAGE-DEMO OLD ERECT NEW	\$ 18,000.00
JACKSON	83 WILLARD	DECK	\$ 3,000.00
RANDHAWA	738 NORTHFIELD	SIDING	\$ 1,100.00
COLVIN	852 MCKINLEY	SHED	\$ 1,500.00
PAYNE	87 ELDRED	PORCH	\$ 2,000.00
AUGUST			
RHOAD	176 GRAND	STEPS	
BOGNER	574-B TURNEY	PORCH	\$ 500.00
KOZAK	20 ELM	MISC. EXTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 4,000.00
HOWELL	66 BEVERLY	SIDING	\$ 7,000.00
LASKA	150 CENTER	PAIR PORCH FLOOR AND 4 STEPS	\$ 3,875.00
GRIFFITH	120 WOODROW	REBUILD CHIMNEY FROM ROOF UP	\$ 150.00
ROPAR	31 ENNIS	SHED	\$ 400.00
TYLER-SNYDER	20 SOUTH CIRCLE	SIDING	\$ 3,500.00
KUNKEL	65 WANDLE	SIDING	\$ 15,000.00
TUCKER	456 LAMSON	SIDING	\$ 10,000.00
CORMACK	213 NORTHFIELD	DEMO SHED	
MORRISSETTE	673 HIGH	PORCH	\$ 5,450.00
CCLRC	224 LOGAN	MISC. INTERIOR REPAIRS	\$ 1,500.00

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>ADDRESS MONTH</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EST. COST</u>
SEPTEMBER			
IACOVONE	218 GRAND	DECK	\$ 2,500.00
HUTSON	584 SHAWNEE	FINISH BATH IN BASEMENT	\$ 3,000.00
WILSON	103 ENNIS	LAUNDRY ROOM ADDITION	\$ 5,600.00
PUND	144 CENTER	DECK	\$ 3,000.00
OCTOBER			
SCHULTZ	16 COLUMBUS	BLDG. RENO. - 1' HIGH PLATFORM	\$ 250.00
HAMPTON	746 ARCHER	STEPS	\$ 1,000.00
CCLRC	89 JOHN	DEMO DWELLING	
PELLINI	244 DEBORAH	SIDING	\$ 3,500.00
RHOADES	57 WANDLE	SHED	\$ 2,000.00
PARKER	835 ARCHER	DECK AND HANDICAP RAMP	10,200.00
BEND PROPERTY FUND, LLC	163 FOREST	BASEMENT BATH	\$ 1,500.00
US BANK NTL. ASSOC.	841 WASHINGTON	DEMO - DWELLING	
NOVEMBER			
FALKNER	79 DEWHURST	REMODEL LIVING AREA	\$ 15,000.00
SZCZEPANIK	36 PARK	REBUILD SIDE STEP UNIT	\$ 100.00
DICKEY	102 FIRST	FRONT PORCH/DECK	\$ 8,000.00
RICE	752 MCKINLEY	SIDING	\$ 8,000.00
ECKLUND	105-107 TALBOT	SIDING	\$ 1,000.00
WORLEY	449 WESTVIEW	BASEMENT DROP CEILING & DRYW	\$ 1,350.00
YOUNG	62 W. GLENDALE	MISC. EXT. REPAIRS	\$ 800.00
DECEMBER			
RIASE	449 LAMSON	SIDING GARAGE	\$ 3,000.00
GALLAGHER	56 GOULD	SIDING	\$ 7,000.00
MORRISSETTE	673 HIGH	BACK STEPS	\$ 800.00
GILL	80 W. GRACE	REBUILD FRONT STEPS	\$ 1,500.00
FRANCO	108 NORDHAM	MISC. EXT. REPAIRS	\$ 800.00
LOGRASSO	56 ELDRED	GARAGE	\$ 3,000.00

TOTAL: \$ **350,745.00**



Economic Development

City Manager: Hank Angelo,

Director: Michael Mallis

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Department Staff & Overview

- **One Director,**
- **One part time assistant (vacant);**
- **One part time intern (vacant).**

Mission Statement

The City of Bedford is committed to retaining and attracting businesses to our community. The City works in partnership with public and private organizations to enhance local capacity and provide resources that supports planning, community and economic development activities.

Responsibilities:

- The Department conducts and manages grant writing for the community to include: CDBG, Recycle-Ohio, Issue I, Issue II, State of Ohio community recycling awareness grants, NOACA funds and others.
- Assist the City Manager on day to day operations in Recreation, Building, Service and all other administrative responsibilities.
- Assist in facilitating / manage City-wide projects and capital improvements.
- Served as President of the First Suburbs Development Council from 2011 – 2013.
- Serve as moderator for the Arts & Cultural Board

Responsibilities cont.:

- Act as the City liaison officer with businesses both within and outside of the City. Also represents the City on the Bedford with the Chamber of Commerce, the Bedford Rotary, Auto Mile Association, Bedford City School District and other organizations.
- Work with boards for policies and recommendations for tax abatements and council / guide applicants through the local and county tax incentive approval processes.
- The Department manages all business attraction, and retention.
- Correspondence with funding agencies and grant reporting.

Responsibilities cont.:

- **Process residential tax abatements and work in coordination with residents and the Cuyahoga County Auditors office.**
- **Monitor existing Bedford businesses and assist in resolving any problems over which the City has control or may assist.**
- **Develop and maintain a databases of building inventories, available sites, area businesses, and other information for economic development purposes and work with developers to package real estate parcels for development and existing buildings for sale or lease.**

Responsibilities cont.:

- Prepare and coordinate promotional materials and activities for economic development and marketing of the City.
- Acts as site developer for perspective retailer's citywide, including commercial, industrial and retail.
- Manage the web-based public relations, economic development and information for the City of Bedford.
- Write press releases, news articles and produce audiovisual presentations and reports.
- Department coordinates and plans city sponsored events to include: Chalk art., Shred Day, Fall Fest and others held at the square.
- Develops the quarterly newsletter distributed to businesses and residents.
- Monitor the NLC Prescription Discount Program
 - To date there are over 900 users that have saved roughly \$28,000.00

2012 Departmental Projects

- Recycle-Ohio, delivered over 4800 bundles of blue bags to residents for continued recycling efforts;
- Awaiting final approval of our 2 Quiet Zone applications.
- Grant writing for city improvement projects; 2011 total = \$900,000
 - Over the last 10 years, the City has been successful in obtaining over \$30 million in grant dollars
- Enhanced the City's overall marketing efforts to businesses and residents.
 - *Assisted by the outline created by the Impact Group*
- Outreach & marketing to over 105 new businesses to locate in Bedford

2012 Departmental Projects

- Administered the Storefront Renovation Program
 - Saved local businesses over \$28,000.00
- CDBG grant ~ \$220,000.00 (Union Street Enhancements)
- Issue 2 grant ~ approx. \$600k (Water line improvements)
- Also successful in grants through the Solid Waste District, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture & other organizations
- While partnering with the Impact Group, we have recreated multiple marketing items that include:
 - Monthly utility inserts
 - New Resident Guide
 - Senior Brochure
 - Business Attraction Guide
 - Quarterly Newsletter
 - E-News Blast

Additional Grant Info:

- Cuyahoga County Waste District Recycle Grant
 - (awarded \$4,000 for purchase of bags)
- Ohio Arts Council project support grant
 - (awarded \$1,100 towards art project)
- CDBG Auto Mile Enhancement
 - (awarded \$190,000 for signage, monuments and banners)
- NSP 3
 - Awarded \$150,000 for the construction of an energy efficient house
- DOPWIC Issue 1
 - (awarded \$600,000 to replace water lines at Grand Blvd, Magnolia & Franklin)
- Currently working with the Cuyahoga Land Bank on the acquisition of the old Taylor Chair Property as well as the demolition of various abandoned properties.

Marketing Efforts

- Dramatically enhanced the use of social media outlets such as Facebook and Twitter.
- Established the e-news option with multiple alerts a month.
- Redesign of the utility inserts.
- Distributed four newly designed community newsletters.

2013 & Beyond

- Major infrastructure improvements scheduled to begin including the replacement of Broadway water line.
- Construction of the NSP Energy Home Project.
- CDBG – Union Street Enhancement & Sign Project.
- Continue to market the City of Bedford as a whole...housing, businesses, service and overall quality of life.
- Continue to pursue the companies interested in the acquisition of the former Taylor Chair facility .
- Collaborate with the developers of Meadowbrook Market Square to enhance retail in complex.
- Collaborate with Hemisphere to market Tinkers Creek Commerce Park
- Partner with the County Land Bank in an effort to acquire the property located at Taylor / Willis for future development opportunities.
- Research the potential return of the Bedford Sun Banner to the City.
- Target bike trail funding for downtown Bedford.
- Create the Summer Concert Series – bands.

