

OHIO'S FIRST GREENSPACE TOWNSHIP



ANDERSON  
TOWNSHIP

LIVE + LEARN + PLAY





# WELCOME TO ANDERSON TOWNSHIP



- + QUALITY SCHOOLS
- + SUPERIOR RECREATION
- + FINE RESIDENTIAL HOMES

## THE TOWNSHIP AT A GLANCE

- + Anderson has more than 2,800 acres of Greenspace, lush active and passive parks, open space and other publicly accessible lands, including quality golf courses.
- + Anderson continues to be one of the most appealing Greater Cincinnati neighborhoods. Homeowners enjoy high resale values, recognizing and appreciating their good investment.
- + Anderson maintains an extremely high level of single-family, owner-occupied homes.
- + Anderson is financially sound and efficiently governed by leaders committed to fiscal conservatism.
- + Anderson has carefully leveraged its assets, generating an infusion of more than one billion dollars in public and private investments in its commercial areas since 2000, creating better safety, recreation and public services for residents.
- + Since 2016, more than \$300 million in private and public investment has been focused in the "Center of the Community" within a mile of the Anderson Towne Center.

**A**nderson Township, is a Greater Cincinnati community situated between the banks of the scenic Ohio and Little Miami rivers, about 15 minutes from downtown Cincinnati.

In this magazine, you'll learn more about why people choose to live in Anderson Township, an award-winning community that is exemplary in many ways.

Soon, we hope you'll personally discover what is said about Anderson Township. We're a friendly community with great schools and excellent recreational opportunities. We offer a diverse stock of beautiful homes on hilly, wooded lots, a strong sense of community and a superior quality of life.

**Take a few minutes to learn why we are one of Cincinnati's most desirable residential communities!**

Five Mile Chapel





# Elected Officials



R. Dee Stone  
Trustee



Joshua S. Gerth  
Trustee



J. Lexi Lausten  
Trustee



Brian M. Johnson  
Fiscal Officer



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BETWEEN 2000 AND 2016  
THE MEDIAN VALUE OF  
ANDERSON TOWNSHIP HOMES  
GREW BY 56 PERCENT

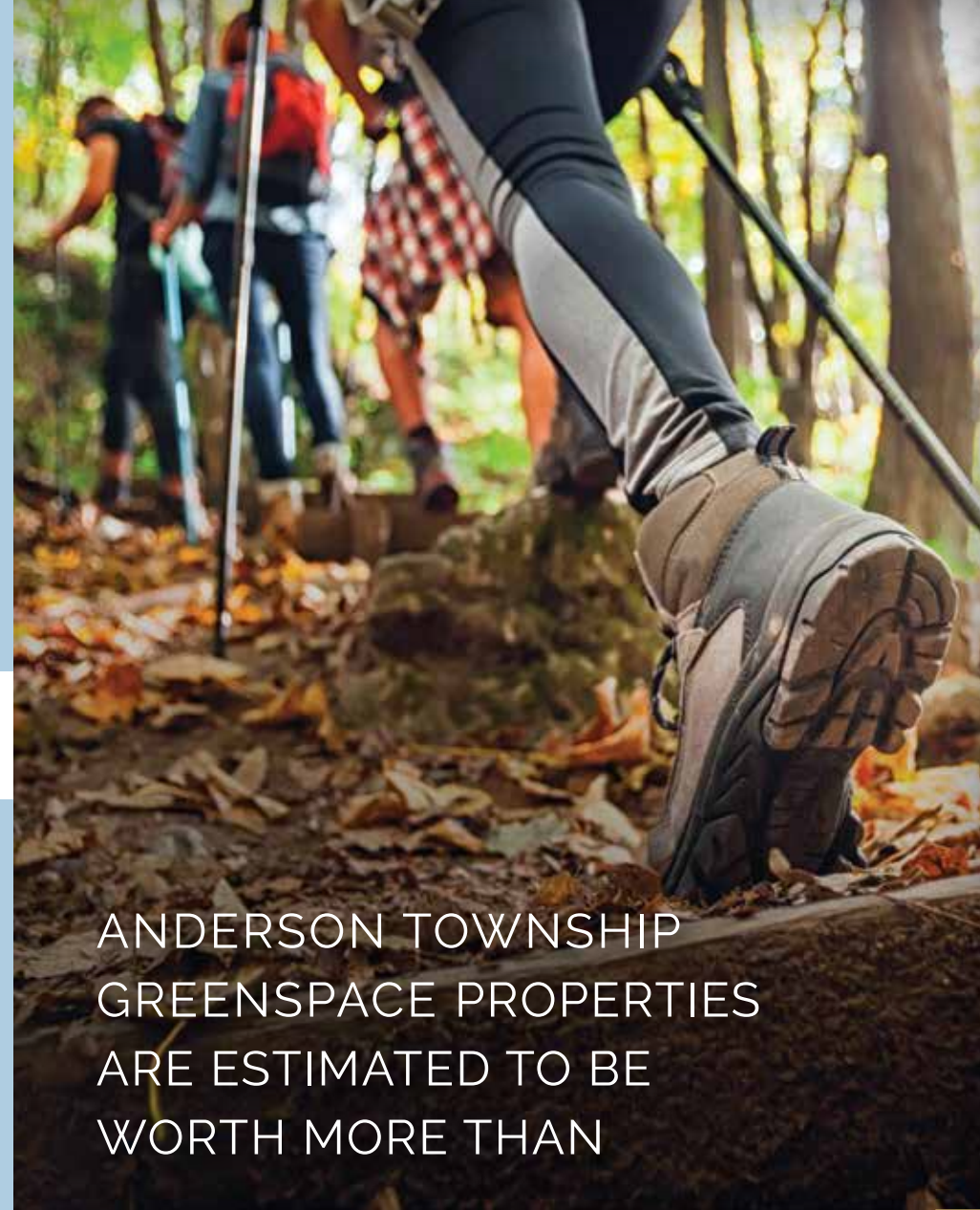
*U.S. Census, Estimated*

BUYING A HOME  
IN ANDERSON  
TOWNSHIP  
CONTINUES  
TO BE A SOLID  
INVESTMENT.

**\$456,025**

WAS THE  
AVERAGE  
RESALE OF AN  
ANDERSON  
RESIDENCE  
IN 2023.

+ About **84 PERCENT** of township residences are single-family, owner-occupied homes.



ANDERSON TOWNSHIP  
GREENSPACE PROPERTIES  
ARE ESTIMATED TO BE  
WORTH MORE THAN

**\$13,000,000**



+ Anderson Township residents continue to rate Fire EMS/Rescue Services as "Best in Class." The township is part of an elite group of communities with a "3" Insurance Services Offices rating — countrywide, only **14.4 PERCENT** of communities are in this category.

+ Anderson Township's prototype Greenspace preservation program indicates a significant community commitment to preserve open spaces. Anderson Township includes more than **2,800 ACRES** of parks, Greenspace and other publicly accessible land. It encompasses more than 15.5 percent of total township acreage and includes approximately 60 acres of Greenspace, parks and recreational uses for every 1,000 residents.



+ The total real property taxable value of Anderson Township is **\$1.698 BILLION.**

+ Anderson Township's population continues to grow. According to U.S. Census information, Anderson's population grew nearly **10 PERCENT** from 39,939 in 1990 to 44,088 in 2020.

+ Anderson Township has a plan in place to invest **\$4.1 MILLION** in improvements to the Kellogg Avenue Entertainment District.

+ The median household income in Anderson Township is almost **DOUBLE** the state median household income in Ohio.



# ANDERSON RESIDENTS BENEFIT FROM HIGH-QUALITY AMENITIES

**A**nderson Township provides high-quality public services that preserve and improve the quality of life for township residents. New residents will quickly discover the rewards of living in a township: superior services delivered at economical rates and leadership that is responsive to citizen needs. Residents often say the absence of excessive regulations and government red tape is refreshing.

A board of three elected officials, called trustees, and an elected fiscal officer govern township matters. Operating under a "Limited Home Rule" form of government, the township has increased flexibility to deliver services within the simple form of township government to the end of protecting citizens, enhancing the community's viability and increasing opportunities for work and play.

Township trustees are proactive leaders who welcome comments from community residents. Trustees usually meet the first and third Thursday of each month in Anderson Center. Meetings are open to the public and can be accessed later on the township's website.

**+ To learn more about Anderson Township's services, visit [AndersonTownshipOH.gov](http://AndersonTownshipOH.gov).**

## FIRE, RESCUE AND EMS

Anderson Township operates its own professional fire, rescue and emergency services department, the Anderson Township Fire and Rescue Department. Known for its excellent service, community education programs and dedicated fire-fighting personnel, the department provides paramedic, fire, rescue and life safety services to Anderson Township from its three fire stations and to Newtown from a fourth station located in the village.

With a "3" Insurance Services Offices rating, the township joins an elite group of communities countrywide. Only 14.4 percent have attained this rating. The 69-person department covers 33.57 square miles, and a combined population of 47,686.



## SHERIFF'S SERVICES

Safety services in Anderson Township are provided by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office District 5 headquarters at two locations throughout the township. On-site at Anderson Center (7850 Five Mile Road) is the township's Crime Prevention Officer and Community Resource Officer.

Also open to serve the public is the Sheriff's District 5 substation, located at the Anderson Township Operations Center, 7954 Beechmont Ave. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays. 37 full-time officers are assigned to Anderson Township.

The township also supports one full-time investigator assigned to the Regional Enforcement Narcotics Unit (RENU).

Deputies offer small-town, personalized attention, while also contributing resources available in a large law enforcement organization. The community has one of the most active Neighborhood Watch programs in the Midwest, with 119 groups.

## PUBLIC WORKS

When that first snow of the season arrives, Anderson Township's Public Works Department has the reputation of quickly clearing the snow on the more than 122 miles of township streets it maintains. Anderson puts maximum effort into keeping roads safe so residents can get to work, school and commerce.

## PLANNING AND ZONING

The Planning and Zoning Department exclusively oversees all planning and zoning related matters that occur within the township. It also performs a research and analysis function by using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and other related information sources to aid Anderson Township's elected officials and citizens in making sound planning and zoning decisions. The department serves as staff to several of Anderson Township's citizen advisory committees, comprised of more than 60 residents and business owners, focused on economic development, transportation, zoning, Greenspace, urban forestry, health and beautification.



OUTSTANDING  
ANDERSON TOWNSHIP SERVICES





### 2023 AVERAGE HOME PRICES

- MT. WASHINGTON \$262,753
- UNION TOWNSHIP \$316,742
- NEWTOWN \$429,209
- PIERCE TOWNSHIP \$362,420

**ANDERSON TOWNSHIP \$456,025**



### HIGH QUALITY HOMES OFFER BUYERS A LASTING INVESTMENT

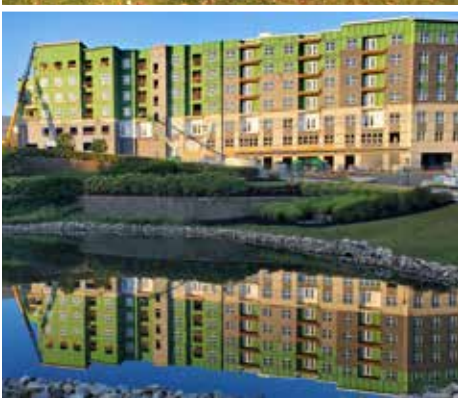
**A**nderson Township is a community comprised of quality housing that continues to be a good investment. Beautiful homes situated on rolling hills, in landscaped subdivisions and on large, green wooded estates are available, along with attractive starter homes, apartments and town homes.

Homes are enhanced by the community's commitment to nature — being Ohio's first publicly-supported Greenspace program, plus the area's superior township and county park districts. Residents also appreciate the high-quality public and safety services offered in the township. Anderson is a family-oriented community, busy and full of opportunities to connect with other neighbors.

In recent years, the township has invested considerable effort into attracting a broad range of homes for all generations. From large estate homes to lifestyle apartment communities, new development has diversified the housing options in the community.

Anderson Township has provided significant investment in public infrastructure to help ensure its place as a community of choice in Greater Cincinnati. Bike trails and sidewalks have been added, along with streetscape enhancements and community gathering events, to help create a sense of being connected as a community that is stronger than ever.

**Anderson's houses are affordable and sought after for buyers in both the new and previously-owned housing market. The quality education offered by the Forest Hills Local School District, and excellent public amenities, support high resale values for residents.**







EXEMPLARY



# EDUCATION

**AWARD-WINNING PROGRAMS  
LEAD TO MEANINGFUL OUTCOMES**

**F**orest Hills School District proudly serves families in Anderson Township and the Village of Newtown. Educators take the pivotal role of instructing students and inspiring them to be the best version of themselves. Blending face-to-face instruction with digital tools, the school district's standards prepare students for their next phases in college, the military or the workforce.

Based on a tradition of excellence, Forest Hills School District has accrued various awards and recognitions for its dedication to providing meaningful and enriching educational experiences. The district earned a five-star overall rating in the 2023 Ohio School Report Card—the highest rating possible. Elementary and intermediate education equips young students with tools for more advanced opportunities in secondary grades. Forest Hills School District offers more than 140 high school courses, 28 Advanced Placement courses, a variety of global language classes, numerous extracurricular activities and comprehensive athletic and performing arts programs.

Much of the district's success is rooted in the excellence of the educational staff. Approximately 80% of teachers hold a master's degree and the average educator has been teaching for nearly two decades.

The district's teaching staff was recently ranked No. 6 in Ohio and No. 43 nationally for "Districts with the Best Teachers" by Niche, an independent company that reviews schools, communities and workplaces. This dedication helps make Forest Hills School District consistently one of the top districts in the state and country.

### TOP AWARDS/RECOGNITION IN FOREST HILLS SCHOOLS

- + Five-star overall rating on the Ohio School Report Cards as well as five stars for Achievement, Early Literacy, Graduation Rates and Gap closing.
- + 15 national Merit Students in 2023
- + Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports recognition within every school in the district
- + Ohio Academy of Science
- + Governor's Awards for Excellence in STEM earned by both high schools
- + Named top 4 % of Ohio high schools based on reading and math assessments, graduation rate and college readiness by U.S. News and World Report
- + Overall grade of A from school ranking and review site Niche, including A+ in Academics, Teachers and Administration and A in Clubs & Activities, Sport and College Preparation
- + All six elementary schools are recognized as "Hall of Fame Schools" by the Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators.

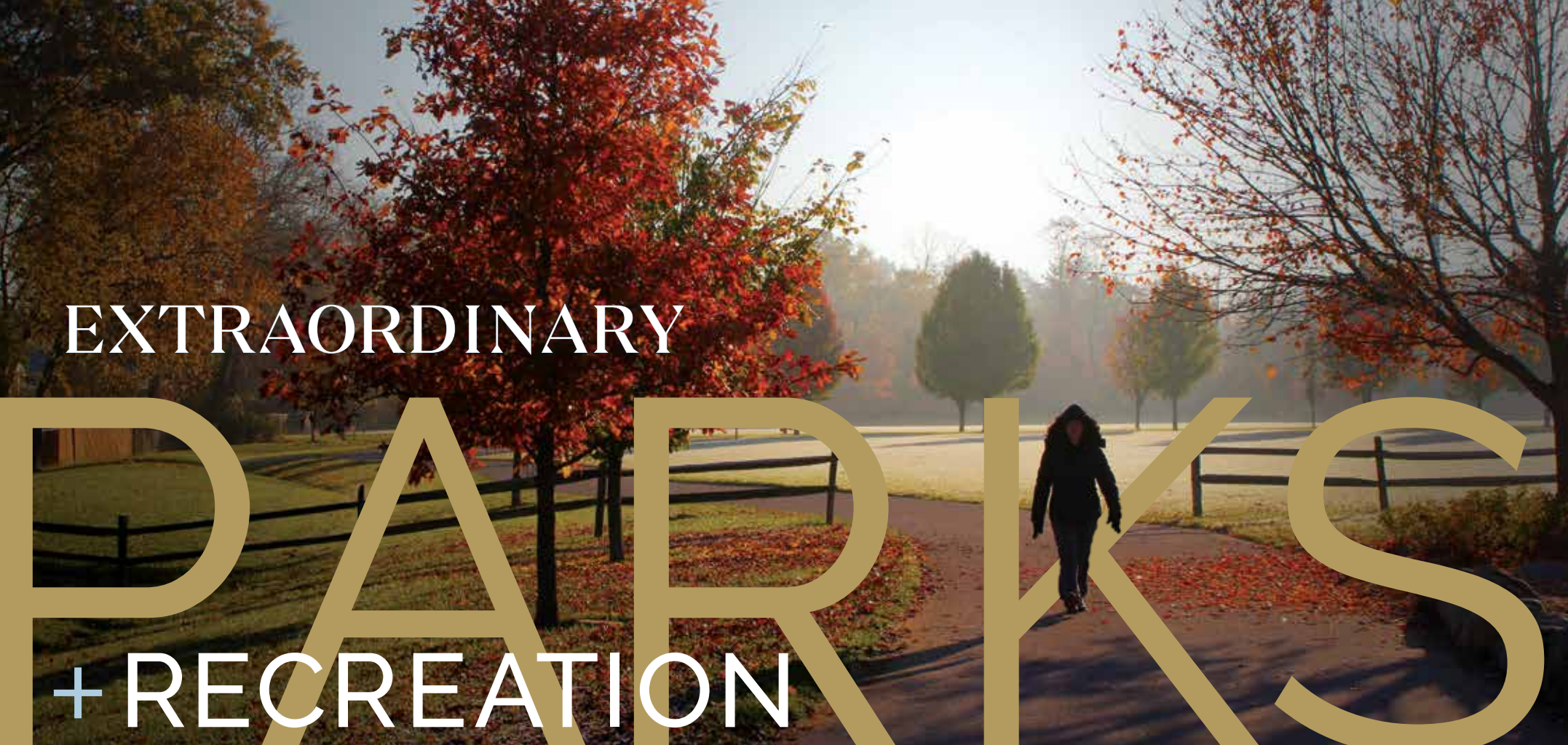
## EXCELLENT OPTIONS

For those opting for vocational education, Anderson residents may attend the Great Oaks Joint Vocational schools, which fill the need with a postsecondary facility service for Forest Hills and other area school districts.

The Anderson area hosts several quality private and parochial schools including Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Guardian Angels School, McNicholas High School and Miami Valley Christian Academy. Other higher learning opportunities are within a half hour drive.







# EXTRAORDINARY

# PARKS

# + RECREATION



## GREAT PARKS

Great Parks stewards 22 parks and conservation areas, four of which are within or minutes from Anderson Township, encompassing more than 2,200 acres. Those properties include the Little Miami Golf Center, (as well as Avoca and Bass Island), Otto Armleder Memorial Park and Recreation Complex, Withrow Nature Preserve and Woodland Mound. Great Parks also maintains six miles of the Little Miami Scenic Trail, which runs through Anderson Township.

### LITTLE MIAMI GOLF CENTER

is the place to get in a fun and challenging 18 holes of golf. Warm up on the natural turf practice area or the putting course at the covered and heated driving range. Enjoy the miniature golf course with the family or access the Little Miami Scenic Trail at the golf center, Bass Island (off Newtown Road) or Avoca Trailhead (off Wooster Pike). Canoe and kayak access, as well as fishing and river wading, is available at Bass Island.

### WITHROW NATURE PRESERVE

Many area couples have taken their marriage vows in the beautifully wooded outdoor wedding setting in Withrow Nature Preserve, which seats up to 75 guests and offers bridal-party use of the Highwood Lodge. This park also includes 1.7 miles of trails, including the scenic Trout Lily Trail.

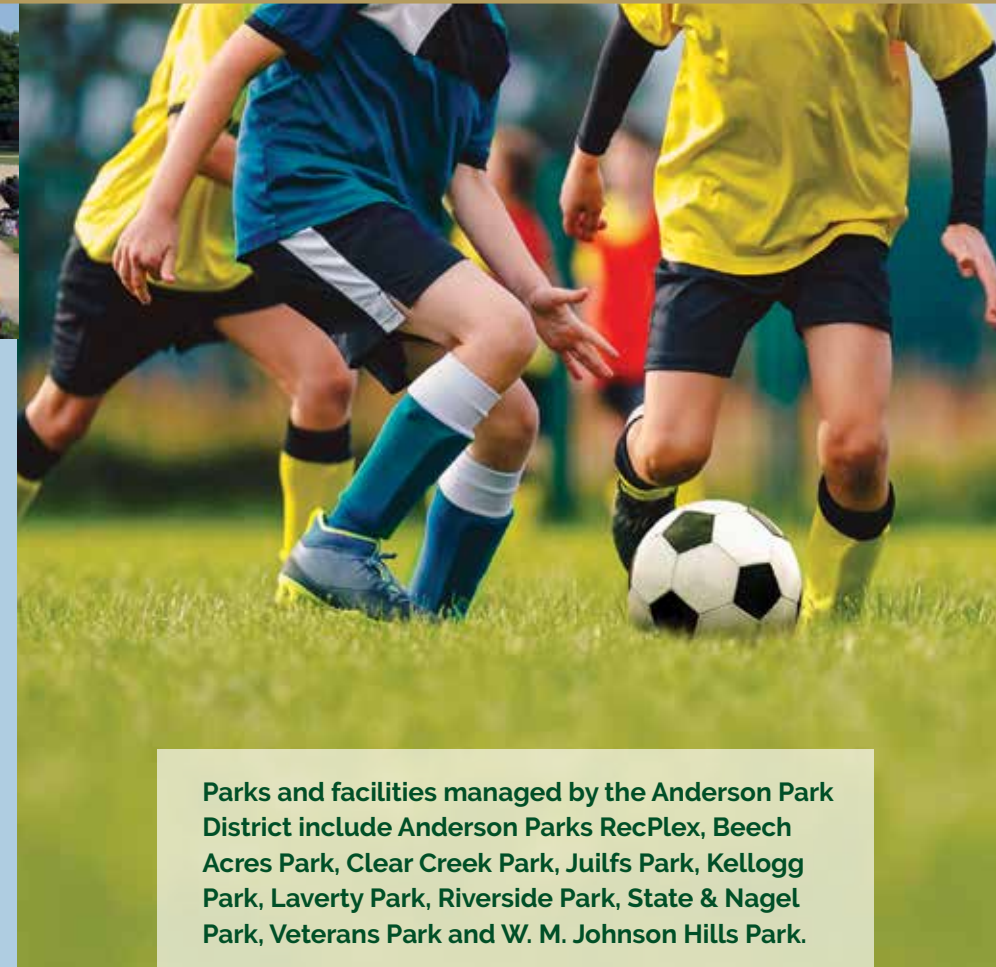
### WOODLAND MOUND,

Enjoy a variety of recreational opportunities, including playgrounds, new fitness equipment, trails and picnic areas, an 18-hole disc golf course, and the popular wet playground, Parly's Wetland Adventure.

+ *To learn more about Great Parks, visit [GreatParks.org](http://GreatParks.org).*

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

### THANKS TO AN ARRAY OF FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS



Parks and facilities managed by the Anderson Park District include Anderson Parks RecPlex, Beech Acres Park, Clear Creek Park, Juilfs Park, Kellogg Park, Laverty Park, Riverside Park, State & Nagel Park, Veterans Park and W. M. Johnson Hills Park.

Since 1975, the award-winning, Anderson Park District has been serving the community as an active park and recreation agency. The district has earned a reputation for providing outstanding events, programs and parks for visitors of all ages.

A sample of special events hosted by the Anderson Park District include: Daddy Daughter Dance, Youth Egg Hunts, Summer Concert Series, A Fair of the Arts, MariMac Pumpkin Patch, Visit With Santa and the Anderson Day Festival.

### 521 ACRES OF FUN COMPRISE THE ANDERSON PARK DISTRICT

The park district's top priority is to serve as a good steward of parklands and resources, while providing a broad range of recreational opportunities. Visitors with a variety of interests enjoy popular amenities including playgrounds, an 18-hole disc golf course, natural surface and paved trails, athletic fields, courts for pickleball, volleyball, tennis, and basketball, a skatepark, shelters, a dog field (permit required), open space and wooded areas. The renovated Anderson Parks

RecPlex features a gym and classrooms, which support year-round, indoor activities for the whole family. Programs include summer camps, youth and adult nature programs, preschool events, instructional sports, youth basketball and volleyball leagues, adult fitness, hobby classes and special activities geared for all ages.

+ *To learn more about Anderson's Park District visit [AndersonParks.com](http://AndersonParks.com).*



**PRECEDENT-SETTING INITIATIVE  
PROTECTS THE TOWNSHIP'S  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
AND NATURAL BEAUTY**



CAREFULLY PRESERVED

# GREENSPACE

The Anderson Township Greenspace program continues as a point of much community pride and serves as a model for other Ohio townships.

Residents hike these natural areas, exploring beautiful wooded hillsides and vistas overlooking both the Ohio and Little Miami rivers. These preserved properties help to provide cleaner air and water for the township and promote biodiversity that is critical for a healthy community.

Anderson Township was once a lightly populated rural community known for its orchards and sweeping river views. Change came quickly in the 1960s, when a period of rapid residential and commercial growth transformed this quiet community into a developing suburb with 44,000 residents.



**The program preserves and protects 72 parcels of property totaling more than 780 acres. Parcels range in size from less than a quarter acre to more than 109 acres. There are 21 parcels that each exceed 10 acres in size.**

In November 1995, Anderson Township residents approved a renewal of the Greenspace tax levy. In 2000, this tax levy was allowed to expire, as affordable properties were harder to find. However, through good stewardship of the tax funds allocated to this program, some money is still available for buying properties. Residents continue to donate land to the program with approximately 230 acres given as donations.

**+ Protected Greenspace locations are dispersed all around the township and can be found by visiting [AndersonTownshipOH.gov](http://AndersonTownshipOH.gov), which contains information about the program's history, acquisition criteria, use and maintenance policies, a map with Greenspace parcel locations and FAQs.**



In the late 1980s, during a period of growth, Anderson Township residents and officials took steps to preserve the natural character of the community. With bill language written by Anderson Township, and the prodding of its trustees, state officials passed House Bill 717 that allowed townships to acquire land to be preserved in its natural state. In November 1990, voters passed a levy to support a Greenspace program. That year, Anderson Township became the first Ohio township to adopt a Greenspace program under this bill.





# TRAILS



## AN ENJOYABLE WAY TO CONNECT THE COMMUNITY

**A**nderson Township is proud of its popular trails program which has resulted in more than 23 miles of sidewalks and paths for the enjoyment, convenience and non-vehicular transportation needs of its residents.

Since 1993, the township has undertaken an aggressive campaign to build its signature Anderson Trails program. Once a traditional suburban community heavily relying on vehicular transportation, Anderson now sports a reputation as a community of neighborhoods, schools, parks, business areas and other destinations woven together through its heavily-used trails network. The spine of this network

is the award-winning Five Mile Trail. Voted "Best of the East Exercise Trail" from a local magazine, it serves as the virtual center of the network that connects east to west.

Connections made in the past 20 years provide thousands of households with a direct link to the trails network and destinations in the heart of the township such as Beechmont Avenue, Anderson Center and Anderson Towne Center. The township has focused on the verifiable health benefits for "active transportation" (walking and riding bikes) as part of the transportation system. Connector paths also encourage a sense of community and allow children the freedom to ride to school and other

neighborhoods in safety. Wooded paths on the Five Mile Trail provide a 2.5-mile connection linking the Turpin High School area to popular Anderson amenities, including Anderson Center, the Anderson Towne Center and ultimately to the Beechmont business corridor. More than \$5 million in grants has facilitated building pivotal links on Asbury, State, Nagel and Wolfangel roads. In the redeveloping Entertainment District, Anderson is joined to the 14-mile Ohio River Trail project to the west, in Cincinnati, to Lunken Airport and Downtown. This trail section connects the township's riverfront destinations to Greater Cincinnati's regional network.

On the northern side of the township, along with Great Parks and the City of Cincinnati, the Little Miami Scenic Trail has been completed through the township. It now links the Little Miami Golf Center over the Little



Miami Scenic River to Lunken Airport and Otto Armleder Park. Completed in 2022, this link and a planned 2024 connection will join the Skytop area of Anderson, near Beechmont Avenue and Mt. Washington, to these regional multi-use trails.

## ANDERSON TOWNSHIP IS ECO-RESPONSIBLE

Anderson Township's commitment to recycling benefits both the environment and the community.

Each year Anderson emerges as a recycling leader and has been recognized by Hamilton County with the "Best Township Recycling Rate."

Anderson is awarded reimbursement monies from the Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District based on how much residents recycle. This funding supports several activities such as the township's drop-off recycling center, litter cleanup and recycling education.

### RECYCLING

There are several convenient ways to recycle in Anderson Township. Curbside pickup is available with weekly garbage pickup, with certain limitations. Newspaper, glass, aluminum and #1-7 plastic can be recycled at the curbside.

The Anderson Township Recycling Center, the largest and busiest drop-off recycling facility in Greater Cincinnati, is located at the Anderson Township Operations Center, 7954 Beechmont Ave. This center accepts cardboard, newspaper, glass, aluminum and steel cans (with labels removed), jars and some plastics and disposable cups.

Other items, including certain hazardous waste materials, can be recycled at various outlets in the Anderson area.

### WASTE MANAGEMENT

Three waste haulers service Anderson Township: Rumpke, Best Way and Republic Services, and residents or condominium associations contract directly for trash collection. For contact information, see page 33.

Leaf and lawn debris can be picked up by waste haulers at curbside if in bags or trash containers. Branches must be cut and tied in a bundle. Check with your trash hauler for further restrictions.

Brush and tree branches also may be recycled for free at the Bzak Landscaping yard waste drop-off site on 3295 Turpin Lane (off State Route 32 in Anderson just west of Newtown). The center normally accepts yard waste seven days a week. Hours may be reduced during the winter.

Stringent rules govern burning of leaves and yard waste. Contact the Anderson Township Fire and Rescue Department at 513.688.8400 ext. 6 for more details.

**+ For more information on locations and options, visit [HamiltonCountyRecycles.org](https://HamiltonCountyRecycles.org).**







# + ENTERTAINMENT

AT THE HOTTEST ATTRACTIONS ALONG THE OHIO RIVER

### RIVERBEND MUSIC CENTER

Outdoor concerts at river's edge, on balmy summer evenings don't get much better than at Riverbend Music Center, Cincinnati's premier outdoor music venue. The site presents first-class entertainment for up to 20,000 music lovers of all ages. A second, more intimate setting, the PNC Pavilion, seats 4,100.

### BELTERRA PARK

Belterra Park brings gaming, entertainment, dining and racing to southern Ohio. The center, owned by Boyd Gaming, was built at the site of the historic River Downs Racetrack. The center is open year-round for entertainment, plus banquets and receptions.

### GOLF COURSES

Anderson Township is home to Coldstream Country Club, a private membership club whose course was recently renovated, and two public golf courses operated by Great Parks. The Vineyard Golf Course on Nordyke Road is an award-winning course located in a beautiful setting, rivaling some of the best private courses around. Great Parks' Little Miami Golf Center includes a family fun center, sporting a nine-hole, regulation course, an 18-hole miniature golf course and access to the Little Miami Scenic Trail.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

In December 2023, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra purchased the former historic Coney Island site on the Ohio River straddling Anderson Township and the City of Cincinnati. A proposal for a new music and entertainment venue is being developed for the property, but plans or a timeline have not been announced as of press time.



# SHOP & DINE

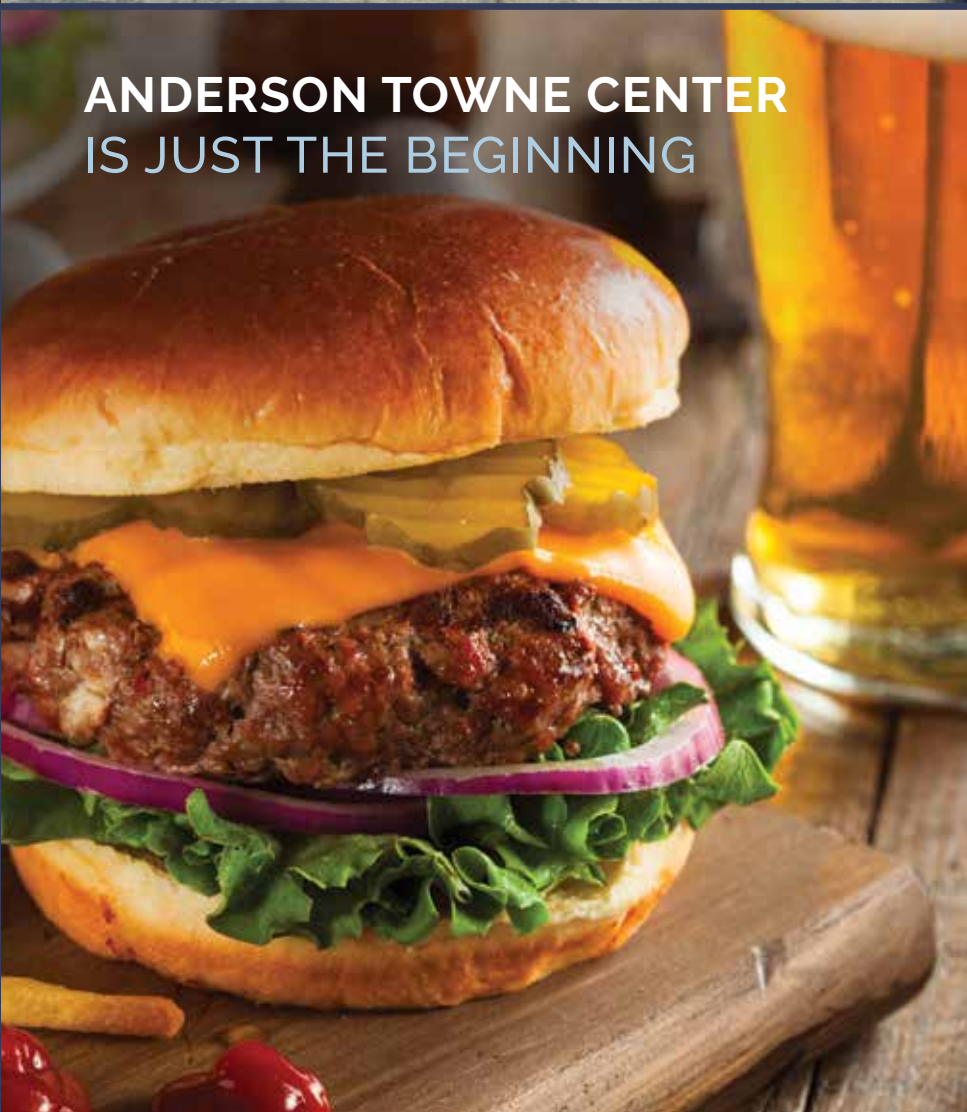
**W**hether you plan to "shop 'til you drop," or enjoy a family dinner out, Anderson Township's numerous shopping and dining options can fulfill your needs.

Residents will find many needed goods and services on the Beechmont business corridor, which runs through the center of the community. Shoppers recognize the diversity of numerous options sporting both mom and pop establishments and national chains.

In the heart of Beechmont Avenue lies the Anderson Towne Center, anchored by Macy's and an expanded Marketplace Kroger store, a prime spot for socializing, shopping and entertainment. With its numerous restaurants connected by an attractive, walkable streetscape, the award-winning Shoppes at Anderson Towne Center development is a central point in the community. Located at Beechmont and Wolfangel, the center is connected to the Five Mile Trail and adjacent to beautiful Anderson Center, the township's signature civic, government and arts facility.

Anderson Towne Center's options have grown in recent years to include greater choices in dining, health, fitness and beauty retailers and entertainment options.

Anderson's Beechmont Avenue business district provides a convenient mix of nationally-branded restaurants and local apparel and accessory boutiques within walking distance of many households. Neighborhood shopping districts have benefited from recent pedestrian upgrades and infrastructure improvements as well.



## ANDERSON TOWNE CENTER IS JUST THE BEGINNING



CARE



Anderson Township hosts a broad network of medical services, ensuring top notch care close to home.

The community's hospital, Mercy Health-Anderson Hospital, part of Mercy Health, is a top Cincinnati hospital and winner of several national awards

Located at the intersection of State and Five Mile roads, Anderson Hospital offers:

- + Advanced medical care through its 24-hour emergency care department
- + Comprehensive heart care with open heart surgery and a Joint Commission Accredited Orthopaedics center of excellence for knees, hips and shoulders
- + A women's health center, maternity care and cancer care

The Five Mile Road area is a regional center for a diversity of medical services and offices for many general and specialty physicians. The TriHealth network offers expanded services at the 7810 Five Mile Road campus to provide an integrated, full-service ambulatory center. The renovated state-of-the art outpatient surgery center allows patients easy access to a broad range of medical and diagnostic services. The Beechmont Avenue location includes an outpatient lab and infusion center.



The Christ Hospital network offers primary care and specialists, plus imaging, lab services and physical and occupational therapy, under one roof in its facility on Beechmont Avenue. Other medical services include cardio testing, surgery, women's services and sports medicine.

MEETING NEEDS  
CLOSE TO HOME

## MIX, MINGLE AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS THROUGH SENIOR SERVICES



Adults living in Anderson Township consider the Anderson Township Senior Center an important resource in providing education, recreation, and fitness programs for area residents ages 50 and older. The center focuses on helping older adults maintain independent living and a healthy lifestyle.

Many programs and services are offered by the Anderson Township Senior Center, which is operated and managed by the Anderson Township Board of Trustees. The center offers a wide range of activities. These include fitness classes, technology support, line dancing, art and craft experiences and a book club. Members also enjoy euchre, mahjong, a self-defense class and pickleball. Special events, holiday and birthday celebrations, educational speakers and presentations are planned throughout the year, as well as outings tailored to the interests of older adults, including trips to the Cincinnati Pops, Belterra Park, the Reds and area restaurants.



Lunch is available at the center daily. Members enjoy the camaraderie of the center as they participate in classes and activities, as well as social events organized in a friendly and relaxed setting.

The Anderson Township Senior Center facility is at 7970 Beechmont Ave., behind the Beechmont Fire Station and Firestone. The center is open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Residents are invited to stop in for a tour or call for more information, 513.474.3100. Center membership is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple if Anderson Township residents. Non-residents may join for a slightly higher rate.

Senior living options are numerous in the township, with new upscale "empty nester" housing available in several subdivisions. New, expanded, and renovated facilities, including retirement villas, independent living options, and skilled nursing care settings, have greatly increased older adult lifestyle choices.







**BEECHMONT CORRIDOR**

The heart of the Anderson business district is the Beechmont Corridor, which runs from Mt. Washington to the Clermont County line, east of Nordyke Road.

Safety and convenience for both shoppers and drivers has been significantly increased in recent years through projects resulting from the award-winning Beechmont Corridor Plan. Implementation of the plan, which was originally created by a joint task force of the Anderson Township Trustees and the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, relies on inter-agency cooperation, private redevelopment, and the efforts of the township, Ohio Department of Transportation, and Hamilton County Engineer's Office to continue its goal of increased safety. Traffic flow, expanded safety reforms and economic vitality of the corridor have been targeted by Anderson Township trustees for investment.

In recent years, significant safety, traffic flow, beautification and mobility improvements created a better Beechmont. Upgrades specified by the plan have been coupled with decorative walls and pedestrian plazas using handicapped ramps at major intersections. Add in the trees and landscaping previously introduced along the corridor, with wayfinding signage, and residents and visitors alike have noted the drive down Beechmont is more pleasing and easier to navigate.

These improvements have not only greatly improved traffic flow and safety, but the corridor has enjoyed greater economic vitality and ease for all transportation modes.

From ongoing aesthetic and access improvements to enhanced guidelines for the style of new development for the busy corridor, the future of Beechmont Avenue, and our community that it serves, is bright!

**COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING**

To encourage this positive momentum, the township's citizen-led economic development committee has been successful in encouraging greater diversity in multifamily housing. Stemming from the goals noted in the township's recent Comprehensive Plan updates, the committee has addressed the need to provide a variety of apartments, senior housing and strong subdivisions for all stages of residents' needs.

**CHAMBER SERVES BUSINESSES, COMMUNITY**

Since 1970 the Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce has been serving the business community in Anderson Township, Mt. Washington, Newtown and western Clermont.

The chamber strives to be the premier business organization and leading catalyst for support and resources to member businesses in the Anderson area. The chamber provides quality corporate leadership, networking opportunities, professional development and events that bring the community together.

The chamber organizes Anderson FallFest, a new event at the Anderson Towne Center that draws the community and local business together for a day of food, music, shopping, and fun. The Chamber Annual Awards Ceremony honors local business leaders and individual volunteers for their outstanding service and dedication to making Anderson a great place to live, work and play.

Discover more about your local chamber by visiting online at [AndersonAreaChamber.org](http://AndersonAreaChamber.org).

**ASTUTE STRATEGIES INFORM TOWNSHIP'S PROGRESS**

**A**nderson Township is an ideal location in which to do business. With easy access to highway transportation, strong demographics and a community committed to economic growth, large and small businesses alike have found the area a desirable location for their investment.

**FOCUSED INVESTMENT**  
Anderson has seen a dramatic central transformation in recent years. Private development has focused in part at the Anderson Towne Center and neighboring office developments.

More than \$300 million in private investment over the last several years has fueled this change, concentrated near the center of the community along Beechmont Avenue and Five Mile Road.

**SURROUNDING PROJECTS**  
Investments have not been limited to the community's core. Recommendations within the Comprehensive Plan coordinate and guide public and private investment throughout the township, from recreational improvements along the Little Miami River to the more than \$200 million Belterra Park Gaming redevelopment and strengthening of the township's entertainment area. In between, more than \$4 million in public investment along Salem Road and Clough Pike has instilled a vibrancy and renewed focus to these important neighborhood business districts.

Recent projects undertaken to improve quality of life in Anderson Township include the creation of a community art plan and upgrades to the township's popular Entertainment District along the riverfront.



THROUGHOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



ADVANTAGEOUS PROXIMITY

DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI **15**  
 I-75 AND 71 **20**  
 LUNKEN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT **5**  
 CVG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT **30**

**MINUTES**



ANDERSON TOWNSHIP CONTINUES TO SEE AN INFUSION OF PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT WITH

**MORE THAN  
\$300  
MILLION**

WORTH OF PROJECTS COMPLETED SINCE 2016.

- + In the past two decades Anderson Township has received more than **\$21 MILLION** in state and federal grants for township improvements. Upgrades include road infrastructure, trails, sidewalks, transit enhancements, and safety and beautification modifications.
- + Anderson's Public Works Department is widely recognized as having the ability to clear snow from its more than **122 MILES** of township-maintained streets quicker and better than any other area community.



+ A strong median income of **\$113,000 PER YEAR** (compared to the state median of \$62,262), close proximity to downtown and a push to increase diverse housing and retail options have developers flocking to the township.

+ Anderson Township is a convenient place to do business. The community enjoys ready access to I-275 with more than **600 BUSINESSES** in eight business districts currently calling Anderson Township home.

+ The ANCOR region, in the northeast corner of Anderson Township, contains one of the largest concentrations of undeveloped industrially zoned property within the I-275 beltway. The more than **500-ACRE** area is suited for office/light industry usage. Already home to several large companies, the area has approximately 330 readily usable acres remaining and slated for industrial/office development.

**IBM WATSON HAS NAMED ANDERSON HOSPITAL ONE OF THE NATION'S TOP 100 HOSPITALS FOR 13 YEARS.**



+ The Anderson Township government receives only about **14.84 CENTS** of each property tax dollar paid. This funds police and fire protection, road maintenance and snow removal, public works, planning/zoning, special events, capital improvements, the Anderson Township Senior Center and all other township operating functions.



# ENGAGING

## EVENTS + EXPERIENCES



## MAKE TIME FOR HAPPY NEW HAPPENINGS

### COMMUNITY CLEANUP

Each April, township residents take to the streets and parks to help cleanup their community. The annual event is sponsored through Keep Cincinnati Beautiful.

### TOWNSHIP-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Buy or sell treasures at the community-wide garage sale, set for the first Saturday in May, each year.

### ANDERSON GARDEN AND HISTORY TOUR

Green thumb enthusiasts, and those who are still novices, both enjoy the annual Garden and History Tour, hosted at a variety of local gardens and historic venues. This free tour-at-your-own-pace event covers both professionally landscaped and owner-landscaped gardens.

### INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

One of the biggest and most popular community events each year is the Independence Day Parade, which travels through the heart of the community on Beechmont Avenue. The parade is led by a volunteer committee with township support. Some 10,000 spectators line the streets to enjoy a varied group of community organizations and entertainment.

### GREATER ANDERSON DAY

Hosted annually in late July for more than 23 years, the Anderson Day Festival is Anderson's signature summer celebration. Come for rides, entertainment and fireworks that top off the festivities.

### EMERGENCY SERVICES DAY

The township's fire and safety services organize a day of educational experiences, and fun for children, at the Beechmont Fire Station. It takes place during the fall each year, in conjunction with the National Fire Prevention Week.

### ANDERSON HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

When the winter wind starts blowing, it's nearly time for Anderson's winter event — a festive tree lighting on the streetscape at Anderson Towne Center. Hosted on the first Saturday in December, the outdoor festival includes Santa, student presentations and holiday entertainment.

### OTHER POPULAR EVENTS

Additional community events hosted annually include the Forest Hills 5K, Memorial Day Remembrance and Bell Ringing Ceremony, FallFest and the Veterans Day Dinner.





# NEXT-GENERATION LEARNING

## ANDERSON BRANCH LIBRARY

**O** The Anderson Branch Library is the second highest-circulating facility in the 41-branch Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library system. The Anderson Township collection includes more than 106,000 items, counting books, DVDs, CDs and audiobooks.

The branch also loans digital books, audiobooks, music and magazines downloaded to library customer's portable devices. The Anderson Community Collection is a selection of books of cultural and artistic significance purchased with funds from the Anderson Township Library Association. The branch offers a full

slate of programming for children, maker programs for teens and craft programs for adults.

Services at the Anderson Branch Library include free wireless internet and computer access, numerous free subscription-based databases, meeting spaces and a quiet reading area with fireplace and periodicals.

There is also a large meeting room that can be reserved. Check out the flexible children's area, STEM toys, a playhouse, and road design carpet. A teen area welcomes visitors with open seating. Passport services are available by appointment. For more information visit [CHPL.org/passports](http://CHPL.org/passports). A bike rack, drive-thru and curbside

service provide convenience for customers on the go.

The branch is home to the yearly holiday book sale hosted by the Anderson Township Library Association. Proceeds from this sale and the annual summer sale at Nagel Middle School help fund events and resources at the library.

**+ To obtain a library card, stop by the branch, call 513.369.6030 or go to [CHPL.org/card](http://CHPL.org/card).**



RESPECTING THE PAST + INSPIRING THE FUTURE



Five Mile Chapel

# HISTORY

Anderson Township is a community focused on the future, yet connected to its pioneer past. For most of its history, Anderson more closely resembled its early farming settlements rather than the suburban community of today.

This well-watered, fertile land has been the home to people since the last glacier receded nearly 14,000 years ago. The cultures that lived on this land for thousands of years left earthworks, mounds, large enclosure walls and evidence of villages that fascinate us today.

The earliest settlers to arrive in the southeastern Hamilton County area landed at the confluence of the west bank of the Little Miami River and the Ohio River. In 1788 Major Benjamin Stites established a settlement of two dozen log cabins connected with a stockade fence to two blockhouses. After a couple of years of flooding, some of those settlers moved farther down the Ohio River to a plateau above the Ohio River opposite the Licking River.

Two years later, the first permanent fortified settlement in Anderson Township was created: Garard/Martin Station on the eastern shore of the Little Miami farther upstream from Columbia.

A historic marker close to the spot where the station was situated denotes that moment in time. It is located on Elstun Road off Beechmont Avenue.

This untamed area became home for people seeking property ownership and a better life. For them, the Ohio River Valley was considered a prime location in the new land of opportunity. In the spring of 1793, the area became the first township (of Hamilton County) and was named after Richard Clough Anderson, surveyor of the area's Virginia Military District.

Other familiar names that live on today in the community derive from the earliest pioneers. The first settler in nearby Mt. Washington was Stephen Sutton. Ichabod Benton Miller was one of the first to live in the Clough-Newtown area. His home, now known as the Miller-Leuser Log House, is a well-known historical landmark on Clough Pike. Built in late 1795, it was used as a residence until 1968. It was purchased by the Anderson Township Historical Society in 1971 and is maintained by the dedicated volunteers of the Historical Society, who offer tours of the property on the first and third Sundays, from May through October, and by special arrangement.

New settlers made their way here after 1795, enjoying an area boasting fertile farmland and enticing waterways. While there was plenty of land, the area's population remained relatively small and stable throughout the 1800s. Most township residents were farmers whose orchards and farmlands dominated the area.

By the 1900s, the early Parkers Grove became Coney Island, a popular place for family outings and picnickers. Throngs of park visitors arrived on various boats including the Island Queen sidewheeler steamboats from downtown Cincinnati. The nearby California area riverfront also gained in popularity as rail service ran through the township in the early 1900s.

Modest growth continued through the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. When the new Beechmont levee was completed in the 1950s, the township entered a period of significant growth as it became feasible to easily commute to downtown from Anderson. The completion of I-275 in December 1979, including the Combs-Hale Bridge over the Ohio River, furthered this population increase. Between 1950 and 1985, the population quadrupled. Today's population is approximately 44,000 residents.

## HISTORY ROOM TOWNSHIP'S PAST WAY OF LIFE REMEMBERED

Explore the history of Anderson Township at the History Room located in Anderson Center.

On display are interesting memorabilia, artifacts, documents and photos from Anderson's first residents, the Native Americans, to the present time. The history room provides a self-guided experience where residents can learn

more about the people, places and events that shaped the area.

The History Room at Anderson Center is a joint venture of Anderson Township and the Anderson Township Historical Society.

Hours: 8: a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays.







**ANDERSON URBAN FARM**

The Anderson Urban Farm is one of the last undeveloped farm properties in Anderson Township. Owned by the Anderson Township Historical Society, this peaceful 10-acre property sits on Bartels Road between Turpin High School and Clough Pike. The farm hosts a community garden, fesitivals, educational programs and a variety of events throughout the year. A renovated red barn is the center of the historic property, a reminder of time's long ago.



Anderson Urban Farm

**JAMES CLARK STONE HOUSE**

Pioneer James Clark was one of the township's early inhabitants and entrepreneurs. When he arrived in the peaceful Clough Creek area in the late 1700s, he built a formidable eight-room stone house that still stands today at the corner of Clough Pike and Hunley Road. The James Clark Stone Home is likely the oldest standing stone house in southwest Ohio and was inhabited into the 1990s. The building is owned by Anderson Township and received an Ohio Historical Marker in 2018.

**ANDERSON HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH-SALEM CAMPUS**

Salem Methodist Church was established by Francis McCormick, a preacher who came to Ohio from Kentucky because he disliked slavery and the distilling of whiskey. In 1805 he and his friends moved to Anderson Township and established a little village he called Salem (and others called McCormick's Settlement) to bring Methodism to the Northwest Territory. They built a large log dwelling partly used for religious services.

Several buildings came after it to house the congregation. McCormick Hall, which was built as a school building, stands east of the church today. The school was School District No. 5. In 1863 a frame church building was constructed, which was the fourth home of the Salem Methodist Church. This building is part of the church structure as it stands today.

DISCOVER ANDERSON'S  
**HERITAGE**

**FIVE MILE CHAPEL**

A scenic piece of Anderson Township's history is found in the beautiful stone Five Mile Chapel, on Five Mile Road, tucked away behind trees on the banks of Five Mile Creek. The chapel, which has no congregation, is cared for by the Five Mile Chapel Society, Inc., a group of residents who preserve and maintain this non-denominational facility.

Built in 1844, the chapel was one of the first United Brethren in Christ churches built in the area. It was in continuous use until 1963, when it was donated to the Five Mile Chapel Society. The society today rents it for religious services, weddings, baptisms and special events.

**MILLER-LEUSER LOG HOUSE**

One of the most obvious and noted links to Anderson Township's historic pioneer past is the Miller-Leuser Log House, at the corner of Bartels Road and Clough Pike. Thousands of people drive past this cabin each day, unaware that this structure is more than 200 years old, having been built in about 1795 or 1796.

Today, the cabin is host to curious area residents who visit almost every week. Scout troops and student groups often tour the two-story dwelling and learn about the artifacts within the home, while they check out the barn, the corn crib and outhouse. The home was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974 and received an Ohio Historical Marker in 2011.



James Clark Stone House



# TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE TOWNSHIP'S MEMORY-MAKING VENUES

**A**nderson Township offers multiple places where you can host your event close to home, including Anderson Center and Heritage Center Arboretum. Staff members are available to help you choose the perfect space.

## ANDERSON CENTER

Anderson Center is your destination for entertainment, civic events and family gatherings. The facility provides one-stop shopping for township residents and is home to township government offices. It also includes an attractive 223-seat theater used by local theater and music groups, and is available for rental. Meeting rooms of all sizes are available for your gathering.

Planning a wedding? Look no further for the perfect venue! Choose from the modern Community Meeting Room, the open and airy upper and lower atriums, or the outdoor serenity of Anderson Center's South Plaza.

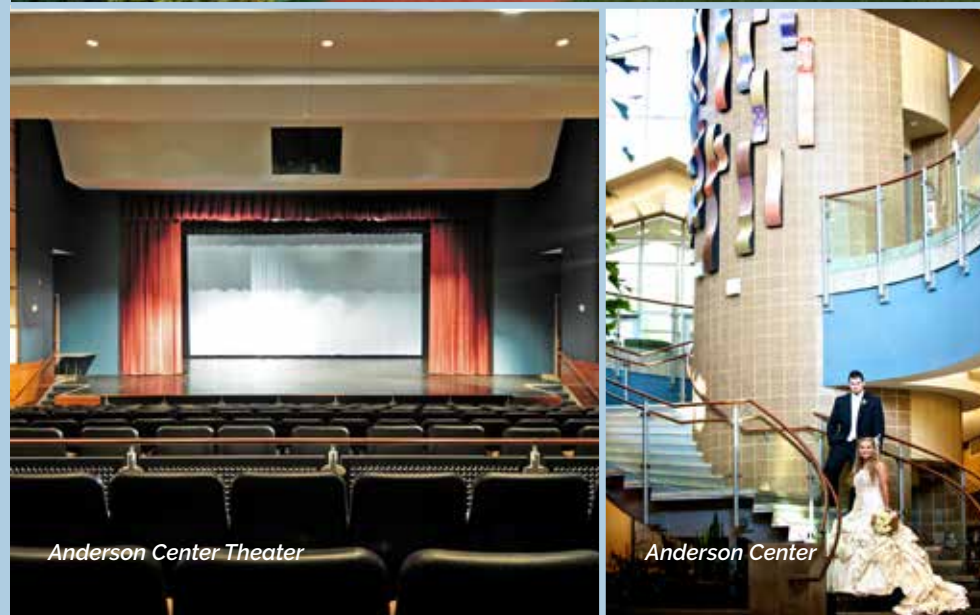
## HERITAGE CENTER ARBORETUM

The Anderson Township Heritage Center Arboretum is a charming option for family reunions, holiday get-togethers and weddings hosting up to 150 people. It's the perfect setting for any event, small or large, and was recently certified as an official Arboretum by ArbNet with its collection of woody plants.

✦ *For more information about rental facilities, contact 513.688.8444 or visit [AndersonCenterEvents.org](http://AndersonCenterEvents.org).*



Heritage Center Arboretum



Anderson Center Theater



Anderson Center

## COMMUNITY SERVICES & ORGANIZATIONS

### Emergency 911

**Hamilton County Sheriff District 5**  
513.474.5770  
[HCSO.org](http://HCSO.org)

**Sheriff's Non-Emergency Dispatch**  
513.825.2280 (After hours number)

**Anderson Township Administration, Fire & Rescue, Fiscal Officer, Road/Street Maintenance, Township Trustees, Zoning and Land Use**  
513.688.8400  
[AndersonTownshipOH.gov](http://AndersonTownshipOH.gov)

**Anderson Center Events**  
513.688.8444  
[AndersonCenterEvents.org](http://AndersonCenterEvents.org)

**Alert Hamilton County Notification**  
[AlertHC.org](http://AlertHC.org)  
513.263.8200

**Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce**  
513.474.4802  
[AndersonAreaChamber.org](http://AndersonAreaChamber.org)

**Anderson Branch Library**  
513.369.6030  
[CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://CincinnatiLibrary.org)

**Anderson Branch Post Office**  
513.474.3262

**Anderson Township Senior Center**  
513.474.3100  
[AndersonTownshipOH.gov/Senior-Center](http://AndersonTownshipOH.gov/Senior-Center)

**Anderson Township Historical Society**  
513.231.2114  
[AndersonTownshipHistoricalSociety.org](http://AndersonTownshipHistoricalSociety.org)

**Anderson Park District**  
513.474.0003  
[AndersonParks.com](http://AndersonParks.com)

**Beechmont Players**  
513.233.2468  
[BeechmontPlayers.org](http://BeechmontPlayers.org)

**East Side Republican Club**  
513.833.3010  
[Facebook.com/groups/AndersonTwpRepublicanClub/](http://Facebook.com/groups/AndersonTwpRepublicanClub/)

**Eastern Hills Exchange Club**  
513.633.1922  
[ExchangeClubofEasternHills.org](http://ExchangeClubofEasternHills.org)

**Eastside Area Newcomers**  
[CincinnatiEastsideNewcomers.org](http://CincinnatiEastsideNewcomers.org)

**Eastside Democratic Club**  
513.231.3996  
[EastsideDems.org](http://EastsideDems.org)

**Five Mile Chapel Society**  
513.720.8681  
[FiveMileChapel.org](http://FiveMileChapel.org)

**Greater Anderson Promotes Peace (GAPP)**  
513.588.8391  
[GAPPeace.org](http://GAPPeace.org)

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Forest Hills School District**  
513.231.3600  
[ForestHills.edu](http://ForestHills.edu)

**Ayer Elementary School**  
**Maddux Elementary School**  
**Mercer Elementary School**  
**Sherwood Elementary School**  
**Summit Elementary School**  
**Wilson Elementary School**  
**Nagel Middle School**  
**Anderson High School**  
**Turpin High School**

## PRIVATE SCHOOLS

**Guardian Angels School**  
513.624.3141  
[gaschool.org](http://gaschool.org)

**Immaculate Heart of Mary School**  
513.388.4195  
[ihomschool.org](http://ihomschool.org)

**McNicholas High School**  
513.231.4000  
[Mcnhs.org](http://Mcnhs.org)

**Miami Valley Christian Academy**  
513.272.6822  
[mvca-oh.com](http://mvca-oh.com)

## HAMILTON COUNTY SERVICES

**Great Parks**  
513.521.7275  
[GreatParks.org](http://GreatParks.org)

**Hamilton County Auditor**  
513.946.4000  
[HamiltonCountyAuditor.org](http://HamiltonCountyAuditor.org)

**Hamilton County Board of Elections**  
513.632.7000  
[VoteHamiltonCountyOhio.gov](http://VoteHamiltonCountyOhio.gov)

**Hamilton County Planning + Development**  
513.946.4550  
[HamiltonCountyOhio.gov/pd](http://HamiltonCountyOhio.gov/pd)

**Hamilton County Environmental Services**  
513.946.7777  
[HCDoes.org](http://HCDoes.org)

**Hamilton County R3Source (Recycling)**  
513.946.7777  
[HamiltonCountyR3source.org](http://HamiltonCountyR3source.org)

**Hamilton County General Health District**  
513.946.7800  
[HamiltonCountyHealth.org](http://HamiltonCountyHealth.org)

**Hamilton County Soil & Water Conservation District**  
513.772.7645  
[hcswcd.org](http://hcswcd.org)

## HOSPITALS & HEALTH

**Mercy Health – Anderson HealthPlex**  
513.624.1871  
[Mercy.com/Locations/Fitness-Healthplex/Cincinnati/Mercy-Health-Anderson-Healthplex](http://Mercy.com/Locations/Fitness-Healthplex/Cincinnati/Mercy-Health-Anderson-Healthplex)

**Mercy Health – Anderson Hospital**  
513.624.4500  
[Mercy.com/Locations/Hospitals/Cincinnati/Mercy-Health-Anderson-Hospital](http://Mercy.com/Locations/Hospitals/Cincinnati/Mercy-Health-Anderson-Hospital)

**Children's Hospital Anderson Urgent Care**  
513.636.6100  
[CincinnatiChildrens.org](http://CincinnatiChildrens.org)

**M. E. Lyons YMCA**  
513.474.1400  
[CincinnatiYMCA.org](http://CincinnatiYMCA.org)

## TRANSPORTATION

**Beechmont License Agency**  
513.232.9444  
[BMV.Ohio.gov](http://BMV.Ohio.gov)

**Metro Bus Service**  
513.621.4455  
[Go-Metro.com](http://Go-Metro.com)

## MEDIA

**Cincinnati Enquirer**  
513.721.2700  
[Cincinnati.com](http://Cincinnati.com)

## TRASH COLLECTION

**Best Way**  
800.354.1830  
[BestWay-Disposal.com](http://BestWay-Disposal.com)

**Republic Services**  
800.543.1339  
[RepublicServices.com](http://RepublicServices.com)

**Rumpke Waste, Inc.**  
513.742.2900  
[Rumpke.com](http://Rumpke.com)

**Hazardous Waste Hotline**  
513.946.7766  
[HamiltonCountyR3source.org](http://HamiltonCountyR3source.org)

## PUBLIC UTILITIES

**Altafiber (Formerly Cincinnati Bell)**  
513.566.4101  
[Altafiber.com](http://Altafiber.com)

**Duke Energy**  
513.651.4182  
[Duke-Energy.com](http://Duke-Energy.com)

**Greater Cincinnati Water Works**  
513.591.7700  
[Cincinnati-OH.gov/gcww](http://Cincinnati-OH.gov/gcww)

**Metropolitan Sewer District**  
513.352.4900  
[msdgc.org](http://msdgc.org)

**Spectrum**  
877.463.0677  
[Spectrum.com](http://Spectrum.com)





# ANDERSON TOWNSHIP

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## + WEBSITE

[AndersonTownshipOH.gov](http://AndersonTownshipOH.gov)

This site is your go-to source for important township updates, events and activity information, and relevant resources associated with local government programs, services and guidelines.

## + FACEBOOK

[@AndersonTownshipOhio](https://www.facebook.com/AndersonTownshipOhio)

Almost-daily posts feature key information affecting Anderson Township residents. It is one of the most-followed Facebook pages of any of the state's more than 1,300 townships. Access recent community updates, road closings and upcoming events.

## + NEWSLETTER

*Anderson Insights*

The official periodical of Anderson Township is mailed to every home and business three times a year. It is a longstanding source of local, township news. The publication focuses on improvements to public services, community events, township trends, history tidbits, as well as safety and economic development updates.

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