

# From the CFO

## Department News

As we move into October and close out the first three quarters of 2018, the Mayor and I will be working with the Finance Department, Finance Committee and Departments to establish our 2019 budget. We are excited to utilize the new accounting software tools to assist us in the budgeting process for 2019.

## April Finance Update

### R.I.T.A. Revenue

During the first three quarters of 2018, we have realized an increase due to our municipal income tax and net profit tax increase from 2017. We are currently expecting our revenue to be right on target with our forecasted numbers for Estimated Resources in the 2018 budget process.

**Chief Fiscal Officer**  
Angel Meriwether



**Administrative Accounting Assistants**  
Amanda Domzalski, Payroll  
Christina Pace, Accounts Payable

Month Distributed	2015	2016	2017	2018	Difference from 2017	% change from 2017
QUARTER 1	2,271,233	2,737,125	2,220,644	3,012,764	792,120	35.67%
QUARTER 2	1,986,041	1,971,525	2,515,581	2,862,226	346,645	13.78%
QUARTER 3	1,904,624	1,862,892	2,411,841	2,481,142	69,301	2.87%

# From the Dispatch Department

## Safety Tips

- Never open your door without looking out a peephole or window.
- ALWAYS demand identification from utility workers and delivery persons.
- Never step outside your home to be shown something on your property until you verify the credentials and identification of the utility company or other service provider.

**WHEN IN DOUBT ALWAYS CALL THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WE WILL CHECK IT OUT!**



# From the Police Department

**Child Passenger Safety Week** is being held September 23-29, 2018. This is a great time to reinforce the importance of vehicle safety to your children. As a parent or caregiver, one of your top priorities will always include keeping them safe. As they grow, the way you talk to them about seat belt safety will change, but the message will always stay the same: *"The Right Seat Saves Lives"*.

Parenting children transitioning to their teenage years brings unique challenges, and tragically, tweens ages 8-14 are the age group most at risk for injury or death in the event of a crash. Tweens can push boundaries but standing strong and ensuring they buckle up can save their life. You aren't always at their side anymore, but the influence you've had on them is. The habits that children form as tweens and teenagers will follow them through their lives, and car seat and seat belt safety is crucial for their well-being. **Ohio Child Passenger Safety Laws:**

When any child who is in **either or both** of the following categories is being transported in a motor vehicle, assembly, the operator of the motor vehicle shall have the child properly secured in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions in a **child restraint system** (car seat) that meets Federal motor vehicle safety standards:

**Car Seat: (must meet both)**

- (1) A child who is less than four years of age;
- (2) A child who weighs less than 40 pounds.

**Booster Seat: (must meet at least one)**

When any child who is **less than eight (8) years of age** and **less than four feet nine inches in height** is being transported in a motor vehicle, shall have the child properly secured in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions on a **booster seat** that meets federal motor vehicle safety standards.

**Normal Restraints or Seat Belts:**

When any child who is at **least eight (8) years of age** but not older than 15 years of age, is being transported in a motor vehicle shall have the child properly restrained in an occupant restraining device (seat belts).

**Note: All occupants in any front seat of a motor vehicle must be restrained no matter the age.**



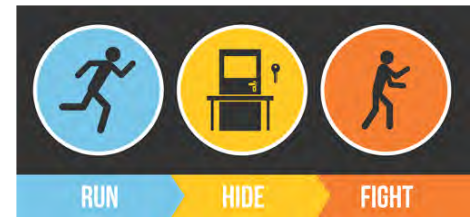
\*Height and weight limits may vary by manufacturer. Review the car seat manufacturer's instructions and vehicle owner's manual before use.

# *From the Police Department (continued)*

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Safety Day at Cuyahoga Heights Middle School

On September 6<sup>th</sup> the Cuyahoga Heights Police Department instructed the 7<sup>th</sup> grade students on tactics and procedures when faced with an “active threat scenario.” Using an “option-based protocol” developed between the Cuyahoga Heights School administration and the CHPD, the students were instructed on the concepts of “RUN-HIDE-FIGHT.” This protocol empowers everyone (students, teachers and staff) to use their best judgement and to apply informed decisions to each unique and dynamic situation.

Cuyahoga Heights School District and CHPD are acutely aware of the tragic nature of such situations and are committed to equipping our students with the knowledge and training to keep everyone safe. The way that we train for active threats is always evolving. The school district is always implementing the most current “best practices” and is always working in collaboration with local law enforcement partners to implement these safety plans and procedures.



CHPD Ptl. Frank Trusso Jr.  
instructs barricade tactics.

**Stay Safe!!!**

Respectfully,

*Chief Sturgill*