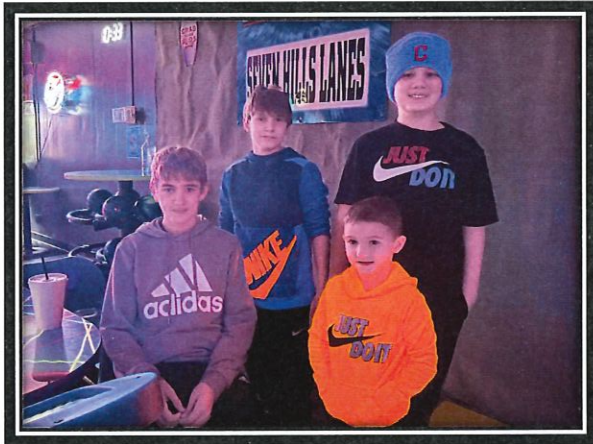
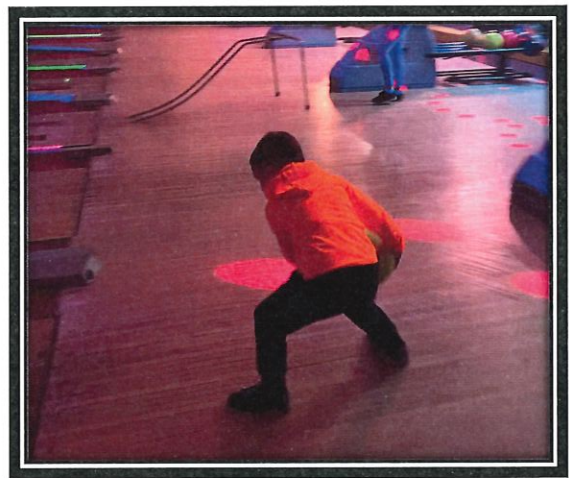


# VILLAGE YOUTH BOWLING TRIP

On Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> the Recreation Department took 17 village children on a bowling trip to Seven Hills Lanes. They enjoyed 2 hours of cosmic bowling along with a pizza lunch. A great time was had by all! We plan to have more youth trips in the future and will share information in newsletters as it becomes available.







# VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS SPORTS DEPARTMENT

4863 East 71st Street • Cuyahoga Heights • OH • 44125

## SUMMER **BASEBALL** and **SOFTBALL** REGISTRATION

*\*All players need to be registered*

**Registration Deadline: March 15** - (\$25 LATE FEE APPLIES)

### REGISTRATION FOR CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY

<p><b>BOYS - (Circle one)</b>  T-Ball (4-6 years old)  Coach Pitch (7-8 years old)  Minors (9-10 years old)  Majors (11-12 years old)  Pony (13-15 years old)  *Travel (15-16 years old) - <i>*Team is not financially supported by the Village</i></p>	<p><b>GIRLS - (Circle one)</b>  T-Ball (4-6 years old)  Coach Pitch (7-9 years old)  Minitail (10-11 years old)  Pigtail (12-14 years old)  *Travel (15-18 years old) - <i>*Team is not financially supported by the Village</i></p>
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian E-mail Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

If our Village is unable to form a team, please list your preferred village/team (i.e., Valley View – Coach Smith, Brooklyn Heights – Coach Smith): \_\_\_\_\_. *\*Please note that teams are filled based on roster needs and guidelines. Therefore, your preferred request will be considered, but is not guaranteed.*

**Please list any conflicts your child may have during the season (i.e. another activity on Mondays, etc):**

#### Pants, Shorts, and Shirt Sizes

- Youth Small (6-8)
- Youth Medium (10-12)
- Youth Large (14)
- Adult Small (34-36)
- Adult Medium (38-40)
- Adult Large (42-44)

Pants/Shorts: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt: \_\_\_\_\_

Does child have any physical ailments, such as allergies, heart, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Having been informed of the organization of the Cuyahoga Heights Sports Department to provide supervised youth baseball/softball, I/We the parents/guardians of the above named candidate, do hereby give my/our approval of his/her participation in any and all of the activities during the current season. I/We do assume all the risks and hazards incidental to the conduct of the activities, transportation to and from the activities, and I/We do further hereby release, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, the organizers, sponsors, leasers and the supervisors appointed by them. I/We likewise release from responsibility any person transporting my/our child to or from activities. The Village of Cuyahoga Heights does not provide medical insurance. Do you have hospitalization and/or medical insurance? YES or NO. I have read and understand the above waiver and release.

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### VOLUNTEER COACH REGISTRATION:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach

Assistant

Drive: Service Dept.

Folder: Sports – Recreation *Revised: 5/18/2021*

# RECREATION PUBLIC HEALTH WAIVER

## Waiver and Release of Liability

In consideration of being allowed to participate in sports activities within the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, the undersigned acknowledges, understands, and agrees that:

1. The risks of injury and illness (ex: communicable diseases such as MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19) from the activities involved in this program are significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce these risks, the risks of serious injury and illness do exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with any and all Village imposed terms and conditions for participation, both formal and informal. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Village of Cuyahoga Heights, and its officials, agents, and/or employees ("RELEASEES"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, ILLNESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

### **FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child/ward including the risks of the activity and his/her responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations. Furthermore, my child/ward understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities. I for myself, my spouse, and child/ward do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse, and child/ward do release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's/ward's involvement or participation in these activities as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THEIR NEGLIGENCE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

DATE SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

# NOPEC: Cleveland Electric Illuminating customers should start to see refunds



(Metro Creative Connection)  
February 8, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

The Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council announced that the first installment of the refunds, averaging \$26.91 for residential customers, should be appearing as bill credits on this month's Cleveland Electric Illuminating, Ohio Edison and Toledo Edison bills.

Non-residential customers received \$2.68 per mWh, according to a news release. The remainder of the refund will be paid out to customers as credits on their electric bills over the next five years.

The average FirstEnergy residential customer will receive a total of \$85.71 paid in installments, the release stated.

The refunds come as a result of consumer advocacy by the Ohio Consumers' Counsel and NOPEC led to a historic settlement at the PUCO resulting in FirstEnergy refunding \$306 million in "significantly excessive" profits to 2.1 million customers, according to the release.

The settlement involves profits cases under a 2008 utility ratemaking law known as Senate Bill 221, which requires refunds of charges for “significantly excessive” utility profits.

Previously the most any electric utility was required to refund to consumers for “significantly excessive” profits was \$43 million from AEP Ohio about a decade ago. The 2008 law limits electric utility refunds to “significantly excessive” profits and allows electric utilities to keep excessive profits.

The refund installments will be as follows:

- \$1.87 per month (\$22.44 annually) per consumer (for \$80 million in total will be credited in 2022, through a monthly bill credit).
- \$1.40 per month (\$16.80 annually) per consumer (for \$60 million in total will be credited in 2023, through a monthly bill credit).
- \$1.05 per month (\$12.60 annually) per consumer (for \$45 million in total will be credited in 2024, through a monthly bill credit).
- \$0.58 per month (\$6.96 annually) per consumer (for \$25 million in total will be credited in 2025, through a monthly bill credit).



## Better Business Bureau® Senior Awareness Initiative

### BBB tips for holiday returns and exchanges

Did you get your children/grandchildren the wrong toy this holiday season or need to return the “ugly” sweater your family gifted you? Stores are not legally required to accept exchanges or give refunds, unless the merchandise was defective or misrepresented. While most retailers do offer refund and exchange programs, policies vary greatly from one store to another. Fortunately for shoppers, one positive outcome of the COVID-19 pandemic is that many retailers have become more lenient in their return policies.

**Make sure your returns and exchanges go smoothly this holiday by following these tips:**

- **Know store policies.** Even before you make a holiday purchase, ask about the store’s refund and exchange policy. Also, ask if there is a restocking fee, do they offer cash refunds, exchanges, or only store credit, how long you have to return your items, etc.
- **Understand online store return policies.** Before clicking “checkout,” search and read the seller’s return policy. Determine if they accept returns or exchanges, who pays the shipping fees when an item is returned, and if there is more than one way to return the item such as in-store, online, or at a dropbox.
- **Get the details on a product’s warranty.** Most electronics and home appliances come with warranties that are to be fulfilled by the manufacturer, not the retailer. Find out how returns and repairs are handled if an item stops working or needs replacement parts. Ask if the retailer ships the item to the manufacturer for you? Or will you need to deal with the manufacturer directly?
- **Keep your receipt and packaging.** Many stores will only accept returns and exchanges if you have the receipt and original packaging/packing materials.
- **Bring your ID.** Sometimes retailers require you to bring your ID and the original form of payment to help them avoid holiday return scams.
- **Don’t wait to make your returns.** Most company return policies are valid during a specific time period. Be sure to double-check return policies during the holidays. Some companies alter their return policies during the holidays.



## Better Business Bureau® Senior Awareness Initiative

### Beware of tax scams going into the 2022 tax season

Disruptions to the tax season over the past two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic have led to continued confusion about an already intimidating process. Because of that, BBB Serving Greater Cleveland is warning area consumers to be extra cautious in regards to tax scams as we near tax day on April 15th, 2022. In IRS scams, fraudsters will pose as an official either arresting or auditing you for withheld funds; scammers will also pose as friends offering a new opportunity at untapped tax refunds. In both of these methods, victims will be swindled out of giving their personal information or money to get out of trouble or access the refund.

One Ohio consumer reported being targeted by this scam and was defrauded out of \$1,000. The consumer was contacted over Facebook messenger by a friend and told to contact IRS agent John Phillips as it "might be worth my time." Once the consumer contacted the supposed Agent Phillips, the "agent" informed the victim that they were eligible for a prize and sent a chart to the victim to choose their prize. The victim chose a \$50,000.00 prize and was told they had to pay a \$1,000 fee to collect the grant money. After the consumer sent the \$1,000 on "3 Apple gift cards," the Agent told them to pay another \$5,000 in taxes, or else the IRS would come after the victim. At that point, the victim declined and contacted BBB.

To protect you and your loved ones against IRS scams and fraudsters posing as friends, BBB Cleveland has these tips:

- **Don't assume an offer in a message from a Facebook friend is legitimate.** Call or talk to them in person to verify if they contacted you.
- **Remember, government agencies do not communicate through social media avenues like Facebook.** So, be wary of unsolicited messages.
- **Ask About Payment Methods.** Remember, gift cards are for gifts. Government or other agency officials will never call and demand payment in gift cards. The IRS also states on its website that they do not accept payment via wire transfer or prepaid debit card.
- **Know the policy.** The IRS always mails a bill and then follows up with a phone call, and they'll never demand immediate payment over the phone. Similarly, the IRS doesn't threaten to involve local law enforcement, and the IRS cannot revoke your driver's or business licenses or immigration status.
- **Don't trust your caller ID.** If you receive a suspicious call, don't make any important decisions based on what your caller ID says. Avoid answering calls from phone numbers you don't recognize, even if they appear to be local. If it's important, the caller will leave a message.

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# George M. Suhy Grant Program



The current program period runs from January 1, 2018—December 31, 2022. During this period, the program allows three grants in a five year period. A homeowner may use one, two, or all three grants in one year during the five year period, provided the grants are used on separate projects, i.e., a single grant can be used for one project, two grants can be used for two different projects, etc. The maximum amount paid per grant is \$1,000.

## Important Updates

Before a project begins . . .

- Grant application form Part 1 must be obtained from the Building Department **before** any grant eligible project is started.
- All signatures, including signature of Finance Department, must be obtained before grant process can begin—no exceptions can be made to this process.
- Old versions of Grant Application Part 1 and Part 2 are obsolete. No applications for grant program will be considered on obsolete versions of these forms.
- The current version of the grant form is dated 2019.

Questions? Call the Building  
Department at (216) 641-7020

QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS UNDER THE GEORGE M. SUHY GRANT PROGRAM  
Chapter 1495 Codified Ordinances

Exterior Qualifying Improvements. Exterior qualifying improvements are drive and walk replacement, roof replacement and repair to include rafters and sheeting, siding replacement and repair, brick work replacements and repair, exterior painting of more than 500 square feet, chimney replacement and repair, replacement of windows and exterior doors including garage; repair or replacement of exterior stairs and landing porches, and repair or replacement of exterior soffits; installation, repair or replacement of retaining walls to support earth pressures, whether or not visible from the street; excavation, repair or replacement for exterior dwelling foundation drain tile; waterproofing of below-grade exterior walls; and excavation, repair or replacement for exterior sanitary/storm sewers.

Interior Qualifying Improvements. Interior qualifying improvements are installation or replacement of furnace, with or without air conditioning; installation of a central air conditioning unit, with or without installation or replacement of furnace; and installation or replacement of hot water tanks or tankless hot water systems serving the entire dwelling; whole house exterior wall insulation and/or whole house ceiling insulation; main electrical panel replacement; and excavation, repair or replacement for interior dwelling underground building sanitary/storm drainage sewers.

Landscape Qualifying Improvements. Qualifying improvements are installation or replacement of underground irrigation systems; installation of new or replacement trees, bushes, and flower beds; installation or replacement of stone or paver patios or walkways; reseeding or sodding of lawn of more than 600 square feet.