

Dear Friend:

With the arrival of December, the last page on another great year begins to close. From hosting the first annual Earth Day/Arbor Day event, celebrating the City's *Good Neighbor*, or enjoying the small successes of helping others, 2025 has truly been a monumental year. I cannot begin to express how blessed, and grateful I am for the opportunities, privileges, family and friends like you who were with me along the journey of another great year.

December has a way of encouraging reflection. It's a time to pause, look back on the moments that mattered, and appreciate the people who make our community what it is. From conversations at local events, to shared celebrations, to working together through challenges both big and small, this past year has been a reminder of just how special Twinsburg truly is. You can read about where I've been and how I have found connection with fellow neighbors on [my blog here](#).

As the holiday season continues, I hope you've been able to enjoy time with those closest to you, whether that means attending community events, gathering around the table with family, or simply taking a moment to slow down. The close of the year also invites us to think about those who may be in need, and I remain incredibly proud of the generosity and compassion shown by our community, especially through efforts like local food drives and volunteer initiatives.

Looking ahead, I'm excited for what the new year will bring. I am excited to continue connecting with friends, family, and neighbors. Keeping on the theme of reflection, this edition of my monthly newsletter will not contain much *new*, but rather reflection on successes, and opportunities for you to get further engaged with the City we hold so near and dear.

Colleen and I are wishing you and your loved ones a safe, healthy, and joyful holiday season and a warm New Year.

Sincerely,



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The Twinsburg Charitable Fund, Inc. - Food Drive 2025

Last month I wrote about The Twinsburg Charitable Fund, Inc.'s efforts to collect food and money to donate towards two local food pantries. Today, I write to tell you how blown away I am by the support of the community.

Towards the very end of November, The Twinsburg Charitable Fund, Inc. Board members Jonah Pichette and Chuck Bonacci dropped off over 450 pounds of food and essential toiletries to Our Community Hunger Center and Faith Food Pantry and Clothing Shop. The Charity was also able to provide hundreds of dollars in financial support, which will help these organizations long after the holiday season, when the need remains but support often slows.

If the spirit of the Holiday has you in a good mood, consider supporting these local food pantries as they help those in need.

You can learn more about these Charities, and the Twinsburg Charitable Fund on [the Charitable Fund's Facebook here](#).



The Twinsburg Charitable Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charity incorporated in the State of Ohio.

Construction Continues

Stay Informed

Sheppard Road North has been closed at this time.

At least one lane of traffic in each direction will remain open throughout construction. Access to homes, businesses, and nearby streets will also be maintained. The City of Twinsburg will continue to share updates and notify the public in advance of any changes in traffic patterns.

Learn more here, <https://bit.ly/3Ti7fER>



City of Twinsburg Board and Commission Openings 2026

Over the past few years I have written time and time again on [my blog](#) about the honor and privilege I have had to serve on the City of Twinsburg's Environmental Commission. From hosting the first annual *Earth Day/Arbor Day event* to proposing the first "*Good Neighbor Award*", I have found joy and passion in making sure the City of Twinsburg remains naturally beautiful, and our events remain accessible to all around.



In 2026 there are a number of openings on various Boards and Commissions. Each Board or Commission serves its own purpose, acting as an advisory body to the Council and Mayor. Some commissions, like the Environmental Commission are self generating in what we do, while others have business delivered to them.

The Commission and Board openings for 2026 are:

- ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD – THREE OPENINGS
Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm.
- BOARD OF TAX REVIEW – TWO OPENINGS
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – WARDS TWO (2) AND THREE (3)
Meetings are held the fourth Monday of every month at 5:30 pm.
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD –WARDS THREE (3) AND FOUR (4)
Meetings are held in August and September annually.
- CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION – ONE MEMBER
Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 8:30 am.
- ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION – THREE OPENINGS
Meetings are held the first Tuesday of February, March, April, May, September and October with planned events throughout the year.
- JEDI COMMISSION – FOUR OPENINGS
Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 6:00 pm.
- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION – WARDS THREE (3), FOUR (4), AND FIVE (5)
Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of February, April, May, August and October.
Other meeting dates to be added as needed along with other planned events throughout the year.
- PLANNING COMMISSION – WARDS THREE (3), FOUR (4), AND FIVE (5)
Meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 7:00 pm.

[You can read more about the various openings, and apply if you are interested on the City of Twinsburg's webpage.](#)

Flag Collection Box Continues Collections

In my newsletter last month, I announced that in partnership with The Twinsburg Public Library a new Flag Collection Bin has officially been placed at the main entrance of the Library. This bin is available for anyone in our community who has an old, worn, or damaged American flag that needs to be retired with proper respect. A number of individuals have already dropped off flags for proper retirement, and in the New Year, when you put a new flag out, I encourage you to drop yours off for proper retirement.

Proper flag retirement is an important tradition, and together we can make sure every flag is handled with the dignity it deserves. If you have a flag ready for retirement, please drop it off at the Library during normal business hours, or at the VFW's box near the square.

If you know a school, business, or community space that would benefit from having a collection bin of their own, let me know. I'm looking to place additional bins around the city to make this service even more accessible.

Let's honor our flag and support our community together!



City Sewer Rate Increase

You may have noticed an increase in your most recent quarterly sewer bill from the City of Twinsburg. This was not an error! While we have one of the lowest sewer rates in the County, raising them was essential to ensure there is enough money in the City's funds to maintain operations. [Read more about the increase here.](#)

Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehab Project Updates



The City of Twinsburg has a fantastic Wastewater Treatment Plant. I've toured this facility a number of times with members of the City and Environmental Commission and always walk away impressed with the work that is being done there. The facility is currently undergoing rehabilitation to ensure it can continue to provide a world class service for residents,

and make sure the treated waste is as clean as it can be. [You can read more about it here.](#)