



Looking east on Broad Street in 2015, left, and the same view in the 1920s, right.

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Department Description

The Mayor provides leadership and vision for the City of Columbus through the formulation of policies, delivery of city services, communication, and outreach to citizens and the greater community. As head of the executive branch of government, the Mayor establishes priorities for the departments serving the citizens of Columbus. The Mayor's staff is responsible for the coordination and monitoring of policies and programs designed to meet the goals of the Columbus Covenant.

Department Mission

To ensure the safety and prosperity of all citizens of Columbus through the Mayor's goals outlined in this document.

Mayor's Office



Strategic Priorities for 2016

The strategic priorities of the Mayor are embodied in the Columbus Covenant – a strategic plan that outlines the seven major areas the city seeks to improve in order to move closer to the vision of becoming the best city in the nation in which to live, work, and raise a family.

Those seven goal areas are:

From the Columbus Covenant:

- Customer Service – provide quality and efficient service delivery to customers using “best practices”
- Neighborhoods – engage and promote strong, distinct, and vibrant neighborhoods
- Safety – enhance the delivery of safety services
- Economic Development and Technology – provide an atmosphere that promotes job creation and economic growth in existing and emerging industries
- Education – encourage and promote participation in learning opportunities
- Downtown Development – develop a vibrant and thriving downtown that is recognized as an asset for the region
- Peak Performance – invest in all city employees and develop systems that support a high-performing city government



2016 BUDGET NOTES

The recommended budget for the Mayor’s Office provides for continued operation of the office. In addition:

- As in previous years, the costs associated with the “Get Green” initiative will be supplemented by funds provided to the city by the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO).
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Department Financial Summary by Area of Expense					
Fund	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Budget	2015 Projected	2016 Proposed
General Fund					
Personnel	\$ 1,888,974	\$ 1,882,362	\$ 2,176,228	\$ 1,617,784	\$ 2,201,564
Materials & Supplies	9,924	10,315	14,044	4,667	14,682
Services	156,425	69,305	239,799	80,271	246,112
Other	-	250	250	-	250
Transfers	13,989	263,140	-	205,391	-
General Fund Subtotal	2,069,312	2,225,372	2,430,321	1,908,113	2,462,608
Department Total	\$ 2,069,312	\$ 2,225,372	\$ 2,430,321	\$ 1,908,113	\$ 2,462,608

Department Personnel Summary					
Fund	FT/PT	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Budgeted	2016 Budgeted
General Fund					
Mayor's Office	FT	17	14	19	19
	PT	1	1	1	1
	Total	18	15	20	20

Operating Budget by Program		
Program	2016 Proposed	2016 FTEs
Mayor's Office Administration	\$ 912,702	5
Community Affairs	263,986	3
Communications	182,702	2
Environmental Stewardship	270,154	2
Policy and Government Affairs	833,064	7
Department Total	\$ 2,462,608	19

The programs above and the program descriptions on the following page represent those that will be used in the city's new accounting system which will go live January 1, 2016. As such, no history of financial or personnel data by program is included in this document for prior years.



2016 PROGRAM GUIDE

MAYOR'S OFFICE
ADMINISTRATION

To advance the priorities of the Mayor to departments and to citizens through the formulation of strategies and goals by monitoring the implementation of policies and programs designed to meet those goals.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

To provide quality customer service assistance to the citizens of Columbus and serve as the operational and administrative support team for the Mayor's Office employees.

COMMUNICATIONS

To communicate to citizens the issues, programs, and activities of city government that engage and promote safe, strong, and distinctive neighborhoods and provide for an atmosphere that promotes economic development and job creation.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

To strive for Columbus to become a greener, more sustainable community, improving quality of life for this and future generations.

POLICY AND GOVERNMENT
AFFAIRS

To develop and coordinate key Mayoral initiatives, by conducting research, assisting in legislative matters and intergovernmental affairs, and working to assure that departments are working together to meet administration goals.

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