



District 3 News

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Martin J. Sweeney
Council Member, District 3

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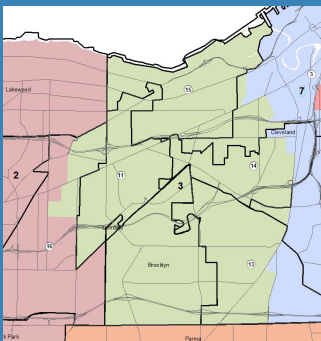
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A Message from... Councilmember Martin J. Sweeney

Greetings Neighbor,

This is Martin J. Sweeney, your Cuyahoga County Councilman representing District 3 and I am writing you for two reasons. First, to say thank you, thank you, thank you!

On November 8th I was duly elected to serve a four-year term as your Council person in our District 3 and I am so excited to have this privilege. Over the past two years I served as an appointed Council person but being elected by the entire district gives me a sense of confidence and hope. I will serve with dedication and determination to work in a manner that makes you proud.

The second reason for me writing to you today is to reflect on the past year, the accomplishments, and the things we should continue to work on. I was able to work with my council colleagues to gain their support for many projects throughout District 3 totaling more than \$5 million.

In partnership with your city council members, these projects will have a significant impact on our district. I look forward to securing more impactful projects for our district. Working with all the partners we can, to deliver resources and services to our district's neighborhoods.

The greatest part of being a county representative is helping my constituents. So, don't hesitate to reach out for anything that you may need. I will respond! I look forward to seeing new faces and reconnecting with those of you I've already met.

As always, Keep the Faith!


Martin J. Sweeney

2022

Accomplishments:

Approved over \$1.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Dollars for District 3 including:

- **Supported City of Brooklyn City Center \$750,000.00**
- **Supported Near West Theatre \$50,000.00 (Ward 15)**
- **Supported Horizon Education Centers \$50,000.00 (Ward 15)**
- **Supported Cleveland Christian Home \$250,000.00 (Ward 11)**
- **Supported Eleanor Rainey Institute \$250,000.00 (Ward 14)**
- **Supported Dennison Avenue United Church of Christ \$25,000.00 (Ward 11)**
- **Supported Centers for Families and Children Circle Health \$250,000.00 (Ward 15)**
- **Supported Cleveland Air Show \$75,000.00 (County-wide)**
- **Supported Sokol Cultural Center of Greater Cleveland \$50,000.00 (County-wide)**

Home Repairs

Cuyahoga County is proud to offer a variety of programs to help residents maintain clean, safe, and stable homes in our neighborhoods. We believe that all Cuyahoga County residents deserve clean, safe, and attractive neighborhoods in which they can live, work, and raise a family.

We continue to find ways to help residents make ends meet. Last month the County launched the Key Cares Loan Program in partnership with Key Bank and the Home Repair Resource Center.

This new loan program will offer up to \$15,000 loans for home repairs and improvements to homeowners who can afford a monthly payment but who may not qualify for traditional financing. I urge those interested in applying for a loan to contact the Home Repair Resource Center at 216-381-6100 (ext. 10) or hrrc-ch.org

Collaboration:

City of Cleveland, Ward 15 Councilwoman Jenny Spencer:

"Councilman Sweeney advocated for \$50,000 of District 3's ARPA funds to support the installation of the new Horizon Education Childcare Center on Detroit Avenue. In addition, \$250,000 went to support The Centers for Families and Children. Both are within my Ward and are examples of the many ways Marty fosters partnerships with local leaders to make things better for our constituents. I appreciate Councilman Sweeney's efforts to ensure that all parts of District 3 receive needed investments."

City of Cleveland, Ward 11 Councilman Brian Mooney:

"The plans and funding for the Variety Theater would not have been possible this year without the cooperation and partnership between County Councilman Sweeney, and the City of Cleveland. This is one visible example of how we are working together to make a difference in our neighborhood."

Executive Director of the Northeast Ohio Hispanic Center for Economic Development (the Center) Jenice Contreras:

"The collaboration with Councilman Sweeney and District 3 in 2022 has been a blessing. We are grateful to partner on the development of Centro Villa 25 through ARPA grant funding. Centro Villa 25 is an adaptive reuse of a vacant warehouse located in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood. The facility will feature twenty-two micro-retail spaces (Mercado), a commercial kitchen, a business innovation center, and co-working spaces. Additionally, it will offer office space for Latino and neighborhood-serving organizations, an outdoor plaza, and a community space for arts & culture programming. Centro Villa 25 will catalyze economic impact through job creation and business development, growing a thriving local economy, and creative placemaking that celebrates the Latino culture of the neighborhood."

Chris Ronayne

Hello District 3 residents!

As your County Executive, I am thrilled to come to work every day to make a difference in our community. I look forward to working with Councilman Sweeney and the rest of the Cuyahoga County Council on the following key initiatives:

- A modern, effective and efficient government
- Improved transportation access
- The County Jail and Justice Services
- Child and Family Services
- Early intervention and opportunities for youth
- Affordable housing
- Workforce Development and job readiness



Chris Ronayne, Cuyahoga County Executive

I began my career in public service with the County Planning Commission, worked at Cleveland City Hall as Planning Director, Chief Development Officer, and Chief of Staff to the mayor. Before becoming County Executive, I worked as President of University Circle Inc. for 16 years. I plan to take my experience and apply it to the important work of County government to deliver better government and real results for our residents.

I appreciate your support and am looking forward to the work ahead.

Happy New Year!

Chris Ronayne
Cuyahoga County Executive

Greater Cleveland Food Bank:

In October 2022, the Greater Cleveland Food Bank's new distribution hub opened and is now ready to serve families in need.

The almost 200,000-square-foot facility on Coit Road is located on the border of two Cleveland neighborhoods, Glenville and Collinwood. The hub will make it easier for the Food Bank's community partners, donors and volunteers to serve the nearly 350,000 people in Greater Cleveland who were helped by the Food Bank during this fiscal year.

The new hub features a large kitchen that has the capability to make 20,000 meals a day, a cooler that can store up to

100 million pounds of food, solar panels on the roof and a recycling center that will convert food scraps into fertilizer and renewable energy.

This initiative supports the ever-growing demand for food distribution and social programs in the six counties it serves. Total food distribution is at an all-time high, and the production kitchen is making more than 8 times the meals it did when the facility opened.

When the Greater Cleveland Food Bank opened in 1979, it distributed 400K pounds of food and in 2021, they distributed 53 million pounds of food. That's an increase of over 100%!



For more information, call the GCFB help center at 216.738.2067, visit them at <https://www.greaterclevelandfoodbank.org> or stop by the new distribution center located at 13815 Coit Rd, Cleveland, OH 44110

District 3: Public Works Project Summary

Projects – County Administered

- 2022 – Ridge Road Resurfacing, Pearl Rd to Flowerdale Ave (Brooklyn), \$4,646,967

Pavement Management Program

Municipalities are awarded funds based on applications for roadway maintenance work on various County roads within their municipality. Work includes crack sealing, patching, pothole repair, striping, catch basin repair/replacement, etc.

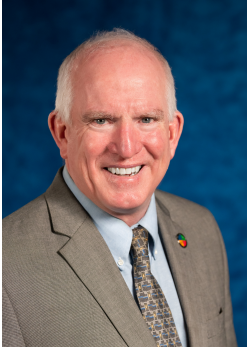
Municipality	2022
Brooklyn	\$55,000
Cleveland	\$73,619
Linndale	\$10,000

Projects – City Administered, County Reimbursement

- 2022 – Memphis Avenue/Tiedeman Road Intersection (Brooklyn), \$210,000



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A Message from Armond Budish...



Armond Budish
Cuyahoga County Executive
2015-2022

Serving as your County Executive for the last eight years, I am proud of all that we've accomplished for our residents. Councilman Marty Sweeney has been a leader in our efforts to build communities where families can grow and succeed. Whether it's supporting small businesses, ensuring families and children have access to healthy and nutritious food or maintaining safe roads, we've worked to make your community stronger. We especially saw this through County Councilman Sweeney's \$1.7 million+ investment through American Rescue

Plan (ARPA) dollars into facilities and groups that improve your neighborhoods, like the Brooklyn City Center, Near West Theater, Horizon Education Centers, Cleveland Christian Home, and more. But there's always more work that can be done. I encourage you to stay active and aware of the happenings of local government—it impacts your life every day.

Thank you to County Council for their partnership and thank you to the residents of District 3. It has been a pleasure.

Council Meetings and Committee Meetings are Open to the Public **Free Parking at 900 Prospect – 5th Floor Skywalk**

Attend a regular Council meeting – 5pm, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

Watch on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/CuyahogaCounty> (live and archived) Dates and times are subject to change; please go to Cuyahoga County Council's Website at www.council.cuyahogacounty.us or you may call 216.698.2010, to access the schedule of upcoming meetings.