

FISCAL YEAR 2026

ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026



CITY OF
BOWLING GREEN
PUBLIC WORKS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Fiscal Year 2026 was a year of progress, innovation, and service. Every day, Bowling Green Public Works works behind the scenes to maintain essential infrastructure, respond to emergencies, and support every City department and a growing City of Bowling Green.

DEFINING 2026



STORMWATER UTILITY

Established a dedicated funding source to invest in drainage infrastructure improvements, protect our waterways and mitigate flooding.



PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Proactive approach to extend pavement life and reduce long-term costs through preventative maintenance.



SOLAR LIGHTING

Initiated the use of solar-powered lighting to improve pedestrian safety on greenways, increase energy efficiency and reduce maintenance costs.



RIVERFRONT PARK

Continued construction oversight of Riverfront Park Phase I which will create new recreational opportunities while strengthening Bowling Green's connection to the Barren River and enhancing downtown development.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Responded to severe weather, flooding, sinkholes, snow events, and illicit discharge with a 24-hour commitment to protecting residents and keeping Bowling Green moving safely.

A YEAR OF PROGRESS

Our crews worked behind the scenes to maintain the essential infrastructure our community relies on every day. At the same time, we advanced projects and programs that will deliver lasting benefits for generations to come.

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

From establishing the Stormwater Utility and implementing new technologies, to expanding transportation improvements and prioritizing long-term asset management, Public Works took a proactive approach to protecting public infrastructure while improving quality of life.

LOOKING AHEAD

As Bowling Green continues to grow, Public Works remains committed to thoughtful planning and continuous improvement. The accomplishments highlighted throughout this report demonstrate our commitment to delivering exceptional public service today while preparing our city for the opportunities and challenges of tomorrow.

BOWLING GREEN IN NUMBERS

THE WORK BEHIND A YEAR OF SERVICE.

Public Works maintains the infrastructure that keeps Bowling Green moving every day. The statistics below reflect the scale of services delivered throughout Fiscal Year 2026.



WHAT WE MAINTAIN

							
22	778	288	205	88	1,074	23	11,950
FACILITIES	VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT	MILES OF STREETS	MILES OF SIDEWALKS	MILES OF STORM SEWERS	STORMWATER INJECTION WELLS	SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS	TRAFFIC SIGNS

WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED

							
1,148	1,843	9.9	4,450	755	46	4,825	27
FACILITIES WORK ORDERS	FLEET WORK ORDERS	MILES OF STREETS REPAVED	LINEAR FEET OF NEW SIDEWALK BUILT	SIGNS INSTALLED/REPAIRED	SINKHOLES REPAIRED	DEVELOPMENT INSPECTIONS COMPLETED	COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS

Every number represents a service delivered to the people of Bowling Green.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

As I reflect on the past year, I am filled with gratitude for the incredible men and women of the Bowling Green Public Works Department. Every accomplishment in these pages represents the dedication of our **Administrative, Environmental, Facilities, Fleet, Operations,** and **Planning & Design** teams working together to serve our community. Whether responding to emergencies, improving infrastructure, maintaining city facilities and vehicles, or planning for the future, our employees demonstrate professionalism, imagination, and a genuine commitment to making Bowling Green an even better place to live, work, and visit.

I am honored to serve alongside this remarkable team, and I hope these highlights provide just a glimpse of what they accomplished on behalf of our citizens this year.



Andy Souza

BY THE NUMBERS & HIGHLIGHTS



STORMWATER UTILITY APPROVED

Successfully implemented Bowling Green's Stormwater Utility and Fee-in-Lieu-of-Construction (FILOC) Program, establishing a dedicated funding source to improve drainage infrastructure and reduce flooding. (**Ordinance BG2025-26**)



FIRST-EVER CEMENT STABILIZATION

Completed the city's first cement stabilization project on Commerce Street, creating a stronger roadway with lower long-term maintenance costs.



LEAF COLLECTION REIMAGINED

Reduced leaf collection from 4 months to just 30 days while still collecting approximately 90% of previous volumes—saving time, fuel, and taxpayer resources.



BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Completed the Tomblinson Way Roundabout, opened 1.3 miles of Bluegrass Farms Boulevard, and continued expanding sidewalks, greenways, and pedestrian safety improvements across Bowling Green.



AN AWARD-WINNING YEAR

Public Works earned state, national, and local recognition for innovation, teamwork, and service—including the International Erosion Control Association Innovative Project of the Year, the Neighborhood & Community Services Community Impact Award, and several Kentucky Chapter of the American Public Works Association Awards.

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

Together, our six divisions work as one department to serve Bowling Green every day.

MISSION

Safely, efficiently, and professionally enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Bowling Green.

VISION

Making the city better every day through teamwork.

VALUES

Integrity
Service
Excellence

LEADERSHIP TEAM



ANDY SOUZA

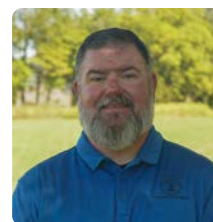
DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC WORKS

Leading Bowling Green Public Works with a commitment to innovation, stewardship, and public service.



MELISSA CANSLER

CITY
ENGINEER



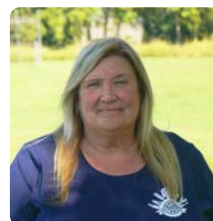
RYAN JOHNSON

OPERATIONS
MANAGER



MATT POWELL

ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGER



DENISE GILLAND

FLEET
MANAGER



DAVID HEHNER

FACILITIES
MANAGER

OUR DIVISIONS



ADMINISTRATION

2 Employees

Support the department through finance, communications, customer service, and administration.



OPERATIONS

35 Employees

Maintain roads, sidewalks, drainage systems, traffic control, and emergency response.



ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

5 Employees

Protect our waterways through stormwater utility, stormwater management, permits, and environmental programs.



FLEET

13 Employees

Keep vehicles and equipment safe, reliable, and ready to serve our community.



PLANNING & DESIGN

10 Employees

Plan, design, and manage infrastructure improvements that support growth and quality of life.



FACILITIES

4 Employees

Maintain municipal buildings and support facility construction projects across the city.

THE PEOPLE BEHIND PUBLIC WORKS

CONGRATULATIONS ON THEIR PROMOTIONS!

Congratulations to 11 employees who advanced into new roles through career advancement and promotions.



DANIEL COLTER
Public Works
Planner
Planning & Design



NICK UPDEGRAFF
Medium/Heavy
Truck Tech
Fleet



JOSH JOHNSON
Emergency Vehicle
Tech, Level II
Fleet



DAVID LONG
Automotive Tech. -
Master
Fleet



TREVOR NOBLE
Automotive Tech. -
Master
Fleet



DAVID WEBB
Operations Maint.
Technician III
Operations



TIMMY COWLES
Operations Maint.
Technician III
Operations



JOHN LYONS
Operations Maint.
Technician II
Operations



AUSTIN JONES
Operations Maint.
Technician II
Operations



DAVID ADAMS
Operations Maint.
Technician II
Operations



LAURIE EPPERSON
Office Associate II
Environmental
Compliance

WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

Thank you for choosing to serve Bowling Green.

Eric Druen
Jacob Lyons
Tyler Meadors
Hunter Hayes

Jeremy Beard
Sam Harman
Dayan Railey
Josh Phelps

Behind every repaired street, every emergency response, every maintained building, and every completed project is a dedicated team committed to serving Bowling Green. Public Works is more than infrastructure—it is the dedicated people who proudly serve our community every day.

HONORING A CAREER OF SERVICE

Thank You for 24 Years of Service



Throughout his career as Fleet Supervisor, Robert has helped oversee the maintenance and reliability of the City's fleet, ensuring police officers, firefighters, Public Works crews, Parks & Recreation, and many other departments had dependable vehicles and equipment to serve the community.

ROBERT KIRBY
FLEET SUPERVISOR

We wish you a happy and well-deserved retirement!

CELEBRATING YEARS OF SERVICE



David Webb
Trevor Young



Bryon Kinser
Chad Doughty
Courtenay Howell



Barry Basham
Derrick Sanders



Tommy Burris



Melissa Cansler
Patrick Henderson
Ryan Johnson



8
NEW HIRES



11
PROMOTIONS



11
SERVICE
MILESTONES



1
RETIREMENT

One Team.
One Mission.
ONE COMMUNITY.

RESPONDING WHEN IT MATTERS MOST

24 HOURS A DAY. 365 DAYS A YEAR.



Public Works crews respond to emergencies around the clock, often working long hours in dangerous conditions to restore safe travel, protect infrastructure, and support emergency responders. While much of this work happens outside normal business hours, it remains one of the department's most critical responsibilities.

2,194
**SNOW & ICE
HOURS**

EMERGENCY RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS



SNOW EVENTS

Salting, Plowing,
& Ice Control



FLOOD RESPONSE

Monitoring, Road
Closures, &
Drainage
Operations



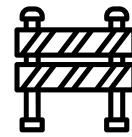
SINKHOLE REPAIRS

Investigating &
Repairing
Sinkholes
Citywide



STORM DAMAGE

Clearing Debris
& Removing
Down Trees



EMERGENCY ROAD CLOSURES

Protecting the
Public &
Maintaining
Detours



TRAFFIC CONTROL

Supporting
Events &
Emergency
Scenes



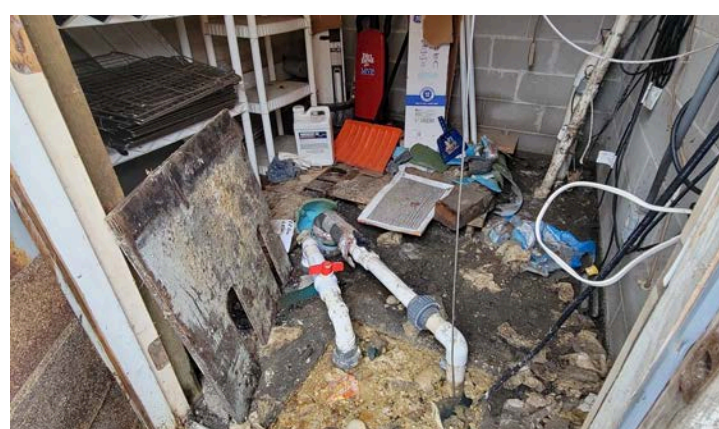
FLOODING - Monitored flood-prone locations, closed roads when necessary, and protected motorists during heavy rainfall events.



STORM DAMAGE - Removed fallen trees and debris, restoring road access following severe weather.



SINKHOLE REPAIRS - Investigated and coordinated repairs to protect public infrastructure and maintain safe roadways. Repairs were completed by a contractor or our Operations Division depending on the scope of the repair.



ILLICIT DISCHARGE — Responded on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2025, to a failed private lift station at an apartment complex. Failed pumps caused raw sewage to cross property lines and enter the karst system.

**WHEN EMERGENCIES HAPPEN,
PUBLIC WORKS IS ALREADY RESPONDING.**

SHARING OUR STORY

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Public Works is more than roads, signs, and equipment. Throughout FY26, the Administration Division strengthened community connections by increasing transparency, expanding public outreach and community partnerships, and finding new ways to tell the story of Public Works.



MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT



27

DIRECTOR MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS

Including Our First
National Coverage

From local features to national attention, our work reached audiences far beyond Bowling Green.

PUBLIC WORKS ALMANAC



A FIRST-OF-ITS-KIND PUBLICATION

Published the department's first ever Public Works Almanac, an education resource highlighting our services, history, and the people behind the work.

INNOVATION IN ACTION



SOLAR FLOOD WARNING LIGHTS AT FAIRVIEW PLAZA

Solar-powered flood warning lights now alert motorists before roadways become impassable at one of Bowling Green's most flood-prone locations.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



LEAF TRUCK NAMING CONTEST

A fun, citywide contest invited residents to help name all six of our leaf trucks, bringing the community together and creating joy along the way.

We used this opportunity to educate the residents of our new, shortened leaf season cycle, which was a success.

CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITY



MEDIA RELATIONS

Building relationships with local, regional, and national media to share our impact and inform the public.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Engaging with residents in real time through authentic content, updates, and community conversations.



PUBLICATIONS

Creating resources that educate, inform, and highlight the vital role of Public Works in our community.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Participating in events, programs, and initiatives that build connections and encourage public participation.



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Listening to feedback, answering questions, and fostering trust through open and transparent communication.



PLANNING FOR TOMORROW

PLANNING & DESIGN DIVISION

The Planning & Design Division transforms ideas into infrastructure. From new sidewalks and greenways to major transportation improvements, the division plans, designs, inspects, and manages projects that support Bowling Green's continued growth.

FY26 BY THE NUMBERS



4,321

SITE CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS



302

SERVICE REQUESTS



788

DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEWS



15

DESIGN PROJECTS



20

SURVEY PROJECTS



26

SUBDIVISION INSPECTIONS



305

STREET CUT INSPECTIONS



200

STREET CUT PERMITS ISSUED



72

PLAT REVIEWS

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS



TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

9.9 MILES

of roadway overlay completed and 34 handicap ramp upgrades across the city.



PAVEMENT PRESERVATION

5.3 MILES

of our 10-mile pilot program completed to extend pavement life.



SIDEWALKS

4,450 LF NEW
7,542 LF REHAB

of sidewalk constructed or rehabilitated.
1,650 linear feet of curb and gutter replaced.



GREENWAYS

6,458 LINEAR FEET

of greenways constructed to connect neighborhoods and enhance recreation.



MAJOR PROJECTS DELIVERED

2 COMPLETED

Construction of Bluegrass Farms Blvd. and a new roundabout at Tomblinson Way & Brookshore Ave.

BEHIND EVERY PROJECT



DESIGN

Engineering and design work for transportation, drainage, parks, landfill, and public facilities across the city.



SURVEY

Dozens of boundary, easement, topographic, annexation, and construction stakeout surveys supporting infrastructure improvements.



CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS

Daily onsite inspections ensure projects are built to the highest standards of safety, quality, and efficiency.



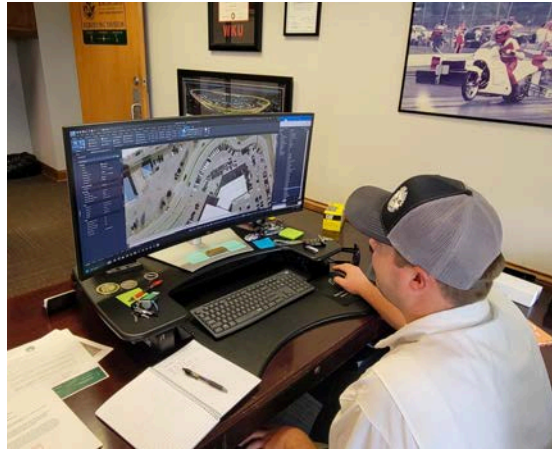
COORDINATION

Partnering with City departments, consultants, contractors, and outside agencies to deliver projects that make a lasting impact.



PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Managing projects from planning to completion with a focus on fiscal responsibility and exceptional results.



PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE DIVISION

The Environmental Compliance Division protects Bowling Green's natural resources through stormwater management, erosion prevention, environmental education, and infrastructure improvements that reduce flooding and protect water quality.



FY26 BY THE NUMBERS

1,133

HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE
VEHICLES SERVED

455

DEVELOPMENT
REVIEWS

22

PRESENTATIONS
& MEDIA
ENGAGEMENTS

26

ILLICIT DISCHARGE
RESPONSES

504

INSPECTIONS
COMPLETED

108

SINKHOLES
INVESTIGATED

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS



STORMWATER UTILITY

Stormwater Utility and Fee-in-Lieu-of-Construction (FILOC) program was approved in November 2025.

FILOC went into effect immediately. Stormwater Utility program development is underway and will go into effect January 1, 2027.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

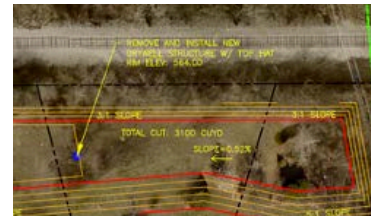
51 contractors received initial EPSC certifications.

133 contractors and MS4 staff attended the 2025 Muddy Water Blues Field day at Glen Lily Landfill EPSC training site.



PROTECTING INFRASTRUCTURE

A total of **13** sinkholes were repaired under contract by outside services resulting in an investment of **\$1,314,159**. These sinkholes are located on city infrastructure or right-of-way.



STORMWATER MITIGATION

Three flood-damaged homes were acquired to create basins that reduce neighborhood flooding. Design work was completed in-house for basins on Fair Street, Turkey Run Drive, Shannon Way, and Lehman Avenue.

BEHIND EVERY DROP



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Managing runoff and infrastructure to reduce flooding and protect our waterways.



WATER QUALITY PROTECTION

Preventing pollution and safeguarding the streams, rivers, and groundwater we all depend on.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Training contractors and engaging the community to build a culture of stewardship.



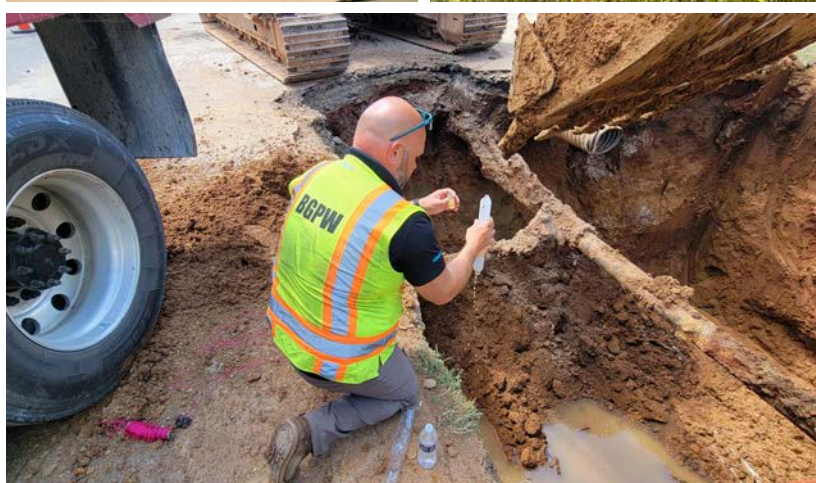
PERMITTING & COMPLIANCE

Reviewing plans and permits to ensure projects meet regulations and protect the environment.



SINKHOLE RESPONSE & MITIGATION

Identifying risks, repairing sinkholes, and improving infrastructure resilience.



KEEPING BOWLING GREEN MOVING

OPERATIONS DIVISION

Whether repairing streets, clearing snow, mowing rights-of-way, replacing signs, or responding to emergencies, the Operations Division works every day to keep Bowling Green safe, accessible, and moving forward.

Every season. Every day. Every mile.



FY26 BY THE NUMBERS

1,192
WORK ORDERS
COMPLETED
13,572
TASKS

NEARLY **1/5 MILE**

976
LINEAR FEET OF
SIDEWALK
REPAIRED /
REPLACED

705
TONS OF LEAVES
PICKED UP &
RECYCLED

2,590
HOURS FOR OTHER
CITY DEPARTMENT
REQUESTS

755
STREET SIGNS
REPLACED
11,950
INVENTORY
ACROSS THE CITY

7,446
MAN-HOURS FOR
MOWING, TRIMMING,
& BUSH HOGGING
RIGHT-OF-WAYS

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

WINTER OPERATIONS



984 Tons of Deicer Used
4,083 Miles of Snow Routes
Treated
\$147,583.32 Deicer Costs

Responded to 1 multi-day snow
and ice event with no lost-time
injuries or accidents.

INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE



1,440 MILES OF STREETS
CLEANED BY
SWEEPER
251 ALLEYS
RESURFACED
31 TRAFFIC
SIGNAL
REPAIRS
32 SINKHOLES
REPAIRED
14 STREET REPAIRS
MILLED &
PATCHED
251 POTHOLES
REPAIRED

INVESTING IN OUR TEAM



4 Roads Scholar Graduates
4 Roads Master Graduates
2 Work Zone Traffic Control Techs
16 Licensed Pesticide Applicators
2 Class A CDLs Obtained
2 Leadership BG Graduates
5 KY APWA Equipment Rodeo
Competitors

BEHIND EVERY RESPONSE



SNOW & ICE RESPONSE

Plowing, treating, and
clearing roads to
keep the City moving
safely in winter.



30-DAY LEAF COLLECTION & RECYCLING

Collecting and recycling
leaves to reduce
stormwater blockages &
keep neighborhoods clean.



ROAD REPAIR & MAINTENANCE

Patching potholes,
repairing sidewalks,
and maintaining our
road network.



SIGNAGE & TRAFFIC CONTROL

Installing and
replacing signs and
keeping traffic safe
and moving efficiently.



RIGHT-OF-WAY MAINTENANCE

Mowing, trimming,
and bush hogging to
maintain visibility and
road safety.



KEEPING THE CITY READY

FLEET DIVISION

Behind every police response, fire emergency, snowplow, heavy equipment and City vehicle is a dedicated team of Fleet professionals committed to keeping Bowling Green's equipment safe, reliable, and ready to serve.

Through preventative maintenance, repairs, and strategic investments, we help every department deliver city services.



FY26 BY THE NUMBERS

1064

REPAIR WORK
ORDERS

779

PREVENTATIVE
MAINTENANCE
WORK ORDERS

265,875

GALLONS OF
FUEL USED BY
THE CITY

\$491,715

SPENT ON
PARTS

3,466

DAYS WITHOUT A
LOST TIME
ACCIDENT

481
VEHICLES

297
PIECES OF
EQUIPMENT

73%

AVERAGE FLEET
TECHNICIAN
PRODUCTION RATE

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

FLEET EXPANSION

64

NEW VEHICLES &
EQUIPMENT ADDED TO
OUR FLEET

- 42** Purchased Vehicles
- 15** Leased Vehicles
- 7** Equipment Purchases

Including skid steer loader, scissor lift, car hauler, salt spreaders, and message sign boards.



FLEET ASSET OPTIMIZATIONS

9

VEHICLES SOLD THROUGH
ENTERPRISE FLEET

\$158,815

TOTAL SALES

\$17,646

AVERAGE PER VEHICLE



INVESTING IN OUR TEAM

2

CERTIFICATIONS RECEIVED
FOR MIG WELDING
THROUGH SKYCTC

Trevor Noble - Master
Automotive Technician,
Nick Updegraff - Master
Medium/Heavy Truck
Technician



COMMUNITY IMPACT

**BOWLING GREEN WARREN
COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY**

Received a 2026 Nissan van to aid in the Community Cat Program.

**WARREN COUNTY DIVISION OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING**

Received a 2018 Pro Trainer Tandem
Tilt Recycling Trailer to provide
recycling opportunities for Warren
County residents.



BEHIND EVERY REPAIR



DIAGNOSTICS

Advanced diagnostics and troubleshooting get vehicles back in service quickly.



PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

Scheduled service that prevents downtime and extends equipment life.



EMERGENCY VEHICLE UPFITTING

Custom upfitting and equipment installation for police and fire.



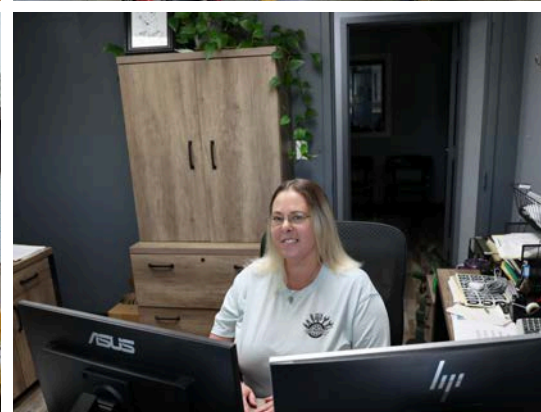
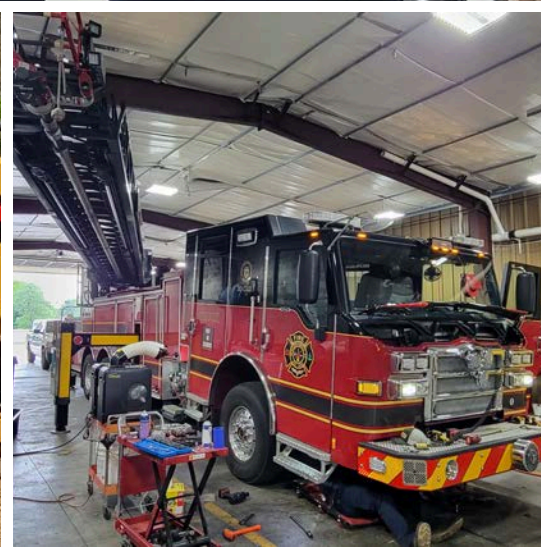
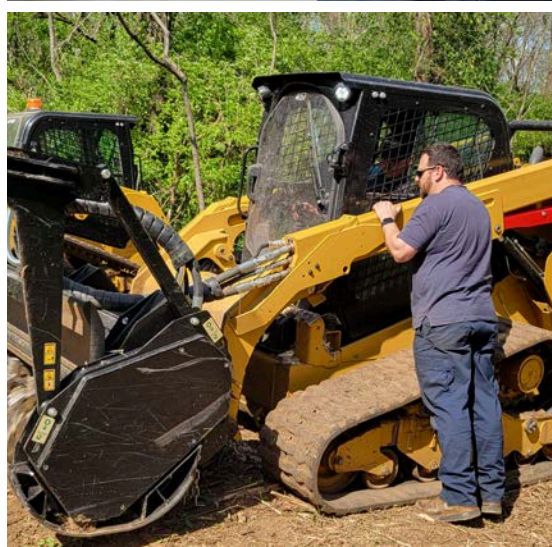
EMERGENCY READINESS

24/7 response for critical repairs that keep the city moving.



PARTS & VENDOR MANAGEMENT

Procurement, inventory, and vendor coordination to reduce downtime and control costs.



BUILDING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

FACILITIES DIVISION

The Facilities Division maintains, improves, and modernizes the buildings where City services happen every day. From fire stations and police facilities to City Hall and public spaces, the team keeps Bowling Green's buildings safe, functional, and ready to serve.

1,148
Work Orders
Completed



MAJOR PROJECTS & IMPACTS



FIRE STATION IMPROVEMENTS

- Station 4 Kitchen Renovations
- Station 4 Roof Replacement
- Station 1 Shower Renovations
- LVT Flooring at 4 Fire Stations
- Station 6 Retaining Wall
- Station 5 Pole Barn Insulation Install



CITYWIDE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

- City Hall Boiler Replacement
- Fleet Bays HVAC Upgrades
- Convention Center Improvements
- Police Evidence Storage Fencing
- Operations Exterior Painting
- 2 Pavilions at Butler County Landfill for EPSC Outdoor Classroom



GROWING OUR COMMUNITY

- Completed Construction of Fire Station 5
- Completed Construction of Public Safety Training Center
- Relocated Public Works Administration From City Hall Campus To US Bank Third Floor

BEHIND EVERY BUILDING



BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Routine maintenance and repairs that keep our facilities safe, clean, and operational.



MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

Maintaining HVAC boilers, plumbing, and electrical systems that power our buildings.



RENOVATIONS

Upgrading interiors and exteriors to improve functionality, comfort, and efficiency.



CAPITAL PROJECTS

Managing major facility construction and long-term investments for the future of Bowling Green.



PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES

Supporting fire stations, police facilities, and emergency operations across the city.



EXCELLENCE RECOGNIZED

Celebrating the people and projects that made FY26 exceptional!

Recognition reflects the dedication, innovation, and commitment our employees bring to serving Bowling Green every day. Throughout FY26, the department was honored at the local, state, and regional levels for excellence in public service, leadership, and innovation.

EMPLOYEE AWARDS



DANIEL COLTER
DIRECTOR'S AWARD

For excellence, job execution, team work, and representing our core values of integrity, service and excellence.



LIZETTE GARCIA
PEOPLE'S CHOICE

For going above and beyond throughout the entire year. This award is peer-nominated.



PATRICK HENDERSON
SILENT PROFESSIONAL

For putting service before self with tremendous work ethic.



JEFF WALDEN
SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR

For empowering their team, modeling accountability, and inspiring excellence.



TITUS SMITH
GOLDEN LEAF

For showing outstanding performance throughout leaf season. This award is peer-nominated.



**ENVIRONMENTAL
COMPLIANCE DIVISION**
TEAM OF THE YEAR

A group whose collective effort produced measurable results, improved operations, and strengthened Public Works as a whole.

BGKY COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARDS



**Bowling Green Public Works
Operations Division**
**STRONGER TOGETHER
AWARD**

BGWC JAYCEES CHRISTMAS PARADE



**City of Bowling
Green Public Works**
PRESIDENTS AWARD

IECA SOUTHEAST CHAPTER



**Glen Lily Landfill Field
Day Training Site**
**INNOVATIVE PROJECT
OF THE YEAR**

APWA KENTUCKY CHAPTER AWARDS

ANDY SOUZA
DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR
**WEST END GREENWAYS
RECREATION PROJECT
OF THE YEAR**
**JENNINGS CREEK
NATURE PLAYSCAPE
PARKS PROJECT
OF THE YEAR**



6

EMPLOYEE AWARDS



3

APWA AWARDS



1

PARADE AWARD



1

IECA AWARD



1

BGKY AWARD

BEYOND THE JOB



Public Works is more than roads and infrastructure. We're neighbors, volunteers, educators, and partners. Through events and outreach across our community, we build relationships, share knowledge, and make Bowling Green a better place.

SERVING. CONNECTING. INSPIRING.



PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

We celebrated the people who keep Bowling Green moving with an employee appreciation lunch and proclamation readings from our Board of Commissioners, Mayor, and the Governor.



BENITO

Benito officially became the Public Works mascot. He will continue to bring smiles while teaching kids about safety, infrastructure, and the important work we do.



EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

From classrooms to career fairs, we inspire and prepare the next generation of Public Works professionals.



BGPD TRUNK-O-TREAT

Alongside several community partners, Public Works set up a spooky sinkhole themed "trunk".



NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Engaged with local communities to hear their concerns and respond to their needs.



LEADERSHIP BG

Provided an overview of Public Works to both established and emerging community leaders who are beginning to engage deeply with our community.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Sharing our knowledge through conference presentations and industry training sessions.



UNITED WAY FOOD DRIVE

FY26 brought the highest participation among all City departments, collecting 421 items of food to help our neighbors in need.



DIGITAL BILLBOARD

Launched first digital billboard campaign with 6 unique designs reaching an estimated 1 million driver impressions.



VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCE

Following the Veterans Day Parade, Andy Souza was selected to deliver remarks honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's veterans.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Safely gathering and disposing of hazardous materials is essential for safeguarding our homes, environment, and community.



STREAMSIDE FIELD DAY

Students explored our local watersheds, discovered the importance of clean water, and had fun learning in the great outdoors.



When we show up for our community, our community shows up for us.

INVESTING IN TOMORROW

Public Works operates with a small portion of every tax dollar, yet the impact is felt every day across our community.

15¢

Supports the roads, sidewalks, stormwater, traffic systems, fleet, facilities, and operations that keep our community moving every day.

**FOR EVERY \$1.00
OF GENERAL FUND REVENUE,
15¢ GOES TOWARD PUBLIC WORKS.**



FY26 TOP CAPITAL INVESTMENTS



STREET RESURFACING

\$2,000,000

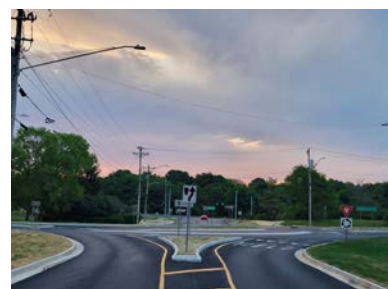
Improve and extend the life of our roadway network.



STORM SEWER REHAB

\$1,500,000

Rehabilitate aging pipes and improve system performance.



TOMBLINSON WAY ROUNDBOUT

\$1,000,000

Increase intersection safety and improve traffic flow.



PW VEHICLE & EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

\$986,000

Maintain a reliable and efficient fleet for daily operations.



COMMERCE STREET REHABILITATION

\$700,000

Strengthen one of our key commercial corridors.



SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

\$600,000

Fill critical gaps and improve pedestrian connectivity.

**A SMALL INVESTMENT.
A BIG IMPACT.**

Every investment made during FY26 was guided by one goal: providing safe, reliable infrastructure while preparing Bowling Green for continued growth.

LOOKING AHEAD

As we plan for the future, we remain focused on responsible stewardship, innovation, and service to ensure a safe, sustainable, and thriving community for generations to come.

FY27 MAJOR PROJECTS



MUNICIPAL BUILDING DESIGN

The design phase is underway for a new, multifloor municipal building that will incorporate and preserve historic City Hall while replacing nearby buildings and providing space for the City's future growth.



DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Construction Projects include:

- Chestnut Street Storm Sewer Replacement
- Fair Street Basin
- Turkey Run Dr. Basin Expansion
- College St. Runoff Remediation



GREENHILL STREET EXTENSION

This project will complete the connection from Whispering Hills Boulevard to Veterans Memorial Lane and make key greenway connections.

COMING JANUARY 1, 2027

STORMWATER UTILITY LAUNCH

A dedicated investment in Bowling Green's future.

Beginning January 1, 2027, Bowling Green will implement its new Stormwater Utility to provide a reliable, dedicated funding source for the management of stormwater infrastructure. This important step will help protect our homes, businesses, roadways, and natural resources today and for generations to come.



REDUCE FLOODING

Invest in projects and maintenance that help reduce flooding and protect property.



PROTECT WATER QUALITY

Prevent pollution and keep our streams, rivers, and lakes clean.



IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE

Maintain and enhance our stormwater systems to ensure they work when we need them the most.



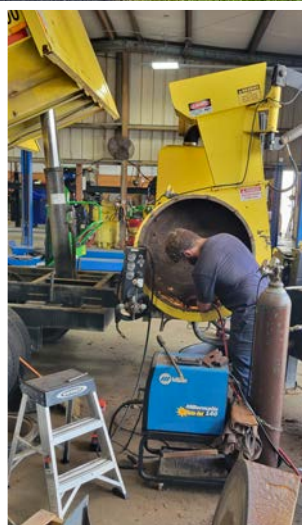
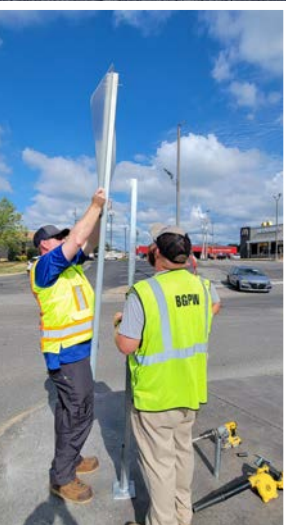
SUPPORT FUTURE GROWTH

Build a resilient system that supports development and enhances quality of life.

LEARN MORE!



Scan the QR code to learn more about the Stormwater Utility and how it benefits our community.





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