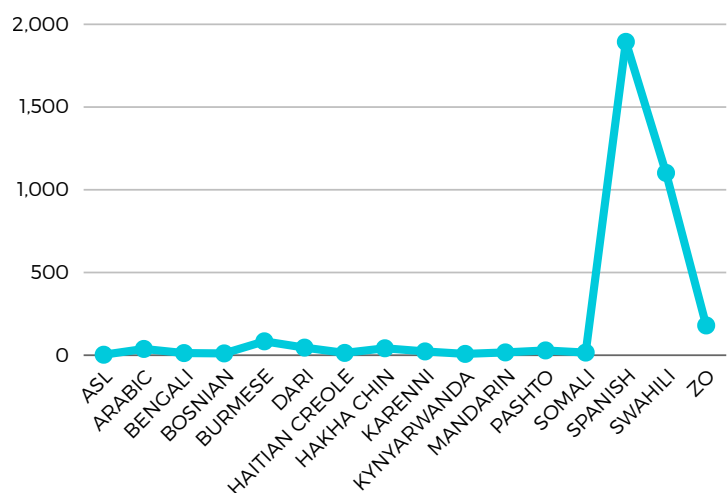


Numbers at a glance:

- Mailers sent for community engagement events: **692 postcards/ letters**
- **(4)** E-newsletters & social media reach: **2,928 subscribers w/ 1,266 opens & engagements/reach**
- Information, assistance and referrals cases: **assist cases**
- Special Events Permitted: **8**
- Road Closures/No Parking Signs: **5**
- Noise Variances Issued & Film Permits Processed: **1**
- **(1)** Training in Cultural Comp./Language Access Training with **10 employees**
- Participants in Community Engagement activities: **3,552**

Language Access Provided to Residents with Limited English Proficiency May 2026



3,517 Total Minutes of Language Interpretation Used
3,356 minutes from 911 Dispatch/BGPD VRI
161 minutes all other City Depts.
12 minutes of Video Remote Interpreting
16 different languages requested

Global inter-governmental connections: Salvadorian Consulate

The Salvadoran Consulate based in Nashville hosted, for the third year in a row, a mobile consulate to offer passport to their country nationals residing in Bowling Green. The event was held at the NCS Community Room on Saturday, May 9 from 9am until 9pm. There were 75 residents that were served during the event, which lasted longer than originally expected with lines of people waiting for doors to open by 9am.

This consecutive event represents ways in which we partner with other local government entities, but also active partnership with the governments of other countries to ensure access to services. The Salvadoran population is one of the largest Latino populations represented in the City of Bowling Green.



BRIARWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Briarwood neighbors reached out to the City to address ongoing speeding concerns. CED Manager, Leyda Becker, coordinated with neighbors to lead and organize a neighborhood meeting in absence of an established association or HOA.

Mailers were sent out to 91 households, as well as publicity was made available via Briarwood Neighbors social media. The meeting was held at T.C. Cherry Elementary School on May 4, with at least 40 neighbors in attendance. CED Manager also developed a survey to gather consensus on various solutions that our Public Works Department could implement to help curve speeding. The survey was open for a full week, 113 survey responses were gathered.



2026 SHAWNEE COOPERATIVE CODE COMPLIANCE ZONE PROJECT

CED partnered with our Code Compliance Division to support the Shawnee Neighborhood Cooperative Code Compliance Zone which took place May 11-15.

At least two CED staff participated daily in the project, with the exception of May 14. Our main task was to go door knocking to offer free smoke alarm inspections, installation, and battery replacement, as well as offering other clean-up services and reminding neighbors of the program. CED staff knocked on over 200 doors!

As a result City staff were able to install eighty three smoke alarms during the week, in twenty four homes; while that number is surprisingly high, it means the work we did in the neighborhood all week will not only improve lives, but has the potential to truly save them.

We filled 20 dumpsters with brush, trash and junk. We received and responded to 40+ requests for individual assistance on properties in the neighborhoods!

CED also helped to purchase volunteer supplies, keeping coolers stocked, and providing a vehicle onsite for staff operations.



H.D. CARPENTER SUMMER BLOCK PARTY SERIES

The first H.D. Carpenter Summer Block Party of the 2026 season was held on May 14 in partnership with the BGPLD Community Engagement Team. The event saw a great turnout for the first night of the season and featured a classic block party theme with yard games, food, and opportunities for residents to connect with City staff. The evening provided a welcoming environment to strengthen relationships with neighborhood residents and promote community engagement.



ACADEMY FOR NEW AMERICANS CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARKS DEPT.

Thursday, May 28 was the fourth session of this year's Academy for New Americans.

This session focus on the City's structure of government and the budget, let by Asst. City Mgr. Katie Schaller-Ward, in City Hall.

NCS Director, Brent Childers, led an Effective Communication training.

The cohort rode the Bowling Green Public Transit for the first time via the Red Line to F.O. Moxley Community Center where they learned all about our BG Parks and Recreation Department.

The Academy will have its final session on Thursday, June 18.



DUNCAN HINES DAYS KICKOFF EVENT

The 2026 Duncan Hines Days Kickoff was a tremendous success! The event brought an incredible crowd to downtown Bowling Green for a day full of community spirit, nostalgia, and fun.

Attendees enjoyed a variety of activities, including a vintage car show, Uncle Duncan's Stroll and Roll Parade, live music, a bike rodeo, and interactive booths hosted by local attractions, sponsors, and community organizations. Families had the opportunity to play games, win giveaways, and connect with community partners while enjoying the fun atmosphere.

During the event, downtown businesses into a life-sized Candy Land game, creating a unique and memorable experience for visitors of all ages.

Guests also enjoyed delicious food trucks. The CED team gave out complimentary Duncan Hines-themed giveaways, baking mixes and Ale-8-One beverage. Collaboration between downtown businesses, local organizations, sponsors, and volunteers helped create the perfect nostalgic block party vibe and made this year's kickoff celebration one to remember.



At-a-glance Community Engagement



Dates	Event Name	Host Organization & Lead Staff
May 4	Briarwood Neighborhood Meeting	Leyda Becker, Public Works, and BG Police
May 9	Salvadorian Consulate	Leyda Becker, Salvadorian Consulate
May 11-15	Shawnee Neighborhood Cooperative Code Compliance Zone	Code Compliance Division, Rahel, Leyda, Emily B. & Emily G.
May 14	HD Carpenter Block Party I	CED Team, PGBD, BG Parks and Rec
May 28	Academy for New Americans-session IV	Leyda Becker, CED Team
May 31	Fountain Square Nostalgic Block Party, Parade, Car Show, Ice Cream Social	Emily Brawner, CED Team, Duncan Hines Days Committee