



Gahanna in the News

Mayor: Gahanna Needs Partnerships to Keep Some Programs Going

Original story by Marla K. Kulman, [ThisWeek Community News](#)

Mayor Becky Stinchcomb said Gahanna made some progress toward achieving goals in 2013, but the city faces the increasing challenge of providing outstanding local government services at a sustainable level.

She cited rising costs, higher expectations and fewer available financial resources. That, she said, is the central challenge for 2014 and beyond.



Gahanna Mayor Becky Stinchcomb delivers the 2014 SOTC address at City Hall on March 13, 2014.

During the annual State of the City address March 13, Stinchcomb pointed to an income-tax initiative that failed at the polls twice last year. The proposal was an effort to bridge an \$8 million gap between ongoing revenue sources and what it would have cost to fund ongoing operations and capital infrastructure improvements.

"Last June, we presented our 2014 tax budget and five-year

March 20, 2014

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7 pm

April 26, 2014

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forecast to City Council," she said. "We identified a number of non-core services and improvement projects that would not occur in 2013 and 2014 if sufficient revenues were not realized."

Reductions were outlined in order for Gahanna to remain sustainable in 2015 and beyond. Some of the cuts involved closing the swimming pools and the senior center, reducing parks and athletics field maintenance, cutting longstanding community events and some parks and recreation programming, and city staff reductions.

"Since November, my administration and I, along with City Council, community leaders and citizens alike, have had some time to reflect on and assess our current financial situation and to consider alternatives and new solutions," Stinchcomb said. "Now that we have a decision from voters on the level of investment our taxpayers are willing to make in our city, we are hard at work."

A plan for the city's long-term financial sustainability is being defined to identify programs and services Gahanna will be able to provide in the near future.

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Registration for camp is ongoing and may be done at City Hall or through Webtrac. For additional information, contact the Parks & Recreation department at 614.342.4250 or click [here](#).

Experience Summer Fun at Gahanna Pools!



Gahanna pools are a great place to spend your summer! Members have access to the Gahanna Swimming Pool and Hunters Ridge Pool.

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Members get FREE admission to our 3 Dive-In Movies and Ice Cream Nights at Hunters Ridge Pool (HRP) and Hot Dog Nights at the Gahanna Swimming Pool (GSP).

New programs this summer include: scuba programs through Columbus Scuba, YOLO - Livin' it up at the Ridge (ages 11-14), adult lifeguard classes and a variety of programs at both pools through the Greater Columbus Swim Team of Ohio (GCSTO).

Click [here](#) to purchase your pool membership today!

Save the Date -- Saturday, April 26, 2014
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APRIL 26, 2014
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