

City of Toledo Communications

2025 BUDGET HEARING

Our Mission

The Comms department aims to build greater accessibility and transparency in city communication. We strive to consistently, concisely, and creatively communicate the story of the City of Toledo by:

- Promoting city services, programs, and events
- Facilitating outreach to community partners
- Providing timely, accurate, and helpful information for residents, media, and employees
- Prioritizing accessibility, customer service, and user experience in all city functions



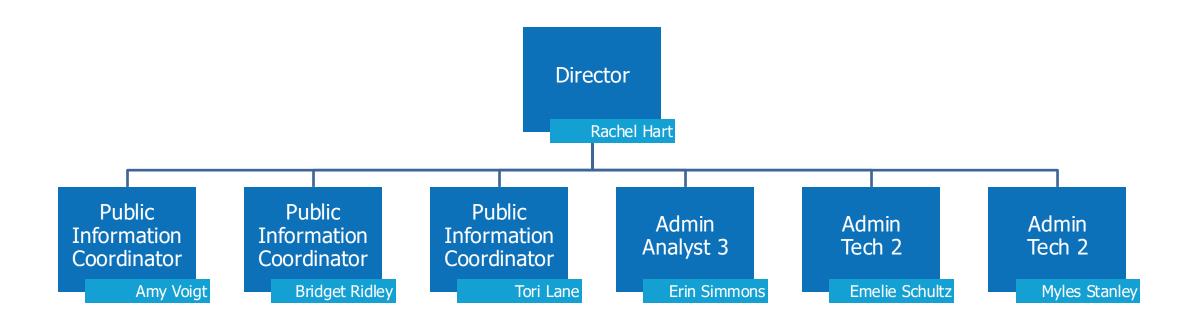
Our Work

The Comms department manages a variety of communication channels that strive to meet residents where they are:

- 1. Website
- 2. Social media
- 3. Print and television media
- 4. Email newsletters
- 5. Text messages
- 6. Public meetings
- 7. Direct mail
- 8. Print newsletter
- 9. Podcast



2025 Organizational Chart





2025 Proposed Budget

Highlights

- 1. Overall budget request is **down 5%**
- 2. No new positions have been requested
- 3. Focus in 2025 is **refining** our current strategy and **optimizing** use of existing tools

Initiatives

- 1. Update the city's website to meet new Department of Justice guidelines for accessibility
- 2. Build, implement, and refine a new transportation project communication plan
- 3. Increase the use of text messaging for quick updates on various city projects



Schedule of Full-Time Equivalent Positions

Position Title	2023 Budget	2024 Budget	2025 Proposed
Administrative Technician 2	2.00	2.00	2.00
Deputy Director	1.00	-	-
Director-Administrative Services	1.00	1.00	1.00
Public Information Coordinator	2.00	3.00	3.00
Grand Total	6.00	6.00	6.00



Proposed Expenditures by Fund and Category

General Fund

Category	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Amended	2025 Proposed
Labor	357,485	313,264	399,510	414,214
Pension	49,655	43,870	55,931	57,990
Employment Taxes & Medical	92,084	82,811	95,473	98,895
Other Personnel	-	550	2,805	2,805
Supplies	147	22,052	24,300	15,900
Services	43,526	105,071	118,232	112,173
Other	44,500	282,893	169,000	120,000
Operating Transfers	-	20,000	-	-
Total	587,398	870,512	865,251	821,977

Special Assessment Services

Category	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Amended	2025 Proposed
Labor	-	27,955	28,056	30,230
Pension	-	3,967	3,928	4,232
Employment Taxes & Medical	-	6,579	7,361	7,677
Other Personnel	-	-	220	220
Total	-	38,501	39,565	42,359



Proposed Expenditures by Fund and Category (continued)

Capital Improvement

Category	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Amended	2025 Proposed
Labor	-	11,182	11,222	12,092
Pension	-	1,587	1,571	1,693
Employment Taxes & Medical	-	2,895	2,944	3,071
Other Personnel	-	-	88	88
Total	-	15,664	15,825	16,944

Water Operating

Category	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Amended	2025 Proposed
Labor	793	11,881	11,924	12,848
Pension	111	1,686	1,669	1,799
Employment Taxes & Medical	9	2,796	3,128	3,263
Other Personnel	-	-	94	94
Total	913	16,363	16,815	18,004

Sewer Operating

Category	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024 Amended	2025 Proposed
Labor	-	11,881	11,924	12,848
Pension	-	1,686	1,669	1,799
Employment Taxes & Medical	-	2,796	3,128	3,263
Other Personnel	-	-	94	94
Total	-	16,363	16,815	18,004





Thank you.

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