

Community Profile

Village of Rockford, Ohio



Transportation:

Railroad: RJ Corman Railroad & Distribution
8056 Albers Road
Celina, OH 14.1 miles

Highways:

I-75 25.5 miles
I-69 55.1 miles
US Rt 30 14.1 miles
US Rt 33 *
St Rt 118

- 2007 ODOT Traffic Survey Report shows 7520 vehicles per day

Motor Freight Carriers Serving Community 8

Small Package Services:

United Parcel Service
Federal Express
Emery Worldwide
DHL

Air Service:

International

Dayton International Airport 63 miles
Ft. Wayne International Airport 42 miles

Local

Mercer County Lakefield 17 miles
Van Wert County 12 miles
Neil Armstrong/New Knoxville 26 miles

Industry and Labor:

Estimated Labor Force: Mercer County

Total Labor Force: 24,100
Employment: 23,200

Total Unemployment 3.8% (2007)

Estimated Labor Force:

Mercer/Van Wert Counties

Total Labor Force: 39,700
Employment: 38,100

Total Unemployment 4.0%

Local Employers:

	<u>No of Employees</u>
The Fremont Company	58
TuWay American Group	65
Mercer LandMark	17

Small Businesses:

The Village of Rockford has over 52 small businesses which employ between one to twenty plus full and part time individuals who contribute greatly to the economy of Rockford.

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Education:

Area Community Services:

Public Schools

Recreation

Type	No.	Teachers	Enrollment	Grades
Elementary	1	35	500	K-5
Middle	1	18	260	6-8
High School	1	24	370	9-12
Vocational	1			

Parks	2
Tennis Courts	1
Golf Course	1
Nearest Public Lake	
Grand Lake St. Marys	12 miles
Fishing, Swimming, Boating	
Water Skiing, Scuba Diving,	
And Camping	

The district offers public preschool classes, which serve 100 students.

Other School Employees

Medical Facilities

Administrators	7
Classified Staff	45
Total Operating Fund	\$11,917,957

Hospitals	
Van Wert Co. Hospital	12 miles
Mercer Health	14 miles
JTDM	21 miles

K-12 Pupil/Teacher Ratio 18:1

Nursing Homes/Assisted Living
Colonial Nursing Center
The Laurel's of Shane Hill

Cost Per Pupil \$7,651

The Parkway District is a rural district covering 160 square miles, with the primary villages being Rockford, Mendon, and Willshire.

<i>Medical Offices</i>	
Doctor Office	1
Dentist Office	1
Emergency Ambulance Svcs.	1

The parkway Schools completed an OSFC project in 2005, consolidating the district facilities into one Pre-K through 12 building located in the Village of Rockford. The \$36,000,000 project includes a 600 seat auditorium, competition gym, expanded agriculture, and industrial arts shop areas, along with technology upgrades. The 240,000 square foot facility is one of the largest PreK-12 buildings in the state. The new facilities have become a great source of pride for district residents.

Banks	2
CPA's	1
Banquet Hall	1 (500 seats)

Weekly Newspaper: The Photo Star
Area Media: The Daily Standard, The Times Bulletin, WCSM, WKKI

Colleges

Cable Television: Time Warner
Internet Providers: Several local options available

Wright State University Lake Campus 12 miles

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Taxes:

Tax rates are expressed in dollars and cents for each thousand dollars of valuation.

Property Tax Rate

County	\$11.41
County Home	\$ 1.00
Township	\$ 1.80
School	\$40.47
JVS	\$ 3.80
Village	<u>\$ 4.80</u>
Total Rate:	\$63.28

Effective rate for Real Estate

Residential	\$48.5423
Business	\$57.6064

- This rate is applicable to Tangible Personal Property used in business. Taxable value of TPP is 25% of Ohio depreciated value.
- Taxable value for real property is 35% of market value.

The Village of Rockford is a State of Ohio certified Enterprise Zone. This allows for the negotiation of tax abatements based upon job creation.

Local Taxes:

Village Income Tax	1%
School Income Tax	1%

Utilities:

Electric Power Supplier: Dayton Power & Light Company

Net Capacity Available: 20 MVA

Supplied Voltage: 3ph 12000V

Principal Energy Sourced:

Coal	88%
Other	12%

Natural Gas Supplier:

Several local supplier options are available. Distribution is through Dominion.

Telephone: Embarq

Water: Village of Rockford

Source:	Wells
WTP Capacity	225 Gal/Min
Static Pressure:	54/58 PSI
Fluoride:	1.14 mg/l

The Village of Rockford is in the process of designing a new Water Treatment Plant to be constructed in 2008-2009 which will increase the capacity to 400 Gal/Min and will continue to soften the water.

Sewer: Village of Rockford

Type:	Aerated Faculative Lagoon
Capacity:	.500 MGD
Present Load:	.180 MGD

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County: Mercer

Climate:

Average Annual Temperature: 51.5
 Average Annual Snowfall: 27.3 in
 Average Annual Precipitation: 39.6 in

Location:

Intersection of US Route 33 and St Route 118

Miscellaneous:

Nearby Metropolitan Cities

Lima	33.5 miles
Ft. Wayne, IN	42.4 miles
Dayton	85.1 miles
Columbus	116 miles
Toledo	118 miles
Chicago, IL	222.9 miles

Public Library: Rockford Carnegie Library

Churches: 3 Protestant
1 Catholic

Museums: Shanes Crossing Historical Society

Nearest Cities

Van Wert, OH	13.0 miles
Celina, OH	11.1 miles
Decatur, IN	19.7 miles

Chamber of Commerce:
Rockford Chamber of Commerce
Over 100 members

Economic Development Resources:
Rockford Area Development Corp
Mercer Co. Comm. Development

Population:

2000 Census 1126

Community Foundation:
Leota Braun Charitable Foundation

Statutory Government:

Council/Administrator
Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each
Month at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall

Fire Insurance Class: Village: 6

County Planning Ordinance	yes
Village Zoning Ordinance	yes

Organizations:
Lions Club
21st Century Club
Eagles
American Legion
Masons
Rockford Recreation Assoc

Elected Officials

Amy Joseph, Mayor
 Ron Searight, President of Council
 Gene Steiner
 Joe Felver
 Greg Pontsler
 Steve Gehle
 Todd McKee

Latitude: N 40.69
Longitude: W 84.65
Elevation: 813 above sea level

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