



City of Riverside Service Department

2013 Overview



The City of Riverside Public Service Department maintains a variety of infrastructure throughout the City. We strive to keep the City's streets, right-of-ways and parks clean and safe for public use.

The Department consists of 14 fulltime employees. They include nine Maintenance Workers, a Foreman, an Operations Manager, Service Department Director, an Administrative Assistant and a Custodian.

We perform repairs and beautification of roadways, mow 41 locations with over 247 acres, landscape 9 areas and conduct snow and ice removal. We perform storm water maintenance, traffic sign and signal repair, construction inspections, maintenance of City parks and cemeteries, hazard removal from roadways, and vehicle/equipment and facility maintenance.

We provide support for many community projects that include the Riverside Community Festival, WPAFB TATTOO and St. Helen's Annual Festival. We aide and support other City departments such as the Police Department bike rodeos and the Fire Department's 5K run. We are involved with the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission as well as City boards and commissions and the Ohio Department of Transportation. The City of Riverside maintains 232 lane miles of various types of infrastructure.

Underneath our streets you will find natural gas, water, sewage, electric, fiber optic cables and lines; some of which are under extreme high pressure. The Service Department has skilled employees who have been trained to work in such an environment. To make simple repairs requires planning and safe operation. Before the city digs into any street or right of way, Ohio Utility Protection Service is called with the location of the excavation. This call has saved thousands of dollars in damages and hours of unnecessary work.

2013 Street Maintenance Activities

In 2013 the Service Department used approximately 26 tons of blacktop patch material, cleaned and removed debris from inside 25 catch basins, repaired 15 catch basins and street swept the entire city. We repaired or replaced approximately 353 signs, performed 460 project and construction inspections and applied asphalt crack seal repair on SR 201, Linden, Spinning, Springfield, Needmore, & SR 835. Guardrails were repaired on the overpasses and bridge decks. We patched Harshman Road serpentine line wall divider and painted reflective striping. We removed over 200 bags of trash from area roadways, submitted 23 accident reports for reimbursement from traffic accidents that damaged City infrastructure, and addressed numerous flooding issues. We repaired street lights that are operated by the city and coordinate the repair of lights that are not city operated, and striped major thoroughfares.

Street Construction Projects Completed in 2013



Ohio Public Works Commission assisted with \$780,000.00 of grant funding for the reconstruction of the Harshman Road/Valley Pike intersection and complete overlay of Harshman Road. These projects had a total cost of \$2,718,973.00 The project involved complete reconstruction of Harshman Road from just south of the Valley Pike intersection north, through the intersection of Transportation Drive. With additional funding from OPWC, major mill & fill project included all of Burkhardt Road within the City limits and Harshman Road north of Transportation Drive. This project was done for a total cost of \$1,059,240.00, including \$490,000.00 in grant assistance from OPWC. Some minor adjustments on these projects will be finalized in 2014 and the traffic light at St. Helen School was replaced.

Street Construction Projects Planned 2014



Road shoulder stabilization is needed on Brandt Pike (SR 201) which is expected to cost \$300,000.00. The problem is due to a drainage ditch that is damaged that parallels the road 420 feet and is undercutting the road shoulder creating a safety issue for the roadway. This projects funding source is permissive tax which derives from vehicle registration and licensing fees. We are also planning multiple street repairs involving full depth base repair and surface restoration improvements at the following sites: Valley Pike east of Harshman Road, both lanes on Travis Drive and on Silveroak Drive with an estimated cost of \$300,000.00.

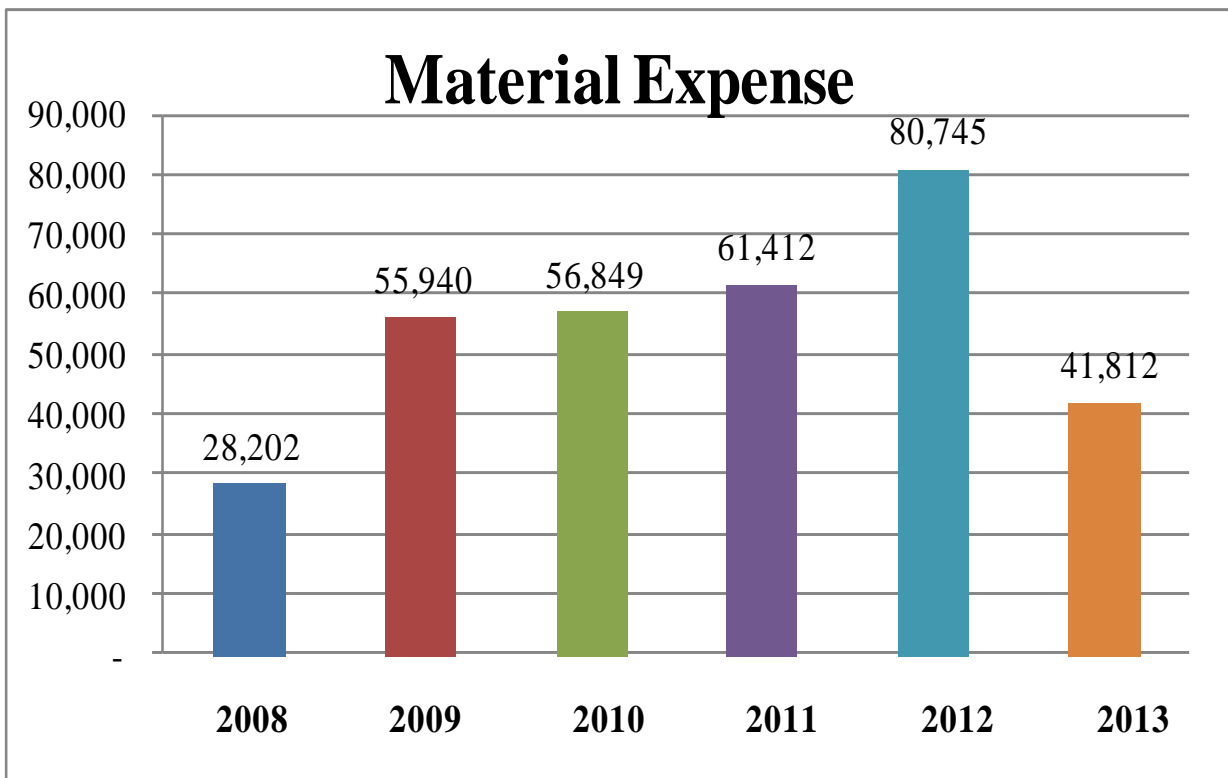
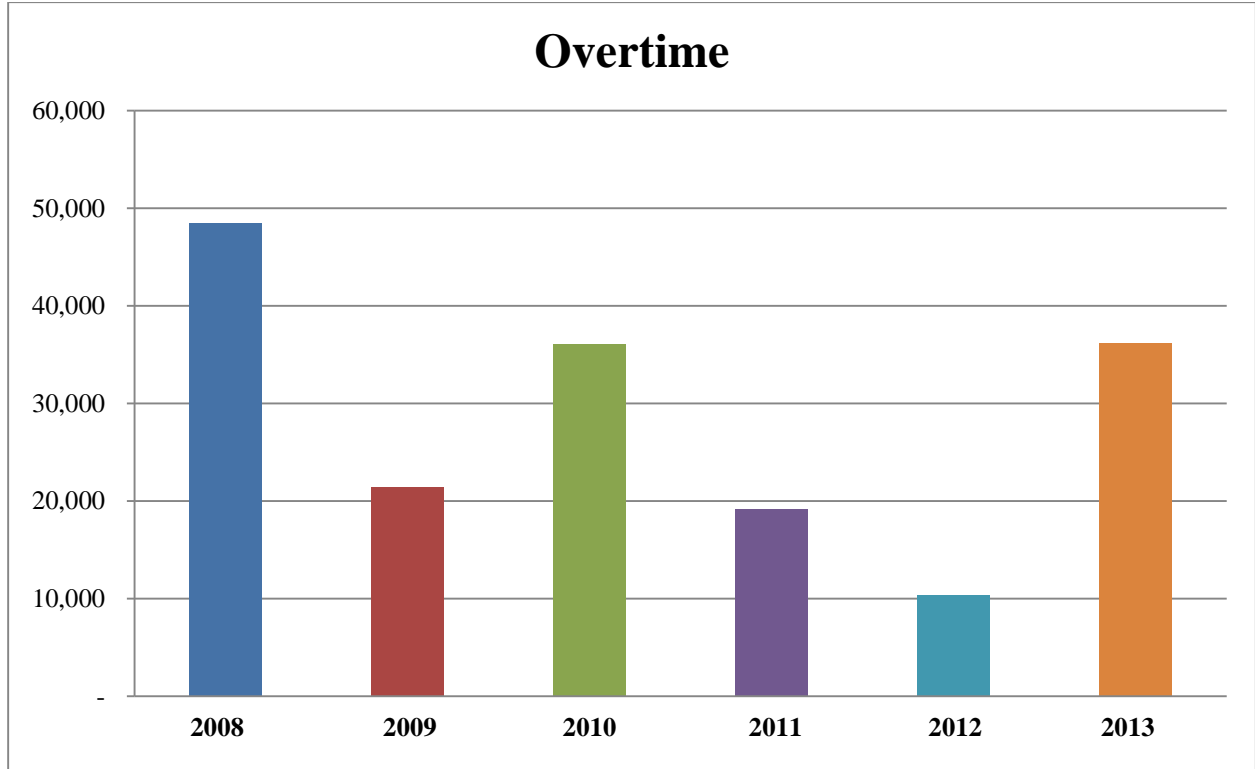
Projects in the Parks



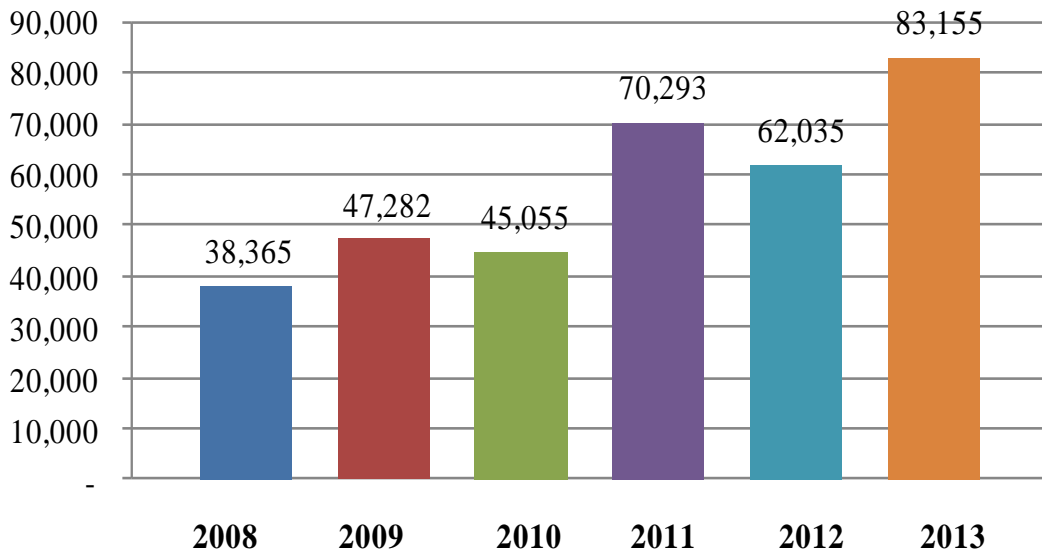
In 2013 the Service Department worked on several park improvement projects. At Shellabarger Park we cleared and cleaned drainage ways and repaired grills. At Community Park, we improved the Bark Park signage and repaired the perimeter fence. At Rohrer and Community parks the fencing was also repaired and we continue to work at Glendean Park on property cleanup. Rohrer Park Picnic Shelter roof was replaced. All of the parks received regular routine equipment safety checks by Certified Playground Inspectors, and several yards of safety fall attenuating mulch was applied under the playground equipment. Throughout the year, play structures were repaired and fresh paint was applied as needed. There were 191 picnic shelter reservations in 2013.

Departmental Spending

Below you will find graphs that display some of the expenses that the Service Department incurs annually. The graphs are indicative of weather conditions, the economy and the availability of tax funds from the City's general fund.



Vehicle Maintenance Cost



Equipment Maintenance Cost

