



City of Strongsville News and Updates



City Hosts International Trade Summit

Strongsville hosted the Ohio Department of Development's first Fostering Global Relationships for Ohio Summit Sept. 26.

The event featured presentations on trade opportunities in Australia, Southeast Asia, Africa and the Caribbean.

Each trade representative detailed the process of entering the market in their region. One-on-one meetings were set for local businesses needing further assistance in connecting to specific foreign businesses.

The Summit was presented in partnership by the Ohio Department of Development, the City of Strongsville, Northeast Ohio Mayors & Managers Association, the Aerozone Alliance, TeamNEO, and JobsOhio.

A Year Later, Town Center Park is Thriving

A year ago this month, city officials cut the ribbon to officially open Town Center Park.

The park has drawn thousands of people to its pickleball and tennis courts, as well as the sand volleyball and basketball courts.

Meanwhile, even more kids have flocked to the new playground and splash pad. And the enclosed pavilion has been in demand as a party venue.

In its first year of operation, Town Center has hosted five free Saturday night music concerts and a weekly community market, as well as two outdoor movie nights.



There's still more on the way this year:

Community Day — Everyone is invited to Town Center Park on Saturday, Oct. 11 for Community Day. There will be a DJ playing music, games, food trucks, balloon artists, face painting, bounce houses and more. The event will run 1-3 p.m.

Halloween Trick or Trail — A fun, family-friendly afternoon awaits on Saturday, Oct. 25. Kids can wear their costumes for trick-or-treating. There will also be refreshments and surprise guests.

Most of the cost of the park came from grants and donations from businesses, groups and individuals.

Strongsville is Pumpkin Composting Site Again

Strongsville has been chosen as one of eight cities in the county to serve as a pumpkin collection site for composting.

Cuyahoga Recycles is again running the seasonal program aimed at keeping pumpkins and gourds out of the landfill.



Bring your non-decorated pumpkins and gourds (no marker, paint, glitter, etc.) to Youth Sports Park, 21255

Lunn Road between Oct. 30 and Nov. 10. There will be signs in the parking lot directing you to the drop-off bin.

They'll be collected and composted.

Cuyahoga Recycles is part of the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District.

Save the Dates

- Kids Garage Sale (Recreation Center) — **Oct. 4**
- Preschool-Kindergarten Trick-or-Treat in the Village (Historical Village) — **Oct. 18**
- Trick or treat (citywide) — **Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.**
- Puzzle and Book Sale (Senior Center) — **Nov. 6-7**
- Veterans Day Ceremony (Strongsville VFW Post 3345) — **Nov. 11**
- Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration (Commons) — **Nov. 23**

Check Strongsville.org for more details on these and other events.

Here's What's Going on at the Rec this Fall

Three fun events are scheduled at the Strongsville Recreation and Senior Center in the last three months of 2025.

On Oct. 4 is the **Kids Garage Sale**, featuring more than 40 tables of gently used toys, clothes, small furniture and accessories. Earlybird shopping starts at 9 a.m. for \$3 admission, or shop free from 10 a.m. to noon.

The Senior Center will have a **Puzzle and Book Sale** from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Nov. 6 and from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Nov. 7. Puzzles and hardcover books are \$1; paperbacks are 50 cents.

Fun & Photos with Santa Claus is Dec. 6, with three time slots available between 9:15 a.m. and 10 a.m. Tickets are presale only and include a photo with Santa, milk and cookies, a Christmas craft, face painting, balloon art and more.



Trick-or-Treat is on Halloween Night

Trick-or-treat will take place on Friday, Oct. 31, Halloween Night.

Hours are 6 to 8 p.m.

Police urge parents to accompany young children on their rounds and ask motorists to drive slowly and use extra caution during that time. Extra patrols will be on the roads.

Here's the Fall 2025 Leaf Collection Schedule

Strongsville's Service Department will pick up leaves in October and November.

Here's the schedule:

If you live **NORTH** of Royalton Road, crews will be in your area the weeks of Oct. 20, Nov. 3 and Nov. 17.

If you live **SOUTH** of Royalton Road, crews will be by the weeks of Oct. 27, Nov. 10 and Nov. 24.

You should have your leaves piled near the curb (not in the road or ditch, and no more than 4 feet from the

street) by 7 a.m. on the **FIRST** day of the collection week.

Do not bag leaves, and please remove branches, rocks, metal and other items that could

damage pick-up equipment.

Additional collections may be added, but leaf trucks are also used for plowing snow, which takes precedence.

Businesses on the Move

Original Pancake House has opened in the former Rico's Tacos and Tequila building at 15315 Pearl Road (formerly Gourme Restaurant). The Portland, Oregon-based chain has been operating since 1953 and now has more than 100 franchises across the country. It specializes in a variety of fresh-made pancakes.

Barnes & Noble is expected to open a new bookstore and café in the former Bed, Bath & Beyond storefront in the Plaza at SouthPark in January.

Sir Troy's Toy Kingdom will take over another empty storefront this year — the former Big Lots site on Pearl Road. Sir Troy's features a wide variety of toys for kids of all ages.