

Mayor Kurtz's SwiftReach for August 27, 2021 - FINAL

Hello, it is AUGUST 27TH. Please standby for a message from the Mayor. This message will repeat once.

GOOD FRIDAY EVENING. IT'S YOUR MAYOR GREG KURTZ.

THE STAGGERING SPIKE IN COVID-19 CASES THIS WEEK SADLY COINCIDES WITH A SUMMER SURGE IN RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES IN CHILDREN.

SEVERAL COMMON VIRUSES USUALLY CAUSE MILD, COLD-LIKE SYMPTOMS. BUT THE VIRUSES CAN BE SERIOUS FOR INFANTS, YOUNG CHILDREN, AND OLDER ADULTS.

PLEASE – CONTINUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCE, WEAR A MASK WHEN APPROPRIATE, AND GET VACCINATED.

NOW LET ME SHARE NOT ONE, BUT TWO POSITIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STORIES.

THIS WEEK, I SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO BEGIN AN \$8-MILLION DOLLAR FLOOD PREVENTION PROJECT ALONG THE CUYAHOGA RIVER.

IT TOOK MORE THAN A DECADE FOR THE ARMY CORPS TO DO THE NECESSARY AND DETAILED STUDIES TO ENSURE THAT NO ADDITIONAL FLOODING WOULD OCCUR IN VALLEY VIEW OR THE NATIONAL PARK.

THE PROJECT WILL HELP BUSINESSES, RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES AND THE CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK.

ON THURSDAY, I WAS HONORED TO TAKE PART IN A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS OF REDWOOD LIVING – A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT COMPANY. THE BUILDING ON EAST PLEASANT VALLEY ROAD HAS STATE-OF-THE-ART ENERGY UPGRADES, SMART TECHNOLOGY, AND WORKSPACES DESIGNED FOR TODAY AND THE FUTURE. YOU CAN READ ABOUT THESE STORIES AND MORE IN MY WEEKLY UPDATE ON THE WEBSITE.

UNTIL NEXT WEEK, STAY SAFE, STAY COOL, AND AS ALWAYS, GOD BLESS.