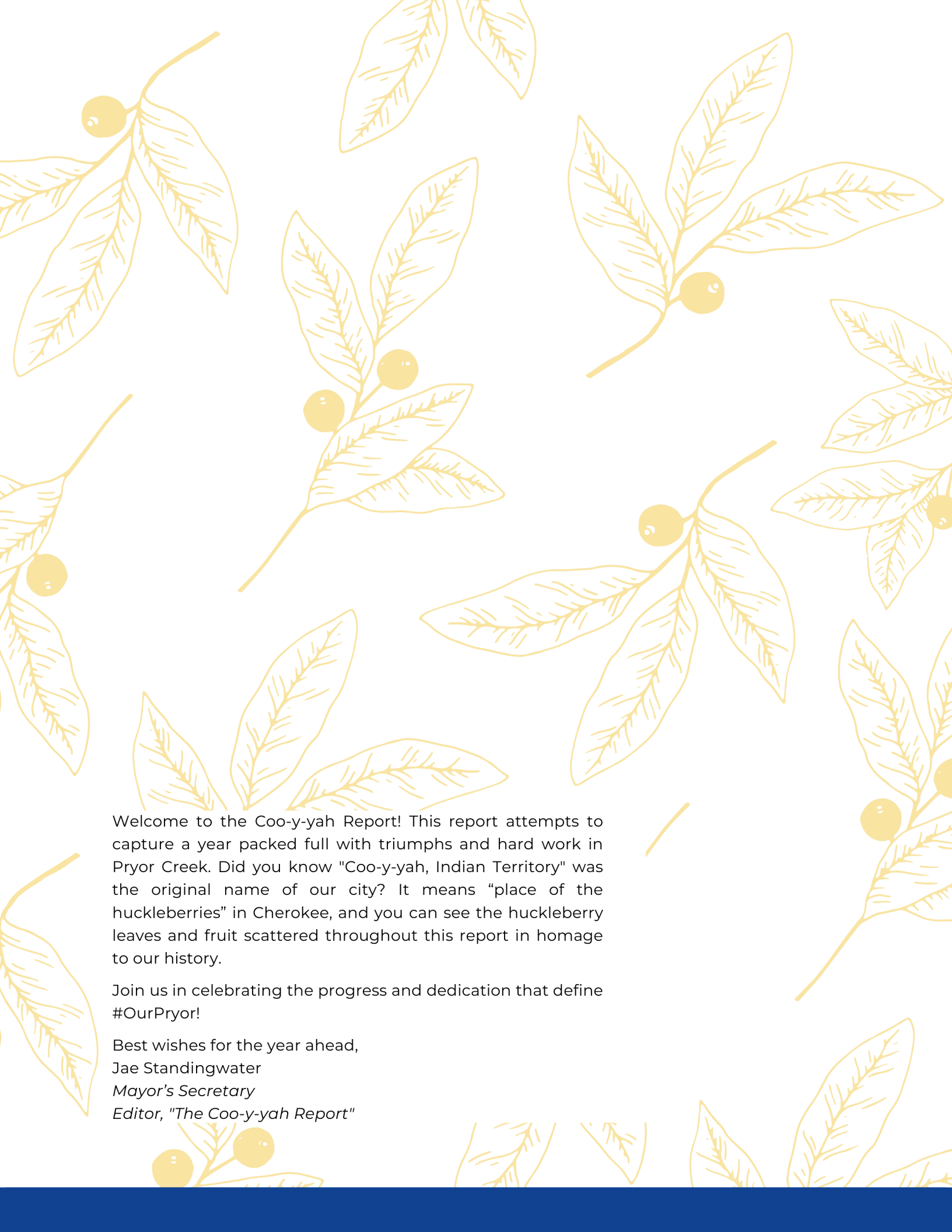




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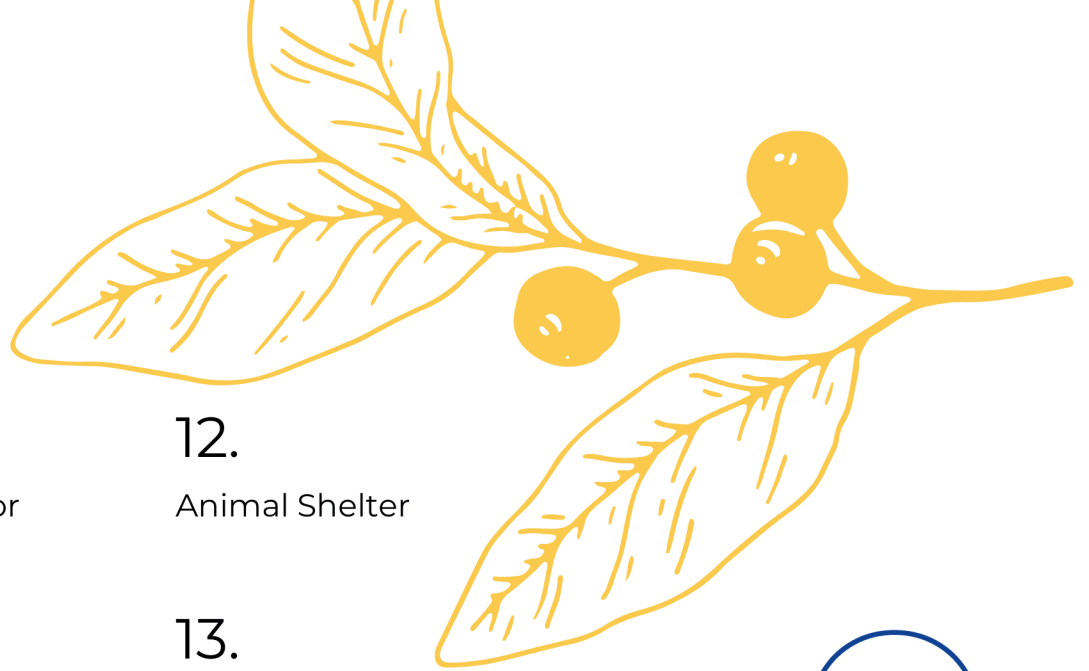
2023



Welcome to the Coo-y-yah Report! This report attempts to capture a year packed full with triumphs and hard work in Pryor Creek. Did you know "Coo-y-yah, Indian Territory" was the original name of our city? It means "place of the huckleberries" in Cherokee, and you can see the huckleberry leaves and fruit scattered throughout this report in homage to our history.

Join us in celebrating the progress and dedication that define #OurPryor!

Best wishes for the year ahead,
Jae Standingwater
Mayor's Secretary
Editor, "The Coo-y-yah Report"



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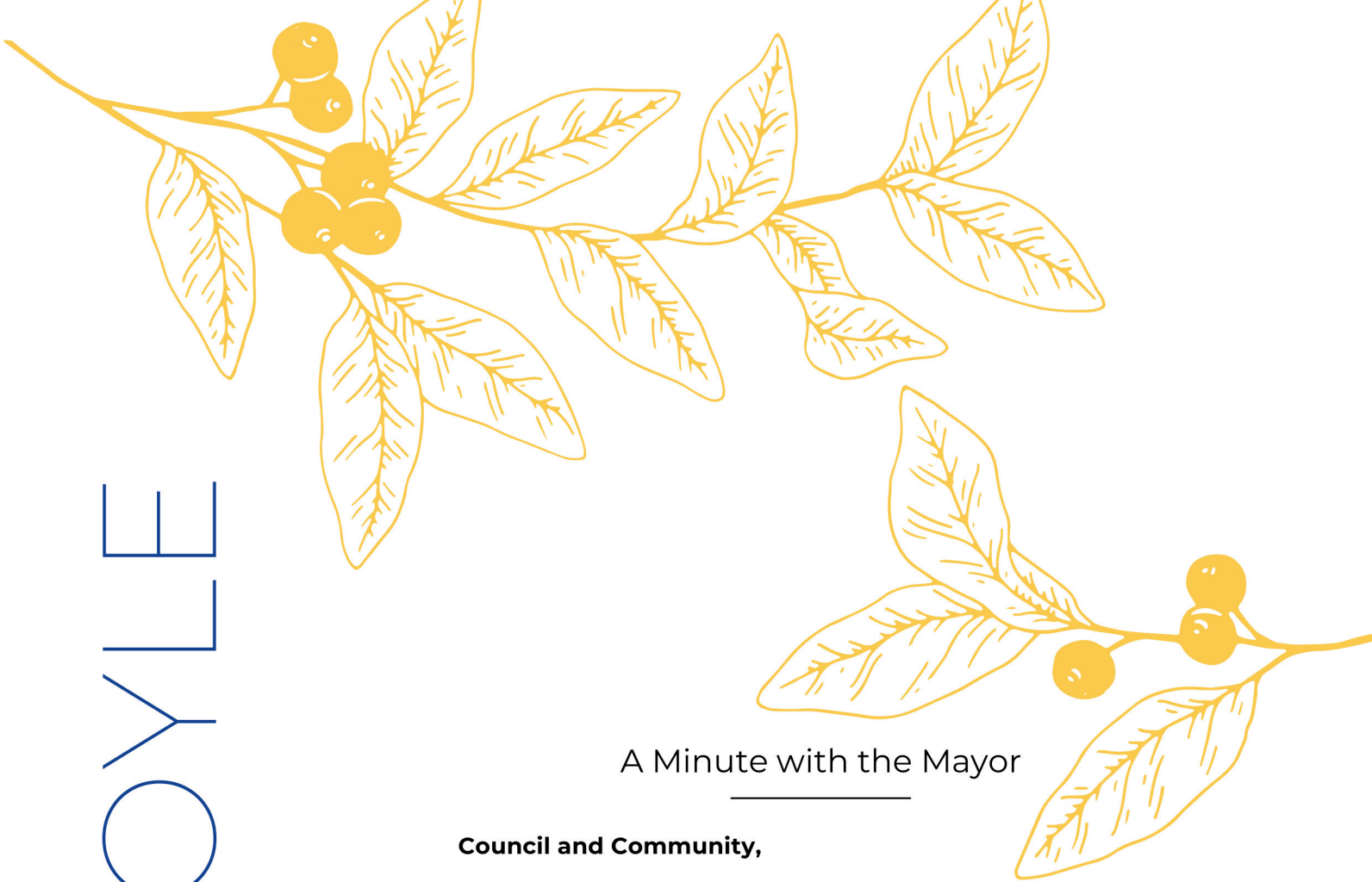
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A Minute with the Mayor

Council and Community,

Here we are at the end of 2023 and we find ourselves wrapping up a year like none other. We have had eight months of this new administration and it's been a learning experience for all of us. The time has really flown by so quickly. Before we get too far past the year end, I would like to recap some of what I would consider to be positives.

Thank you to all the members of the city staff for working so hard to help us navigate through the challenges we have faced in the first months of this fiscal year. Your efforts to be team players have solidified that we have the best of the best employed within our teams. You have taken it upon yourselves to show the highest level of integrity and teamwork. Our city is able to provide what we do because of all of your hard work.

Thank you to all of our great organizations throughout our community. We have seen amazing community events because of the countless hours of dedication to what you all stand for. As we continue to come together and become stronger as one, removing the decades of "silos", we are finding that we are stronger as a united community rather than many different groups struggling for the spotlight. From Freedom Fest to Third Thursdays, from parades to football games, we continue to learn how great #OurPryor really is.

Our youth never cease to amaze me with not only their talents but what they represent in their daily lives. Pryor has been blessed with a school district that has provided the best education for the best educators in the state of Oklahoma. The city of Pryor is blessed and proud to have a strong relationship with Pryor Public Schools. We know that our future leaders are being prepared properly and that we can look forward to the day when our children lead and guide our future.

Thank you to the Pryor Area Chamber of Commerce and Pryor Main Street for your efforts to unify the Pryor area and the resources we have in our neighboring communities. Mayes County is in the eye of every political leader in the state. Our resources and talent far surpass the state's standards. Connecting and becoming a unified front makes Mayes County that much stronger. Promoting businesses within our own community and marketing what we bring to the table puts Pryor out front as an innovative and rapidly growing resource within Oklahoma.

Lastly and most importantly, thank you to the outstanding and vibrant citizens of Pryor. You are what makes Pryor a family. The ongoing resilience and integrity that you put forth when needed make Pryor a place we can be proud and encouraged to call home.

I wish you all a very happy New Year and thanks again for being a part of this amazing community!

Respectfully,



Zac Doyle, Mayor
#OurPryor



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CITY CLERK



The City Clerk's Office is comprised of six employees that manage Municipal Court, Accounts Payable, Community Development, Payroll & Human Resources, Records, and Financials. Our office serves as the information hub for all City employees, our citizens and even citizens in the surrounding area.

Since taking office on May 1, 2023, I have made it my mission to get the City operating on efficient, modern technology. So far, we have updated the timekeeping system, received proper software training, begun cross training our employees to better assist customers without delay, updated the process in which we perform day to day functions within each department, updated our online document storage software and begun scanning and re-organizing our physical records filing system to function more effectively.

None of this would be possible without the hard work, determination and commitment of our employees no matter how busy or short staffed we may be. I am very fortunate to work alongside them!

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Courtney Davis".

Courtney Davis, City Clerk



I have made it my mission to get the City operating on efficient, modern technology.

Clerk's Office Statistics July - December 2023	
Open Records Requests	211
Ordinances Filed	8
Resolutions Filed	6
Items Mailed	1,897
Mailing Costs	\$1,497
Permits	241
Code Enforcement Complaints	100
Purchase Orders	2,302
New Vendors	21
City Council/Committee Meetings	50
Hours Spent in Meetings	59:09

Court Statistics July - December 2023	
Court Dockets	24
Cases Filed	1,115
Traffic	722
Juvenile	15
Code Enforcement	33
Animal Related	31
Petit Larceny	60
Public Intoxication	31
Possession of CDS	6
Possession of Marijuana	20
Possession of Paraphenelia	17
Voided	66
District	40
Tribal	15
Misc	59

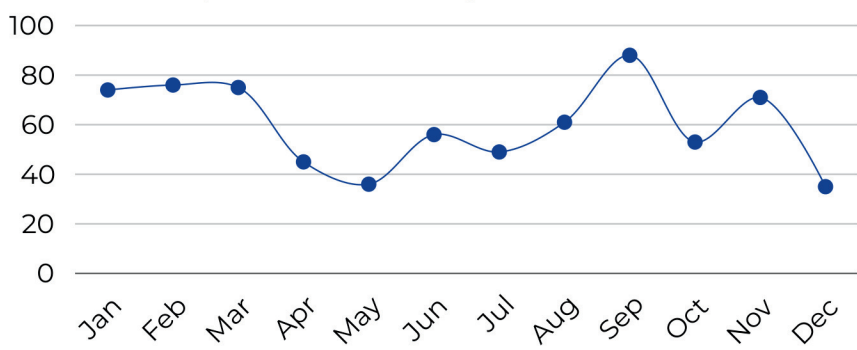
Meetings	#	Total Time
Abatement/Dilapidation Hearings	5	2:06
Board of Adjustments	1	1:05
Budget & Personnel Committee	7	4:16
City Council	15	34:34
Economic Development Trust Authority	5	4:43
Hotel/Motel Tax Allocation Board	3	0:58
Ordinance & Insurance Committee	4	3:13
Park Board	4	6:10
Planning & Zoning Board	2	0:34
Street Committee	4	1:30





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Inspections Completed in 2023



Total Inspections 719	Community Inquiries 488
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Permits Issued in 2023

Plumbing	139
Building	113
Electrical	79
Mechanical	67
Signs	43
Demolition	21
Certificate of Occupancy	18
Moving	4
Curb Cut	2
Other Building Related	2
Fire Protection	1
Utility Construction	1
Storm Shelter	1
Swimming Pool	1
Total	492

Preparedness:

We never know when major emergencies and disasters may occur, so our time is primarily spent ensuring the City is prepared when and if they occur.

Storm Season:

This storm season was generally calm with a few minor flooding events and tornado warnings. One notable exception was the “Father’s Day Storm” on June 17, 2023, which brought strong straight-line winds up to 80 miles per hour. The storm caused significant damage to businesses, residences, and infrastructure.

Federal Disaster Assistance:

We have been coordinating with each department over the last 6 months to collect the expenses they incurred responding to the “Father’s Day Storm” from FEMA Disaster Assistance offered by the Federal Government. All the documentation has been submitted to FEMA, we are currently waiting to receive their approval which may take up to 10 months. The City has received well over a million dollars in FEMA Disaster Assistance since 2010.

Grants Received:

- \$50,000 in grant funds from Cherokee Nation
- \$10,000 in grant funds from FEMA

Projects:

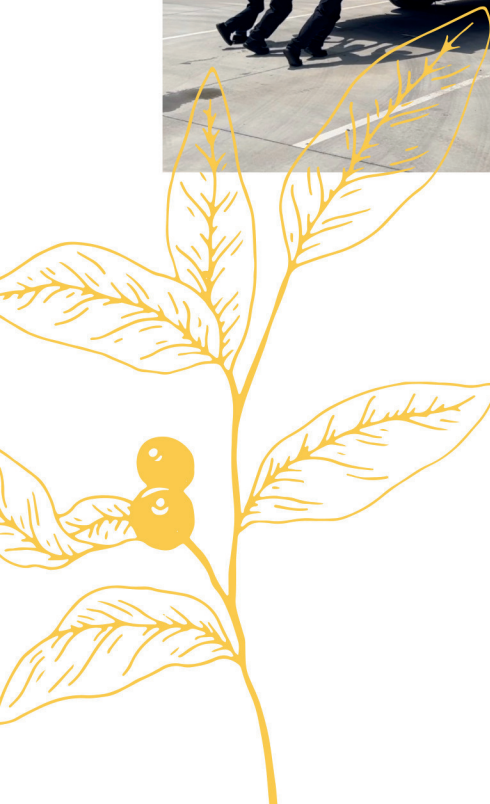
- Purchased a credentialing and inventory system, an updated electronic system to identify our responders during disasters. This system will also keep track of the City’s inventory electronically. We hope to have this up and running by spring.
- Updated the City of Pryor Emergency Operations Plan
- Updated our NIMS compliance certification for all emergency workers in the City of Pryor.
- Provided Light Towers for multiple events, football games and MUB projects.
- Acquired a new volunteer who specializes in Shelter Operations. This will help us during times of power outages and winter storms.
- Currently in the process of purchasing an electronic message board for use during events and road closures.
- Currently in the process of getting a grant from FEMA to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2024. This will also include the City of Pryor and the Pryor Schools System.

Exercises:

We put our local hospital through an exercise this year regarding the decontamination of patients that might come to the hospital from the Mid America Industrial Park. Hillcrest Pryor made some major changes after the exercise. They purchased equipment and had multiple training days to make sure they are ready for a hazardous material event.



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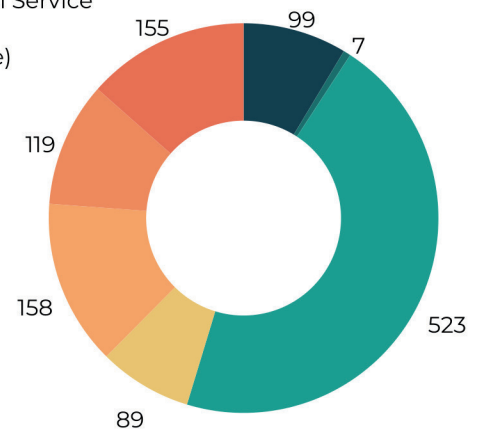
FIRE

For the past year, we have been operating from two stations. During this time, we introduced a new engine into service, and another one is set to be delivered by the end of April. Notably, we've witnessed significant growth in the fire load within our district, spanning from residential to industrial areas. This industrial expansion has prompted us to enhance training in special hazard fire and rescue operations. We are fortunate to have secured grants from USDA and the Cherokee Nation, enabling us to continually improve and provide optimal protection for our fire district.

-BK Young, Fire Chief

Fire Runs in 2023

- Fire**
- Excessive Heat With No Ignition
- Rescue & Emergency Medical Service
- Hazardous Condition (No Fire)
- Service Call
- Good Intent Call
- False Alarm or False Call





TOURNAMENTS HOSTED IN 2023

March:

- 03-19 U.S. Kids
- 03-25 Wagoner Sperin O. \$9,400.00
- 04-01 Bradford \$4,400.00

April:

- 04-12 High School Conference
- 04-17 H.S. Tournament Girls
- 04-20 J.H. Tournament Boys & Girls
- 04-21 Brown vs. Brown Special Olympics \$19,500.00
- 04-27 H.S. Tournament Boys
- 04-29 Sertoma Masters \$6,600.00

May:

- 05-01 H.S. Boys Regionals
- 05-05 Pryor Main Street \$5,000.00
- 05-25 Colman Tournament \$5,000.00

June:

- 06-02 Pryor QB \$12,000.00
- 06-08 Shorty Cooper Family Tournament
- 06-10 Locust Grove Q.B. Club \$8,000.00
- 06-13 PGA Junior Tournament
- 06-24 Tulsa Sand blasters

July:

- 07-21 Lions Night

August:

- 08-13 Winnelson Tournament
- 08-17 Pryor Interclub
- 08-26 Veteran Freedom Flight \$6,000.00

September:

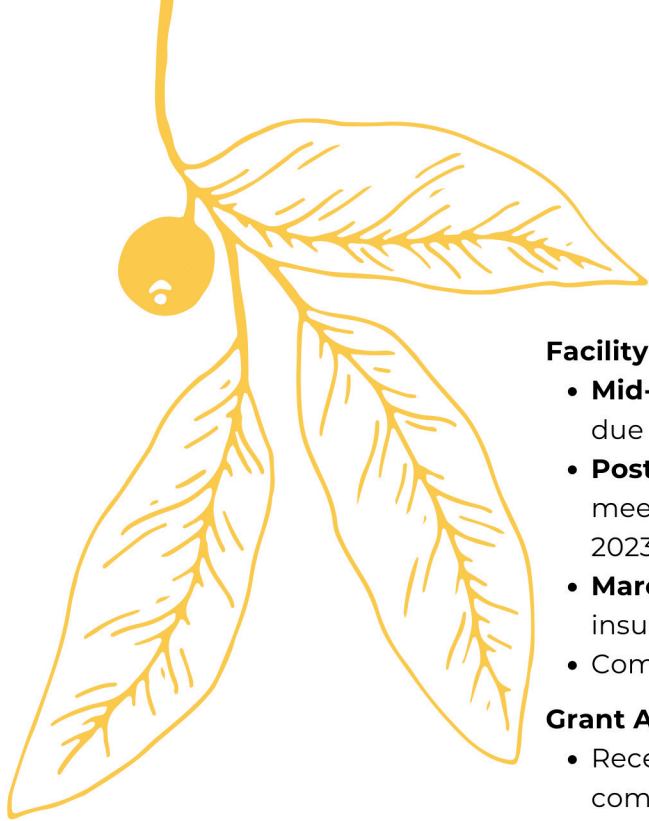
- 09-22 Rae Corp \$15,000.00
- 09-30 Chevy Tournament

October:

- 10-06 United Way \$36,000.00
- 10-07 South Side
- 10-08 South Side
- 10-15 A.M. Tournament
- 10-20 Elite
- 10-21 Danny Henson Memorial \$5,000.00
- 10-22 U.S. Kids

An estimated **\$131,900.00** was raised through tournaments this year!

GOLF COURSE



Facility Updates

- **Mid-December 2022:** Library reopened, subsequently closed due to water main break.
- **Post-New Year's:** Partial reopening with materials moved to meeting rooms due to the flooding; full restoration by April 2023.
- **March 2023:** Flooring replacement completed (\$13,000 insurance-funded).
- Completed monument sign.

Grant Acquisitions

- Received **State Aid Grant** (\$7,851) for new self-checkout computers, program supplies, and library resources.
- Awarded **\$5,000 grant** for five new patron-use computers.
- Completed **\$17,241 Erate project** to upgrade networking infrastructure.

Community Engagements

- Hosted a **candidate forum** for municipal elections with Friends of the Library and the Pryor Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Initiated partnerships with organizations like the Food Bank, Pryor Public Schools, and Pryor Area Arts and Humanities Council.
- Offered diverse resources like online databases and partnered programs.

Cultural Acquisitions

- Received donations of presidential signatures and original artwork.

Patron Savings and Utilization

- Saved patrons over \$500,000 through physical material borrowing.
- Saved patrons over \$300,000 through digital material borrowing.

Community Space Utilization

- Provided spaces for meetings, study, or work over **2,408 times**, predominantly in study rooms.

Educational and Training Initiatives

- Conducted staff training sessions on crisis communication and stress management.
- Engaged Pryor Public Schools for an After School Club.

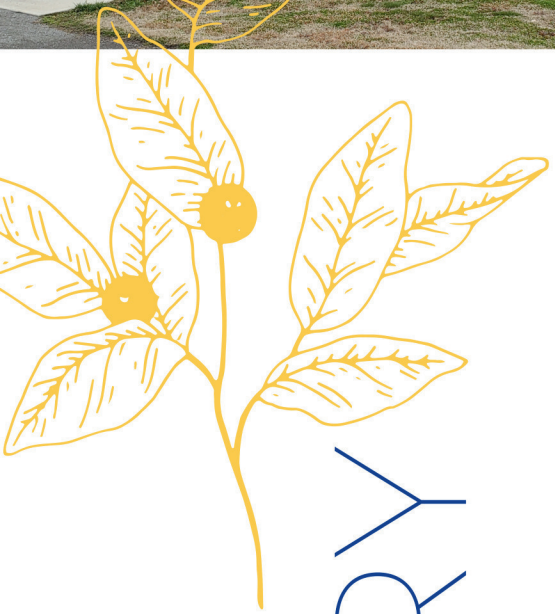


New Accounts	1,111
Materials Added	1,702
Physical Checkouts	35,065
Digital Checkouts	29,818
Internet Usage	109,954
Online Resource Usage	3,850
Inter-Library Loans	58
Meeting & Study Room Usage	2,408
Questions Answered	56,293
Door Count	31,576



“ Our goal is to enrich lives by being a vibrant community hub that stimulates imagination, satisfies curiosity, promotes literacy, and builds relationships through our collections, services, and staff. ”





PARKS & CEMETERIES

Infrastructure Development

- Shelter and parking expansion at Bobby Buck Park.
- Removal of the east side chain link fence.
- Expansion of the Tennis court parking lot and installation of LED lights.

Routine Maintenance and Enhancements

- Conducted regular mowing across key locations and maintained playground equipment.
- Transformed two tennis courts into combined tennis and pickleball courts in June.

Environmental Conservation and New Additions

- Removed deceased trees during late summer, replacing them with new ones through citizen donations.
- Constructed and installed a new shelter at Centennial Park.
- Installed three additional pickleball courts with a **\$5,000 grant** from GRDA.

Upcoming Developments

- Secured \$30,000 from Cherokee Nation for a new skatepark at Whitaker Park, scheduled for completion in spring 2024.

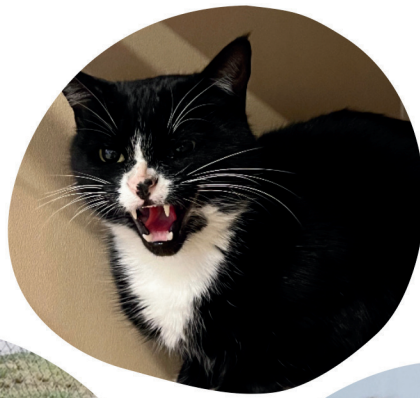
Anticipations for 2024

- Developments and enhancements in the park system.
- Completed skate park installation.



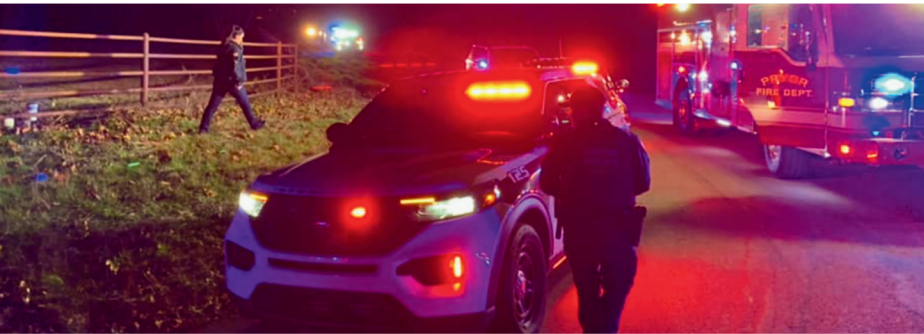
The cemetery concluded the year with 100 burials and the sale of 61 additional lots. Preparations for Memorial Day began weeks in advance, followed by ongoing weekly mowing and maintenance activities such as weedeating, dirt work, and tree removal.

An expansion is planned southwest of the office in Graham Memorial Cemetery, the additional 1,800 grave sites are expected to be completed by Spring 2024. An approved project for a new privacy fence is currently underway. Maintaining the Cemetery is a year-round task involving not only continuous mowing, but also addressing constant burial needs, performing dirt work and attending to trees that require attention.



SHELTER ANIMAL

INCOMING	Cats	Dogs	Totals
Owner Surrender	33	40	73
Stray	203	388	591
Born at Shelter	10	0	10
Total Incoming	246	428	674
OUTGOING			
Return to Owner	9	217	226
Adopted	181	132	313
Rescued	35	38	73
Euthanized/Died	26	28	54
Total Outgoing	251	415	666



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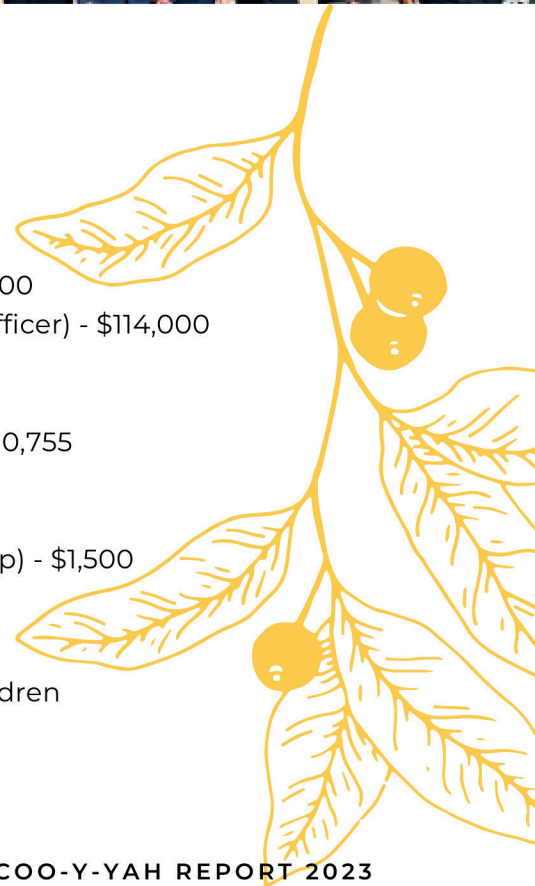
- (1) 2023 Tahoe
- (6) 2022 Explorers
- (1) 2021 Tahoe
- (1) 2021 Chevy Trail Boss

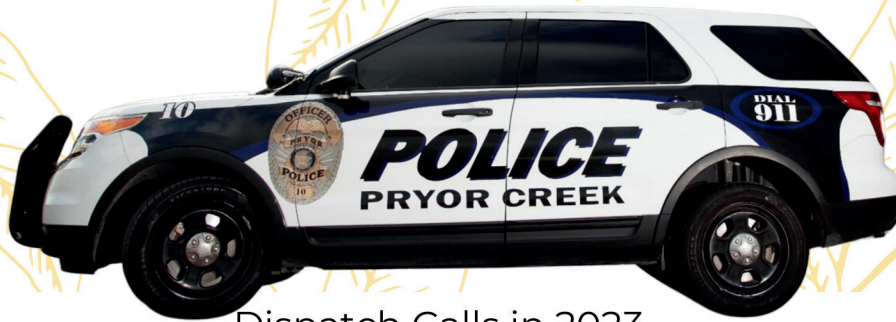
Grants & Donations Received:

- Cops Grant (Narcotics Unit) - \$125,000
- VAWA Grant (Domestic Violence Officer) - \$114,000
- Cherokee Nation - \$90,000
- OHSO (OT Grant) - \$28,500
- AG Grant (Portable Breath Test) - \$10,755
- 3 Electric Bikes - \$10,755
- Pryor Chevy - \$2,750
- American Castings (Shop with a Cop) - \$1,500
- E911 Grants - \$1,350

Police Divisions Added:

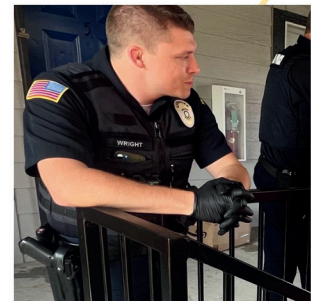
- ICAC - Internet Crimes Against Children
- Narcotics Unit
- Search Warrant Team
- Bike Patrol

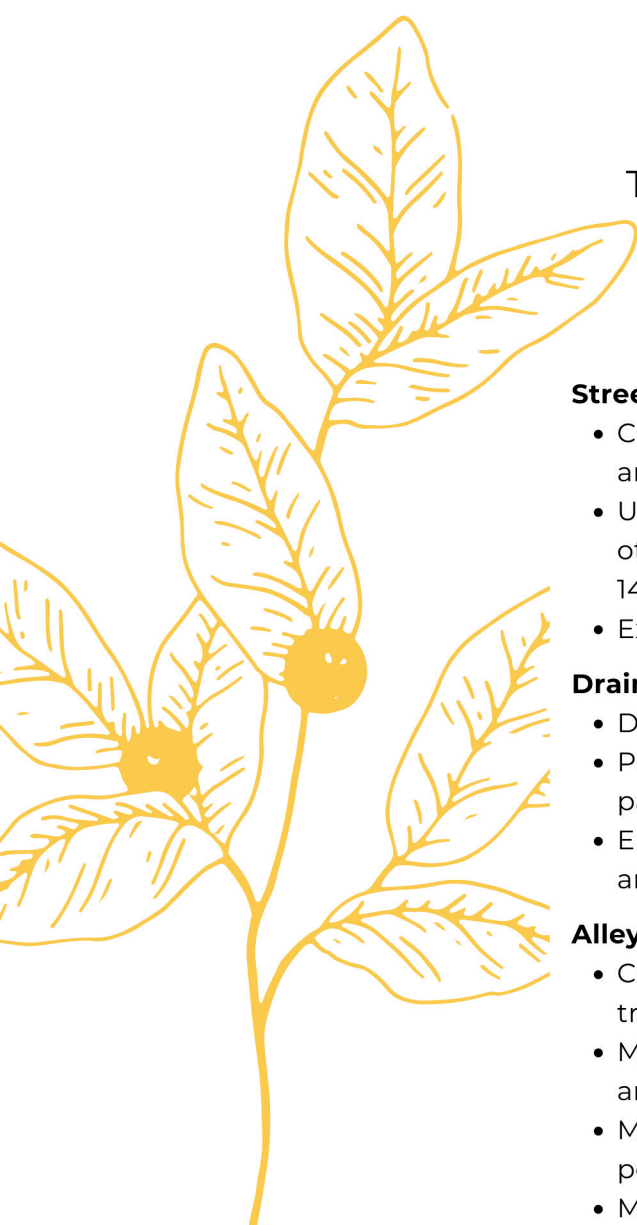




Dispatch Calls in 2023

911 Hang Up	41	Larceny	318
Accidents	332	Loud Music	46
Agency Assist	441	Mental Health	185
Alarm	391	Missing Person	24
Animal Call	614	Motorist Assist	507
Arrest	560	Open Door	80
Breaking & Entering	43	Overdose	19
Citations	1,662	Pedestrian Check	651
Citizen's Arrest	319	Reckless Driving	316
Code Violation	313	Recovered Property	122
Custody Issue	42	Runaway	173
Debris in Roadway	116	Shoplifting	96
Disturbance	461	Stalking	12
Domestics	216	Stolen Vehicle	51
Extra Patrol	1,655	Suspicious Person/Activity	876
Follow Up	566	Suspicious Vehicle	379
Fraud	88	Threats	133
Funeral Escort	50	Traffic Stops	9,051
Harrasment	106	Train Blocking Tracks	10
Hit & Run	67	Vandalism	98
Indecent Exposure	8	Vehicle Unlock	380
Intoxicated Driver	75	Welfare Check	491





The City of Pryor Street Department remains dedicated to ensuring the safety, functionality, and aesthetics of the city's streets and infrastructure.

Street and Sidewalk Repairs:

- Conducted street repairs with 146 yards of concrete in various areas.
- Undertook sidewalk repairs on North Vann, North Rowe, and other locations, involving the removal and replacement of 1400 feet.
- Executed asphalt repairs totaling 40 tons in various areas.

Drainage and Ditch Maintenance:

- Dipped approximately 1200 feet of ditches.
- Painted approximately 2570 feet of crosswalks, stop bars, and parking lines.
- Engaged in tree trimming activities for about six weeks annually.

Alley and Right-of-Way Maintenance:

- Conducted alley maintenance biannually, involving tree trimming, mowing, weedeating, and spraying.
- Maintained right-of-ways, mowing approximately 20 acres and tending to contracted areas.
- Mowed ditches, covering approximately 10,700 feet, while also performing necessary weedeating and spraying.
- Managed drainage areas, mowing about 2300 feet.

Street Cleaning and Leaf Removal:

- Swept streets for approximately 4 to 6 weeks annually.
- Executed leaf removal from ditches over a two-week period.

Infrastructure and Equipment Maintenance:

- Repaired and replaced street signs as needed, with an expenditure of \$3300.00 on signs, bases, poles, and flashing caution lights.
- Installed and maintained driveway pipes (8 in total).
- Undertook general equipment maintenance for backhoes, dump trucks, skid steers, pickups, etc.
- Pothole patching on a weekly basis based on reported incidents.

Winter Operations:

- Plowed approximately 17 miles of streets during winter.

Snow and Ice Management:

- Cleared about 5200 feet of sidewalks several times a year based on snow or ice conditions.

STREET

Community Collaboration and Special Projects:

- Set out and picked up barricades 4 to 6 times a year for special events.
- Collaborated with MUB on asphalt and concrete repairs.
- Assisted the Trail Alliance with bike trail maintenance, including the installation of poles and signs and painting bike emblems on streets.
- Worked with Pryor Main Street on various needs.
- Assisted other departments with small projects, contributing to cost-saving initiatives.
- Implemented street projects for trailer park streets and cross-drains.
- Engaged in alley projects, focusing on downtown areas, including concrete repairs, milling, and overlay.
- Undertook street repair projects on NE 3rd Place, involving milling and overlay.





IF IT DOESN'T
CHALLENGE YOU.
IT WON'T CHANGE YOU.

RECREATION CENTER UPDATE

Safety:

- Installed locks on Storage and Chemical Room doors in the Pool Area.
- Mounted AEDs in gymnasium and pool areas.
- Conducted Fire and Tornado Drills.
- Updated Winter Weather Policy.
- Updating Emergency Plans.
- Resolved the pigeon problem.
- Repaired the lock on the outdoor gate in the Child Watch area and changed to Exit only.
- Installed a retractable gate by the Child Watch entrance.
- Painted the curb outside the building to indicate fire truck parking only.
- Replaced new Handicap Parking signs.
- All management staff enrolled in the "Code Red" weather warning system.

Maintenance Improvement:

- Implemented HVAC maintenance plan.
- Implemented HVAC replacement plan.
- Plumbing upgrades: faucets and valves.
- Added maintenance-free wall protection to the base of the big wall in the weight room.
- Patched and repaired holes where pigeons were entering the building.
- Refurbished the irrigation system for the lawn.
- Repaired the exterior wall outside the pool storage area for safety and security.
- Upgraded interior lighting to LED with funding provided by a grant.

Aesthetics:

- Implemented Rec Radio – our own radio station.
- Painted the big wall in the weight room with a new graphic.
- Cleaned up the Child Watch area – newly waxed floor, new carpet, new rocking chair.
- Refurbished landscaping in flower beds.

Programming:

- Added a Virtual Studio providing a variety of online fitness classes.
- Created opportunities for older Special Olympics - swimming and powerlifting.
- Fostered a PHS Swim Team agreement.
- Worked with Kingdom's Closet to provide pool passes for youth.
- Conducted 8 fitness challenges for members.
- Added a food drive component to the annual "Maintain Don't Gain" challenge.
- Created an evaluation system to determine what classes should be continued or replaced.
- Provided senior members with educational opportunities regarding "Fall Prevention."
- Conducted a social media "12 Days of Christmas Workout Facebook Challenge."
- All fitness instructors have obtained a certification in their area.
- Hosted 218 Pool Parties during 2023.
- 140 private swim lessons provided May through December.
- Summer 2023 – Taught 28 kids in group swim lessons.
- Had 48 kids in the After School Swim program in 2023.

Public Relations:

- Sponsored an Art Class for Green Country Boys and Girl's Club.
- Serving as Chair of the Pool Task Force – appointed by the Mayor.
- Participated on a selection panel for NE Tech Teacher of the Yr. & Support Educator of the Yr. – 2023.
- Hosted a Halloween Carnival open to the community.
- Implemented a Coffee Bar for rec center members.
- Partnered with members to implement recycling of plastic bottles and aluminum cans.
- Participated with a float in the Christmas Parade, Fitness Class performed.
- Hosted the Inola School Cardboard Boat Race.
- Hosted GRDA for their pool training during the year.
- Hosted an end-of-year party for elementary children from Ketchum and Turkey Ford schools.
- Hosted a pool Easter Egg hunt for children.
- Hosted a Mermaid event for children.

Operations:

- Implemented an accountability system for payment for Child Watch.
- Implementing a new software package.
- Implementing a new credit card processing vendor.
- Added a more competitive beverage vendor.
- Created an equipment check-out system.





Pryor Main Street utilized the **Main Street 4-Point Approach** (Economic Vitality, Design, Promotion, and Organization) in 2023 to accomplish a variety of goals:



In our *Economic Vitality Approach*, we completed pedestrian counts and walkability studies to use as data for upcoming grants to help our downtown walkways become safer and more accessible. We also hosted three mob events for downtown businesses bringing direct money into their business in their struggling season.

In our *Design Approach*, we collaborated with community partners to manage both the TSET grant and the ODOT Transportation grant that serves as complete funding (approximately \$800K) for Phase One of our Downtown Streetscape Project. Groundbreaking is set for November 2024 and will service beautification, ADA compliant, and infrastructure needs in the Adair and Graham intersection. Pryor Main Street also hosted two community clean-ups, planted and maintained hundreds of petunias, mums, and poinsettias in the corridor, and also lit up the building tops during Christmas at no cost to our downtown businesses. Pryor Main Street partnered with the EDTA to provide \$19,959.71 of façade grants to every downtown building owner that applied, resulting in over \$60,000 of matched reinvestment in downtown facades.

In our *Promotion Approach*, we hosted 10 free community events, helping local entrepreneurs and spurring tourism throughout the community while bringing thousands downtown. These events include Third Thursdays, Shop Small Saturday, Weekend of Local, Shopping Passports, and more. We also replaced 36 light pole banners downtown, encouraging the community to come to events, shop local, and showcase the Phase One Streetscape Project. We are part of a community collaboration called Inspire Pryor, working together with other organizations to situate Pryor for healthy economic development and promotion.

In our *Organization Approach*, our Director received the Oklahoma Main Street Director of the Year award and also was asked to be a speaker at the National Conference in Boston, teaching hundreds of other communities about rural community development. We also received an award at the state capitol noting a \$5 million overall public/private reinvestment within our downtown corridor. We hosted six networking opportunities and attended 3 professional trainings about economic development, grants, capacity-building, and community engagement that we were able to bring back and utilize in our community. We facilitated over 1,500 volunteer hours throughout the year, equaling \$49,798.80 worth in volunteer hour value invested in our community. We also keep records of things such as business openings, closures, rental-availabilities, building sales and reinvestments, building inventory, and more to be prepared for any needed quantifiable records.

PRYOR MAIN STREET

Sports Economic Impact Grant

The Sports Economic Impact Grant, facilitated by the EDTA, has played a pivotal role in supporting upgrades and improvements to local youth sports facilities.

Notable projects include:

Mayes County Soccer – Edwards Soccer Complex:

- Upgrades to bathroom facilities.
- Improved lighting for practice areas and the U10 game field.
- A \$50,000 project made possible through contributions from Cherokee Nation, City of Pryor, MUB, and EDTA.

Lake Area Softball:

- Enhancements to the complex, including new fencing for fields.
- A \$50,000 project made possible through contributions from Cherokee Nation and EDTA.

Pryor Main Street Memorandum of Understanding

EDTA's funding to Pryor Main Street through the MOU has facilitated various initiatives, including:

- Streetscape Management.
- Walkability Audit.
- Data Gathering, including pedestrian counts.
- Crosswalk Project.
- 2023 Façade Grants: Two award cycles, \$19,959 in grants awarded, with \$60,000 matched funds, resulting in a total investment of \$79,959 in downtown businesses.

Freedom Fest

In 2023, the EDTA led the revival of Pryor Creek's Freedom Fest, featuring:



- Secured Fireworks/ Fireworks Show with initial funds of \$25,000 from EDTA.
- 25 sponsors contributing, with 60% of donations being \$500 or less.
- Estimated 50 families participating in daytime activities.
- 20 vendors showcasing products/services.
- Inflatables attracting over 200 children and youth.
- Fireworks Show witnessed by an estimated 400 cars and 1600 people on-site, and an additional audience from surrounding areas.

Pool Task Force

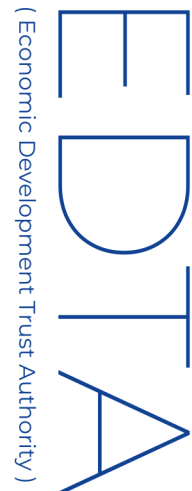
July 2023 marked the establishment of the EDTA's Pool Task Force, focusing on the feasibility and funding of a public pool or aquatics center in Pryor. The task force, comprising members from EDTA, Parks Board, MUB, Rec Center Board, and the community, is actively engaged in public outreach and conceptual planning. EDTA has approved \$17,000 in funding and engaged PDG for conceptual design and cost estimates.

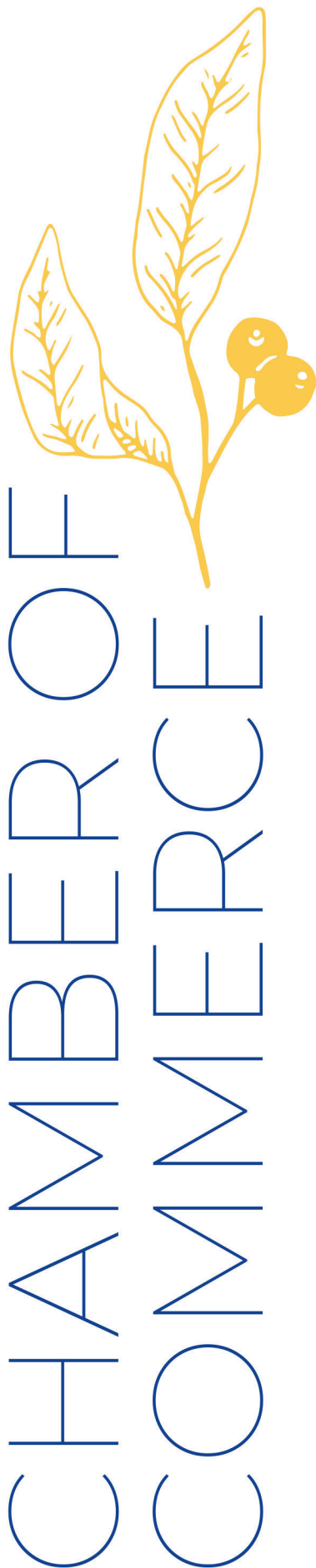
Additional EDTA Contributions

- \$150,000 in Funding for Downtown Alleyway Resurfacing Project.
- \$3,396 in Funding to Mayes County Trails Alliance for Bike Route Maps.
- \$2,911 in Funding for a Grant Writer for a Rural Business Development Grant, aimed at renovating the Graham Community Building's commercial kitchen.



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Arianna Derr, Trustee
Larry Williams, Trustee
Don Berger, Trustee
Darrell Moore, Trustee*





In 2023, the Pryor Area Chamber of Commerce (PACC) witnessed a series of outstanding achievements and milestones that have shaped our success over the past year. These accomplishments underscore our unwavering commitment to excellence and dedication to providing valuable opportunities and benefits to our members and community. Here's a glimpse into the positive impact our organization has had on the community:

A New Team:

The PACC welcomed Houston Brittain as the new Chief Executive Officer and Evett Barham as the Director of Marketing/Membership. With proven leadership and a deep understanding of community engagement, both individuals bring a wealth of experience contributing to the Chamber's continued growth and success.

Launch of New Website by Driven Digital:

Thanks to our partners at Driven Digital, we successfully launched a new website. Reflecting our organization's values, the platform offers an enhanced user experience. Explore the new features and resources at www.pryorchamber.com.

Inaugural Gala Event Success:

The inaugural Gala event in 2023 was a resounding success, not only celebrating achievements but also strengthening community bonds. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to its success.

Revival of PACC Golf Tournament:

The triumphant return of the PACC golf tournament brought together members, fostering camaraderie. This event has become a community staple, and we eagerly anticipate its continued success.

Next Generation of Leaders:

Excitingly, we launched programs to engage young adults, offering leadership opportunities, including a mentoring program for high school students, internships, and collaboration with the after-school program. These initiatives are crucial for fostering future growth and success within our community.



Mayes County LEAD Establishment:

We proudly announce the establishment of Mayes County LEAD, a Leadership academy nurturing skills within our community and contributing to the development of future leaders.

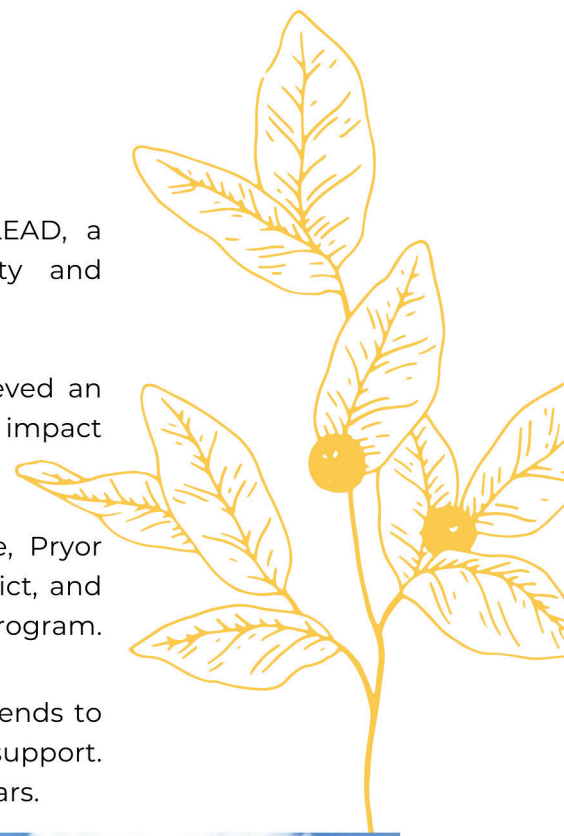
Membership Growth and Financial Success:

Delighted to welcome 31 new members, our organization achieved an impressive 10% growth in financials, a testament to the value and impact we provide to our members.

Collaboration with Key Partners:

Collaborating with key partners, including Mayes County Hope, Pryor Main Street, Mayes County Trails Alliance, EDTA, MAIP, The District, and the City of Pryor, led to the creation of the Inspire Mayes County program. Together, we are making a positive impact on our community.

As we celebrate these collective achievements, our gratitude extends to our members, partners, and stakeholders for their continuous support. We look forward to ongoing growth and success in the coming years.



CLOSING REMARKS

Our team at the City of Pryor Creek has been hard at work, and the numbers don't lie – we've achieved tremendous success in serving our community. We're committed to providing the highest quality of life possible for every citizen and guest, and our efforts have led to a thriving and dynamic Pryor Creek.

We're grateful for the progress and dedication we've seen from all corners of our city, and we're excited to continue building on our momentum. Challenges may arise, but we're confident that by working together, we can overcome any obstacle. After all, this is our home – this is **#OURPRYOR**.

-Mayor Zac Doyle

