



REPORT TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FIRST QUARTER, 2026

The following reports for the 1ST quarter of 2026 are presented to the County Executive:

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Animal Control

The Shelter took in 112 cats and 144 dogs, and 4 rabbits for a total of 260 animals.

- Owners claimed 2 cats and 39 dogs
- There were 31 cats, 26 dogs, and 4 rabbits adopted
- At the owner's request 32 cats and 31 dogs were euthanized
- Due to aggressive behavior or illness 3 cats and 4 dogs were euthanized
- Transferred to other shelters were 19 dogs and 21 cats

Please note that the intake does not include the dogs and cats that were still here at the end of 2025 and our dogs that are at the prison for the training program.

Field Activity: Officers went out on 667 calls this quarter, which include the following:

- 43 Animal Bites
- 67 Investigations of Cruelty, Neglect, or Abandonment
- 88 Loose and Aggressive
- 56 Barking

We are promoting our adoptable animals on various websites, Facebook, Petfinder.com, YouTube, Instagram, Tik Tok, etc.

Municipal Shelters are still dealing with overcrowding in the shelters due to owners giving up their pets, plus officers are dealing with more animals being abandoned out on roads or left behind in the residence where their owner was living. Unfortunately, we are dealing with more hoarding cases too.

Shelter Manager Olivia Shields has been working with various groups such as schools, organizations, and businesses in promoting the volunteer program for walking dogs and the enrichment of shelter cats. We currently have people and groups coming in on a regular basis to walk and play with the dogs and spend time with the cats, which in turn helps to socialize them and make them more appealing to adopt.

We are currently working on getting ready for a vaccine clinic on May 9th. Mitten Mutts is donating Distemper and Rabies vaccines which will be administered by Dr. Elizabeth Haiderer from Bay Valley Animal Hospital. She helped with the vaccine clinic last fall, and she was very pleased with the success of it. She offered her services for this spring's vaccine clinic. The vaccine clinic offers free vaccines to Bay County residents along with free microchipping for pets too. The clinics have helped make more Bay County residents compliant with having their cats and dogs rabies vaccinated as per the law. From the calls we are receiving we are expecting a larger group coming to have their pets vaccinated & microchipped.

Veterans

Emergency Relief Fund

During this period, the Department assisted (27) veterans. Of these veterans: (2) veteran did not meet program criteria as they were (1) too early for assistance and (1) ineligible for the program. Additionally, (10) of the (27) veterans who received food and/or gas cards returned receipts so far. Motion for receipt return was passed at the 3/18/2025 meeting of the Department of Veteran Affairs Committee.

(22) Food Vouchers, (18) Fuel Vouchers

Assistance Provided	Amount
Food	\$1,800.00
Gas	\$450.00
Heat/Furnace	\$0.00
Water/Sewer	\$0.00
Bay City Utilities	\$ 376.77
Consumers Energy	\$223.33
Car Repair	\$1,285.41
Bus Passes	\$18.75
Rent/Mortgage	\$0.00
Home Repair	\$0.00
Other (Propane)	\$ 218.30
Total	\$4,372.56

Transportation

Vehicle	Vets	Mileage	Driver Hours
Ford Van	22	597	30
Red Chrysler Van	35	1144	84
Grey Chrysler Van	0	0	0
TOTAL	57	1741	114

County Markers and/or Burial Benefits:

Veterans	Spouses	Markers	No Wartime
26	8	3	8

Michigan Veterans Trust Fund (MVAA/MVTF) Applications

Local Board		MVTF		
In Process	Approved	In Process	Approved	Disapproved
0	0	1	0	0

County Veteran Service Officer

- See Attached.

CENTRAL DISPATCH 9-1-1

- No Report Submitted.

CORPORATION COUNSEL

Opened new matters, reviewed contracts, or provided legal opinions to:

- Animal Services
- Board of Commissioners
- Buildings and Grounds
- Central Dispatch 9-1-1
- Circuit Court
- Clerk
- Community Corrections
- Corporation Counsel/FOIA
- Criminal Defense
- Department on Aging
- Drain Commissioner
- District Court
- Environmental Affairs
- Emergency Management
- Executive
- Finance
- Forest Sustainability Program
- Geographic Information Systems
- Health Department
- Information Systems Division
- Juvenile Home
- Land Bank Authority
- Mosquito Control
- MSU Extension
- Personnel & Employee Relations
- Probate & Juvenile Court
- Purchasing
- Recreation and Facilities
- Register of Deeds
- Retirement Board
- Sheriff
- Transportation Planning
- Treasurer
- Veteran Affairs

Received, reviewed, and responded to various subpoenas:

- Bay County Central Dispatch - 2
- Bay County Juvenile Home - 1
- Bay County Sheriff's Office - 3
- Bay County Retirement Board - 1
- Bay County Veteran Affairs - 1

Bay County 2026

Relationship	
Veteran	424
Spouse	101
Other	12
Total	537

War Era	
WWII	0
Korean War	7
Vietnam War	155
Gulf War	170
Peacetime	76
Total	408

County	
Bay	478
Saginaw	33
Midland	13
Arenac	2
	0
	0
Other	25
Total	551

Claims Activity	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Federal Burial Allowance	4	0	0	0	4
Clothing Allowance	0	0	0	0	0
Survivors Pension	3	0	0	0	3
Death Indemnity Compensation	11	0	0	0	11
Educational Claims	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Service Connected Pension	6	0	0	0	6
Special Adapted Automobile	0	0	0	0	0
Special Adapted Housing	0	0	0	0	0
Service Connected Compensation	65	0	0	0	65
Additional Forms Completed	78	0	0	0	78
Total	167	0	0	0	167

Support Services	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Michigan Veteran Trust Fund	1	0	0	0	1
Soldiers/Sailors Relief Fund	33	0	0	0	33
County Burial Allowance	37	0	0	0	37
Home Loan Certificate of Eligibility	0	0	0	0	0
CHAMPVA	7	0	0	0	7
Healthcare Enrollment	14	0	0	0	14
Other Support Services	13	0	0	0	13
Total	105	0	0	0	105

Appeals Process	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Supplemental Claims	29	0	0	0	29
Higher-Level Reviews	6	0	0	0	6
Board of Veterans Appeals	0	0	0	0	0
Total	35	0	0	0	35

Other Activities	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Personal Interviews	0	0	0	0	0
File Reviews	334	0	0	0	334
Claim Status Checks	20	0	0	0	20
Total	354	0	0	0	354

Forms		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Sent to VA		16	0	0	0	16
Sent to VSOs (AL, DAV, VVA, VVA)		128	0	0	0	128
Total		144	0	0	0	144

Demographics		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Aging and Elderly Veterans (70+)		42	0	0	0	42
Female Veterans		38	0	0	0	38

If you have a female veteran over the age of 70 each should be counted, once for age and once for gender, if a person fits both categories they should be counted under each category

- Attended Board of Commissioners meetings
- Attended Retirement Board meetings
- Attended VEBA Board meetings
- Attended multiple quadrant meetings with central service staff
- Multiple meetings/contacts with constituents regarding constituent concerns
- Drafted various correspondence and memos for the County Executive
- Assisted the Board of Commissioners in drafting resolutions
- Assisted Board of Commissioners with Parliamentary Procedure, Open Meetings Act and Board Rule Issues
- Provided legal opinions and guidance on employee and personnel issues
- Assisted with State of the County address preparation
- Attended meetings concerning the Bay County Community Health Center building
- Attended meetings regarding Special Prosecutorial Services coverage
- Attended meetings regarding the Bay County Community Center Pool
- Attended meetings related to the Bay County Juvenile Home

Current Litigation

- Drafted pleadings and participated in Treasurer foreclosure hearings
- USA v. Jason Richard, Bay County
- Scott Scarberry v. Bay County Sheriff
- 24 Claims for Surplus Proceeds (Pre-2020)
- Earl Blount v. Bay County, et al
- Christine Fiebke v. Bay County
- Kara Elgas MDCR Complaint
- Tammy Ware v. Bay County
- Carrie Reinhardt v. Bay County
- Pro Fab Co., Inc. v. Pincanna-Real Estate Grow, LLC, et al
- Piotr Chrobak v. Bay County
- Estate of Alice Green v. Bay County
- Tony Keller v. Bay County
- Kolu Stevens v. Bay County
- Delores Proctor, et al v. Bay County (class action)
- Thomas A. Fox v. Bay County (class action)

BANKRUPTCY CASES

- Rite Aid Chapter 11 claim
- McDonald, Jr. (Mattison) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (Anticliff) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (Bauer) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (A&E Harris) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (Debates) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (Pero) v. Bay County
- Purdue Pharma Chapter 11 claim
- Mallinckrodt Chapter 11 claim
- McDonald, Jr. (Worden) v. Bay County
- Estate of Cater Bankruptcy matter

- McDonald, Jr. (Herber) v. Bay County
- McDonald, Jr. (Stahl) v. Bay County

Risk Management

- Received & filed 12 incident report forms
 - MMRMA Claim Submissions for this quarter:
 - BCSO vehicle incident, Claim No. 2600076
 - Animal Services vehicle incident, Claim No. 2600404
 - BCSO vehicle incident, Claim No. 2600472
 - Department on Aging vehicle incident, Claim No. 2600473
 - Continued coordinating and processing the following MMRMA submitted claims:
 - BCSO vehicle incident, Claim No. 2504326
 - BCSO vehicle incident, Claim No. 2504495
 - Earl Blount Jr. v. Bay County, et al, Claim No. 2503555
 - BCSO Aquasport incident, Claim No. 2502588

Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA)

- Processed and responded to 249 FOIA requests
 - Including 12 requests for deputy bodycam/dashcam footage
- Coordinated with the following offices and departments to complete FOIA responses:
 - Animal Services & Adoption Center
 - Clerk's Office
 - Central Dispatch 9-1-1
 - Environmental Health
 - Finance Department & Purchasing
 - Medical Examiner
 - Prosecutor's Office
 - Retirement Board
 - Sheriff's Office
 - Treasurer's Office

Conferences/Seminars/Trainings/Special Events

- Attended the State of the Community - Amber Davis-Johnson

CRIMINAL DEFENSE

- No Report Submitted.

ON AGING (DOA)

Program	Number of Units
Home Delivered Meals	55,147
Congregate Meals (activity centers)	6,049
Case Coordination and Support	2,246.25

Caregiver	148.25
Caregiver Case Manager	59.25
Homemaking Services	2185.25
Personal Care	781.75
Respite Care	207
Volunteer hours- activity centers and commodity delivery	484.25

- Please check out our Wonderful Times Newsletter and all the happenings going on at DOA.
- You can receive it through snail mail, email or pick it up at any of the Activity Centers.
- For more information on our Activity Center programs and DOA's menu, please visit our web page at www.baycountymi.gov/aging to view the Wonderful Times Newsletter.

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Director's Report

Partnerships, Engagement:

- Director Losey and other county staff continued to discuss restoration/mitigation opportunities for County-owned vacant parcel near State Park Drive and Beaver Rd.
- Director Losey and other county staff continued discussions with representatives from Republic Landfill to discuss future operational plans for the landfill site. As part of our upcoming Materials Management Plan, siting for facilities of this nature will need to be considered along with other environmental and community factors.
- Director Losey and Environmental Quality Compliance Technician Letherer met with Bay Area Stormwater Authority to learn about this partnership's role in protecting regional water quality and our department's role in ensuring stormwater permitting compliance for County.

Community Initiatives:

- Materials Management Planning: This is a state-required update to the Solid Waste Management planning process of the past, and the Department of Environmental Affairs & Community Development is the Designated Planning Agent for this effort.
 - o Grant award from EGLE to assist with Materials Management Plan development was fully executed in Q1, award total approximately \$112,000.
 - o Second round of EGLE grant funding was announced in Q1 and we will be applying for another grant request in the same amount as our first round of funding.

- Bay County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority:
 - Director Losey attended a Brownfield roundtable discussion hosted by Bay City and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy.

Department Staffing Updates:

- Kailey Mize was hired into a full time “Technician” position with the Transportation Planning and GIS Division
- Jessica Letherer started her position in the department in January as our Environmental Quality Compliance Technician, a position that assists with Soil Erosion/Sediment Control permitting and municipal stormwater discharge for the county. This position and the program work is critical for Bay County’s role in protecting regional water quality.
- See the upcoming EEOP report for more details on personnel.

Forest Sustainability Program

- **Spongy Moth Management (*Lymantria dispar*):**
For the second consecutive year, the Forest Sustainability Program will not be treating Spongy Moth in Bay County in spring of 2026. Due to diligent treatment and monitoring during the last Spongy Moth outbreak in Bay County (**2020-2024**), population numbers were reduced to tolerable levels, with no notable tree defoliation occurring during the outbreak. Spongy Moth male trapping as well as egg mass monitoring in 2025 resulted in data proving a major continued decline in population throughout Bay County.

For example, the program’s Spongy Moth male trapping results sum up the trend of the most recent outbreak in Bay County, as well as how effective aerial treatment methods were in aiding to bring these populations back down to stable levels. In **2020**, we began to see a rise in the amount of male Spongy Moths caught (**2,331**) at **24 trapping locations** throughout the County. In **2021**, perfect weather conditions mixed with a lack of naturally occurring biological controls sent the population soaring into outbreak, and program staff caught **12,232** male moths in the same **24 trapping locations**. This was an increase of almost 6 times the number of male moths caught from the previous year.

After completing our largest aerial treatment in terms of acreage in Bay County in years (**4,000 acres** of wooded areas treated in back-to-back years), program staff began to see a major decrease in the amount of male Spongy Moths being caught. In **2022**, only **6,774** male moths were caught, and in

2023, only **6,052**, about half of what was caught in the previous major outbreak year of **2021**. In summer of **2024**, the program's lowest number of male moths caught was recorded, at only **1,993** caught, this was then followed up by an even lower number of only **1,970** caught in the summer of **2025**, proving a much decreased and stable population when compared to the **12,232** male moths caught just a few years before.

The Spongy Moth male trapping results perfectly encapsulate how aerial treatment and population monitoring methods can aid in stabilizing an outbreak population to tolerable levels with very little tree defoliation or nuisance to landowners occurring.

Program staff will remain diligent in monitoring methods for Spongy Moth in 2026, even though aerial treatment is not occurring this year. It will be the increase in male trapping numbers as well as egg masses found while monitoring that will give us the early heads up that a population increase is occurring. It is this early detection of population increase that will make us prepared and ready for the next Spongy Moth outbreak Bay County may experience in future years.

- **Emerald Ash Borer Management (*Agilus planipennis*):**

Approximately **951** publicly owned ash trees will be treated in Bay County throughout the month of **June in 2026**. This equals an estimated **17,100** inches of ash tree DBH (Diameter at Breast Height) to be treated. Specific areas of ash trees included in the 2026 treatment project are located along streets and in the locations of the **City of Auburn, portions of the City of Bay City, City of Essexville, Hampton Township, Portsmouth Township, Merritt Township, and Williams Township**. Other geographic areas within Bay County containing publicly owned Ash Trees will be treated in future years.

Robert Kinnucan Tree Experts will again be the applicator for our ash tree treatment operations in 2026. This is the second year of an approved 2-year contract renewal of the **Agreement for Purchase of Tree Injections to Control Emerald Ash Borer** pursuant to **Resolution No. 2022-02, dated January 11, 2022**. This year will be the final year of the 2-year renewal with Kinnucan Tree Experts, and program staff will need to go out to bid in fall of 2026 to secure applicators for future treatment seasons.

Program staff will soon begin work on the **ArcGIS Field Collector** that will be used by Kinnucan applicators while working on treatment operations throughout Bay County. Field Collector is a mobile mapping program which

makes locating and treating the ash trees much more efficient, accurate, and safe for applicators.

Finalizing the Emerald Ash Borer Trapping Project:

Wrapping up in September of 2025, **Assistant Coordinator Carter Rogers** finished leading a 3-year (2023-2025) Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) trapping project at select sites in Bay County. This project looked at detection and density of the lingering EAB population in Bay County and gave program staff valuable insight for **supporting our program's continued ash tree treatment operations, and to better ensure fiscal responsibility** based on this data. Program staff deployed canopy traps rigged with a chemical lure that mimicked the volatiles of heavily stressed ash trees which attract EAB. These traps were placed at locations chosen specifically by program staff based on meeting criteria such as the proximity to treated ash trees, lingering ash, and regenerative ash sites.

In 2026, Carter Rogers is developing an in-depth research paper that covers everything from his methodology during the project, to our trapping results, to the conclusions we are drawing based on our professional opinions of these results. Program staff hope to release this research paper to the public and interested stakeholders by the fall of this year.

- **NEW! Spotted Lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*) Early Detection Monitoring:**

Spotted lanternfly (SLF) is an invasive insect with the potential to seriously impact Michigan's agriculture and natural resources. Spotted lanternfly could damage or kill more than **70 varieties** of crops and plants including grapes, apples, hops and hardwood trees. Spotted lanternfly causes damage by sucking sap from host plants and secreting large amounts of a sugar-rich sticky liquid called honeydew. This honeydew and the resulting black, sooty mold can kill plants and foul surfaces. Honeydew often attracts other pests, particularly hornets, wasps and ants, affecting outdoor recreation and complicating crop harvests.

As of **March 2026**, the invasive Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) has now been confirmed in **Jackson, Lenawee, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, and Wayne** counties of Michigan. A small population of SLF was first detected in **2022 in Pontiac**. This infestation was probably started by SLF eggs on nursery stock shipped to Michigan from the east coast. In **2024**, SLF was detected in areas of Monroe and Wayne counties, at least partly reflecting the high-density infestations in Toledo, Ohio, just south of the state border. In **November of**

2025, a resident of Jackson County reported an official confirmed sighting to a citizen science application they were using.

Although adult SLF have wings and can fly, they are also good hitchhikers and can be carried on vehicles and outdoor items. Recent detections in several areas of northern Ohio, along with northern Indiana and Illinois, suggest that SLF is likely to arrive in other Michigan locations soon.

Early detection of Spotted Lanternfly is of utmost importance here in Bay County, and Forest Sustainability Program staff plan on making sure our county is ahead of the curve. In the coming months, staff plan on continuing to map **Tree of Heaven** locations throughout Bay County, a tree which is vital to the Spotted Lanternfly's life cycle and survival. Knowing the locations of these trees throughout the county as well as making landowners aware that they may have Tree of Heaven on their property will be a crucial first step in early detection monitoring.

This fall, program staff also plan on continuing our 2nd field season of developing and deploying "**lampshade traps**" on corresponding **Tree of Heaven** sites throughout Bay County. These traps go around the tree at chest height and promote "**rough surfaced hidden areas**" that are ideal for Spotted Lanternfly egg mass laying. The idea is that if Spotted Lanternfly is to be detected in Bay County, we will have traps in the ideal areas that promote egg mass laying, and we will hope to detect them early enough where the population can be controlled long before an outbreak can occur.

Continued education of the public will be important in terms of early detection of SLF. Program staff will continue to promote early detection practices and identification guides using our Program Newsletter, Press Releases, and printed brochures/pamphlets.

- **Training/Events:**

Continuation as Members of the International Society of Arborists (ISA) and the Michigan ISA Branch (February):

In **February of 2026**, Forest Sustainability Staff members renewed their paid memberships of both the ISA and Michigan ISA to keep up with our continuing education credits and licensing for our Certified Arborist Licenses.

Presenting to the Saginaw Valley Master Gardener Club:

On **February 25, 2026**, program staff members presented on becoming Certified Arborists and "Best Tree Care Practices" to the Saginaw Valley Master

Gardener Group at Zauel Library in Saginaw, MI.

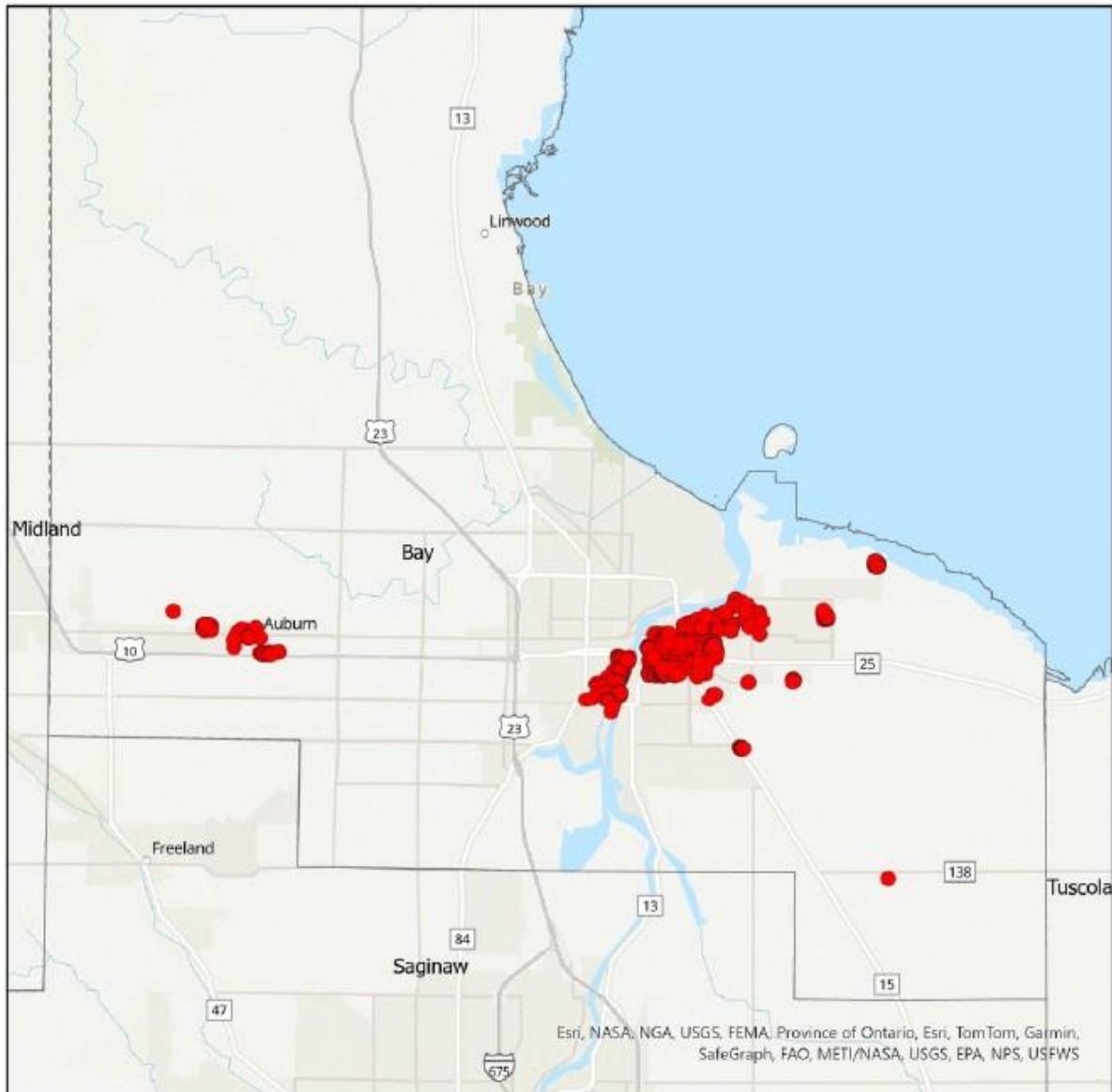
- **KnowB4 Trainings:**
Security Awareness Training (January 27, 2026)
Preventing Workplace Sexual Harassment for Employees Section 1 (March 17, 2026)
What are Protected Classes? Employee Edition (March 17, 2026)
- **Employee Announcements:**
Program Coordinator, Jeremy Lowell, returned to work on **Tuesday, January 27, 2026**, after being off since **November 3, 2025**, due to being on paternity leave for 3 months for the birth of his son.

*****2026 Ash Tree Treatment Map on Next Page*****
Treatment will occur in June of 2026.



Bay County Environmental Affairs and Community Development:
Forest Sustainability Program

2026 Ash Tree Operations: Ash Trees to be Treated



Esri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA, Province of Ontario, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, FAO, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USFWS

0 2.25 4.5 9 Miles

Legend

Trees to be Treated

- Ash Tree Locations
- County Boundaries

Specific areas of ash trees included in the 2026 treatment operations are located along streets and in the locations of the City of Auburn, Portions of the City of Bay City, City of Essexville, Hampton Township, Portsmouth Township, Merritt Township, and Williams Township. Other geographic areas within Bay County containing publicly owned ash trees will be treated in future years, as we rotate treated areas of ash trees within a 3-year cycle.

Mosquito Control

Bid Openings: Bids for control materials were opened January 7 in conjunction with Midland and Tuscola Counties; insecticides were ordered in February, and deliveries are underway for the treatment season.

Board of Commissioners Approvals: The following items were approved in February by the Board: approval to contract with residents to provide adult mosquito surveillance using New Jersey Light Traps; approval to contract with Environmental Rubber Recycling for scrap tire clean-up events; approval to purchase bid insecticides; approval to hire up to 32 seasonal employees at a wage from \$15.25-\$16.25/hour

Hiring: Seasonal Supervisor Alec Leppek was re-called to work on March 2; seasonal employee interviews began in March with up to 32 employees being hired for the summer

Technology: Staff continue to work diligently on customizing a geospatial web-based data management system to suit program needs; additional staff acquired Part 107 UAS Certification; purchased a drone for habitat mapping and surveillance; designed and built new application scoops on 3D printer

Regulatory Compliance: Submitted the MDARD Comprehensive Community Outreach Plan and received approval for 2026; received acknowledgement of submitted NPDES Annual Self-Certification; submitted State Park Event Use application

Spring Treatment Preparation: Monitoring for mosquito larvae and water levels in woodlots began in early-March; coordinated logistics with James Clements Airport staff for use of the airport as the loading site for April aerial treatment; published a legal notice in The Bay City Times to announce treatment season details and residents' ability to opt-out of the program; coordination with the contracted aerial applicator was ongoing throughout March to discuss planned aerial treatment activities and timelines; digitized aerial treatment maps were updated by staff and congested flight plan materials were prepared for the FAA; receiving insecticide deliveries

Other Preparation Prior to the Season: Prepared public notices and postings for outdoor recreation areas; updated route maps for nighttime fogging; updated fleet insurance and registration papers; updated insecticide labels and SDS in all required locations; updated training materials for seasonal staff including training manuals, application guides, and PowerPoint presentations; ensured PPE, application equipment and surveillance traps are ready for the season; scheduled outreach videos with Bay C TV

Biology Department: Continual monitoring of water levels, mosquito development, and temperature degree days to determine start of spring aerial treatment; verification that all insecticides are registered in Michigan prior to the start of the season

Fleet and Equipment: Conversions, repairs, and warranty work continued on fleet vehicles including integrating 3 new vehicles into the fleet; application equipment is being inspected in preparation for the start of the treatment season; purchased a new forklift

Outreach: Staff volunteered at MacGregor School Reading Day; compiled the 2025 Annual Report

Meetings: Staff chaired the Michigan Mosquito Control Association 40th Annual Conference; staff attended the 2026 American Mosquito Control Association meeting; staff is regularly involved with Michigan Mosquito Control Association Board of Directors meetings; staff participated in the annual Technical Advisory Committee meeting with Midland County and Tuscola County and regulatory and industry representatives

Transportation Planning Division/BayCATS

- Maintained discussions on transportation issues with the BayCATS Chairman and MDOT Statewide Planning in preparation for the policy and technical committees. Organized, coordinated, attended, and reported on BayCATS Technical and Policy Committee meetings. Continued review of various trade journals and transportation planning publications. Submitted letters of support for various local agency grant applications. Published Technical/Policy Committee meeting schedule for 2026.
- Completed FY2026 Pass-Through agreement with Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority.
- Attended BayCATS TIP Review meetings hosted by MDOT. Compiled and submitted approved amendments to the State Transportation Improvement Program.
- Continued working to update and verify traffic count data. Continued GIS efforts for integration with transportation planning activities. Continued updating the Bay County web page with current transportation planning committee information. Completed 2025/2026 HPMS review and data collection, submitted to MDOT.
- Maintained Asset Management billings.

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- Continued review of BayCATS 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (Update). Continued drafting of BayCATS 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Participated in meetings as member community on the M-15 Scenic Byway Committee.
- Adopted and approved Michigan Department of Transportation annual Safety, Pavement, and Bridge condition Performance Measures.

GIS Department

- Entered into ESRI Small Municipal Government Enterprise Agreement for GIS Software licensing. Developed local agreements to centralize GIS maintenance between Bay County, Bay County Road Commission, and Bay County Department of Water & Sewer.
- Migrated Equalization Parcel Editing workflow to current ArcGIS Pro environment. Backlogged and updated 2023, 2024, 2025 Bay County parcel records, and developed parcel editing methodology and documentation.
- Began CMPASS (Community of Michigan Professionals Advancing Spatial Sciences) group discount membership, to continue to empower partner departments to utilize GIS networking opportunities.
- Upgraded ArcGIS Server to 11.5.
- Hosted 2025 Aerial Imagery of Bay County & Bay City on ArcGIS Online, Bay County FetchGIS Webviewer, and internally via SQL Server.

Soil Erosion - BASWA

- Completed EGLEs Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan Review and Design certification and the Construction Stormwater Operator certification.
- Began reviewing SESC plans and conducting site inspections.
- Revised programs apart of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit application and applied for permit renewal for 2027.
- Began drafting public education plans/materials required by the MS4 permit.
- Elected as secretary for the Bay Areas Storm Water Authority (BASWA).

EQUALIZATION

- No Report Submitted.

FINANCE

Accounting/Budget

- Preparing for 2025 Audit
- 2025 External Audit Meeting with Auditor, Rehmann
- Two hundred eighteen (218) 1099's were issued for the year ending 2025, totaling \$5,412,735.65
- Prepare for 2027 budget
- Continue to update and review Tyler-Munis workflow and general ledger access
- Attended Rehmann's 2026 Governmental GAAP Update by virtual webinar
- Finance Department working with DOA on Region 7 Audit
- Finance Department hard closed Bay County books for December 31, 2025, on February 17, 2026
- Finance Department facilitates Housing Rehab questions and updates
- Finance and Budget Departments work on Brownfield analysis and accounting
- Finance Department working on the Department of Environmental Affairs budgets and accounting
- Prepared Quarterly Grant Reports
- Prepared Monthly Grant Reports
- Prepared ARPA Reports and reviews for the new Regulations around ARPA
- Conducted inventory at the Civic Arena and Golf Course
- Accounting and Budget Departments work on the following Project Accounting and Analysis:
 - Animal Services & Adoption Construction Project
 - Swimming Pool Construction Project and Locker Room
 - Health Department New Renovated Services Building Project
- Budget Department trains other Departments on Tyler-Munis Software
- Budget, Finance, ISD and Personnel host site visit with Tyler-Munis
- Finance and Budget work on DOJ's ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) Rule and Compliance
- Accounting and Budget Departments working on the New Bond issue for the Swimming Pool. Bond proceeds should be received in May 2026.
- Budget and Accounting are working on reviewing and implementing New Budgeting Software called ClearGov Software

Purchasing

- Released RFQu 2026-01 Bay County Medical Examiner.
- Awarded RFQu 2026-01 Bay County Medical Examiner.
- Released RFP 2026-02 Bay County Jail Chiller Replacement.
- Awarded RFP 2026-02 Bay County Jail Chiller Replacement.
- Working with Personnel to release RFP 2026-04 Applicant Tracking Software.
- Working with B&G/ Recreation and Facilities to release RFP 2026-06 Golf Course Bunker Restoration.
- Released bid for Landbank 2026-05.

- Completed all credit card journal entries.
- Completed all monthly recurring invoices.
- Worked with various departments to resolve issues.
- Member of the Cleargov Personnel and Operational Budgeting software implementation team.
- Member of the ADA Compliance team, responsible for communicating with vendors regarding ADA compliance requirements.

Information Systems Division

Projects Started and Continued:

- Equipment analyzing and purchase for the new Health Services building.
- ADA Compliance for County departments and working with Revize on the new County website.
- Computer replacements for departments with computers that are out-of-warranty.
- Met with vendors and worked on deploying the new switches for major segments of the network.

Worked with various vendors on 2026 projects.

Number of Help Desk tickets closed: 939

HEALTH

Administration

Major items to note during this period include:

1. Construction on the new Health Department offices at 4150 East Wilder Road continues. The site is the home of the future Bay County Health and Human Services Center with Serenus Johnson. The County has begun formal negotiations with the State of Michigan regarding leasing the remaining space at the facility. The renovation for the Health Department area is expected to be completed by June 2026.
2. The Health Department continues to work with McLaren Bay Region to formulate a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) with local health and human services providers in the community. The plan, which typically reflects community health needs and issues (i.e. chronic diseases prevention and targeted interventions) will also incorporate community-based social determinants of health. Accordingly, the Health Department is collaborating with the United Way on a community-based survey of health needs and a report on the "State of the Young Child" in Bay County.
3. The Health Department has inaugurated Diabetes Self-Management Education Services (DSMES) after a two-year hiatus when McLaren Bay Region discontinued the program. DSMES services are currently supported with startup

funding from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

4. Theis working diligently to shore up resources in the event of spread from measles outbreaks that have occurred in SE Michigan in the first quarter of this year.

Breastfeeding Education & Support

The breastfeeding education and support program was created in 2024 to provide said services to moms of newborn infants immediately after delivery and through infancy. Through the current fiscal year, the program has provided over 380 hours of direct services to 809 individuals including new moms and babies.

Environmental Health

A total of seven septic and six well permits were issued this quarter. Thirteen onsite inspections were completed in these programs and two failed systems investigated. Restaurant and temporary food inspections continue, with a total of 96 routine inspections, 27 follow-up inspections, and 4 temporary and mobile units inspections completed. Additionally, three new establishments submitted plans for review and two were approved. There were 10 investigations regarding complaints on food establishments.

Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

CSHCS provides supplemental insurance benefits and services of a registered nurse to children who have a qualifying medical diagnosis to have improved health outcomes and an enhanced quality of life. With the expansion of individuals from birth to age 26 now eligible for this program, BCHD administers the program to 474 individuals from Bay County.

Public Health Services/Communicable Disease (CD) Division

The Bay County Health Department remains vigilant in its investigation of all reportable conditions. During this quarter, the CD Division successfully investigated and resolved 1,118 cases of communicable diseases, the overwhelming majority of which were influenza and COVID. CD staff have worked collaboratively with schools and providers to prepare for potential measles outbreaks in the area as three counties downstate have reported multiple outbreaks.

Health Education

Eat Safe Fish Grant - Community Health Educator continues to conduct outreach on the MDHHS Eat Safe Fish Advisory within Bay, Midland and Saginaw Counties via some outreach events as well as distribution at various businesses and stakeholders.

Immunizations

Immunizations have a fully trained staff that is back to running our regular clinic schedule offering appointments Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays and limited appointments on Thursdays and Fridays. There were 403 vaccines administered during this quarter.

Personal Health/Family Planning

The Personal Health Family Planning (PHFP) Clinic has been able to provide an increased number of days with our Nurse Practitioner to allow initiation of birth control and address other complex sexual health needs. Our clinic has been able to provide scheduled appointments during our normal business hours and has been working on attending outreach events and providing education to the community through social media platforms. During this quarter, the clinic provided health and contraceptive services to 138 women, men, and teens.

Hearing and Vision Program

The Hearing and Vision technicians provide hearing and vision screenings in preschools and schools. Children who do not pass the screening are referred for medical care. Technicians follow up on referrals to ensure children receive medical care. In this quarter, the total number of children screened for Vision: 1,512 and the total number of children screened for Hearing: 2,318

Childhood Lead Program

Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Surveillance System (HHL PSS) is the MDHHS system to report on blood lead levels for all children in Michigan. In Bay County during this time period, one new individual investigations on elevated blood lead levels were completed. Ten children remain followed by case management services.

Maternal Infant Health Department (MIHP)

The Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) completed over 144 visits with clients this quarter through a combination of telehealth, office, and home visits.

WIC ~ Women, Infants and Children Program

New WIC food packages are now available. Some of the food options added include more money for fruits and vegetables, fish, tofu, plant-based milk, nut and seed butter and several new types of whole grain items such as whole grain English muffins, pita and quinoa. WIC is now preparing for the next big project, online shopping for families. Training is coming for employees and vendors in the spring. Bay County WIC enrollment was 1,997 with 96.3% of those actively participating and receiving services.

WIC redemptions (store purchases) generated by local grocery stores totaled \$398,818.00.

JUVENILE DETENTION & CHILD CARE SERVICES

Number of intakes	32
Number of discharges	36
Average Daily Population	10

Financial Overview

- **Per Diem Billing:** Per diem expenses billed to outside jurisdictions totaled approximately \$75,530 for this quarter. The Juvenile Home continues to accept youth placements from other jurisdictions.
- **School Nutrition Reimbursement:** Reimbursement for eligible school nutrition meals this quarter totaled \$6,456.09. The Director continues to manage the School Nutrition Program, which provides monthly reimbursement for eligible breakfasts, lunches, and snacks. Remaining food and meal-related costs are reimbursed at 50% through the Child Care Fund.
- **Child Care Grant & Software Contract:** The Child Care Grant has remained stable with no budget changes this fiscal year.

Staffing Updates

- A full-time Youth Detention Specialist position became vacant following a resignation on March 2026. A full time YDS is in the process of being hired at this time from a previous resignation. Interviews are taking place to hire another full time detention specialist.
- There are currently 3 on call YDWs and interviews for more in the process.

Training & Compliance

- **Employee Completed Training on the Following Topics:**
 - Ethical Boundaries of Youth Workers
 - Working with Justice-Involved Youth: An Overview of Behavioral Health Disorders
 - Using a Strengths-Based Approach with Children and Youth
 - Use of Behavioral Management Strategies in the Supervision of Youth in Custody
- **Compliance & Oversight:**
 - No attempted escapes were reported this quarter.
 - License Renewal Inspection report was received on 2/4/26 with no violations or issues.
 - The Director completed employee evaluations in compliance with CCI Rules.
 - An updated variance for limited youth seclusion was approved and must be submitted again for renewal every 60 days.

- An allegation was investigated by the licensing consultant from Department of Child Welfare Licensing (DCWL) and Maltreatment in Care (MIC) based from an incident that occurred on 1/20/26. There were several interviews with employees, youth, nurse, review of reports and video. This allegation resulted with no violation established with final report received on 3/12/26.
- The Director attended multiple meetings and events, including:
 - Supervisor Meetings
 - Child Welfare Leadership Meetings
 - MJDA Quarterly Meeting
 - TRI-CAP Meeting
 - Unannounced visit from State Licensing Consultant
 - Orientation with DCWL for Court Operated Facility 2/19/26

Youth Monitoring & Engagement by YDWs

Family & Legal Visits:

- 65 phone calls made on behalf of youth
- 92 in-person family visits
- 192 phone visits with family
- 8 virtual family visit
- 122 in-person visits with Probation Officers and DHHS Juvenile Justice Workers
- 40 virtual court hearings
- 16 attorney visits
- 16 advocate meetings

Therapeutic & Medical Services:

- 61 substance abuse therapy sessions
- 7 virtual mental health reviews with doctors
- 13 mental health counseling sessions
- 59 medical visits with contracted nurse
- 1 in-person visit with contracted doctor
- 19 physicals
- 1 on-site X-ray
- 5 dental visits

Medical Oversight:

- The contracted medical provider completed 37 physicals and met with youth at least 105 times for various medical needs.
- The nurse and staff made multiple phone calls and pharmacy trips to manage youth medications.

Service Planning

- Supervisors completed:
 - 36 Discharge Service Plans
 - 36 Initial Service Plans
 - 33 Updated Service Plans

Facility Operations

- Maintenance addressed:
 - HVAC issues
 - Leaking pipes
 - Youth room repairs
- Ongoing facility projects include:
 - Per resolution of the Board of Commissioners the Director has been working through the process of transitioning from a Child Caring Institution to Court Operated Facility. The following tasks have been completed or are in the process.
 - Application to the State
 - Assistance from Buildings and Grounds with Bureau of Fire Services information
 - Letter from Zoning Board that the facility is properly zoned and Certificate of Occupation
 - Statement of need from Circuit Court
 - Continued partnership with Bay Arenac Intermediate School District for the regular school year
 - Hybrid religious services provided by various churches (online and in-person)
 - Continued services from Bay Arenac Behavioral Health (BABH), including Telehealth and medication reviews. BABH liaison visits weekly.
- Youth Detention Specialists have taken on additional responsibilities, including:
 - Extra cleaning duties since the resignation of the part time custodian
 - Transporting meals from the Jail to the facility two days a week
 - Managing this transportation can jeopardize the required staff-to-youth ratios at times requiring additional employees to be scheduled to work.

MSU EXTENSION

- No Report Submitted.

PERSONNEL & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Personnel

- Personnel staff posted jobs for 34 vacancies throughout the county as well as upcoming seasonal summer positions
- The Personnel Director addressed grievances
- The Personnel Director participated in audit meetings
- The Personnel Director consulted with various departments and employees to resolve questions and concerns.
- The Personnel Director and staff have all participated in the KnowBe4 Cyber Security training
- The Personnel Director consulted on disciplinary actions
- The Personnel Director participated in KnowBe4 training and set up county-wide training modules for Sexual Harassment in the Workplace.
- Personnel staff processed 18 FMLA requests and 7 Sick & Accident (short term disability) requests and 2 Paid Parental Leave requests
- Personnel Staff onboarded 19 new employees in the first quarter and 14 returning seasonal employees.
- Personnel Director and staff participated in ongoing Munis/Tyler training for online Onboarding
- Personnel Staff has responded to FOIA requests and employment verifications
- Personnel Staff has started the onboarding for seasonal summer hiring
- Personnel Director created RFP scope and draft for online onboarding software solution

Payroll/Benefits/Retirement

- Filed and paid all monthly and Q4 2025 payroll taxes including MESC, 941 and Michigan state withholding
- The Payroll Clerk spent a significant amount of time updating accruals as well as vacation and contract payouts
- Processed and distributed payroll EFT/checks
- Payroll and Benefits Supervisor processed and distributed 729 W2s
- Filed W2 information with federal and state governments
- Payroll clerk updated wage tables to reflect new minimum wage
- Benefits Administrator Educated employees/retirees on benefits
- The Retirement Administrator and Payroll & Benefits Supervisor attended audit meetings and provided requested items to the auditors
- The Retirement Administrator has been working on GASB reporting
- The Retirement Administrator has continued to provide retirement estimates to employees, as well as processing 9 retirements, 10 refunds, 8 terminations, 12 deceased, and new members
- The Retirement Administrator has responded to numerous FOIA requests
- Payroll, Benefits & Retirement staff all participated in KnowBe4 Cyber Security training
- The Retirement Administrator coordinated and attended board meetings

- The Retirement Administrator coordinated work on the Actuary Audit and worked on year-end items.
- The Benefits Administrator participated in Health Spend Account Webinar and online training for MIOSHA
- The Retirement Administrator updated banking/taxes and premiums as well as sent out missing 1099s.
- Benefits Administrator - Webinar training Brown & Brown March 2026 Quarterly Updates Regulatory & Legislative Strategy
- Payroll and Benefits Supervisor responded to FOIA requests

PUBLIC DEFENDER

There were a total of **223** new criminal cases opened during the quarter. The breakdown is listed below:

Assigned Criminal Matters

Mr. Huber was assigned **36** new felony files.

Mr. Hetherington was assigned **40** new felony files

There were **123** new misdemeanor files assigned to the following personnel:

Mr. Hetherington: **11**

Mr. Bonnell: **100**

Mr. Huber: **10**

There were **6** new felony violation of probation files assigned to Mr. Hetherington.

There were **9** misdemeanor violation of probation files assigned to Mr. Bonnell and **2** to Mr. Hetherington for a quarterly total of **11**.

Mr. Huber also represented a Personal Protection Order file.

Probate Matters

There were **5** new Delinquency cases and **3** new Neglect cases assigned to Ms. Caprathe.

Training

Mr. Huber again attended the Spring CDAM conference in mid-March.

RECREATION & FACILITIES

The Recreation and Facilities Department submits the following report for the 1st quarter of 2026:

During the 1st quarter of 2026, the Recreation and Facilities Department provided day-to-day supervision to the Buildings & Grounds Department and the Recreation Department. Additionally, the department worked on various tasks including but not limited to:

Construction and Maintenance Projects:

- Animal Services - Construction is ongoing. Masonry walls, plumbing, etc. Water issues at the fairgrounds has created some additional work. All is going according well and on time. Attended bi-weekly construction meetings
- Health Services - Significant completion of the health department side has happened through the first quarter of 2026. The Health Department side is really looking good. Color choices, finishes, the entrance, really pops. Construction on our side will be complete mid-May. With a move in date in June after IT related items are completed. Attended bi-weekly construction meetings.
- DOA Kitchen - this project was bid out by Spence Brothers this quarter and is progressing.
- Pool - Design is finalized. The design was released to the public and we received warm and encouraging feedback. Demo started in April.
- Jail Feasibility Study - significant progress was made with Abonmarche Byce in gathering data for their study. Many meetings and walk-throughs happened in the 1st quarter.
- Locker Room - Approval to spend money was received from the granting agency for the CDF funds. This project went out to bid the end of the 1st quarter - bids will be reviewed at the beginning of the 2nd quarter.

All in all, these many construction projects are going very well. I attend monthly financial review meetings with Finance on all these projects to ensure we are within our budget.

Recreation:

- Civic Arena had a great 1st quarter during their high season. I assisted and attended many tournaments and games. This community asset thrives and buzzes with excitement during the hockey season (that never really ends 😊)
- A new Community Center Manager was hired. And a new Community Center Coordinator position was approved. This staffing structure will give the Community Center room to grow as we will now have the support staff to do it.
- Pinconning Park had a better winter ice season this year than the last couple. The park remains busy during the winter as fisherman and sports enthusiast use it as a gateway to the Bay.
- The Golf Course is chomping at the bit to open.

Other items:

- Participated in the purchasing policy update discussion.
- Met regarding reuse of Health Department space.
- Discussion regarding Juvenile Home Fire System plan.
- New mail machine delivered and installed.

Buildings and Grounds

County Building

- Repaired fence at County Building
- Installed two wall hanging monitors and ran electrical/network wire to four new stations in the clerk's office.
- Converted lights to LED
- On the 7th floor, fan coil needed a motor replacement
- Extensive elevator/electric generator work, multiple tests

Law Enforcement Center/911

- Put away snowmobiles for season
- Smart communications up and running for visits and tablets
- Change of filters upstairs with lower level to do still
- New steamers hooked up and running with new filtered water connection
- In the process of swapping stair walls lighting fixtures
- Had contractors come out for a bid proposal of a new chiller
- Putting up and taking down a few cameras for IT
- Ran six new cat lines for new cameras that are up and running

Health Department

- Replaced three-way valve boiler

Juvenile Home/Mental Health Homes

- Bolted down tables at the Juvenile home
- Installed two door closers and upper cabinet at Juvenile home
- Rebuilt hot water valves at Juvenile home, along with replaced pump, filter and motor on boiler
- Lights had an upgrade
- Installed and swapped a temp booster at Juvenile in the crawl space

Courts

- Tore down files at FOC & assembled a bookcase
- Painted Judge Woods Jury Room and Repaired doors at courts and jury rooms
- Installed an AED kit on the wall

- Finished up Traveling Judge's office remodel
- Installed and activated 3 VAV units
- Replaced fan belts and filters on rooftop units
- Installed canopy lights

Community Center/Civic Arena/Golf Course

- Ran network lines for the Labadie lounge
- Had some demo work done on the pool shed and removal of the diving board
- Put together a new treadmill
- Prepped Golf Course for cement work, tore out cement and poured
- Wall was finished and installed a new crash bar at Civic Arena, remodel
- Took down rolling gate and dry walled at Civic Arena
- Tore down pavilion and moved shed from the Community Center to the Civic Arena
- Had an electrical demo done at the Community Center
- Worked on the rooftop units at the Civic Arena
- Recontrol wired unit heater at Civic Arena

Fairgrounds/Animal Control/Mosquito control

- Changed filters & belts
- HVAC at Animal Control
- Installed a 50 AMP plug at Animal Control

County Grounds and Other

- Routine maintenance on mowers and vehicles
- Set poles at the Pinconning Park and pulled electric.
- Dissembled the pavilion at the Community Center
- Secured tax homes with Treasurer's department
- Installed internet at Pinconning Park

Civic Arena

- 16 adult teams for the Winter season
- 259 sub fees for adult league
- Bay County Hockey Association had 9 house teams and 2 travel team to end the winter season and spring draft were held in March. 3 travel teams, 10 house teams
- We hosted the 21st Annual January Freeze (24 teams), MAHA D5 Tier 2 (18 teams) and Tier 3 (23 teams) District tournament, 29th Annual Puck o the Irish for both U6 and U8 (42 teams) and 10-14U (21 teams)
- 19 birthday parties
- 68 drop in hockey

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- 2173 public skaters, 1498 skate rental
- Other users include the Bay City Wolves, Tri-Valley Thunder, Sk8 Bay Figure Skating, Mid-Michigan Development Program, Mid-Michigan Alliance Girls' high school tea, 2017 and 2018 AAU Freeze teams, and Midland Amateur Hockey League along with various private rentals.
- 540 skate sharpening
- 321 stick and puck
- 379 skills & drills

Hours of ice for Jan-Mar 2026

- January ice hours: 466.50 hours
- February ice hours: 398.50 hours
- March ice hours: 340.50 hours

Community Center

Fitness Class Offerings:

Fit Fun	Mon. Weds. & Fri.	9:00am - 9:45am	25 participants per class
Yoga Fit	Tues. & Thurs	9:30am - 10:15am	20 participants per class
Chair Fitness	Tuesdays	11:00am - 11:30am	20 participants per class
Chair Yoga	Thursdays	11:00am - 11:30am	15 participants per class
Line Dancing	Wednesdays	10:30am - 1:00pm	15 Participants per class

Open Volleyball: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 am-12:00 pm, Saturdays 11:30 am-2:30 pm, an average of 12-15 players per session utilize our gym for volleyball. Indoor play will continue through 3rd week of May and will resume indoors in September 2026.

Badminton: Tuesdays 12:30 pm-2:30 pm 12-15 participants per session through May 13, then they will be off for the rest of the summer and will resume in the fall.

Pinochle: Fridays 12:00pm - 3:00pm. An average of 10 participants play per day and will continue through May, then they will be off for the rest of the summer and will resume in the fall.

Mahjong: Thursdays 10:00am - 12:30pm. An average of 10 participants play per day and will continue through May, they then will be off for the rest of the summer and will resume in the fall.

Event	Sum of People
Pickleball	1705
Basketball	306
Pinochle	106
Line Dancing	112
Majong	39
Badminton	125
Soccer	68
Volleyball	455
TCOVb	53
Official Driving	17
Grand Total	2986

Pickleball: 1705+ players for this quarter.

Volleyball Women's League: 24 teams played on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at

6pm -10pm. This series will conclude the third week of May. The next series will begin in September 2026.

***Michigan Youth Basketball Association** - 1st season; 94 participants played this quarter on Sundays from 12:00pm - 5:00pm. 2nd season will begin April 19th with 146 participants playing Sundays from 10:00am - 8:00pm. The Michigan Youth Basketball program is a statewide youth league offering basketball opportunities for kids from kindergarten through 12th grade, focused on teaching fundamental skills in a fun, structured environment. It typically runs short seasonal leagues (around 8 weeks) with games, playoffs, and trained coaches, while also emphasizing teamwork, sportsmanship, and overall player development.



Coaching: Monday - Friday the small gym is rented for youth basketball 5pm-7pm. The cost is \$3 per athlete and \$5 per coach to use the gym.

Summer Recreation Program: Registration is open and the hiring process has begun. Participant numbers are hopeful to have 100+ enrollees ranging from 5-14 years old and looking to hire 16 staff members again this year. This year's program will begin Monday June 8, 2026, featuring a variety of sports, games, and crafts, as well as presentations from Bay County Animal Services, Bay County Library System, Cardio Drumming, American Chemical Society, and a field trip to Bay City State Park Splash Park. The fun continues through July 31, 2026.

Canteen Usage: Tuesday through Thursday the Canteen serves as a DOA meal site. The Canteen hosted private rentals this quarter for 1(one) baby shower, 4(four) fair board meetings and 1(one) 4H meeting.

Community Center Rentals: Frequently rented Saturdays and Sundays for baby showers, bridal showers, birthday parties, graduation, parties, celebration of life and other private rentals. Total rentals for this quarter were 49.



Highlights of events at the Community Center this quarter include:

- Holistic Fair - 200+ attendees; at-will donations for the Can Council of Bay City, Crafts, food, energy work/readers, shopping and more.
- Spring Craft Bazar - 100+ attendees; hosted by Wenonah Chapter of American Business Women's Association. Proceeds are donated to a scholarship fund. Artisans, crafters and makers of all kinds.

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- Travel Agent Showcase - 100+ attendees; Sheila Tenwalde, Travel Club yearly showcase meeting.

Pinconning Park

The first of the year brought enough cold weather to freeze the Saginaw Bay over, resulting in a good volume of ice fishers. This brought great sales of day, and yearly park passes as well as decent cabin rentals during January and February.

Open 2026 camping reservations started January 1st. As usual, we booked about 80% of our sites from mid-May thru September in the first two months of the year. As the ice and snow thawed, time came to work on projects for 2026. These projects included:

- Detailed bathhouse repainting and restoring.
- Stripping and re-waxing office and backroom floors.
- Continued board walk repairs.
- Cleaned up park trail system of fallen trees and debris.
- Intense clean up of campsites and cabin yards of leaves, sticks, branches and gravel from snow plowing.
- Boating dock repairs.
- Repositioned parking lot bumpers and noted some for replacement.
- Restored nine sturdy old oak chairs for use in cabins and offices.
- With help from I T and B&G the wireless internet for the campground was upgraded.
- Purchased a new upright freezer to hold and freeze fish scraps for tri-weekly disposal.