

## Frankenmuth City Facts

- The City offers 18 parks for public open space and enjoyment.
- 75% of the cost to improve Park Drive through Memorial Park last year was funded through a Palmer Foundation Grant.
- Your Mayor, City Councilmembers and appointed board, commission and committee members serve without compensation.
- The DPW maintains 28.3 miles of streets and over 55 miles of sidewalks.
- Frankenmuth Police Department logged 10,210 computer aided dispatch calls last year.
- City Beautification Committee collected contributions from 399 private donors. They placed 310 flower baskets on City streetlights.
- Frankenmuth has 27 volunteer firefighters with a combined 302 years of service. That's an average of over 11 years of experience per firefighter.
- 399 Building, Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing permits were issued. Construction inspectors made 672 inspections on job sites.
- Nov. 2012 General Election had a 79.78% turnout (3,964 eligible voters).
- The City has 2,659 parcels that are assessed for taxes. The State Equalized Value of those parcels is \$275,084,600.
- Frankenmuth Police Department has 25 volunteer reserve officers. Those volunteers put in just over 7,000 hours each year.
- The wastewater treatment plant's average daily gallons of wastewater treated are 800,000 gallons. The peak water flow through the plant has been as high as seven million gallons of wastewater.
- The City had 31 full-time employees in 2006. Today we have 25.
- Instead of hauling it to a landfill, the wastewater plant generates about 200 dry tons of biosolids annually that is applied to farmland as a sustainable fertilizer. This land application is done under permit.
- The Water Dept. oversees 72.31 miles of water main, 652 fire hydrants, 1,429 water valves and 2,834 water customers.
- Mobile Medical Response (our local ambulance service) had 948 responses with an average response time of 6 minutes and 46 seconds.
- Frankenmuth Fire Dept.'s average response time is 7 minutes. FFD averages 106 responses per year. Volunteers log over 5,200 hrs. annually.
- Did you know that it costs \$24.86 per ton to throw items into the landfill, and less than \$17.50 per ton to process recyclables at the recycling plant?
- The average daily water consumption for Frankenmuth is 889,000 gallons. The highest daily consumption recorded was 1,780,000 gallons.
- The DDA retrofitted streetlights to LED technology and is realizing a \$10,000 annual savings. This retrofit was financed by a state grant.
- The Beautification Committee places 143 flags around the City (including United States, Canada, Germany, Michigan and the U.S. Armed Forces).
- Frankenmuth has three fountains at the following locations: Willkommen Park, Chamber Platz and the Gunzenhausen Platz.
- There are 4,944 residents in the City. The average age is 50.1 years.
- Gunzenhausen, Germany has been Frankenmuth's Sister City for 51 years.
- The May electronics waste collection at Frankenmuth Insurance netted 18 tons of e-waste.
- Frankenmuth City & Township are one of a few governments in the state that share a Master Plan for land use which helps maintain our uniqueness.
- Frankenmuth is one of 35 communities in the Mid-Michigan Waste Authority and the Saginaw Geographical Information Systems Authority.
- The DPW maintains approximately 193,000 ft. of sanitary sewer mains & 200,000 ft. of storm sewer mains.
- Publicly owned trees, including street and park trees, number over 4,000.
- With the use of sugar beet extract, the DPW applies nearly 350 tons of road salt in an average year – which is a 100 ton reduction.
- The Saginaw Co. Commission on Aging operates a senior center at the City & Township Government Center that offers lunches and meals-on-wheels.
- A \$28,000 annual savings will be realized due to Consumers Energy retrofitting all existing mercury vapor (white colored) City streetlights to sodium vapor (amber color).
- We receive profit sharing on recyclables processed. A net credit has been realized four of the last five years of nearly \$10,000. The City is doing well at a 21% recycling rate, but there is much potential to do even better if we all get into "Recycle-Motion" and divert the many allowed recyclable items out of the trash and into the bin. With a few simple changes, we could easily increase the recycling rate to nearly 40% recycling diversion! If you compare the actual charges and credits for recyclables processed for the City of Frankenmuth to what the charges would have been to simply throw those items into the trash and landfill them, our savings soar to more than \$45,300.