

**MAYOR'S REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AND CITIZENS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO
March and April, 2026**

Waynesboro Police and Fire Foundation (WPF)

The Waynesboro Police and Fire Foundation (WPF) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization established in 2025 to support and enhance the emergency services departments of the Borough of Waynesboro. Our initial project focused on raising funds for the Fire Department to purchase a thermal imaging camera—a critical piece of equipment costing \$8,615. We are sincerely grateful to the organizations and individuals whose generosity made it possible to secure this much-needed resource.

Drone Program

The Waynesboro Police Department, in partnership with the Mayor's Office, supports the acquisition of two DJI 4TD drones and one DJI Avata 2 drone, along with necessary accessories. This equipment is being fully funded through a PCCD grant totaling \$34,638.95. These drones will serve our emergency services organizations and significantly enhance both public and responder safety.

New Police Vehicle

A new police vehicle was purchased in March, fully funded through a generous donation from WellSpan Health. The vehicle is currently being retrofitted and is expected to be placed into service as early as May.

Career Services Event

The Borough's Police and Fire Departments will participate in the Waynesboro Area School District's First Choice Career Day on April 16. This event provides an excellent opportunity to engage students and encourage interest in careers in emergency services.

Police Recruitment and Retention

The Police Department currently has three open positions. The interview process has been completed, and three conditional offers have been extended. We are now in the final stages of hiring. These candidates are expected to begin the police academy in July 2026 and could be sworn in as officers by January 2027.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dade Royer, Mayor, April 15, 2026