

MUNICIPAL HOME RULE
PROGRAM

City/Town of MAN

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REPORT



WV Municipal Home Rule Board
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West Virginia State Code §8-1-5a (m) provides:

“Commencing December 1, 2015, and each year thereafter, each participating municipality shall give a progress report to the Municipal Home Rule Board and commencing January 1, 2016, and each year thereafter, the Municipal Home Rule Board shall give a summary report of all the participating municipalities to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.”

The Municipal Home Rule Board has developed this standard format for Home Rule Program participating municipalities to prepare and submit their respective Annual Progress Reports. The intent of this standard format is to gather and compile information in a consistent, easily understood, and efficient manner that will be used to develop a concise and practical summary report to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Annual Progress Reports must be submitted electronically as an individual file in PDF format no later than the close of business on the first business day of December, by emailing to WV Municipal Home Rule Board at MunicipalHomeRule@wv.gov.

A. General Information		
Name of Municipality:		
Certifying Official: John Fekete	Title: Mayor	
Contact Person: Misty Morgan	Title: City Clerk	
Address: P O Box 70		
City, State, Zip: Man, WV 25635		
Telephone Number: 304-583-9631	Fax Number: 304-583-2741	
E-Mail Address: townofman@frontier.com		
2020 Census Population: 950		
B. Municipal Classification		
<input type="checkbox"/> Class I	<input type="checkbox"/> Class II	<input type="checkbox"/> Class III x Class IV
C. Attest		
I hereby confirm that I am the authorized official for this municipality and certify that the information submitted herein and attached hereto is true and accurate and that this report addresses each and every initiative included in the original Home Rule Pilot Program Plan Application for this municipality and any subsequent amendments, if applicable.		
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Type Name of Certifying Official	Signature of Certifying Official	Date

Please use this page to report progress on each **non-tax related initiative** included in your Home Rule Application and Amendment(s). Each non-tax related initiative must be listed on a separate page.

Initiative:
Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ?
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted?
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative which highlights successes realized through the implementation of this initiative and any metrics used to track performance.
LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.

Please use this page to report progress on each **tax related initiative** included in your Home Rule Application. Each tax related initiative must be listed on a separate page.

Initiative:
Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> or N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, when was the ordinance enacted?
If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).
<p>REVENUES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting revenue amounts and revenue categories realized; revenue amounts and revenue categories reduced; net revenue gain; and, any metrics used to track performance.</p> <p>During this year revenues from Home Rule was over \$204,000. These monies continue to be segregated in a separate account. All expenses continue to be paid directly out of that account and are easily traceable.</p> <p>The impact of the B & O rate reduction continues to be positive. Businesses outside the Town limits are seeking to be annexed by the Town because of increased police protection and other services the Town was not able to provide. B & O continue to grow even with the rate reduction.</p>
<p>SUCSESSES -</p> <p>During the current year the Town was able to accomplish a few things: First: The Town was able to start the process of turning an abandoned pool and its surrounding land into a planned Splashpad and Pickleball complex. The entire project hasn't been fully funded but parts have been undertaken and ground has been broken. Without Home Rule, this could not have been done. In addition, river access has been undertaken to help preserve the Town's portion of the Guyandotte River. Second: The Town continues to take steps to Beautify the Town. Beautification projects to plant flowers and trees have been undertaken. Areas needing clean up have been taken on. Each year beautification budgets have gone up to accomplish that goal. Third,: Our ability to hire and keep employees has improved because of Home Rule.</p>
<p>LESSONS LEARNED – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting lessons learned during implementation of this revenue initiative that would benefit other municipalities.</p> <p>One major lesson we keep seeing: Success breeds success. More residents are joining in the process instead of complaining about the process. Home rule enables us to do that.</p>