

MUNICIPAL HOME RULE PROGRAM

City of Moundsville

2025
PROGRESS
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.

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| A. General Information | | | |
| Name of Municipality: City of Moundsville | | | |
| Certifying Official: Richard Healy | Title: City Manager | | |
| Contact Person: Richard Healy | Title: City Manager | | |
| Address: 800 6 th Street | | | |
| City, State, Zip: Moundsville, WV 26041 | | | |
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| rhealy@cityofmoundsville.com | | | |
| 2020 Census Population: 7,934 | | | |
| B. Municipal Classification | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class I | <input type="checkbox"/> Class II | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class III | <input type="checkbox"/> 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. | | | |
| Richard Healy City Manager |  | 11-21-25 | |
| Type Name of Certifying Official | Signature of Certifying Official | Date | |

Initiative: Implementing Better Dilapidated Structure Remedies

Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application or a plan amendment or N/A

Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? Yes No

If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? August 4, 2020

If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).

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.

SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting projects, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance.

The ordinance has provided additional and alternative methods and processes to enforce the municipal code provisions regarding exterior sanitation, common nuisances, zoning violations, and floodplain violations, related to dilapidated property in a fair, speedy, and inexpensive manner, and to improve compliance with such provisions. Code enforcement officials were given authority to issue citations, the city was given authority to remediate issues, and a speedier method to apply repayment liens was implemented.

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.

The process has made the enforcement process quicker and eliminated additional paperwork. It has proven successful in most cases. It has been found, however, that with regular offenders, the previous method of bringing them to court immediately is the better way.

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.

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| Initiative: Initiative: Streamlining Collection and Lien Procedures |
| Was this non-tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> ? |
| Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? June 21, 2016 |
| 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. City collections of delinquent taxes and fees were streamlined and are now collected through municipal court rather than magistrate court, saving filing fees and personnel time. Also, there is a more efficient means to obtain and record liens for delinquencies. |
| 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. Not of significance. |

Initiative: Consolidation of City Business Licenses

Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application or a plan amendment or N/A

Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? Yes No

If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? October 4, 2016

If no, please describe challenges faced in enacting the related ordinance(s).

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.

SUCCESES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting projects, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance.

City Business Licenses are now more uniform, more easily understood by business owners, and easier to administer by office staff.

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.

Not applicable.

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.

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| Initiative: Implementing of 1% Sales Tax |
| Was this tax initiative a part of your original plan application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or a plan amendment <input type="checkbox"/> or N/A <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Has the ordinance(s) needed to implement this initiative been enacted? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| If yes, when was the ordinance enacted? November 15, 2016 |
| 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>Collections pursuant to this ordinance went into effect July 1, 2017. The city has realized total revenue of \$14,064,324.34 through the 3rd quarter of 2025, with \$2,231,124.89 collected in the previous four quarters.</p> |
| <p>SUCSESSES – In the space below, please provide a brief narrative highlighting projects, improvements, programming, etc. realized through the implementation of this revenue initiative and any metrics used to track performance.</p> <p>PAVING \$459,949.26 DEMOLITION \$21,902.36 RECREATION \$284,730.48. Funds to be used for initial costs of proposed indoor recreation center. NEW CITY BUILDING PROJECT \$744,679.73 ARTS & CULTURE/STRAND THEATER SUPPORT \$55,205.47 RECYCLING PROGRAM SUPPORT \$21,902.36 HISTORIC LANDMARKS \$21,902.36 Helped with landscaping in the Historic Business District. TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES \$21,902.36 Purchased new City Hall & Police Department equipment & software. POLICE, FIRE & STREET DEPARTMENT \$65,707.02 each LAND REUSE AGENCY \$43,804.67 To purchase dilapidated properties through WVSAO ONTRAC PROGRAM \$43,804.67 Funding indoor & exterior grants and an event to promote the Historic Business District BUFFER FUNDS \$273,329.73 Helped Historical Society purchase new facility.</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>City Council continues to review the allocation regularly. A plan to extend these funds is provided to Council by the Finance Director/City Manager.</p> |