

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



Special Improvement District

Downtown Newark



A Message from Leadership

It is midway through 2026, and we have a tremendous story to tell. Downtown Newark is a thriving community, continuously improving.

We welcome The Morning Harvest Café on South Park Place and The Stockyard Grill on North Third Street. Both restaurants are drawing good crowds and are adding to the vitality of Downtown Newark. If you haven't experienced them, please do.

Demand for downtown retail space has not been this strong since the 1970s. A space on South Third became available and it was quickly leased to Jolene's, a coffee shop and bookstore. We look forward to the grand opening.

The Louis Sullivan building restoration is now fully complete and attracting visitors from far

and wide. The completed Arcade has been fully leased, all 21 commercial spaces and 19 apartment units. Before year's end, two more restaurants will be opening in the Arcade: Fantuzzo's and Hudson on Third/Via. More good news for the Downtown area.

After a brief pause, the Special Improvement District is back in the parking enforcement business. With the completion of the well-located +/-400 space parking garage and with the city working on creating a managed parking plan, we hope to no longer be the parking enforcer by the time our next Annual Report is sent out.

Melissa Haines and her crew are keeping the summer flowers vibrant and healthy, and truly make our downtown clean, green, and beautiful. We continue to be blessed by having these dedicated people working with us.

All in all, your board of directors is proud of the progress the downtown has made in the past decade. We believe that your willingness to invest in the Special Improvement District is a major component in that progress. We thank you for your support.

The Board of Directors, Downtown Newark Special Improvement District

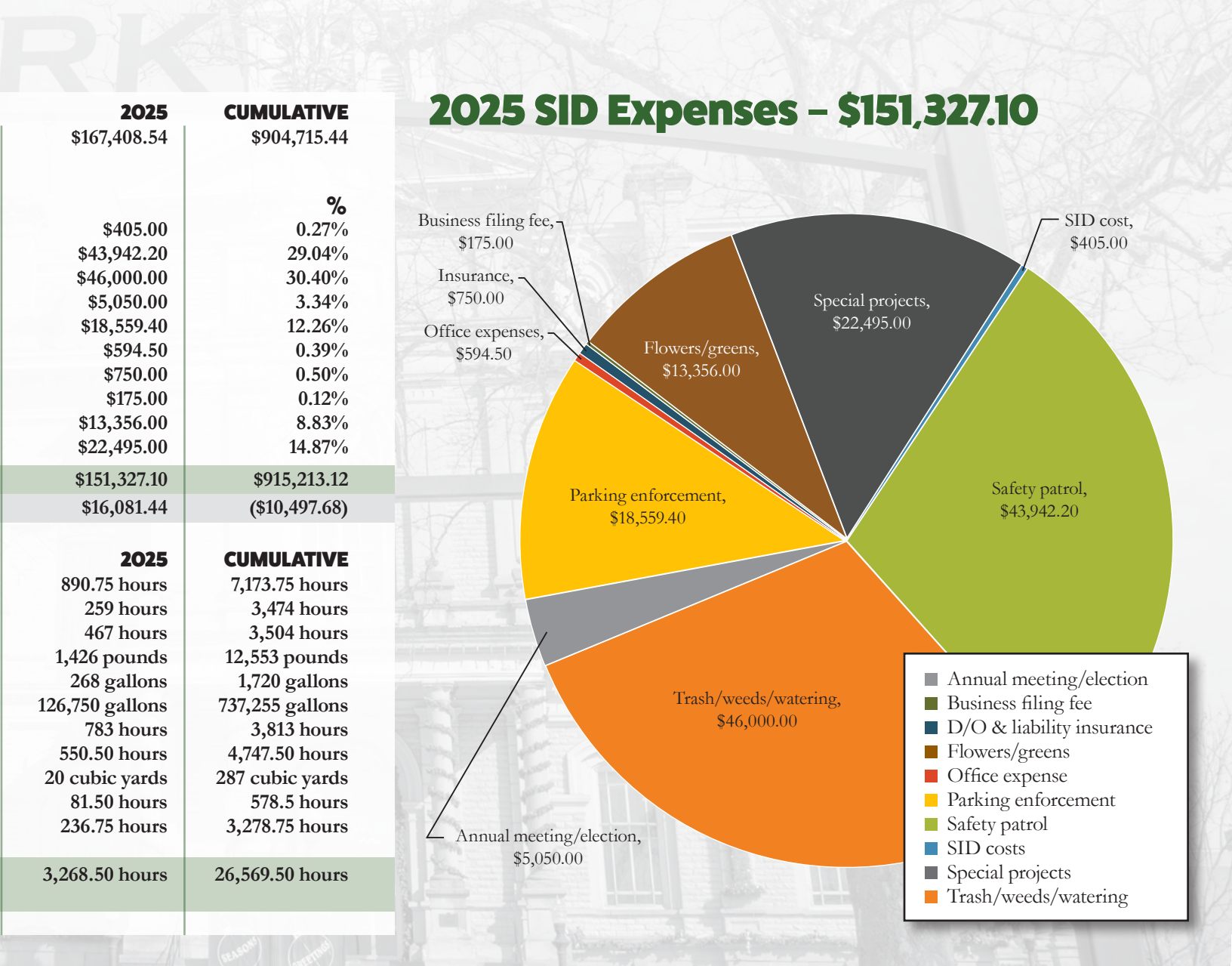
2025 Statement of Financial Activities

Public Support & Revenue

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
SID assessments	\$138,047.66	\$135,268.73	\$134,084.72	\$166,161.57	\$163,744.22
Expenses					
SID cost	\$9,303.50	\$750.00	\$14,255.80	\$2,253.62	\$1,529.98
Safety patrol	\$68,664.01	\$48,204.45	\$54,845.66	\$50,322.15	\$61,024.05
Trash/weeds/watering	\$33,500.00	\$37,000.00	\$39,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$46,000.00
Annual meeting/election	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$345.00	\$1,030.00	(\$976.25)
Parking enforcement	\$14,937.62	\$17,340.75	\$36,826.80	\$38,831.40	\$35,380.80
Office expenses	\$463.03	\$225.35	\$55.95	\$0.00	\$0.00
D/O and liability insurance	\$535.00	\$659.00	\$659.00	\$659.00	\$659.00
Business filing fee	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$698.20	\$50.00	\$50.00
Flowers/greens	\$15,035.00	\$20,840.00	\$18,102.00	\$11,500.00	\$12,720.00
Special projects	\$3,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$137.15	\$10,000.00	\$459.00
Total expenses	\$147,988.16	\$137,569.55	\$164,925.56	\$156,556.17	\$156,846.58
Surplus/(deficit)	(\$9,940.50)	(\$2,300.82)	(\$30,840.84)	\$9,605.40	\$6,897.64

Statistics

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Safety patrol	1,492 hours	1,283 hours	1,127 hours	1,163 hours	1,218 hours
Parking enforcement	349 hours	491 hours	800 hours	863 hours	712 hours
Weeding/trash clean-up	784 hours	487 hours	405 hours	672 hours	689 hours
• Garbage collected	1,532 pounds	1,816 pounds	1,839 pounds	3,726 pounds	2,214 pounds
• Weed spray used	212 gallons	201 gallons	243 gallons	387 gallons	409 gallons
• Water used	105,025 gallons	116,200 gallons	99,050 gallons	133,200 gallons	157,000 gallons
• Time spent watering	601 hours	614 hours	459 hours	546 hours	810 hours
Mowing/trimming/mulching	962 hours	1,128 hours	421 hours	906 hours	780 hours
• Mulch used	70 cubic yards	21 cubic yards	30 cubic yards	86 cubic yards	60 cubic yards
Snow removal/de-icing/sweeping	163 hours	99 hours	117 hours	29 hours	89 hours
Miscellaneous jobs	313 hours	683 hours	1,141 hours	492 hours	413 hours
Total labor hours on environmental maintenance and flowers	4,664 hours	4,785 hours	4,470 hours	4,671 hours	4,711 hours





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