

# NORWALK INFRASTRUCTURE

Norwalk takes a pro-active approach to building and maintaining the city's infrastructure. Planning ahead for growth and development, Norwalk is well positioned to serve the current and future needs of area businesses, industries and citizens.

## **ROADS**

The City of Norwalk is perched between Cleveland and Toledo and 4 miles South of the Ohio Turnpike (80/90). Norwalk is well served by not only the nearby Ohio Turnpike, but also US 250, US 20, SR 18, SR 61 and SR 13, all of which are within the city limits. Adding in the remaining street network results in about 75 miles of very well-maintained roadway in the City.

**RAIL** <http://www.wlerwy.com/>

Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway lines bisect the City as they traverse the City limits in an East/West fashion.

## **WATER RESOURCES**

For drinking water, the City relies primarily on a reservoir system that retains 699 million gallons of water at any given time, to treat and distribute to the City's residents. This reservoir is supplemented by Northern Ohio Rural Water and by pumping water from Norwalk Creek for an essentially infinite supply of water regardless of weather conditions. The city has a balanced water pressure system to meet all fire code standards (ISO rating of 4) and may reduce the investment for companies utilizing it.

## **WASTEWATER SYSTEM**

The city updated the Sewer Treatment plant in 2007, increasing its total capacity to treat 8.5 MGD. With an average treatment of 2.5 MGD, that leaves 6.0 MGD in available capacity. Current EPA mandates have been met including a new administrative building with laboratory.

**NATURAL GAS** <http://www.columbiagasohio.com/en/home.aspx>

Columbia Gas of Ohio (NiSource Gas Transmission) provides Natural Gas to Norwalk with a 12-inch high pressure line.

**ELECTRICITY** <http://www.firstenergycorp.com/index.html>

Norwalk is served by Ohio Edison, a First Energy group. The city contains 1,428 streetlights (not counting uptown street lights), providing adequate lighting for night time safety and security.

**RENEWABLE ENGERGY**

Norwalk is constantly researching resources for renewable energy in an effort to not only be environmentally friendly, but offer additional cost savings to residents and businesses. Most recently a wind assessment study was commissioned, in part by the City of Norwalk to determine the viability of solar and wind energy within the City. Results should be available in early 2011.

**CABLE** <http://www.timewarnercable.com/neowpa/>

Norwalk is well served city-wide by Time Warner cable for TV, phone and internet services. Norwalk is also home to an area Time Warner Cable service department.

**PHONE** <http://www22.verizon.com/>

Residential (land line) phone and internet service is provided locally by Verizon. Norwalk is also home to an area Verizon service department.

**AIR** <http://www.huroncountyairport.com/>

Locally, the Huron County airport serves as a general aviation facility which is open to the public. This facility is located 3 miles East of the City limits.

**TRUCKING**

Former home to Norwalk Truck Line Co., one of the first trucking companies in the country, in 1923. The Truck Line became the largest independently-owned trucking company in the world. The company served as inspiration for Norwalk High School's mascot, the Truckers. The City still boasts many truck-friendly infrastructure features, like generous turning radii and pavement designs.

**FUEL** <http://www.sunrisecoop.com/>

Norwalk serves as a local agricultural cooperative on the East side for Sunrise Cooperative, Inc. Norwalk is also home to a Sunrise Energy department office.