



## 2021 Recycling and Litter Prevention Program Community and Litter Grant

### Community and Litter Grant Eligible Projects

Local governments and nonprofits can receive funding to purchase equipment for the collection and processing of recyclables and construction and demolition debris. These organizations can also receive funding to implement litter collection events, outreach, and education. Tire amnesty programs, with a minimum \$0.50/tire collection fee, are an eligible activity for local governments. Grantees have 12 months to complete the project.

Project Category	Maximum Grant Request	Project Examples <i>examples are illustrative and not all-inclusive</i>
Construction and Demolition Debris (C&DD) Recycling	\$200,000	Systems and individual equipment to collect and process C&DD material at the point of generation or disposal.
Curbside Recycling	\$200,000	Equipment related to the implementation of a new community curbside recycling service or an expansion of an existing program.
Material Recovery Facility Recycling (MRF)	\$200,000	The establishment of a new or expansion of an existing material recovery facility.
Drop-off Recycling	\$100,000	Purchase of equipment for start-up or the expansion of drop-off recycling collection programs.
Recycling Equipment	\$100,000	Equipment for collecting and/or processing a recyclable material (e.g. cardboard, glass, plastic, organics, etc.)
Special Venue Recycling	\$50,000	Recycling collection program targeted at sporting venues and entertainment facilities.
Outreach and Education Training	\$50,000	Creating new or updating current recycling and litter prevention education and training materials.
Litter Clean-up Events	\$40,000	Equipment, materials, and supplies for an on-going litter collection effort. Also, contractual costs associated with the actual collection and disposal costs of material from public land.
Tire Amnesty Collection	\$40,000	Amnesty collection of scrap tires. Applicant is required to charge a \$0.50 minimum fee as part of this grant.
Surveillance Cameras	\$25,000	Surveillance cameras for litter law enforcement efforts.
Sponsorships (Statewide Conferences)	\$3,000	Sponsor statewide recycling and litter prevention conferences that promote environmental efforts and technologies.
KAB Certification Fee	\$4,500	Certification fee for Keep America/Ohio Beautiful.
KAB Annual Renewal Fee	\$550	Renewal fee for Keep America/Ohio Beautiful.

### Combination Grant Requests

A single application may include a combination of grant requests. For example, a litter collection event, drop-off containers, and outreach and education may be included in one application. Combination grant requests will be evaluated as a single application, not by the individual activities. A combination grant request is eligible if:

- the requested total amount equals \$100,000 or less;
- the request does not include C&DD, curbside recycling, or Material Recovery Facility recycling;
- KAB certification and KAB renewal may not be requested together.

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## Allowable Costs

### Equipment and Signage

- Purchase of recycling equipment.
- Purchase or rental of equipment, tools, and supplies for litter cleanups.
- Safety and awareness signage.

### Goods and Services

- Disposal fees for litter and tire amnesty collection projects.
- Produce, print, and distribute advertising and awareness materials.
- Purchase litter clean-up awareness items such as t-shirts, reusable bags, magnets, etc.
- Purchase tools and supplies necessary to implement the project.
- Site improvements directly related to projects.
- Sponsorships.

### Personal Services Contract

- Contracts covering the costs necessary for services of public or private contractors related to the project.

## Additional Information

Those eligible to apply include the following:

- Municipal corporations, counties, townships, villages, solid waste management districts or authorities, park districts, health districts, state agencies, statewide recycling and litter prevention trade organizations, and non-profit organizations.
- A 25 percent match is required (match is calculated as a percentage of the grant request).
- Financial match must be a cash or credit. Using “in kind” and funds from other grant programs is prohibited.
- Grant period is 12 months (July 1 through June 30).
- Grant and match funds must be spent within the grant period.
- No outstanding financial or environmental compliance issues with applicant.
- No partial awards are issued.
- If awarded, timeline extensions and/or additional grant funds are not allowable.
- If awarded, initial payment of 50 percent is released on July 1 and remaining funds are released after a completed electronic closeout report is submitted and approved by Ohio EPA.
- Applications and grant closeout reports are submitted online at <https://ohioepa.custhelp.com/app/apply>.

For more information, please visit [recycleohio.gov](http://recycleohio.gov) or contact us at [recycle@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:recycle@epa.ohio.gov).

## Unallowable Costs

### Non-reimbursable costs

- Costs not identified under Allowable Costs.
- Employees’ salaries, benefits, or administrative costs.
- Financial services and grant writing fees.
- Food or entertainment expenses, including procurement of coolers, grills, etc.
- Bulk fuel for transportation or equipment.
- Land acquisition.
- Payment to individuals, crews, volunteers, or organizations to pick up litter.
- Website development and maintenance.
- Unmanned aerial vehicles (Drones).

### Non-reimbursable activities

- In-kind donations as part of match.
- Replacing operational funds with grant funding.
- Tire amnesty and litter collection projects conducted on private property.
- Surveillance cameras for litter law enforcement efforts on private property.
- Recycling of hazardous waste.
- Materials not generally found in the municipal solid waste stream.