



Lorain County Solid Waste Management District 2006 Annual Report



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Our Mission

***To Implement The Lorain County Solid Waste Management Plan
By Educating And Encouraging Recycling Efforts,
Waste Reduction & Litter Prevention In Lorain County.
Reduce · Reuse · Recycle!***

Message from the Director

The District placed significant emphasis and focus in 2006 on the development of the Solid Waste Management Plan Update. The Plan Update was submitted to Ohio EPA for review and the District responded to comments. The Lorain County Solid Waste Management Policy Committee was also very active in 2006. Programs to increase recycling and improve the community grant funding formula was at the top of the Policy Committee's agenda. While the Plan Update was an area of priority, District staff continued to implement all of the successful programs offered by the District. The following section summarizes the highlights for 2006:

2006 Highlights

- ◆ Grant Funding – The District's program to assist communities with the implementation of their recycling programs continued this year. In 2006, the District provided approximately \$1.5 million in grants to local governments to help with their recycling programs.
- ◆ Local Programming - The District continues to offer programs to Lorain County residents and businesses including the following recycling collections: Household Hazardous Waste, Scrap Tire, Phone Book, Electronics-Scrap, Fluorescent Bulb and Ballast Recycling and Household Batteries. Take a look at our website www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste for the dates and times of upcoming events.
- ◆ Landfill Capacity – The Allied Waste Industries Lorain County Landfill continues to have enough capacity to manage all of the county's waste for more than ten years. This is the legal requirement for obtaining a Plan approval. As of December 31, 2006, over 20 years of landfill capacity remains at the Lorain County Landfill. This landfill provides a local option for solid waste disposal which many solid waste districts cannot offer. The landfill also provides a direct economic benefit to Lorain County residents by charging out-of-district residents a \$4.00 per ton fee which supports the operations of the solid waste district. In 2006, residents and businesses outside Lorain County provided over 2.7 million dollars of the District's funding.
- ◆ Revolving Loan Program - The District continues to provide loans through the Revolving Loan Program for Lorain County businesses and organizations that utilize post consumer recyclable materials either in their building materials or their manufacturing process. The objectives of this program are to promote recycling business opportunities; to provide additional markets for recycled materials; to retain or create recycling related jobs; and to increase manufacturing capacity for recyclable materials in Lorain County by working with existing businesses and attracting new businesses to the region.

This Annual Report contains information about many of our other programs and services, and it includes facts and figures about solid waste management in Lorain County. If you have questions or comments about any of this information we want to hear from you. Please call us at 1-800-449-5463.

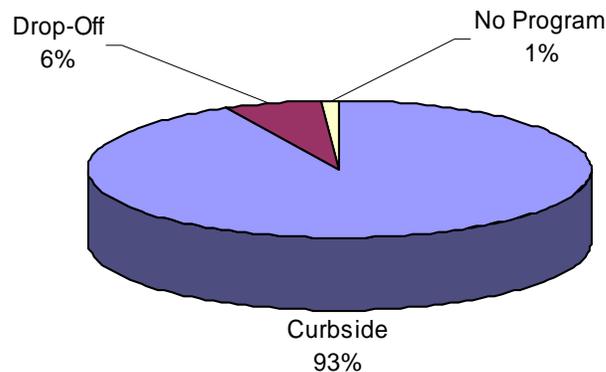
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Residential Recycling



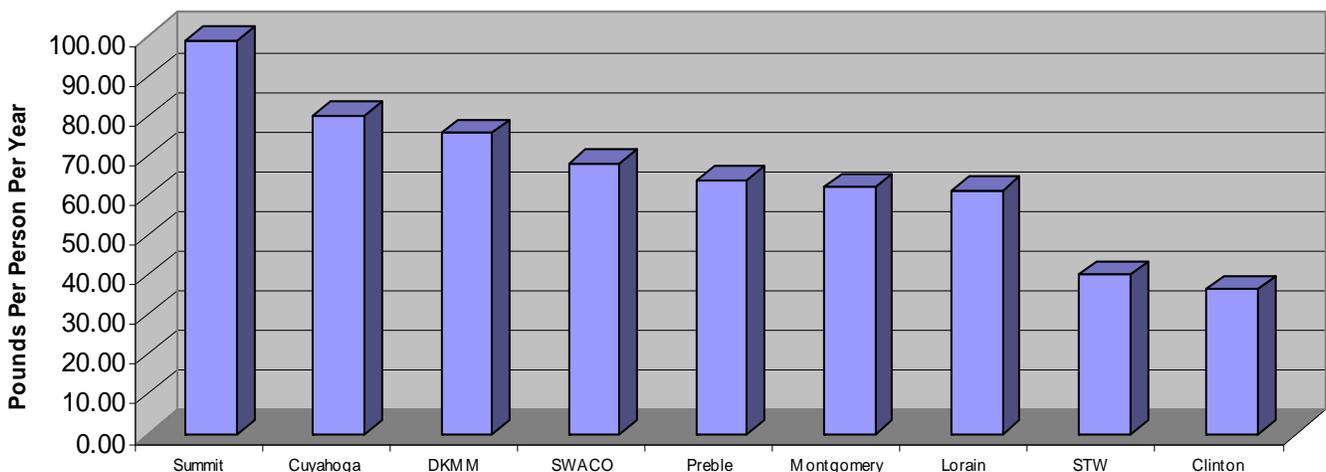
Lorain County residential recycling is conducted through curbside and drop-off programs. In 2006, the District had twenty four curbside and six drop-off programs. The following chart depicts the recycling program matrix in Lorain County:

Lorain County - Recycling Program Matrix



The District provides significant financial support for community recycling programs through an annual grant program. Each year more than half the District's total gross income is distributed in grants to 32 local governments. These funds are used to help provide recycling to residents in all Lorain County communities. The following graph depicts the success that Lorain County has been able to achieve as a direct result of the District's investment in local recycling programs.

Regional Per Capita Recycling Rate Comparison



The recycling report card on the next page shows the type of programs and materials collected for each community in 2006. How does your community compare?

Lorain County Recycling Report Card

Lorain County Community	Type of Recycling Program	Materials Accepted										2003 Tons	2004 Tons	2005 Tons	2006 Tons
		AL	ST	GL	PL	ONP	OCC	T	W	OM	OTH				
City of Amherst	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	427	503	120	190
Amherst Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	288	231	340	277
City of Avon	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	489	633	795	151
City of Avon Lake	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	1,446	1,294	1,999	1,672
Brighton Township	Drop-off	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	17	9	32	23
Brownhelm Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	28	18	14	9
Camden Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	0	0	93	28
Carlisle Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	199	265	529	280
Columbia Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	263	264	273	454
Eaton Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	222	157	154	316
City of Elyria	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	2,687	2,832	1,514	1,176
Elyria Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	96	171	132	219
Village of Grafton	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	158	111	0	34
Grafton Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	64	111	169	134
Henrietta Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	35	74	77	68
Huntington Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	22	23	31	60
Village of Kipton	Dropoff Camden	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	15	0	0	0
Village of LaGrange	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	70	73	68	61
LaGrange Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	193	176	52	81
City of Lorain	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	1,133	1,303	1,178	976
New Russia Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	50	103	67	51
City of North Ridgeville	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	1,274	1,314	1,360	1,223
City of Oberlin	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	497	507	426	263
Penfield Township	Dropoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	77	60	152	125
Pittsfield Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	49	73	94	62
Village of Rochester	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	18	53	57	74
City of Sheffield Lake	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	424	379	684	543
Village of Sheffield	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	78	147	156	127
Sheffield Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	109	48	41	40
Village of S. Amherst	No Program	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	0	0	0	0
City of Vermilion	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	422	510	416	305
Village of Wellington	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	136	169	126	115
Wellington Township	Weekly Curbside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	34	39	23	31
Total Tons											11,020	11,650	11,172	9,168	

AL=Aluminum Containers; ST=Steel Containers; GL=Glass; PL=Plastic; ONP=Newspaper; OCC=Cardboard; T=Tires; W=Wood; OM=Other Metals; Oth=Other Materials



(Many communities have specialized collection events or programs in addition to their primary curbside or dropoff program listed above.)
 This Recycling Report Card shows the type of programs and materials collected in each community from 2005. It also shows the total materials collected in previous four years.
Has your community increased its recycling totals this year?



Special Collection Events and Programs



Household Hazardous Waste

The District continued the annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection for 2006. The HHW event is the District's longest running and most popular event. Previously, it was held once a year in the spring; as of 2006, two complete sets of events were held in the spring and the fall. The District employs a contractor capable of packaging and shipping every possible dry, wet, or gaseous product that cannot be legally deposited at the landfill and/or is not allowed in the waste water treatment system.

Over 5,800 residents attended the four collection events that were held at the Lorain County Community College, Lorain County Joint Vocational School during the spring and P.C. Campana Industrial Park and Grafton Township Hall in the fall. For 2006, the District collected 271 tons (542,000 pounds) of harmful chemicals and other substances, all of which could cause serious environmental damage if not properly recycled or disposed.

If you missed the annual events, there are other options for proper disposal, use or reuse of these HHW materials. Please call our Information Line at 1-800-449-5463.



Scrap Tires

Scrap tires improperly stored or disposed can be a fire hazard and a breeding ground for mosquitoes. With West Nile Virus (transmitted to humans by mosquitoes) as a serious concern, it is important to manage scrap tires properly. The District provides residents with several options for managing scrap tires to reduce their potential impact on our environment.

In 2006, all Lorain County residents could participate in the District's annual Scrap Tire Collection Day, held in conjunction with County Pride Day. Nineteen sites all around the county were set up to accept scrap tires on that one day. Residents could also drop off scrap tires throughout the year at any one of the five permanent sites maintained by the District, on property donated by the respective local governments. These sites are listed below.

In 2006, 483 tons (966,000 pounds—almost one million!) of scrap tires were collected and recycled at the one day collection and at the permanent drop-off sites.



Scrap Tire Permanent Sites:

Elyria City Service Garage (851 Garden St.)
Grafton Township Hall (17109 Avon-Belden Rd.)
Lorain City Service Garage (114 East 35th St.)
N. Ridgeville City Garage (35010 Bainbridge Rd.)

Please call 800-449-5463 for dates and times



Fluorescent Bulb and Ballast Recycling Program

The District continues to collect and recycle fluorescent and high intensity discharge (HID) lamps and their ballasts. The collected material is then repackaged to conform to the EPA Universal Waste Rules, and transported to a certified recycling contractor in Bowling Green, Ohio.

The lamps are safely crushed and retorted to extract the mercury content, which is entirely reusable. The glass and metal parts are also recycled. Ballasts suspected of having PCB content are segregated and handled specially to properly dispose of their hazardous content. Other ballasts are shredded and the various metals extracted and recycled.

The fluorescent bulb recycling collection program is held at the Lorain County Warehouse located at 25 East Avenue in Elyria on the second Tuesday of every month from 10am-2pm. The opportunity to recycle is available to businesses, individuals and government agencies at no charge.

In 2006, Lorain County recycled/reused 30,000 lamps and 16,000 pounds of ballasts.

"E-SCRAP" Electronics Collection Program

A relatively new waste issue is how to manage obsolete electronic equipment (computers, monitors, printers, cell phones, copiers, fax machines). Some electronic equipment can be refurbished and reused by schools or non-profit organizations. If it cannot be updated, then the metals and other components of electronic equipment should be recycled.

The District held its first "Computer Collection" in 2002, and collected 81,000 pounds of material in one day. In 2006, utilizing three complete collection days, 225,278 pounds of material was recycled. In addition, thousands of pounds of material from businesses and organizations was diverted directly to the recycler each month.

The list of items collected has grown steadily each year, and now includes most types of computer equipment, office equipment, household televisions, and other home electronics—making each event a truly complete "E Scrap-Recycling Day".



Printer Cartridge Recycling

The District partners with the Lorain County Office On Aging (LCOOA) on this project, and their substantial pool of volunteer talent provides the work force. The District provided the initial program design, the promotional materials, and the collection containers. LCOOA contributes the labor force to collect, sort, and ship the cartridges, and their office staff administers the operation. The payments received from the recycling vendor are used by LCOOA to help support their many efforts to aid senior citizens in Lorain County.

The program is now available to any business or organization that would like to participate. To be included, call the LCOOA at 440-326-4819



Household Battery Collection

The District has a special household battery collection program with the Elyria City Schools. In all, 17 schools collected 5,600 pounds of household batteries. The program included \$1,100 in prize money. A measured expansion into other test venues will take place in 2007.



Mercury Collection

The District expanded efforts in the proper disposal of mercury thermometers with a collection event at the Human Services Building between Lorain and Elyria. Residents received a free digital thermometer in exchange for their old mercury thermometer.

Phone Book Recycling Program



In partnership with CenturyTel and Burger King, the District continued to sponsor a program that rewarded residents with a food coupon in return for dropping off their used phone books. In 2006, 5.64 tons (11,280 pounds) of phone books were recycled. An additional 4 tons (8,000 pounds) of phone books were collected from county offices and local businesses utilizing one drop-off in downtown Elyria. In 2007, the District plans to expand the drop-off model for this program to include as many other areas as possible.

Appliance Recycling



Used or discarded appliances, including washers and dryers, refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners, can be very difficult to dispose of properly and in most cases are not accepted at normal curbside disposal services.

The District's Appliance Recycling Program includes targeted advertising in the Chronicle, the Lorain Journal and other weekly newspapers to educate residents on the recycling options available in the County.

Lorain County Furniture Bank

The Lorain County Furniture Bank is a partnership of local charitable organizations that have united to provide the needy with the basic material goods for an independent existence. All of their clients are referred by recognized social service agencies. They accept single items and large quantities of furniture. The District fully supports and encourages the efforts of LCFB as a primary means of recycling household goods by reusing them. To donate or volunteer call: 440-240-0089.



Other Collection Programs

Many of the communities in Lorain County sponsor special collection events and programs for their residents at various times of the year. In addition, each local government has different rules concerning curbside pickup of large items, such as appliances, furniture, large tree limbs, etc. The best source of information about solid waste management at this level is the local service department or township clerk. Residents who are unsure of who to contact in their community are encouraged to call the District's Information Line at [1-800-449-5463](tel:1-800-449-5463) where you will be provided with the appropriate phone numbers and addresses.

Industrial/Commercial Recycling



Industrial Recycling

Industrial recycling refers primarily to the capture and recycling of scrap material, such as metals and plastics, resulting from a manufacturing process. It also covers the reuse of materials incidental to the process, including cardboard, pallets, and packaging materials. The economic advantages of this type of recycling is evident to those who operate manufacturing firms. In 2006, the industrial sector recycled 166,800 tons (333,600,000 pounds).

The District provides industries assistance in performing waste assessments and waste audits. A waste assessment is a formal review of manufacturing operations designed to spotlight opportunities for waste reduction, reuse, or recycling. The District plans to continue to provide solid waste assessments in 2007. If you would like a free waste assessment call the District at 1-800-449-5463.



Commercial Recycling

Commercial recycling encompasses the activities of retail establishments, business offices, and non-profit organizations. Similar to the financial and economic incentives found in the industrial sector, many larger commercial/institutional organizations in Lorain County have established recycling programs on their own. The two materials recycled most by commercial facilities are cardboard shipping materials (pictured above) and wooden pallets. Interest is steadily growing in the handling of other specific items, notably computer printer ink jet cartridges.

To further stimulate recycling activity in this sector, the District opened its two newest programs, electronic recycling and fluorescent bulb and ballast recycling, to all organizations and businesses.

The Allied Waste Lorain County Resource Recovery Complex is always accepting recyclables from business and industry.

Growth Partnership

In 2006, the District became a member of the Lorain County Growth Partnership. Developed by the Lorain County Board of Commissioners, the purpose of the LCGP is to work with Lorain County organizations and businesses to compete more effectively in a regional marketplace. The Solid Waste District is proud to be included in this very important and distinguished group to spur economic development in our county.

Education and Awareness



Contests

The District held a Poem contest for all students in grades 5-6. A total of 221 students participated. First, second, and third place winners were chosen in each grade level and received gift certificates to Midway Mall. First place winners, Spencer and Dylan, received \$50 gift certificates. Second place winners, Emma and Tyler, received \$40 gift certificates. Third place winners, Shannon and Rachel, received \$30 gift certificates.

"Trash Talk"

The District prepared a quarterly publication for students in grades 4-6. "Trash Talk" featured articles about recycling, waste reduction, material reuse and litter prevention. 15,000 copies of the newsletter were distributed.



Performances and Presentations

In 2006, the District made arrangements for The Illusion Maker to perform assemblies to 5,000 Lorain County students. This performance is an environmental magic and illusion show teaching the 3R's (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle). Dr. T. did assemblies for 4,200 students about trashology and recycling.

In addition, the District completed presentations to 69 elementary schools, three secondary schools and eight adult organizations. Each presentation was specific for the audience age group and taught about recycling and litter prevention.

Program Promotion



Information Line & Reference Service

The District maintains a toll-free phone line (1-800-449-5463) to answer any questions regarding solid waste management, both general and specific. During normal business hours (8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday), the staff answers the line directly, or responds to messages as soon as possible. Messages may also be left any time during the evening or weekend hours, and they will be responded to on the next business day.

Any resident with a question about how to dispose of or recycle any type of solid waste, and especially hazardous materials, is encouraged to call. The District staff members who respond to inquiries on the Line can also provide information about events and programs, or put you in touch with your local government, or refer you to businesses and services to solve your solid waste problem. The District also maintains information about materials and products that are made with recycled content.

Newsletter

In 2006, the District mailed 1,700 newsletters each quarter to interested residents and business owners. The newsletter is available free of charge, by postal mail, to any Lorain County resident or business. Anyone interested in a subscription should call the District at 1-800-449-5463 or email dpaluch@lorcnty.com to request a copy.



Website

The District maintains several pages of information within the general website for the Lorain County government. The address is www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste. The web pages are in an early stage of development, but are updated with fresh information and new features regularly.

Community Financial Support



Community Grants

The Lorain County Commissioners provide significant financial support for community recycling programs through an annual grant. Each year, the District distributes almost half of its annual gross income to the communities for use in their recycling programs. In 2006, the Commissioners awarded a total of \$1,495,131.

Close the Loop Grants

The Lorain County Commissioners awarded \$145,344 to eighteen communities and/or institutions in the County in 2006. Close the Loop funds are used to support the purchasing of recycled materials and products, which in turn helps create the need for more recycling.

Commissioner Grants

The Lorain County Commissioners awarded \$83,119 to six entities in the County in 2006. Commissioner Grant funds are used to increase recycling in the County.

The table to the right summarizes the grants by community, entity or institution.

Community	Community Grant	Close the Loop Grant	Commissioner Grant
Amherst	\$ 68,106		
Amherst Township	\$ 54,732	\$ 10,000	
Avon	\$ 70,429	\$ 10,000	
Avon Lake	\$ 86,412		\$ 32,500
Brighton Township	\$ 10,679		
Brownhelm Township	\$ 10,599		
Camden Township	\$ 10,000		
Carlisle Township	\$ 36,413	\$ 10,000	
Columbia Township	\$ 54,718	\$ 7,405	
Eaton Township	\$ 34,702	\$ 8,362	
Elyria	\$ 197,064	\$ 10,000	
Elyria East Little League			\$ 3,220
Elyria Township	\$ 32,891	\$ 2,197	
Erie Elementary School			\$ 23,788
Grafton Township	\$ 30,064	\$ 5,524	
Grafton Village	\$ 29,652		
Henrietta Township	\$ 14,158		
Huntington Township	\$ 11,017	\$ 6,023	
Kipton Village	\$ 5,456		
Lagrange Township	\$ 33,224	\$ 10,000	
Lagrange Village	\$ 13,901	\$ 9,271	
Lorain	\$ 226,690	\$ 10,000	
Lorain County ADA			\$ 13,000
New Russia Township	\$ 14,804	\$ 6,229	
North Ridgeville	\$ 107,300	\$ 9,815	
Oberlin	\$ 57,215		
Penfield Township	\$ 11,316	\$ 10,000	
Pittsfield Township	\$ 13,548		
Rochester Twp and Vlg	\$ 15,000		
Sheffield Lake	\$ 62,600	\$ 9,771	\$ 4,215
Sheffield Township	\$ 34,485		
Sheffield Village	\$ 31,427	\$ 747	
South Amherst Village			
Vermillion	\$ 67,952		
Wellington Village	\$ 12,816	\$ 10,000	
Wellington Township	\$ 35,761		
Workshop Players			\$ 6,396
Totals	\$ 1,495,131	\$ 145,344	\$ 83,119

Litter Prevention Programs



Litter Program

The District made an extensive litter prevention effort in 2006. In conjunction with the Ohio DOT and the Lorain County Engineer, it offered the Adopt-a-Highway and Adopt-A-Roadway Programs in 2006. Forty-three groups signed on to these programs this year, and picked up litter on many miles of state and local roads in the county. The District also worked with the Lorain Growth Corporation and their volunteer groups on this program to operate the Adopt-A-Spot Program, that cleans up specific urban areas.



Lorain County Kicks Butt

The District developed an advertising strategy to go beyond the traditional litter clean-up method in an attempt to attack the number one littered item in the world. The advertising strategy was to not only draw attention to the problem, but also address cigarette butts before it becomes litter. Thousands of portable pocket ashtrays were distributed throughout the county.

Pride Day

Lorain County Pride Day is an annual litter collection and beautification event. In 2006, this program included 2,290 volunteers. Approximately, 212 tons of litter were collected. This came from 598 miles of roadways, 3.5 miles of bicycle pathways, and 159 acres of parks. In addition, 22 playgrounds were cleaned and painted, and 9 miles of river banks and Lake Erie shoreline were cleared of debris. Program volunteers also planted 123 trees and 4,432 flowers.



Public Events



Earth Day

Lorain County celebrates Earth Day with the Mother Earth Sings Celebration. This annual event was held in May at Cascade Park in Elyria. The District provided recycling information to the adults and children that attended. Curby the Recycling Robot was on hand to remind everyone about the importance of recycling and litter control. The US EPA and the City of Elyria's Recycling Departments participated with informational booths. Participants were able to plant flowers in take home pots and Home Depot helped kids assemble birdhouses. Other activities included wagon rides, hiking and tree planting.

Community Events

The District participated in the Apple Festival, Labor Festival, Government Day and the Lorain County Fair by setting up an educational display booth. The District provided Lorain County residents informational brochures and answered questions.



Yard Waste Program



Approximately 10 percent of the residential waste in Lorain County is yard waste. Leaves, grass clippings and brush are materials that do not belong in our landfills. Most of our communities have leaf and grass clipping collection programs. In Lorain County, we have 11 compost facilities registered with the Ohio EPA. Over 20,000 tons of yard waste was managed at these facilities in 2006.

When yard waste is collected it is then placed in piles called windrows. The piles are turned in regular intervals and within several weeks to a couple of months the yard waste becomes a useful soil amendment for landscapers and homeowners.

Reducing Yard Waste Generation

There are several easy ways to help keep yard waste out of the landfill.

- ◆ Mulch your grass clippings as you mow. Leaving the clippings on the lawn provides a great source of nutrients for a healthy lawn.
- ◆ Consider a backyard compost kit. A composting specialist in the Lorain County Office of the OSU Agricultural Extension Service is employed part-time by the District, to promote better methods of managing organic materials. He can give you technical assistance in preparing backyard compost. Call the OSU Agricultural Extension Office at 440-326-5856 for more details.
- ◆ Participate in the yard waste collection program offered by your community.

Don't Bag It!



Composting Programs

The District continues to work with the Ohio State University Agricultural Agent to provide education on the advantages and benefits of composting. In the fall of 2006, the Ag. Agent conducted the Green Thumb Project with the Lorain Housing Authority to include information on composting. Approximately, 70 residents participated. The Ag. Agent also taught three classes of fifth grade students about composting and organic recycling.



Boat Shrink Wrap

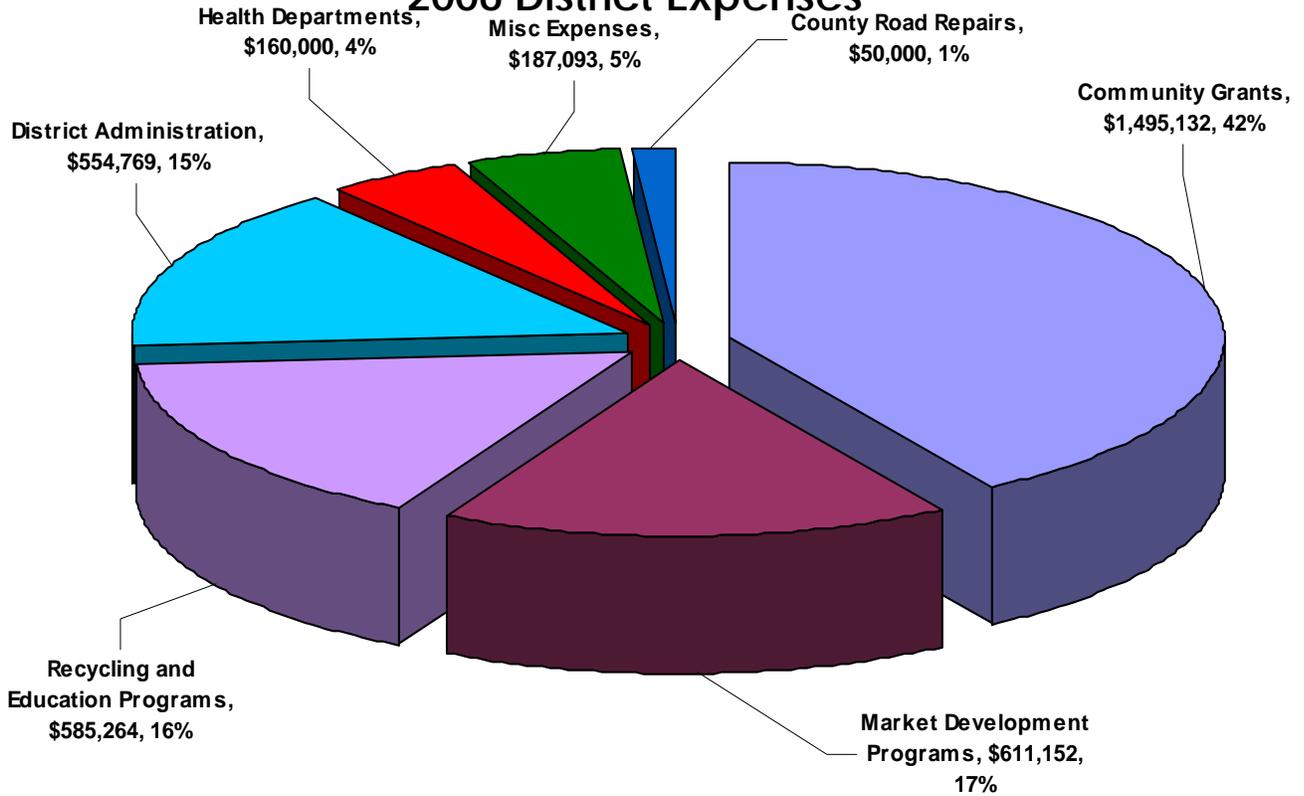
The District was involved in the planning and development of a pilot project for the recycling of boat shrink wrap along the shores of Lake Erie in Erie, Lorain and Ottawa counties. In conjunction with The Ohio Clean Marinas Program a two year pilot project for the collection and recycling of boat shrink wrap kicked off on April 1st and continued through the spring launch. Shortly after the kick-off a decision was made to expand the collection to include greenhouses and nurseries in the pilot area.

Over 70 marinas participated in saving over 50 tons of boat shrink wrap from a fate of being landfilled. An additional 23 tons of agricultural film from coastal nursery growers was also collected.

Financial Information

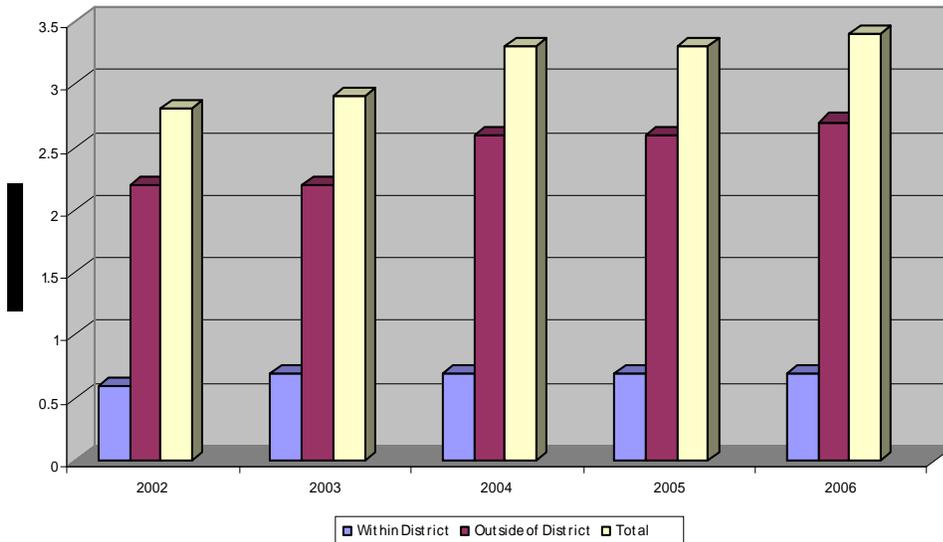


2006 District Expenses



2006 District Revenues

Revenues



The District receives its funding from a \$2.00 per ton tipping fee for Lorain County Solid Waste and a \$4.00 per ton tipping fee for waste coming in from outside the County. In 2006, the District received \$709,097 from Lorain County and over \$2.7 million from outside the District.

Future Activities



It has been over a decade since the formation of the Solid Waste Management District, and recycling in Lorain County has become a multifaceted activity. It is carried out now by governments at all levels, by private businesses and non-profit organizations. It accounts for the employment of hundreds of workers, and is also supported by many active volunteers and private citizens. The District extends its gratitude to all those in Lorain County who understand and act upon the inherent logic of “Reduce-Reuse-Recycle”

The District continues to research and develop new programs and enhance current activities for Lorain County. A few programs that may appear in the near future are:

- ◆ A volume based curbside trash and recycling program;A disaster debris management program;
- ◆ A mercury device collection program;
- ◆ A community recognition program for top recycling communities;
- ◆ A commercial and industrial recognition program to reward top business recyclers; and
- ◆ A business round table designed to increase cooperative recycling efforts in the business community.

For More Information Contact:

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