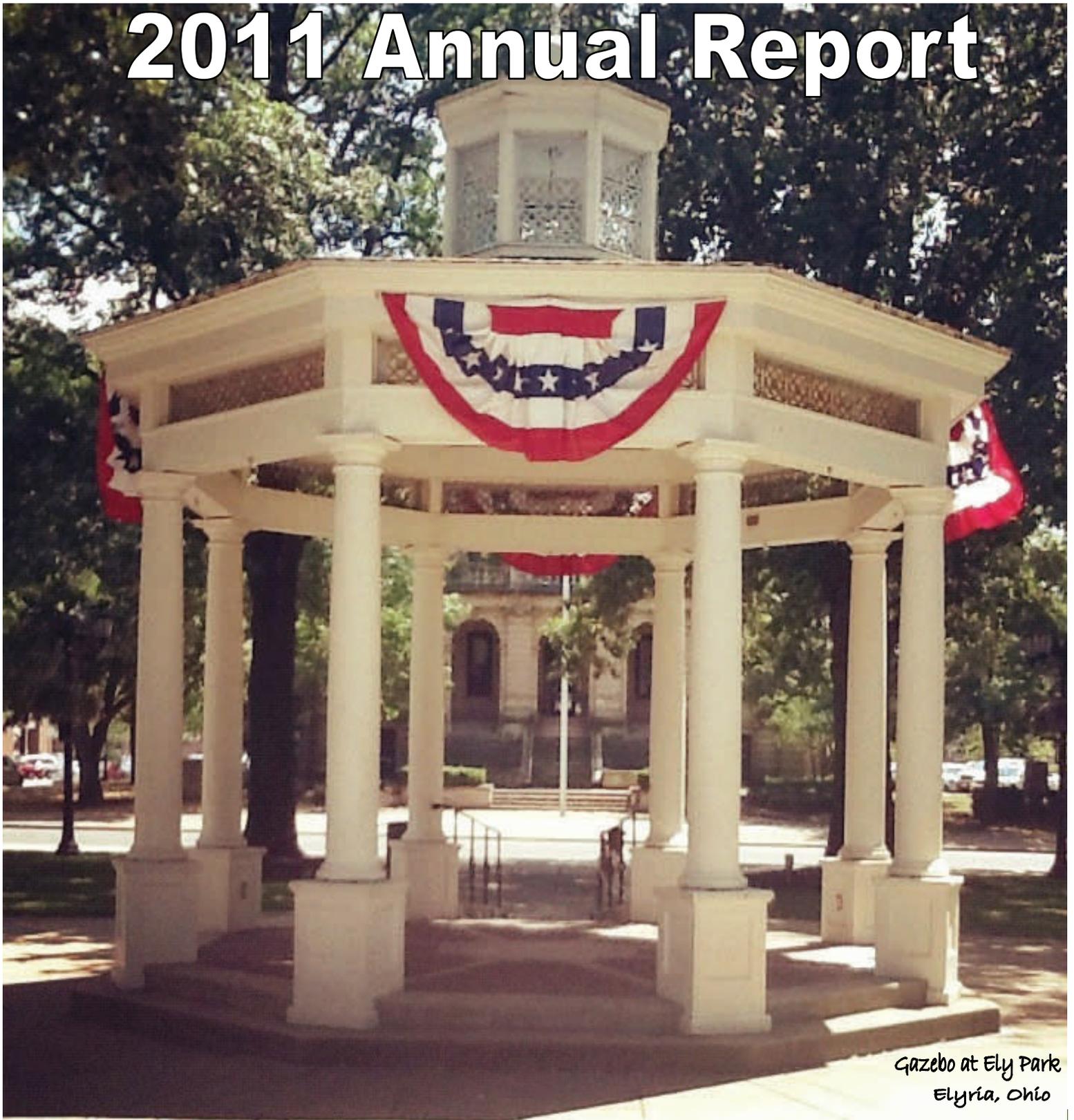


# 2011 Annual Report



*Gazebo at Ely Park  
Elyria, Ohio*

## Lorain County Solid Waste Management District

# A Letter from the Director

## Our Mission

To Implement the Lorain County Solid Waste Management Plan by Educating & Encouraging Recycling Efforts, Waste Reduction, & Litter Prevention in Lorain County

## County Commissioners



Commissioners (from left to right):  
**Ted Kalo, Lori Kokoski, and Tom Williams**

## Policy Committee

**Ted Kalo**, *Commissioner*  
**Tony Krasienko**, *Mayor, City of Lorain*  
**James Boddy**, *Representing Health Commissioner*  
**Brian Parsons**, *Chair, Representing the Public*  
**Howard Akin**, *Vice Chair, Representing Townships*  
**Ken Schneider**, *Representing Industry*  
**Dr. David Hintz**, *Representing the Public*

## District Staff

**Keith Bailey**, *Director*  
**Marilyn Pileski**, *Administrative Assistant*  
**Sally Pecora**, *Project Manager*  
**Dave McGuire**, *Solid Waste Specialist*  
**Brandi Schnell**, *Solid Waste Specialist*  
**Tiffany Barker**, *Solid Waste Specialist*

**A proud member of the Lorain County  
Growth Partnership**



Dear Lorain County Resident:

Each year at the Lorain County Solid Waste Management District, our goal is to improve upon our existing programs, recycle more, waste less, and continue providing services and educational resources for our residents and businesses. As I look at the year in review, many of the goals we achieved were through the support and participation from our political subdivisions and residents, for which we are genuinely grateful.

The 12 months since our last annual report have been eventful for the District; our Solid Waste Management Plan was ratified, disposal fees were updated, and we achieved the highest residential diversion rate in the District's history.

The Plan Update was approved by political subdivisions representing 88% of the District's population; it was ratified in March of 2012. The Plan focuses on the District's programs, strategies, and performance. One of the most significant changes in the new Plan was the replacement of one-day collection events for special materials like household hazardous waste and electronics, with a year-round collection center. The Lorain County Collection Center is a continued success and has collected 25% more tons of materials from residents than the previous year.

The District updated its fees in 2011. The new fee structure is a flat \$2.00 per ton disposal fee at the landfill gate. The updated fees are now commensurate with surrounding districts, making our local landfill a more marketable resource that generates revenue for programs and services. The District will also receive from the landfill operator \$0.60 per ton for all waste that comes from outside the District under a Host Community Agreement.

In 2011, we had three more communities switch to a volume-based system (VBS) for curbside recycling collection. Communities are encouraged to switch to VBS because they have shown the highest recycling rates. In 2011, Lorain County residents recycled 20,672 tons, a 7% increase since 2010, and a 59% increase since 2008.

If you have questions, please call us at 1-800-449-5463.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Keith A. Bailey.

Keith A. Bailey  
District Director

# Information & Reference Services

## District Phone Line

The District maintains a toll-free phone line (**1-800-449-5463**) to answer any questions regarding solid waste management. 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 be left twenty four hours a day, and they will be responded to on the next business day. During 2011, the District received over 3,200 calls on this phone line.

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, may direct you to your local government, or refer you to businesses and services to solve your solid waste issue. The District also maintains information about materials and products that are made with recycled content.

## Community Information

Many Lorain County communities 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. Your local community service department or township clerk is your best source for community-specific information.

## Website

You can visit the District's website: [www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste](http://www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste). To serve you better, the website offers easy access to information related to solid waste management and recycling. Our website includes:

- Local solid waste news and events
- Reports and publications, including an online version of our **new** Solid Waste Management Plan
- Hours and materials accepted at the Lorain County Collection Center
- Educational services and materials
- Frequently asked questions (FAQs)
- Recycling tips for your home and office
- And much more!



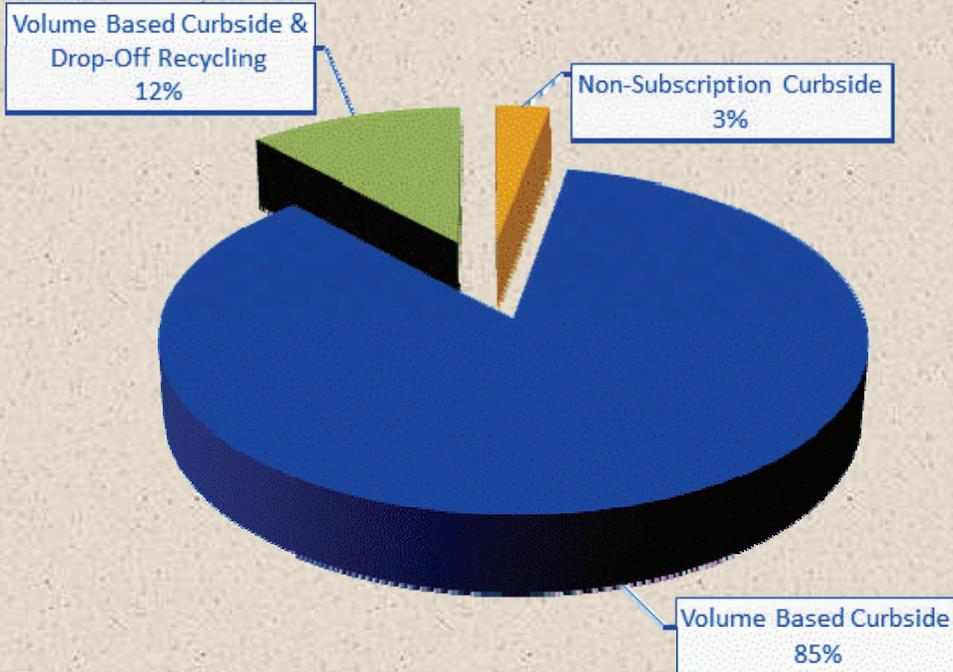
## Facebook

Lorain County is on Facebook! Our page is regularly updated with upcoming county and Solid Waste District events, photos, videos, links, articles, and tips. "Like" us on Facebook to stay connected and get important and up-to-date information about local solid waste and county issues!



# Residential Recycling

## 2011 Lorain County Residential Recycling Programs




Lorain County's residential recycling is conducted through curbside and drop-off programs. By the end of 2011, the District had thirty-four curbside recycling programs (three more than last year!) and four drop-off recycling programs. The pie chart to the left depicts the types of recycling programs available to Lorain County residents.

## Residential Recycling in Lorain County



The Recycling Report Card on the next page shows the type of programs and materials collected for each community in 2011. How does your community compare?

# Community Recycling Report Card

Lorain County Community	Type of Program	2007 Tons	2008 Tons	2009 Tons	2010 Tons	2011 Tons
Amherst Township	Volume Based	192	330	512	498	436
Brighton Township	Volume Based	24	56	52	69	97
Brownhelm Township	Volume Based	9	24	23	39	80
Camden Township	Volume Based	83	63	73	82	62
Carlisle Township	Volume Based	301	366	782	746	715
City of Amherst	Volume Based	375	795	819	1,163	1,483
City of Avon	Volume Based	885	908	3,290	3,001	2,481
City of Avon Lake	Volume Based	1,369	1,582	1,565	1,159	1,020
City of Elyria	Volume Based	857	2,275	2,174	1,083	2,878
City of Lorain	Weekly Curbside	1,224	1,549	1,371	1,078	879
City of North Ridgeville	Volume Based	1,562	1,515	1,122	1,237	2,433
City of Oberlin	Volume Based	609	824	698	814	775
City of Sheffield Lake	Volume Based	202	309	345	527	913
City of Vermilion	Volume Based	273	422	284	745	1,376
Columbia Township	Volume Based	449	323	483	715	736
Eaton Township	Volume Based	283	231	234	473	379
Elyria Township	Volume Based	146	137	183	342	322
Grafton Township	Volume Based	100	181	261	257	228
Henrietta Township	Volume Based	190	136	95	126	98
Huntington Township	Volume Based	187	83	84	106	60
LaGrange Township	Volume Based	43	146	152	342	385
New Russia Township	Volume Based	77	39	12	183	195
Penfield Township	Volume Based	106	149	164	167	404
Pittsfield Township	Volume Based	62	57	55	151	148
Rochester Township	Volume Based	Included in Rochester Village total		29	23	35
Sheffield Township	Volume Based	0	67	82	230	569
Village of Grafton	Volume Based	116	319	289	240	271
Village of Kipton	Volume Based	Included in Camden Twp. total		12	11	21
Village of LaGrange	Volume Based	107	77	108	187	233
Village of Rochester	Volume Based	86	62	4	8	3
Village of S. Amherst	Volume Based	96	74	70	175	220
Village of Sheffield	Volume Based	128	148	432	182	229
Village of Wellington	Volume Based	124	188	1,008	382	427
Wellington Township	Volume Based	37	41	63	83	83
<b>Total Tons</b>		<b>10,303</b>	<b>13,475</b>	<b>16,930</b>	<b>16,624</b>	<b>20,673</b>

**Has your community increased its recycling totals this year?**



# The Collection Center

The District's permanent Collection Center is located in Elyria, Ohio. Use of the center is **free** to Lorain County residents. Residents can drop-off household hazardous waste (HHW), electronic waste, fluorescent lamps & ballasts, scrap tires, and end-of-life books. Businesses with facilities in Lorain County may use the e-scrap and fluorescent lamp & ballast and used book programs only (hazardous materials and tires are NOT accepted from businesses). The Collection Center is open 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Over 150 tons of harmful chemicals and other substances were collected in 2011. Materials collected included: paint, chemicals, oil, mercury-containing items, and other hazardous items, all of which could cause serious environmental damage if not properly recycled or disposed.



The District website contains a list of the types of materials collected at the Collection Center. For more information, please call our toll-free information line at **1-800-449-5463** or visit the District website: [www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste](http://www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste)

Just 4 days before the Collection Center's 1st anniversary, we reached a major milestone! On June 15, 2011, the Collection Center hit its



Occupants of the 10,000th vehicle with Commissioner Lori Kokoski (left) and District Director Keith Bailey (right).

10,000th user mark! Ron and Gail Schenk of Avon drove the 10,000th residential vehicle through the Collection Center, winning the recycled plastic lumber rocking chair below!



**2011 Collection Center Stats**

HHW.....	150 tons
E-Waste.....	298 tons
Bulbs and Ballasts.....	58 tons
Printer Cartridges.....	397 units
Cell Phones.....	781 units





# Other Programs at the Collection Center

The Collection Center has allowed us to host many special collection programs under one roof, making them more convenient & accessible to residents!

Prior to the summer of 2010, the District held separate collection events for hazardous and hard-to-recycle materials. These were one-day-only events, lasting six hours or less. The opening of the Collection Center allowed the District to consolidate many of these programs under one roof. The Collection Center is open three days a week all year long. In addition to household hazardous waste collection, the following programs are also operated at the Collection Center:

## Fluorescent Bulb and Ballast Program

Fluorescent and high intensity discharge (HID) lamps and their ballasts, as well as compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) are accepted. Local residents and businesses recycled over 50 tons of bulbs and 8 tons of ballasts in 2011.

## Printer Cartridge and Cell Phone Recycling Program

The District continued to partner with the Lorain County Office On Aging (LCOOA) for this project. The District collected 397 printer cartridges and 781 cell phones that were eligible for recycling. Senior volunteers sorted, packed, and shipped the materials, earning more than \$1,500 to support their programs. Any business or organization can help collect materials for this program. To be included, call the LCOOA at 440-326-4819.

## Electronics Recycling Program

The electronic equipment collected by the District is processed by a contractor that refurbishes some of the equipment so it can be reused by schools or non-profit organizations. If it cannot be updated, then the metals and other electrical components will be recycled.

Electronic equipment accepted at the Collection Center includes: computers, monitors, printers, televisions, cell phones, (including batteries, chargers and cables), copiers, fax machines, home stereos and selected other home electronics. The quantity of items collected has grown steadily each year. In 2011, nearly 300 tons of E-waste was recycled at the Collection Center.



## Book Recycling



In April 2011, the District started collecting “end of life” books, which are books that either contain outdated information or are in poor condition. Softbound and hardbound books, reference manuals, and phonebooks are accepted. Phonebooks are also accepted at more than 100 Abitibi Paper Retriever recycling locations in Lorain County. To find one near you, visit:

[www.paperretriever.com](http://www.paperretriever.com)

Once you’re there, click “Find a Recycling Bin!”

# Scrap Tire Recycling



## Scrap Tires

Approximately 300 million scrap tires are generated in the U.S. each year. The physical structure of a tire retains water and heat, making improperly disposed scrap tires not only an eyesore, but a breeding ground for disease-spreading mosquitoes and rodents. According to the EPA, scrap tires' ability to retain heat also makes them susceptible to igniting into fires that are difficult to extinguish and can burn for months. Burning tires can release toxins into the environment.



The Lorain County Solid Waste Management District provides scrap tire management options to residents in an effort to keep beautiful Lorain County a safe and healthy place to live. In 2011, the District provided three locations for residents to recycle scrap tires. Tires were accepted year-round at the Lorain County Collection Center and at two permanent scrap tire collection sites located at Lorain City Garage and Grafton Township Hall. The District managed 30 trailers containing more than 310 tons of scrap tires in 2011!

## Did you know...?

**Proper tire maintenance can extend the life of your tires! To reduce the overall number of tires you will purchase and dispose of, follow these tips:**

- **Use correct tire inflation pressure**  
Check once a month and before long trips
- **Inspect tires regularly for signs of uneven wear patterns**  
This can be a sign of misalignment or improper balance!
- **Never exceed your vehicle's load limits**  
You can find this information and any special instructions on your tire placard and in owner's manual.
- **Be a smart driver**  
Obeying speed limits, avoiding fast stops, starts, and turns, and avoiding potholes will prolong the life of your tires.

## Farm Tire Collection

The Lorain County Solid Waste Management District received a generous grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) in 2011 that will allow the Lorain County Solid Waste Management District to expand its existing tire collection program in 2012 to include agricultural tires. Lorain County residents who own or operate agricultural equipment can recycle scrap farm tires for free during the Farm Tire Collection event.



# Community Financial Support & Recycling Market Development

## Community Incentive Grant Program

The Community Incentive Grant Program was created to help communities improve curbside recycling by switching to a volume-based system (VBS). Volume-based systems are the most effective recycling programs, achieving the highest percentage of diverted materials. In 2011, thirty-three of thirty-four Lorain County communities had implemented VBS. The original goal of the grant program was successfully accomplished.



The new focus of the Community Incentive Grant Program will be assisting communities to strive for and exceed the 25% recycling goal. Communities will be encouraged to use incentive grant funds to increase participation rates through education and awareness programs, social marketing campaigns, and improved opportunities for multi-family residential buildings and other appropriate targeted activities or equipment purchases.

The amount of each Community Incentive Grant will be based on the amount of revenues received by the District and the amount of curbside recycling collected by each community. In 2012, the District will distribute \$370,000 in grants to communities.

## The Revolving Loan Program

The Revolving Loan Program continues to provide financial assistance to Lorain County businesses and organizations (including non-profits) that utilize recycled materials either in their building materials or in their manufacturing process. The program promotes low interest loan opportunities for businesses that provide additional markets for recycled materials, retains and creates recycling-related jobs, and increases the manufacturing capacity for recyclable materials in Lorain County.



# Community Events

Throughout the year the District provides awareness and educational activities and makes presentations at local events and festivals. Some events that the District participated in during 2011 include the Elyria Apple Festival, the Senior Fest, and the Lorain County Fair. The District hosted educational booths and provided Lorain County residents with informational brochures and answered questions. The District offers an assortment of brochures to residents that cover topics ranging from recycling and source reduction to composting. Next time you see our booth at a community event, we encourage you to come visit us!

## Labor Day Festival



## Apple Festival



## County Fair



## Senior Fest



# Community Pride Day

Each year, Lorain County residents have the opportunity to take part in Pride Day, a county-wide litter collection and beautification event promoted and sponsored by the District. The District celebrates Pride Day as part of Keep America Beautiful's Great American Clean Up, the nation's largest annual community improvement program.

We would like to thank the 1,222 volunteers representing 19 District communities who worked together to make Lorain County a beautiful and safe place we are proud to call "home!"

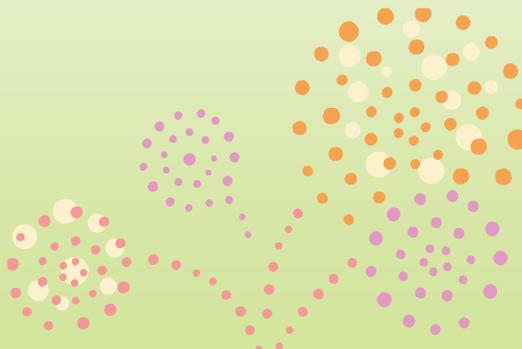
## 2011 Lorain County Pride Day Statistics

- 71 miles of roadway cleaned
- 151 acres of parks cleaned
- 180 tons of litter removed
- 11 playgrounds painted and refurbished
- 501 trees planted
- 383 flats of flowers planted
- 11 graffiti sites abated
- 46 bags of aluminum cans recycled
- 10 bags of newspapers recycled
- 4,000 pounds of clothing collected to be donated

### Get Involved!

No special skills are required to participate in Pride Day except a desire to improve your community!

If you would like to become a part of our Pride Day activities, contact the District at **1-800-449-5463** to be put in touch with your community Pride Day representative.



# Environmental Crimes Unit



The Lorain County Solid Waste Management District and the Lorain County Sheriff's Office established the Environmental Crimes Unit (ECU) in 2009 to protect Lorain County residents and the environment. The ECU responds to complaints about litter, open dumping, and other environmental crimes from the general public, local businesses, city, township, and county governments, as well as other law enforcement agencies. The ECU also provides the public with information and resources on how to properly dispose of different types of waste.

The ECU aims to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Lorain County through education and enforcement.



Trash piles  
Tire piles  
Illegal dumping  
Open burning

Rats and other rodents  
Lower property value  
Disease-carrying pests  
Animals with rabies  
Air pollution  
Ticks & fleas  
Mosquitoes  
Fire hazards

## In 2011, the ECU investigated:

- 53 Violations involving the registration of scrap tire transporters and producers
  - 42 Abandon vehicles cases
  - 24 Open dumping cases
  - 14 Littering cases
  - 1 Operation of C&D landfill without license
  - 3 Dumpster littering cases
  - 3 Cases of littering from a motor vehicle
  - 1 Violations of polluting state lands or waters
  - 86 Other Ohio Revised Code violations
- 227 Potential Criminal Charges**



To report littering, dumping or other environmental crimes contact the Environmental Crimes Unit by visiting [www.loraincountysheriff.com](http://www.loraincountysheriff.com) and under “Divisions” select the “Environmental Crimes Unit” or call the Environmental Crimes Unit directly:

**Deputy William Curtis, 440-329-3743**  
**Deputy J.M. Jackson, 440-329-3759**

# Commercial & Industrial Recycling

## **Commercial recycling:**

Encompasses the activities of retail establishments, business offices, and non-profit organizations. The two materials recycled most by commercial facilities are cardboard and wood pallets.

## **Industrial recycling:**

Refers primarily to the 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. In 2011, Lorain County's industrial sector increased recycling nearly 10% from the previous year, recycled 90,184 tons (approximately 1.8 million

## **Business Round Table**

The Business Round Table is a program that brings people together in engaging, educational discussions about innovative recycling processes and applications for the business community, as well as other solid waste topics. Topics at the 4 Business Round Table Meetings featured guest speakers who covered recycling strategies and waste reduction activities related to the workplace. Participation from all types of businesses and industries at the Business Roundtable discussions is encouraged. Businesses are also welcome to share recycling success stories and discuss their recycling efforts with the group. If you would like to get involved, contact the District at 1-800-449-5463.

## **Free Waste Assessments**

The District continues to provide free waste assessments to local businesses. A waste assessment is a formal review of manufacturing operations designed to spotlight opportunities for waste reduction, reuse, or recycling. In 2011, the District completed a comprehensive waste assessment for the Lorain Correctional Institution and identified ways LCI could save \$22-26,000 annually. Increasing cardboard recycling alone could save an additional \$6-9,000! If your business would like a free waste assessment, call the District at 1-800-449-5463.

## **Recycling at Work**

Businesses and organizations with an interest in recycling their office paper can use Abitibi's Paper Retriever Program, which promotes recycling through the placement of green and yellow bins (at no cost) adjacent to schools, churches and other non-profit organizations. Organizations hosting a Paper Retriever drop-off location are paid for the material collected in their bin.

***During 2011, 3,000 tons of paper were recycled in more than 100 Paper Retriever boxes throughout Lorain County!***

Businesses that produce larger volumes of office paper can participate in Republic's Workplace Recycling Program.

The District helped businesses and organizations ramp up recycling efforts by providing recycling containers for office paper, bottles, and cans. The District provided 85 recycling containers to schools, businesses, and organizations in 2011.



# Education & Awareness

## Performances & Presentations

More than 4,700 students and nearly 100 adults participated in the District's 191 presentations given during 2011. Presentations focused on the three R's (reduce, reuse, and recycle!), litter prevention, and District programs.

There are several different presentations for teachers to choose from. All of these programs are listed on the District's website [www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste](http://www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste) under the Educational Services page. To schedule a presentation please contact Brandi Schnell at: [bschnell@loraincounty.us](mailto:bschnell@loraincounty.us).

## Lending Library

The District continued to build its online lending library, adding new books and movies in 2011 to help educators teach students about reducing, reusing, and recycling. In 2011, the District added the books Michael Recycle and Michael Recycle Meets Litter Bug Doug! Additional tools for educators are available online. For more information, or to borrow a book or movie from the lending library, contact Brandi Schnell, Solid Waste Specialist at: **(440) 328-2249**.

## Check It Out!

Visit our website at: [www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste](http://www.loraincounty.us/solidwaste) and check out our Kid's Corner Page which has puzzles, crafts & coloring sheets with a recycling or environmental message!

## Special Events

The District provided transportation for 600 students to tour the Republic Lorain County Landfill and Material Recovery Facility. Students witnessed the processes involved with managing recyclables and solid waste. Tours aim to engage students and raise awareness about environmental sustainability and natural resource conservation.

In 2011, the District bussed more than 300 students to George Jones Farm in Oberlin to learn more about agriculture and the environment.



The annual Environmental Learning Fair provides gifted students from Lorain County with an opportunity to experience learning about vermi-composting, water quality testing, and various environmental topics in a "classroom without walls" - the great outdoors! Students also learned to make paper using recycled fibers. In 2011, the District provided transportation to the event for 350 talented and gifted students.



# Composting

## Organics Education Programs

The District continued the compost education program. Adults and school-age children had the opportunity to participate in organics education provided by the agricultural agent. In 2011, the agricultural agent conducted presentations for students and adults. The focus of the education has been composting — particularly in rural areas. Topics included “The Grass is Always Greener When You Grass Recycle,” “Benefits of Healthy Soil,” and “Composting with Worms.” Other activities included developing a composting website and giving presentations at the County Fair, Garden Clubs, and Libraries.

Here are some easy tips 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. They can give you technical assistance in preparing backyard compost. Call the OSU Agricultural Extension Office at 440-326-5851 for more details.
- ◆ Participate in the yard waste collection program offered by your community.



## Home Composting

We encourage you, as residents of Lorain County, to learn the benefits of composting first hand by creating your own compost bin or pile. Compost makes soil loose and dark, helps retain water, fertilizes, and makes plants and gardens grow better. Yard waste and fruit and vegetable scraps may be placed in compost.

For questions, please contact the District:

**1-800-449-5463**



## Composting Facilities

Yard Waste recycling comprised over 30% of the residential/commercial waste recycled in Lorain County in 2011. Leaves, grass clippings and brush are materials that do not belong in our landfills. Some Lorain County communities have leaf and grass clipping collection programs. In Lorain County, we have 16 compost facilities registered with the Ohio EPA. Nearly 30,000 tons of yard waste was managed at these facilities in 2011.

# Financial Information

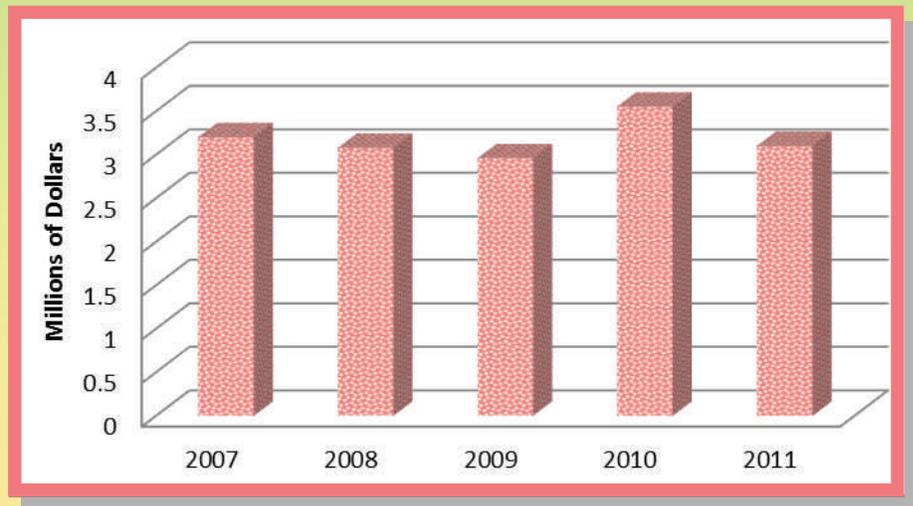


In 2011, the District revised its fee structure by lowering the tipping fee for solid waste generated outside the District from \$4.00 to \$2.00. The fee revision makes the Lorain County Landfill a more valuable resource by giving it a competitive edge.

The District now receives its funding from a \$2.00 per ton tipping fee for solid waste generated both inside and outside of our county and a \$0.60 out-of-county contract fee.

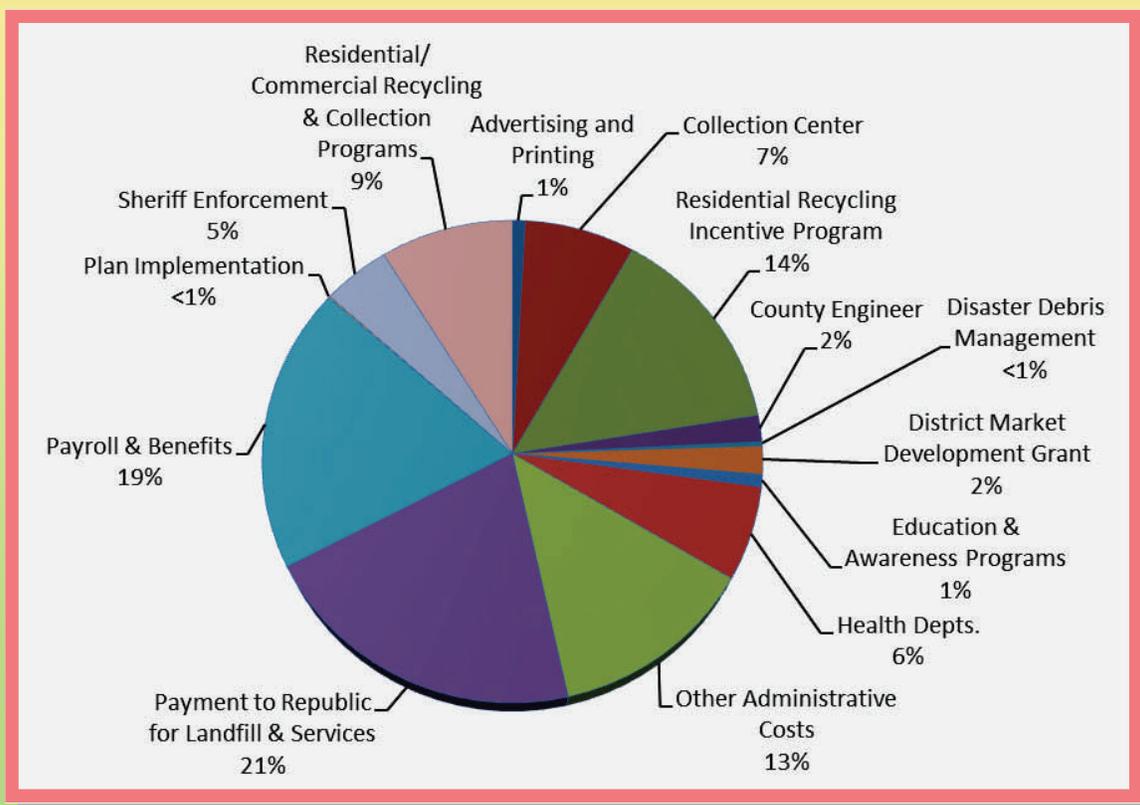
Total revenue in 2011 was approximately \$3.1 million.

## 2007—2011 District Revenues



In 2011, the District's expenses totaled approximately \$2.6 million. The graph below shows a detailed breakdown of how the funds were managed.

## 2011 District Expenses



# Looking Ahead

We had an exciting and enriching year in 2011! Our new Solid Waste Plan was approved, and with renewed enthusiasm, we are looking forward to meeting challenges and seizing opportunities related to increasing waste reduction and recycling in Lorain County.

As always, we will continue our dedication to operating effective and efficient programs for the residents, businesses, and industries in our county. Along with improving our existing programs, we're also thrilled to be working on some new initiatives in 2012.

One of our new projects will be working with manufacturers to match them with other area industries based on the waste materials they produce. We will be working to identify manufacturers that are producing waste materials that another manufacturer can use as a raw material. This project will reduce industrial sector solid waste, as well as provide economic benefits for the participating industries.

Another special project that we are excited about is the opportunity to collaborate with local institutions to assist with the development of strategic materials management plans. In 2012, we'll be developing these strategic plans for the Lorain County Community College and Mercy Hospital. The plans will focus on waste reduction and recycling, as well as other sustainability related issues, such as energy consumption.

We hope that our programs and services have inspired you or helped you to waste less, recycle more, and be a good steward of the environment.

Together, we can make 2012 Lorain County Solid Waste Management District's most successful year!



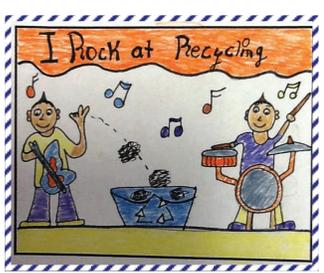
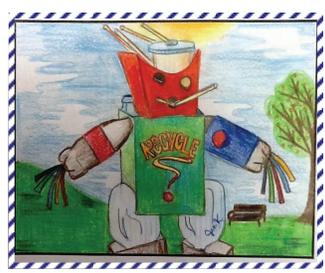
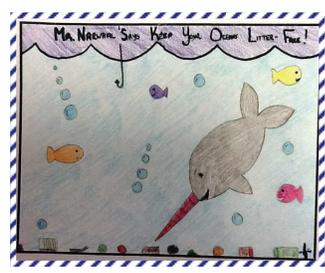


# Around The County...



# 2011 Calendar Contest Winners

In 2011, there were over 1,200 students who participated in the District's calendar contest. The participants designed drawings with either a Recycling or Litter Prevention theme. The winners had their artwork featured in the District's 2012 calendar.





*The Lorain Lighthouse  
Lorain, Ohio*



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