

**OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (OHIO EPA)
2021 COMMUNITY AND LITTER GRANT
BULLET POINTS**

- Ohio EPA awarded the City of Toledo a Community and Litter Grant.
- Total amount is \$80,000:
 - Grant funded \$64,000
 - 25% Matching Grant \$16,000 budgeted from Storm Water Improvement Fund.
- The Ohio EPA Community and Litter Grant will fund the following services for the City of Toledo and Lucas County:
 - Litter Collection Events: Equipment, materials, supplies for litter collection events on public property.
 - Tire Amnesty: Equipment, materials, and supplies for scrap tire collection/amnesty event(s).
- The Community and Litter Grant will help support the 2021-2022 Engage Toledo Refuse and Recycling Events. The grant period is from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The City of Toledo and its partners (Engage Toledo, Keep Toledo Lucas County Beautiful, Code Enforcement, Environmental Services and Streets Bridges & Harbors) will sponsor 23 events expanded from previous years at various locations throughout the community providing recycling and disposal services for the following:
 - Electronic Wastes (including all televisions)
 - Tires
 - Cardboard and Plastic Recycling
 - Household Hazardous Waste
- Free recycling events make it convenient for residents to dispose of items that can be recycled, thus capturing valuable commodities for reuse rather than allowing them to go into the landfill where they could impact leachate and downstream water quality.
- By offering these free events illegal dumping is reduced as residents can conveniently dispose of items instead depositing these materials into the alleyways and along ditches/streams.
- By offering multiple events (23) in each City Council district, residents are given ample opportunity to take advantage of these free events.
- The Ohio EPA Community and Litter Grant is providing a greater opportunity for a cleaner safer environment and neighborhoods.