



Cuyahoga County
SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

2024 Annual Report & Residential Recycling Report



2024: Reaching New Levels



In 2024, the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District eclipsed volumes collected in several of its programs and service offerings. The greatest increase occurred with the collection of solar film glasses used for the total solar eclipse that occurred on April 8, 2024. The District orchestrated the collection of used and unused solar eclipse glasses from large venue viewing locations, communities, groups and individuals. Over 100,000 pairs of glasses were delivered to the District's Special Waste Convenience Center in Garfield Heights where they were sorted based on condition. Unused and gently used glasses were boxed for Astronomers Without Borders

to utilize during future solar eclipses throughout the globe while damaged glasses were recycled through a local recycler.

Residents of the District did a tremendous job of responsibly managing the household hazardous waste materials that had been stored in their basements and garages. The District broke all historical records in 2024 processing 344,200 lbs. of materials, which was 9% greater than 2023.

The District's Pumpkin Composting Collection Program was expanded and launched as a District-wide collection program. Ten drop-off locations strategically placed throughout the county collected 18.29 tons that were transported to a compost facility for processing. This 'smashed' our 2023 pilot collection weight of 7.9 tons!

Other District collection programs for items such as televisions, fluorescent bulbs, campaign signs, and media storage materials all experienced increases.

Outreach and communication also reached new levels. The District enjoyed more followers across all our social media platforms. Our newsletters, updates and brochures reached 9% more recipients than last year. Additionally, users of our web site increased over 10%. Check out below for our most popular web site searches.

The District was also busy analyzing web site search data and compiling its 2026-2040 Solid Waste Management Plan. This master plan document was sent to the OEPA in August 2024 for review and comment. The OEPA complimented the District on the document and refers to the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District as an example of best practice programming to other Districts.

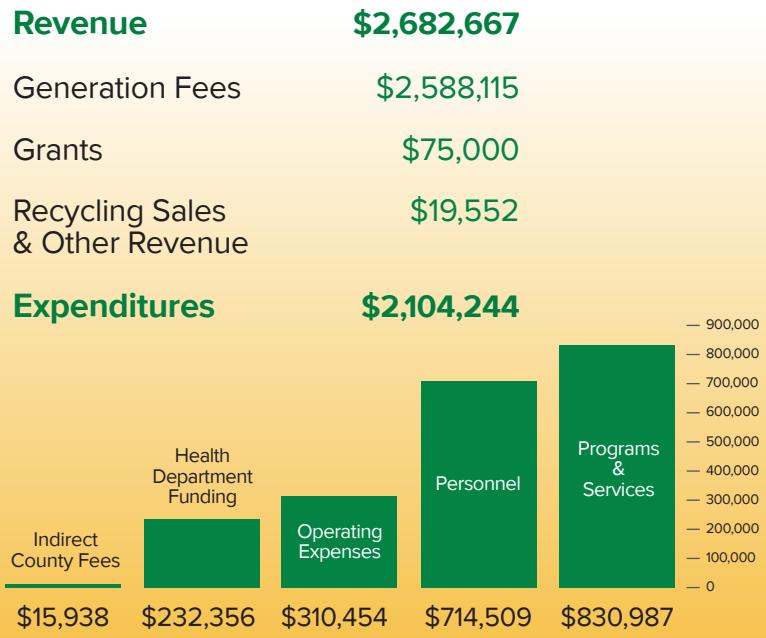
As we move into 2025, the District looks forward to assisting you with all your local waste management challenges and opportunities including recycling all that is practical and reducing our reliance on landfills.

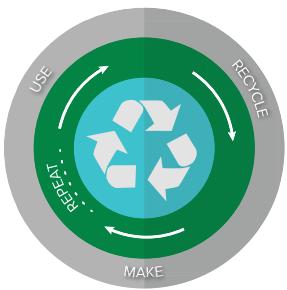
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Executive Director

2024 Key Stats



2024 Financial Report





2024 Residential Recycling Report

Key

This chart shows the percentage of each community's waste stream that was recycled and composted in 2024. These add up to the total recycling rate for each community.



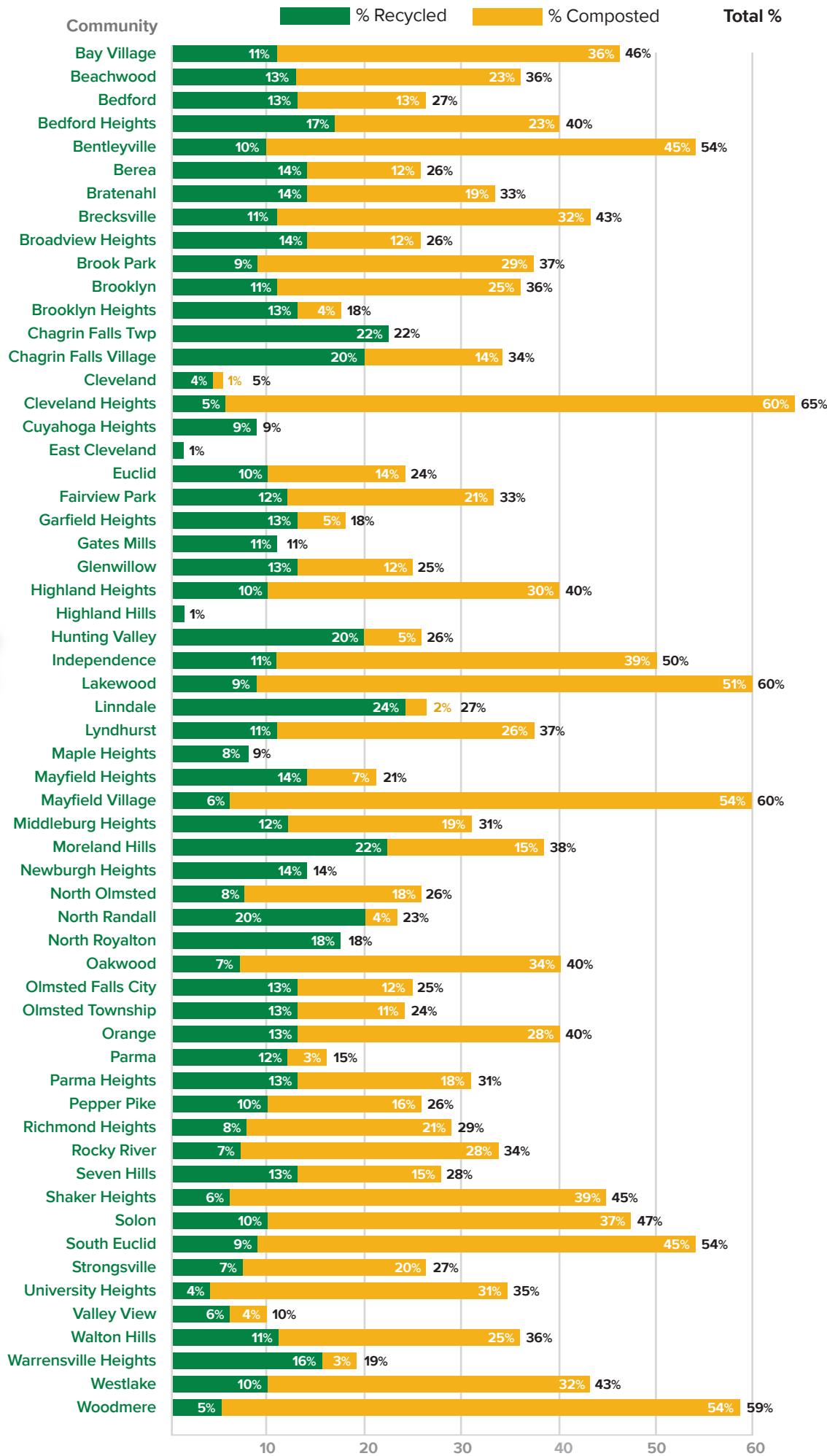
% Recycled

The percentage of the community's total residential waste collected for recycling. Includes cans, cartons, glass, paper and boxes, plastic bottles and jugs, scrap metal, appliances, computers, household hazardous wastes and scrap tires, etc. collected from recycling.

% Composted

The percentage of a community's total residential waste that was collected for composting or mulching. Includes yard waste leaves, grass, brush and wood waste.

* Percentages may not add up to the total due to rounding.



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2024 RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING REPORT



Key This data reflects materials collected through each community's residential waste collection, recycling and yard waste management programs. It excludes materials from commercial buildings, retail stores, restaurants and apartment complexes that are not served by the community's waste collection program.

2024 Tons Landfilled

Solid Waste = Consists of non-recycled trash that is taken to a landfill for disposal.

2024 Tons Recycled

Recyclables = Consists of cans, cartons, glass, paper and boxes, plastic bottles and jugs, scrap metal, appliances, computers, household hazardous waste and scrap tires, etc. collected for recycling.

2024 Tons Recycled

Organics = Consists of food waste, yard waste, leaves, grass, brush and wood collected for mulching and/or composting.

2024 Total Recycling Rate =

The percentage of residential waste diverted from landfills through the community's reuse, recycling and composting programs. The recycling rate is calculated by dividing the total tons recycled (organics + recyclables) by the total tons of waste generated (tons landfilled + tons recycled).

2023 Total Recycling Rate

Provided for comparison purposes.

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Community	2024 Landfilled Solid Waste	2024 Tons Recycled Recyclables	2024 Tons Recycled Organics	2024 Total Recycling Rate	2023 Total Recycling Rate
Bay Village	7,793.95	1,539.25	5,138.26	46.14%	47.26%
Beachwood	3,399.39	720.18	1,226.06	36.41%	39.64%
Bedford	4,192.86	773.04	763.52	26.82%	28.05%
Bedford Heights	2,365.74	653.26	905.54	39.72%	35.99%
Bentleyville	367.25	76.49	360.67	54.35%	63.49%
Berea	7,191.40	1,326.23	1,165.00	25.73%	21.71%
Bratenahl	496.08	102.49	140.76	32.90%	55.79%
Brecksville	5,182.72	1,022.34	2,853.91	42.79%	46.32%
Broadview Heights	7,040.46	1,301.83	1,158.08	25.89%	26.82%
Brook Park	9,040.17	1,241.37	4,111.33	37.19%	18.96%
Brooklyn	3,766.73	663.56	1,496.84	36.45%	33.15%
Brooklyn Heights	651.32	107.14	35.33	17.95%	29.40%
Chagrin Falls Township	51.48	14.87	0.00	22.41%	22.41%
Chagrin Falls Village	1,369.60	414.63	285.33	33.82%	32.98%
Cleveland	133,413.70	5,404.69	1,124.50	4.67%	6.05%
Cleveland Heights	14,665.57	2,140.84	25,331.52	65.20%	49.08%
Cuyahoga Heights	332.59	32.58	1.38	9.26%	24.77%
East Cleveland	4,509.53	34.37	0.67	0.77%	1.12%
Euclid	15,987.44	2,086.75	2,886.92	23.73%	20.11%
Fairview Park	6,915.00	1,239.82	2,180.13	33.09%	42.42%
Garfield Heights	11,215.83	1,824.12	615.97	17.87%	18.63%
Gates Mills	1,042.63	127.24	1.61	11.00%	10.81%
Glenwillow	750.39	125.11	121.50	24.73%	27.23%
Highland Heights	3,692.31	607.16	1,804.00	39.50%	37.54%
Highland Hills	167.17	1.42	0.33	1.04%	32.52%
Hunting Valley	322.97	88.45	22.33	25.54%	20.02%
Independence	3,555.70	741.44	2,749.33	49.54%	51.80%
Lakewood	15,342.05	3,498.33	19,433.67	59.92%	56.49%
Linndale	30.29	10.12	1.00	26.85%	16.16%
Lyndhurst	5,866.73	997.54	2,404.11	36.70%	38.63%
Maple Heights	9,205.23	852.84	3.00	8.51%	8.81%
Mayfield Heights	5,347.00	910.73	479.40	20.63%	39.42%
Mayfield Village	1,464.40	202.06	1,951.80	59.53%	54.70%
Middleburg Heights	4,550.60	771.04	1,270.00	30.96%	31.20%
Moreland Hills	1,241.40	442.70	308.42	37.70%	46.72%
Newburgh Heights	847.74	142.31	1.33	14.49%	14.84%
North Olmsted	13,088.17	1,427.67	3,132.33	25.84%	31.31%
North Randall	96.21	24.61	4.73	23.37%	37.85%
North Royalton	11,103.69	2,427.26	48.25	18.23%	18.43%
Oakwood	1,251.00	135.79	700.20	40.06%	40.04%
Olmsted Falls City	3,521.14	617.26	542.67	24.78%	30.27%
Olmsted Township	3,443.92	578.71	493.02	23.73%	23.24%
Orange	1,314.13	277.60	607.29	40.24%	41.96%
Parma	35,040.55	4,840.71	1,305.43	14.92%	16.30%
Parma Heights	4,365.05	822.42	1,140.55	31.02%	37.82%
Pepper Pike	2,786.26	382.53	591.12	25.90%	25.14%
Richmond Heights	3,576.34	388.92	1,051.48	28.71%	19.70%
Rocky River	8,482.42	847.39	3,596.33	34.38%	36.33%
Seven Hills	5,250.00	940.63	1,072.13	27.71%	27.94%
Shaker Heights	8,565.88	925.06	6,120.85	45.13%	52.28%
Solon	7,617.00	1,452.41	5,350.33	47.18%	51.58%
South Euclid	8,275.95	1,639.23	8,129.17	54.14%	53.91%
Strongsville	20,343.53	1,833.75	5,597.26	26.75%	29.55%
University Heights	4,552.07	289.75	2,160.67	34.99%	42.46%
Valley View	1,271.70	85.66	54.50	9.93%	20.07%
Walton Hills	948.12	160.33	377.83	36.21%	34.24%
Warrensville Heights	2,811.10	552.31	107.73	19.02%	16.95%
Westlake	12,312.28	2,248.22	6,983.48	42.85%	39.23%
Woodmere	171.91	21.24	222.33	58.62%	61.23%
Community Totals	453,563.84	55,157.80	131,723.23	29.18%	26.99%



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