

Happy New Year!

From the



Hamilton County
Recycling and Solid Waste District

The Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District thanks Colerain Township for supporting recycling. Your community has made an impact on our environment.

In 2011... In Colerain Township

Colerain Township received \$21,079.10 in Residential Recycling Incentive dollars
We provide funding to communities based on the amount of material recycled by residents.

102 tires were collected, saving Colerain Township \$413.35
We provide funding to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful to organize tire collection events.

3,200 pounds of litter collected (from January–September) in Colerain Township
A partnership between the Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District, City of Cincinnati, 3CDC, and the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office helps reduce litter.

15 tons of computers and televisions were properly recycled by Colerain Township at no charge by accessing our computer/television drop-off program

3 bars/restaurants started recycling in Colerain Township
We helped bars/restaurants start a recycling program.

2 businesses/organizations started recycling in Colerain Township
We help local businesses start a recycling program and save money on their waste disposal costs.

Read about Hamilton County successes and future endeavors on the back page...

Throughout Hamilton County

Yardwaste drop-off sites

We contractually operated three free yardwaste drop-off sites. In 2011, **28,301** Hamilton County customers dropped off **7,200 tons** of yardwaste.

Compost bins sold

Backyard composting can reduce household garbage by up to 30%, converting waste into a valuable resource. We provided residents the opportunity to purchase a compost bin at a reduced price. In 2011, **906** compost bins were sold to Hamilton County residents.

Household hazardous waste

We provide a free drop-off program for residents to properly dispose of household hazardous waste such as pesticides, batteries and motor oil. In 2011, **4,044** Hamilton County households dropped off **229 tons** of waste.

TVs and computer equipment recycled

We provide a free drop-off program available for residents and local governments to recycle their computer equipment and televisions. In 2011, **4,333** Hamilton County households recycled **204 tons** of electronic waste.

Business recycling programs

We help local businesses start a recycling program and save money on their waste disposal costs. In 2011, **43 businesses** started a recycling program.

Looking Ahead to 2012

We look forward to continuing our popular programs in 2012. Keep an eye out for the openings of our drop-off programs. The easiest way to stay informed is to follow us on Facebook and Twitter. Of course, you can always check out our website for great information on our programs and tips on waste reduction. For access to all of these, visit HamiltonCountyRecycles.org.

We are excited to launch a new recycling campaign in 2012. The campaign is aimed at increasing residential recycling throughout Hamilton County. Be on the lookout for recycling billboards and other advertising.

In 2012, we will debut a new program to encourage and help residents backyard compost their yard trimmings and food scraps. Beginning in March, we will conduct one-hour backyard composting seminars to teach you everything you need to know to get started. Participants will receive a coupon toward the purchase of a backyard compost bin at Greener Stock or Worm's Way.

We are finalizing Hamilton County's 15-Year Solid Waste Management Plan. The Plan, among other things, outlines all of the programs that will be offered. The Plan is based on a thorough review of our programs and feedback from residents, businesses, and communities. In 2012, we will ask local governments to review and approve the Plan.

We look forward to another great recycling year in 2012. Thank you for your continued support of recycling. Happy New Year!

Sincerely,
Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District