### 2021 Year End Newsletter



#### SPECIAL COLLECTION EVENTS



**2,388 tires** 

District wide, we collected 2,388 tires at our 4 hosted collection events in 2021.

TIRES



#### **Electronics**

Several electronics were diverted from the landfill between 5 of our hosted events this year.

**ELECTRONICS** 



#### 17,000 lbs.

Over 17,000 pounds of household hazardous waste was collected and safely recycled at our HHW event this year.

HHW



AOR, OALPRP and the Buckeye Chapter of SWANA collaborated to host their semi-annual statewide conference in Chillicothe. The 2021 Partners Conference took place October 4 - 6,

professional development conference provided leadership, training, and networking opportunities for all participants. Conference workshop and speakers helped attendees new ideas, programs partnerships; demonstrated successes of local recycling businesses, and impart the latest developments in recycling, material management, conservation, community outreach/education and sustainability.

The District sponsored the Tuesday evening downtown reception. Southern Ohio Axe Throwing was the main event for the evening!

# EE CAMP

Experience Earth Camp was hosted in partnership with Pickaway Soil & Water Conservation District and Pickaway Co. Park District. The District co-hosted two summer camps for children in Pickaway County geared towards Environmental Science topics.



## COPPEL ATHLETIC PARK

After coordinating with the Ross County Park District, we were able to provide a drop-off recycling location residents and assist with recycling opportunities for the other Ross County Parks.



## FCRC IMPROVEMENTS

Fayette County Recycling Center (FCRC)

After nearly six months of operation, the Fayette County Recycling Center is entering the next phase of site improvements. Minor adjustments to the automated gate were necessary for functionality as well as an additional walk-through manual gate.

Currently, the Fayette County Recycling Center has approximately 1200 households signed up for access. The district has noticed a significant decrease in illegal dumping and contamination in the recycling bins. In the Spring of 2022, an official waste audit preformed to provide the percentage of contamination received at the recycling center.

As the new year approaches, the District is planning to continue progress at the new facility with with updates for 2022 with landscaping to serve as a wind barrier and to be aesthetically pleasing to the community.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Ross County

**Electronics Collection Day** 

Date: Dec. 29, 2021

Location: Ross County

Fairgrounds

Details: This event is first come first serve basis.

This event is free of charge to residents of Ross County.



The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it. -Robert Swan



#### Highland County News

Since October, Highland County Outreach has been in the schools to teach students about recycling. Teaching materials found in the "Windows on Waste" were used to walk the local 5th graders through the identification and disposal of recyclable materials. In all, we have reached approximately 257 students across 5 of the 6 school districts in Highland County.



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