

Highland County 2018 Recycling Grant Applications Available, DEADLINE TO APPLY March 1, 2018

The Highland County Commissioners and the Highland County Recycling and Litter Prevention Office now have applications available for the 2018 Recycling Grant Program. The Ross-Pickaway-Highland- Fayette Joint Solid Waste District annually allocates monies to each county within the solid waste district to implement recycling and solid waste related programs and projects. In 2018, the Highland County Commissioners have again chosen to dedicate a portion of their Revolving Fund allotment to a recycling and litter management grant program for Highland County.

New this year is the reduced cost-share percentage for the applicant. Starting now, grant recipients are being asked to cover only 10% of the cost of the entire project. In the past recipients were asked to pay 50%. For 2018 the maximum grant awarded will be \$4,500 per activity or event. This would leave the recipient with only a \$500 match for a maximum awarded project. However, recipients can choose to dedicate more of their own funds toward any project.

Grant moneys can be used for costs associated with solid waste, recycling and litter management activities that are consistent with the approved RPHF Solid Waste Management Plan. Example projects are: cleaning-up of properties declared as a nuisance by the local health district and/or a government entity; establishing local office, institutional or special event recycling programs; starting residential curbside recycling programs; conducting city or village wide cleanup events; and initiating various other recycling and litter management projects.

The following are eligible to apply: Municipal corporations, villages, townships, state colleges, boards of education, park districts, health districts and not for profit corporations/organizations within Highland County.

For additional information or for application materials for this grant visit the Highland County Commissioners website at www.co.highland.oh.us , or contact the Highland County Recycling Outreach Specialist, Heidi Devine, at 937-509-2899 or at her Email recycle@co.highland.oh.us.

Application Deadline is March 1, 2018. Completed grants can be mailed to ***Highland County Commissioners, 119 Governor Foraker Place, Suite 211, Hillsboro, Ohio, 45133*** or dropped off at the Highland County Commissioners office at the above address. Grant funding will be determined by April 1, 2018 by the Commissioners. All grant related work must be completed between April 1 and November 15, 2018. **New this year...**If not all grant funds are awarded by April 1, 2018 then additional applications will be accepted up to July 1, 2018 with a determination on funding being made by August 1, 2018. The project completion date remains November, 15, 2018.