Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling **State and Territory Grant Fact Sheet Ohio**



Grant Recipient Information

Name: Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 5

Highlights

- Develop a comprehensive organic materials management plan.
- Support a comprehensive data collection effort to establish a baseline for organic materials management in Ohio.

Overview of Ohio's Planned Activities

Ohio will conduct a statewide full waste characterization study and develop its first comprehensive plan focused on organic materials management to advance the goals of the state's Solid Waste Management Plan. As part of this effort, the state will identify—and provide a strategy to close—the data gaps that prevent establishing a comprehensive organic materials management plan. Ohio will then develop strategies to overcome barriers and accelerate opportunities to create a circular economy. Ohio also will conduct a study to pinpoint the total amount of organic materials being generated, landfilled, and diverted through various methods in Ohio. Through a detailed waste characterization effort, Ohio will establish defined categories for the organics waste stream and provide specific measurements of each material and its end-of-life management. Ohio also will assess existing, accessible organic material processing infrastructure in the state, and then determine what new infrastructure is needed to maximize material recovery opportunities.

SWIFR Grants for States and Territories

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding can be used to develop or update plans to advance post-consumer materials management, implement those plans, and to improve data collection efforts. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to Ohio once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

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