

## Contracting Waste and Recycling Services

*The Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District provides recycling and waste reduction assistance to residents, communities, schools and businesses in Hamilton County, Ohio.*

**Subscription** = residents sign up for waste and recycling directly with waste haulers.

**Contracted** = community contracts with a provider for waste and curbside recycling on behalf of residents.

### Save Residents Money

Households in communities with subscription-based recycling service in Hamilton County pay on average a monthly fee of **\$22.57** for waste and recycling service before fuel surcharges. Communities that contract on behalf of their residents for curbside waste and recycling service in Hamilton County pay on average **\$12.01** per household per month. These averages are based on best available data.

#### Average Cost per Household for Waste and Recycling

**Subscription = \$22.57/ month**  
**Contracted = \$12.07/ month**

### Have More Control Over Haulers

When a community contracts for waste and recycling service they can specify the service schedule and establish expectations.

### Reduce Truck Traffic

Currently, up to three waste haulers provide curbside waste and recycling service to residents in subscription communities in Hamilton County. This means that each of these companies could be sending trash and recycling trucks up and down your streets.

### Achieve Higher Recycling Rates

Residents in subscription-based communities face a barrier to participating in curbside recycling. These residents must take the extra effort to contact their waste hauler to sign up for recycling and pay a separate charge for the service. On the other hand, in communities that contract for both waste and recycling, all residents are provided the service at no additional charge. Incorporating curbside recycling in the base level of service will result in a significantly higher recycling rate.

In 2013, communities with subscription recycling programs achieved an average **9.20%** recycling rate. Communities with a contract based recycling program achieved a **17.92%** recycling rate. The recycling rate is the percentage of waste diverted through recycling and is different from the participation rate.

### Receive More Incentive Funds

Communities with higher recycling rates receive more Residential Recycling Incentive (RRI) funds through the Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District. The RRI program divides \$1,050,000 annually to Hamilton County communities as an incentive to increase recycling. As a community increases their recycling rate and tons of materials collected, the community receives more RRI funds.

#### Average RRI \$ per Community In 2013

**Subscription = \$11,751.87**  
**Contracted = \$33,373.27**

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