



# City of Oberlin News & Updates

## City of Oberlin services are still operational.

Public access to City facilities is still restricted, but certain departments may be physically accessible through appointment only. Otherwise, residents are encouraged to conduct City business via telephone or email. The Oberlin Police Department will remain accessible to the public during this time.

### Contact Us

[info@CityofOberlin.com](mailto:info@CityofOberlin.com)

#### Utility/Finance Office:

440-775-7211 or 440-775-7214

#### Police Department:

440-774-1061

[Police@OberlinPD.com](mailto:Police@OberlinPD.com)

#### Fire Department:

440-774-3211 Ext. 0

[FireInfo@CityofOberlin.com](mailto:FireInfo@CityofOberlin.com)

#### OMLPS/Electric Department:

440-775-7260

#### Public Works Department:

440-775-7218

#### Westwood Cemetery:

440-774-2820

#### Recreation Office:

440-775-7254

#### Planning & Development Dept.:

440-775-7182

#### Office of Sustainability

440-775-7257

#### City Manager's Office:

440-775-7217

#### Clerk of Council:

440-775-7203

#### Human Resources Department:

440-775-7217

[HR@CityofOberlin.com](mailto:HR@CityofOberlin.com)

#### Law Department/Prosecutor:

440-774-8519

## Oberlin Connector Expanded Service

The City of Oberlin is excited to bring expanded Oberlin Connector transit service to the Oberlin community. Working with other local entities, and with additional financial support from the Paradox Prize, the City has contracted with Lorain County Transit to increase the service hours and service area of the Oberlin Connector transit service.

### SERVICE DAYS/HOURS

**Monday-Friday**  
**6:00am - 6:00pm**  
**& 9:30pm-12:30am**

### SERVICE AREA

- City of Oberlin
- And Portions of:
- New Russia Twp.
- Amherst Twp.
- City of Amherst
- City of Lorain
- Sheffield Twp
- City of Elyria
- Carlisle Twp.



The Oberlin Connector is a demand-response service, so riders must call **1-800-406-7541** to request a ride. One-way trip fare is **\$2.00**, with discounts available for senior citizens (65+), persons with disabilities, children (ages 3-12), students with valid ID and veterans with valid ID.

**O · B · E · R · L · I · N**  
**CONNECTOR**

Visit [www.CityofOberlin.com/Oberlin-Connector](http://www.CityofOberlin.com/Oberlin-Connector) for more information.

## Recycling Program

Oberlin residents who wish to participate in curbside recycling will need to subscribe to the City's free **subscription-based** recycling program.

Visit [www.CityofOberlin.com/Recycling](http://www.CityofOberlin.com/Recycling) to subscribe online, or contact the Public Works Department at **440-775-7218** for more information.

Recycling is now collected on a bi-weekly basis. The 2021 collection schedule is available at [www.CityofOberlin.com/Recycling](http://www.CityofOberlin.com/Recycling).

Recyclables should be **EMPTY, CLEAN & DRY** before placing in your recycling cart. Place recyclables **LOOSE & UNBAGGED** in your cart. **NO SORTING REQUIRED!**

### RECYCLING GUIDELINES

#### Items Accepted in Curbside Recycling:

- ♻️ **Paper** - Newspaper, Envelopes, Mail, Phone Books, Magazines
- ♻️ **Plastic #1 & #2** - Water/Soda Bottles, Milk Jugs, Shampoo Bottles, Detergent Containers
- ♻️ **Cardboard** - Flattened Boxes, Food Boxes with Liners Removed, File Folders, Poster Board
- ♻️ **Metal** - Aluminum Cans, Food Cans

If you have subscribed to the Recycling Program and a black & white recycling sticker has **NOT** been placed on your cart, please email [Recycling@CityofOberlin.com](mailto:Recycling@CityofOberlin.com) or call **440-775-7218**.

Please provide your **Name, Address and Phone Number**.

♦♦♦Note: Stickers are placed on recycling carts during recycling collection weeks and are **not** mailed to residents. Please check your cart's front panel before emailing/calling.♦♦♦

Download the **NEW**  
**Oberlin Refuse & Recycling**  
**MOBILE APP**



- ♦ View refuse, recycling, special event, & drop-off collection schedules
- ♦ Receive **REMINDERS** for your collection days
- ♦ Use the **Waste Wizard** tool to find out if a material can be reused, recycled, composted, donated or disposed of in the trash



# Reduce Your Electric Bill With Efficiency Smart

The City of Oberlin partners with Efficiency Smart to help residents and businesses reduce their energy use and save money. From advice on products or projects, to rebates and discounts on energy improvements, Efficiency Smart is your one-stop resource to save energy.

Efficiency Smart's **FREE Electric Bill Advice Program** can help you learn about your electric use and the steps you can take to reduce it. A member of Efficiency Smart's customer support team will ask you a series of questions to better understand your electric use, and based on your responses, the agent will provide customized energy-saving recommendations - many of which can be done at little to no cost!

For more information about Electric Bill Advice or any of the services available for Oberlin electric customers, visit [www.EfficiencySmart.org/Oberlin-Ohio](http://www.EfficiencySmart.org/Oberlin-Ohio) or call **877-889-3777**.



## City Income Taxes - R.I.T.A.

Visit [www.ritaohio.com](http://www.ritaohio.com) for FREE E-File & E-Payment of Oberlin City Taxes through the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.).

For more information, contact RITA at **800-860-7482** (TDD 440-526-5332).

**Filing Due Date: April 15, 2021**



## Virtual Public Meetings

Oberlin City Council and Board/Commission meetings are being conducted remotely via video conference under the provisions of Sub. H.B. 197 and in the interest of public health and safety.

Anyone interested in viewing the meetings may do so at

<http://oberlinoh.swagit.com/live>.

Meeting dates/times/agendas/minutes/recordings are always available at [www.CityofOberlin.com](http://www.CityofOberlin.com).

## PPE Masks Available for Local Organizations

The Oberlin Fire Department has masks available for distribution to Oberlin businesses and non-profit organizations. Please contact the Oberlin Fire Department at **440-774-3211** to request masks for your organization.

## COVID-19 Vaccination Program

The COVID-19 Vaccination Program has begun, with vaccinations being administered in phases. For information on the COVID-19 vaccine, determining your phase in the vaccine schedule, and local vaccine providers, please visit:

[www.LorainCountyHealth.com/Coronavirus](http://www.LorainCountyHealth.com/Coronavirus)

Sign up to receive email notification of when local vaccine clinics are available in your phase:

[www.LorainCountyHealth.com/SignUp](http://www.LorainCountyHealth.com/SignUp)

## Caring Fund - Utility Bill Assistance

If you are experiencing financial hardship due to the effects of COVID-19 and will have difficulty paying your residential utility bill, please contact Oberlin Community Services at **440-774-6579** for assistance through the Oberlin Caring Fund. Additional City Caring Funds have been made available.

If you are having difficulty paying your Columbia Gas bill, please contact them directly at **1-800-344-4077**.

## [www.CityofOberlin.com/Coronavirus](http://www.CityofOberlin.com/Coronavirus)

Visit the webpage above for news and updates regarding the COVID-19 situation in Oberlin, including information on:

- ♦ City Program & Service Updates ♦ Vaccine Information ♦ Assistance Programs ♦ Lorain County & Ohio Case Data ♦
- ♦ Oberlin Schools ♦ Oberlin College ♦ Business & Non-Profit Information and Assistance ♦ And More ♦

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