



**September, 2022 - Oberlin Tagging Program:** The Lorain County Solid Waste District received a community grant from the Ohio EPA to conduct a targeted education and awareness campaign for the City of Oberlin, curbside recycling program. Beginning the week of September 12<sup>th</sup> and running through the end of October, 2-3 field workers will audit residential carts by lifting lids and looking into recycling carts.

Each cart that is set out will be checked for contamination and tagged with an "Oops" tag if any non-recyclable items are seen. No tag will be given if contamination is not seen. This tagging process is part of the educational campaign ensuring residents understand what is allowable in their recycling carts and what is not. The program will include outreach before and during the tagging field work to continue the messaging of reducing contamination. Truck-load audits will be conducted before beginning the tagging program and at the end of the program to evaluate the benefits. This campaign will identify and address educational gaps by providing recycling customer feedback so that everyone knows what to throw and how to *Recycle Right!* Once completed a data summary and final report will be presented to City Council in November.

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