

# Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District

## 2020 Waste Reduction Innovation Grant Selection Summary

7-16-20 thru 9-16-20 Update

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### Background

The Waste Reduction Innovation Grant assists communities, schools, non-profits and for-profit organizations with innovative waste reduction and recycling programs that significantly reduce waste in Hamilton County, Ohio. \$80,000 was originally budgeted and then an additional \$70,000 was added for a total of \$150,000 available for this grant.

### Criteria for Funding

The Grant Review Committee, made up of Department of Environmental Services' staff, evaluated each grant proposal based on the following criteria:

- Focus on waste reduction, reuse, and/or recycling
- Cost-effectively diverts a significant amount of waste and/or reaches a significant number of people
- Shows plans for sustainable funding in the future
- Proposal demonstrates ability to complete project objectives
- Proposal is complete and easy to understand
- Proposal includes detailed information on all items/services listed in budget
- If organization received funds in the past, grant administration was positive

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### Grant Proposals Selected for Funding

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<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Last Mile Food Rescue</b>
<b>Project Title:</b>	The Greater Cincinnati Where All Good Food Goes to People Not Landfills
<b>Grant Amount:</b>	\$10,000
<b>Matching Funds Promised:</b>	\$10,000 (in kind)
<b>Estimated Waste Diverted:</b>	275 Tons in first two years
<b>Estimated People Reached:</b>	600 in first two years
<b>Project Summary:</b>	Project contributes 12% towards license fee for application technology to facilitate food donation from donors, to volunteer delivers, to recipients; website development, and marketing materials.
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>The Cincinnati Recycling and Reuse Hub</b>
<b>Project Title:</b>	2021 Electronics Recycling Drop-off Events
<b>Grant Amount:</b>	\$10,000
<b>Matching Funds Promised:</b>	\$97,642.90 (part in kind)
<b>Estimated Waste Diverted:</b>	100 Tons
<b>Estimated People Reached:</b>	2,800
<b>Project Summary:</b>	Project funds heavy equipment, safety equipment, and shipping/packing supplies to facilitate the first phase of the Hub to collect electronics, batteries, florescent lamps, and tires for recycling.