

MAYORS' PARTNERSHIP FOR PROGRESS

Promoting Regional Cooperation and Advancement



Meeting Reminder: Thursday, December 12th at the Ohio University Inn and Conference Center at 12:00 PM

RECYCLING AND LITTER

Ohio EPA's Recycling and Litter Prevention Program provides grant funding to communities, local governments, academic institutions, businesses to establish and implement recycling, market development and litter prevention programs. Applications from November 4, 2019 through February 7, 2020. Informational webinars will take place on November 6, 2019 and January 8, 2020 to explain the requirements and grant application process.

For more information visit the Ohio EPA recycling website.

OHIO EPA

Since 2016, Ohio EPA's Water Pollution Control Loan Fund has offered local health districts grant-like subsidies to assist low-income homeowners repair and replace failing household sewage treatment systems. The funds come from principal forgiveness loans and do not need to be paid back. Homeowners are able to qualify for up to 100 percent of their repair costs or replacement. The program has served more than 2,000 repairs, replacements, and connections and the program will continue in 2020.

For more information contact Adam Pierce at adam.pierce@epa.ohio.gov or (614) 644-3642

WINTER CONNECT

Beginning October 14th through April 15th Ohio's electric and natural gas customers can reconnect or avoid disconnection of their utilities. Consumers may only use this Winter Reconnect Order during the months listed above. Consumers should speak to their utility company before using the Winter Reconnect Order. For more information on WRO, use this **fact sheet**.

OHIO CONSUMERS' COUNSEL

Participants are able to engage in the call to discuss issues that the region may be facing.

You may join the conference call by dialing 614-230-0229. Once connected, please enter the meeting code 46941

When: December 18th at 1:00 PM

VISTA UPDATE

The Medicaid and Appalachian Health, Socioeconomic Status, and Ecological OMAS Assessment study was completed by Ohio University's Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs with assistance from the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) and the Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center (GRC). The study was undertaken to address foundational information about health statuses (medical, mental, dental), health risks (e.g., substance use, chronic disease, disability, etc.) determinants of health, health care services access, health care utilization, unmet health needs, health burdens, and socioeconomic indicators. **The report can be found here.**