

1. Are you familiar with the County's present recycling program and how it works?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		78.0%	810
No		22.0%	228
answered question			1,038
skipped question			8

2. Have you visited Medina County's recycle website at recyclemedinacounty.com?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		38.0%	395
No		62.0%	644
answered question			1,039
skipped question			7

3. Do you like the current method of recycling where all the trash is sorted at the CPF and recyclables are removed in a central location?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		83.4%	853
No		16.6%	170
answered question			1,023
skipped question			23

4. Do you bundle your newspapers before you place them out for trash pickup so that it's easier to remove them at the CPF?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		36.2%	365
No		63.8%	642
answered question			1,007
skipped question			39

5. Do you use the County CPF to drop off yard waste, recyclables, used oil or antifreeze (a service currently offered free of charge)?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		46.9%	480
No		53.1%	544
answered question			1,024
skipped question			22

6. Do you use the glass drop off centers in the County to recycle the glass you would otherwise throw in the trash?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		31.2%	321
No		68.8%	708
answered question			1,029
skipped question			17

7. Did you know that the State of Ohio requires the Solid Waste District to provide recycling access to 90% of the population and to recycle at least 25% of residential solid waste?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		24.4%	251
No		75.6%	779
answered question			1,030
skipped question			16

8. If the County switched to a curbside program where residents are required to remove recyclables from the trash and place them in a separate bin (just one bin), would you participate regularly?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		69.3%	711
No		30.7%	315
answered question			1,026
skipped question			20

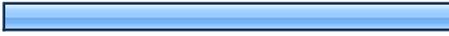
9. If the switch is made to curbside recycling, does it concern you that this will require additional truck traffic in your neighborhood?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		39.4%	407
No		60.6%	625
answered question			1,032
skipped question			14

10. Curbside recycling is estimated to cost the average household an additional \$3.00 to \$6.00 per month. Would you support such an additional increase in costs for your household?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		33.4%	343
No		66.6%	684
		answered question	1,027
		skipped question	19

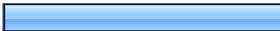
11. If you live in an unincorporated area, would you like to see your township bid for refuse collection (which may require mandatory participation by each home) in order to obtain a better price for weekly collection and to reduce the number of garbage trucks traveling on your street?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		18.9%	193
No		13.3%	136
Not applicable, as I don't live in an unincorporated area.		67.8%	693
		answered question	1,022
		skipped question	24

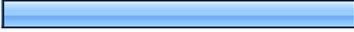
12. Under the current program rules, recyclables you remove from your trash are not to be donated to any other organizations because the recycle value of those materials is used to offset the cost of operating the CPF. This keeps the cost of garbage disposal down for all residents. Should Medina County enforce the "all recyclables must go to Medina County" rules currently in existence?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		70.1%	714
No		29.9%	304
answered question			1,018
skipped question			28

13. If the County established more drop-off locations for residents to take their recyclables, would you participate regularly?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		58.2%	591
No		41.8%	425
answered question			1,016
skipped question			30

14. Medina County is considering several options for solid waste planning for the future. Please choose the options which would be of interest to you.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Continue the current contractor mixed waste type operation with inflationary cost increases, as necessary.		48.2%	475
Public operation of a mixed waste type operation with potentially lower costs.		53.4%	526
Public or private 'clean recyclables only' facility with potentially higher costs.		10.8%	106
answered question			985
skipped question			61

15. If you have any additional comments that you would like to share with the Solid Waste Technical Advisory Committee, please add them here.

	Response Count
	311
answered question	311
skipped question	735

16. E-Mail:

	Response Count
	387
answered question	387
skipped question	659

If you have any additional comments that you would like to share with the Solid Waste Technical Advisory Committee, please add them here.

1. If, as in question 14, the Commissioners know that public operation of a mixed waste type operation with potentially lower costs, would indeed save us money why do we continue to privatize? 2. Why can't the County recycle because it is the environmentally sound thing to do? 3. Why must it always be for the sordid profit motive? 4. Why do the Commissioners not give us the exact amount of profit the recycling center yields and goes into the pocket of their friends? 5. Privatizing has been a mistake from the very beginning and has put a lot of our tax dollars into the pockets of Commissioners' friends, rather than benefiting the people of the County. 6. Finally. I would ask the Commissioners to begin working for the people of the County and not for their friends and fellow Republicans who have access to them. Find someone responsible here in the County to run the facility as a public, open trash facility that belongs to us and from which a friend of the Commissioners is not allowed to skim off any profits and cut corners so that profits can be made. If we were recycling for the right reasons much more of the waste would be kept out of the landfills. We need to have a public facility, not a mechanism through which Commissioners can pass tax money to their friends.

A county mixed waste operation enables greater efficiency of recycling materials than a curbside program which would not be used to its fullest potential by residents. People get lazy or hurried and do not always participate fully as needed in a curbside program.

A curbside recycling bin is the best and most convenient option for residents. We have lived in a city that used this method and almost all residents participated.

A government program for which I have no complaints. I am fully satisfied with current program. I request no change.

Absolutely do not get rid of free yard waste drop off at the current solid waste facility or similar. Access to the dump for waste by citizens should also be allowed as part of this change.

Although not a resident of Medina County, would respectfully suggest the Solid Waste TAC view the system being constructed in Montgomery, AL. www.infinitus-energy.com. It is an advanced mixed materials recovery facility. One bin, so no separate collection, all sent to the facility where no less than 75% is recycled. Even higher rate can be recycled if anaerobic digesters are used to create CNG to fuel the municipalities trash trucks. Feel free to call if you would like additional information. (954-838-8118).

Although the central facility is good, 1-2 satellite facilities in other Medina County locations would be helpful. Or, take the facility "on the road" and do periodic recyclable collections in rotating cities; for example, every six weeks, Wadsworth would host the recycling center in a parking lot to more conveniently drop off lightbulbs, motor oil, corrugated cardboard, etc., so they don't end up in the trash stream.

Are costs already too high, I pay almost 50% less at an out of state home with trash picked up 2 times/week.

As long time residents and part of the senior population any additional cost by having curbside pickup is prohibitive, so many of us dump our own trash at the recycling centers ourselves to save money. We also use the compost and mulch made from the yard waste we turn in at a reasonable cost to us. Please consider this.

As usual, in the name of additional profit: a few "activist" will wreck a system that current works. Analyze the true total cost of a separate recycling program (at the individual homes thru the transportation and ultimate distribution of the recyclables). There will always be a total higher cost for separating. This is the only way that additional business units can survive off of the same volume of refuse. The math is very straight forward, except for the liberal minded $2+2=7$?????

Ask for a year by year report on the % of recyclables attained, and what % of that was attributable to yard waste.

Assuming the current process meets requirements, I like the way it is now.

At a previous residence in Illinois, costs for trash were covered in the following manner: Stickers for trash, large refuse, and yard waste were available for purchase at many local stores. These stickers were placed (one per sticker) on each bag or can of trash, each large item, or each yard waste bag and only properly stickered items were picked up. All recycling bins were picked up for "free." This system was very efficient in encouraging residents to recycle everything possible and wound up costing slightly less than our current MCSWR bill. I would most support a move to this system in Medina County. This would probably cause us to recycle paper in our house, which we currently do not do, and be more efficient/less wasteful in making garbage.

At the age of 79 I cannot become a trash recycler nor transport the items to areas. I find it hard in bad weather to take the container to the curb. What next???

being on a fixed income, I cannot afford any higher bills

CLOSE THE CPF!

Construct plants to use trash for electricity like they do in New England.

Continue the current system if it is efficient. Otherwise go to a curbside recycle container. I use the glass igloos and Abitibi paper containers now. Bottom line is we must recycle for our planet.

Cost should not be the only factor considered. As a county we should be conscious of our environment and make decisions based on what is best for the future.

CPF does a GREAT job.

Curb side pick up of all waste with recycled item separated would be my preference.

Curb side recycling is difficult for disabled and seniors. Too many containers

Curbside recycling is the most efficient. I'm more concerned with the efficiency, since we now know how inefficient the sorting facility has been in removing recyclables. I answered "yes" to the question about bundling my paper, but in truth I use the paper recycling dumpsters at a local church instead of throwing them in the regular trash.

Current contractor is clearly not doing a good job. It is disturbing to me that so much is being sent to landfills. It's time to get a different operator and change the system to one that recycles considerably more material.

Current method does not work as well as it could. We currently drop our newspaper at the green bins that Medina removed, but there are still some in outlying areas. Can't believe that all paper, even if separated is cleanly collected for recycling.

Currently, light bulbs (including fluorescent tubes) have "no where to go" -- they must be dumped in with "regular" trash, and end up crushed and therefore ultimately end up in the "compost" at the current recycling center. Household batteries ALSO have "no where to go" unless one collects enough of them to make it worthwhile to take to the recycling center. Medina County ALREADY has glass recycling centers, but a broken beverage glass has "no where to go" except in the regular trash and ultimately ends up in the "compost." These practices are not acceptable!

Cuyahoga C. does a better job than Medina in % reclaimed. Shame on us...We should be State leader...I do but most will not go for the inconvenience of the igloos for glass recovery. The video on the Medina Recl website is outdated and current recordable % is not that high. Shame again...

Didn't understand question 14

Do away with flow control and allow the public to choose where their trash and recyclables go. This would save the residents and business' money. This would also allow Medina County to get out of a business they do not need to be in.

Do whats best for the residents.

Does increasing the truck traffic to pick up recyclables really balance the financial and environmental impact of hiring drivers and paying for fuel & maintenance for those trucks? Does requiring the community to go to a specific location to drop off recyclables or the cost of people's fuel and time that would require? I don't believe it does. Please do whatever it takes to keep our costs low.

Don't have the extra room/space to keep another garbage container available for separating recyclables. I enjoy the current contractor mixed waste operation due to my age (75) the current program is best for me
Educate us on how we can make the current process more efficient

Equipment should be upgraded to extract more recyclable materials to offset landfill disposal.

Extremely overpriced now. They do not recycle as much as they claim.

for number - don't have enough info to make a recommendation

get the townships on board with public pickup we are paying through the nose for trash pickup and the refuse still goes to lodi

Great facility. We live close so we use the CPF all the time. I think the County should operate it themselves and save the mark-up to a contractor

Hard to answer some questions since I didn't know about drop off points. Some better info would be nice

Have always and will continue to recycle regardless of program. Current program makes it easy. Lowest cost possible is best.

Have drop-off locations in each city for all types of used batteries, old paint, old fertilizers and household cleaning supplies, cell phones, computers, monitors, printers, misc. electronics.

Have experience with the 'home sort' option...It's cumbersome, generates more TASK SPECIFIC truck traffic, and wastes room in residents' premises.

Have you looked into a different contractor running the Medina Cty Solid Waste Plant? The city used to collect recyclables at the curb every other week. I don't believe enough of the public understands how recycling works - more education?

Help residents understand how recycling program works

Honestly I cannot make ends meet today, let alone the increase in costs. Everything keeps going up but my paycheck.

How do we dispose of the energy-efficient light bulbs?

I always hesitate to let the government handle something that can be handled by private industry. it doesn't always reduce costs and certainly limits choice.

I am a single person household in a township. It would take a month or more to fill a 'recyclable bin' & it is too far in wrong direction to drive to CPF. I like the idea that we are employing people to sort out the recyclables. I also think about the elderly who have little waste...they are in same position as me. If drop off bins were put in township, i may participate; however, what will happen to those sorting jobs at the CPF? WE NEED THOSE JOBS.

I am all for recycling, but any additional costs need to be kept as low as possible. There are a lot of folks on fixed budgets and any increase could cause an issue for them.

I am amazed by how many people have no clue about how our trash is processed. A public awareness program with tours of the facility may promote voluntary recycling efforts.

I am an educated person with multiple college degrees. I think your survey is not scientific. I also think it does not educate people enough about the choices offered. So I think you need to do more education and then survey people that can give you informed direction.

I am confused as to why only 9% of our recyclables are actually recycled. What do they do at the Recycling Center? Why should it cost more if more product can be recycled at a profit for the recycler?

I am confused on what to do with my big bags of shredded paper. I put them in clear huge bags so the facility sees it is shredded paper, but it is unclear to me if I am doing this correctly. I think that all county residents should be given instructions once a year on how to handle our trash/recycling

I am elderly & basically homebound, but I do think we should consider the most efficient recycling plan with the most profitable plan for the County.

I am in my 80's. Having to carry my recyclables to the curb is no easy task for me and all my elderly friends. The current operation is the most convenient for me.

I am interested in the most recycling possible. Where people of Medina have to be responsible, where jobs are created and held for our county and costs are reasonable. I moved here from PA where we had to sort and recycle ourselves so either way is fine. Recycle the most we can - that should be the goal.

I am not able to take recyclables anywhere, as I would assume many people cannot to include disabled people, people who do not drive, people who cannot lift, elderly people. I am not opposed to separating my trash; however, I am opposed to having to transport it, including yard waste.

I am not opposed to a price increase in exchange for the convenience of not having to sort my trash.

I am willing to pay a couple dollars more a month for a better and more efficient method to recycle as much as possible

I believe our system is one of the best in the nation and it should continue to operate in the same fashion. I understand and financially support improvements to the current system.

I believe recyclables at the curb would actually lower pickup costs to the resident not increase them. Or at least it should for the additional work done by the one who pays the bill. However, I do believe the County's particular CPF would struggle if they lost the material and corresponding revenue to someone else. As a result, if the CPF were to still require all trash in the County to be deposited with them but require haulers to pick them up separately from other trash (and be separated by the homeowner vs CPF), rates would go up because the hauler/homeowner would have to do more work but not get the corresponding materials/revenue that would ultimately be taken by the County CPF. In other words, if the homeowner and hauler would be doing extra work, why should the CPF get the money and not have to do anymore work? The County should consider investigating/researching other county facilities and/or landfills or other districts and compare our costs/services to theirs to ultimately lower costs where possible. With that said, I would however be one to support less work but pay higher rates to recycle. I'm just not sure if the CPF should be the only option and other landfill/CPF facilities should be a consideration. Possibly bigger Districts would be something to consider as well to lower costs/overhead. What is our CPF costs compared to others? How much would the savings be if the trash were deposited in other County landfills vs going through the County's CPF.

I believe the present system offers the resident the option to control costs by contracting with the waste hauler one chooses.

I bring my recyclables to the plant in Seville religiously. I am very disappointed that they cut back on what they will accept. I will gladly pay more to do what's right for the Earth. It is terrible to throw plastics #3 - #7 into the garbage, for example. I hope Medina County will do better in the future.

I came from a community where homeowners were provided with 2 large containers; green container for garbage and blue container for recyclable items....it was an efficient system and the additional cost was minimal. Medina is behind the times with recycling.

I currently do not utilize curbside trash pickup. I drop off recyclables at igloos & at the facility. I also pay the \$1.50 fee to dispose of the occasional bagged trash. Not sure how well mandatory participation would go over. Tight budgets here in southwest Medina County.

I currently separate glass, plastic and paper. I take the paper to the recycle bins but the rest goes in with our dumpster. The current system seems inefficient.

I do not agree with the current system and never have. I have seen recycling with dedicated bins work easily in CA, AZ and FL with no additional costs. The drop off igloos are good-but I have limited glass and almost no cans, so are not worth it to me.

I do not believe that a Public operation will potentially lower costs. Have not seen a Public program do this yet. Stay the course and renew a good and fair contract. Thank you.

I do not have trash pick-up and living close to the center I haul all my own trash at the minimal cost of 1.75 per bag. Since I'm extremely conscientious about recycling, I have one bag every 1-2 months. I would prefer to continue this method. Since the center rejects most plastics, I use the Medina Paper for those plastics. You would need to beat approximately \$10.00 per year for me to support a change.

I do not like the fact that the operation of the CPF is a contracted company. I especially do not like the fact that they share in the income generated by selling the recyclable materials in addition to the money they receive to just run the facility.

I don't bundle newspaper/paper because it becomes too much work. I throw all of it in a box and dump it in the bin at my work in Summit County. I think Medina County should develop their own paper/cardboard recycling bins to put around the county for collection. Once it's wet, it is difficult to sort, even when bundled.

I don't feel that the current program is that effective. I feel that a curbside program would increase the percentage of items that are being recycled. And as far as the "all recyclables must go to the county". I feel that we should be able to do what we want, as long as it's getting recycled. Some of the private or fundraising programs actually have a large percentage of items recycled. The whole purpose of recycling is reducing landfills, reusing resources, to cut down on costs and to help our earth. Not who can profit more from it.

I don't feel you do enough enforcement of the "all recyclables to the county" rule. Our church was made to discontinue their paper recycling bin, yet other locations in Wadsworth were permitted to still have them. It should be everyone out no one is able to participate.

I don't put my paper/newspaper in the trash. I support the private fund raising bin (yellow and green). These support local youth, church and school programs. This is a give back to the the community that Medina County should support.

I don't want anything that adds any add'l cost. We're on fixed incomes and live from one mo to the next as is.

I encourage more at home sorting of recyclables. Where my son lives, they have a different color waste container - in which recyclables are sorted and bagged according to glass, plastic, etc. Then the container can be put out only once a month northwest, first week; northeast, second week; etc. It makes a lot of sense to me. I suppose if you put out more containers and they were more accessible, plus an efficient way to organize recyclables, that would help also. Wouldn't curbside recycling costs be offset by the income generated? .

I feel our current system works just fine.

I feel that a great deal of recyclable material is ending up in the garbage with Medina's program. We moved from a town with curbside recycling and it was very well received with a high participation rate. I take all my recycling to recycling bins in another town. (Glass, cardboard, aluminum, magazines, etc.) I feel there is a better chance of them being recycled there than there is in Medina.

I find cost to be the biggest factor. I find Wadsworth's utility costs in general to be the highest of the 3 most recent places I've lived which include the city of Medina and Columbus, OH. I'm interested in doing whatever it takes to keep costs down!

I firmly believe "there is no 'AWAY'" as in "to throw something 'away'." But to many, trash is trash is trash and there is no incentive to separate or segregate materials. While I lived in Bowling Green, I used their drop-off center (<http://bgrecycling.com/>) regularly. It was a positive connection to recycling - our current system is far too disconnected for most people which results in poor participation and cooperation. Do people in general know that it is recommended to remove glass, to separate food and animal wastes, or bundle and separate recyclables? Do they care? Is it even effective? So, the current separation of a mixed multi-waste stream yields contaminated low valuable recyclables for resale. Could the Igloo glass program be expanded to collect other materials and still utilize the "dirty MRF" for the remainder and for non-participants? At a minimum, I think expanding drop-off centers would increase collection of "cleaner" recyclables and would increase resale revenue as opposed to that recovered from a "dirty MRF" I would think the losses sustained from the Abitibi bins a few years ago should indicate that some (many, most?) residents are willing and wanting to be more involved in this process. Otherwise, I fully support curbside. It provides a tactile connection to the recycling process and would further serve to make people more aware of the how to assist the process and of what their choices mean.

I go to the recycling center quite often. I noticed that much of the waste is not even processed through the plant, but loaded directly into the semi trailers and taken to the landfill. I'm sure it's a nasty job to sort all the waste, but I think it all should be sorted in some way. Even if it's just recycling the metals that can be mechanically sorted.

I have been a huge supporter of the county wide recycling until I heard how little was expected of them, and how little they were actually removing from the landfills. We can do better! I know there is a market for plastic bottles and am furious that they are not being removed from the garbage stream! This contractor is obviously doing as little as "contractually obligated" and again, we can do better. For the sake of our children and our planet, we absolutely need to do better. Let's figure this out and find a solution.

I have been on field trips to the CPF with my 4th grade class many times. It was very informative and I believe educating the public about the CPF and how it works-whether they be children or adults is necessary for recycling in the community to be successful. When the 'Paper Retriever' (Abitibi?) bins were taken from the Medina County Schools, we were told that there would be educational curriculum in our schools about our County recycling program. There never was any! What a wasted opportunity to educate our future County taxpayers on the benefits and cost effectiveness of recycling in the county.

I have been very, very diligent about sorting my waste for a good many years - and I try to encourage my neighbors and co-workers to do the same. It sickens me to think how much waste is produced, and I KNOW, for a fact, that people are just plain lazy to take 2 minutes to sort their own household trash for the good of the earth (and, instead, sit glued to their computers or smart phones). I actually put my trash out every-other week - not weekly, and am quite proud of it. The neighbors (I live in a cluster community) look at me like I'm some sort of lunatic, but I could give a rat's ass, really... I know I'm doing my part in saving the trees, the earth - and that makes me very happy.

I have toured the facility with International guests many times and they all admire our sustainability efforts and recycling programs that are efficient and good for the environment. Many guests have taken the idea back to their host country. In addition we do not use curbside pick-up and make a visit every 4-6 weeks with our sorted recyclables and trash. The staff is friendly and operation runs well. I am not familiar with cost/benefit of private contract or county managed, but either way the facility should stay. In addition, as I travel to Portage county each day, their curbside program is not efficient, trash containers are left out and trucks obstruct traffic with multiple pick-ups instead of one. This seems to add costs and noise, etc that isn't necessary if we use the central processing facility. Education is key. Good programs like earth day promote the CPF and an outreach program to all new home buyers may help foster greater cooperation and encourage tips to make the process run better..

I have used the CPF since it opened and plan to continue to do so. I like and encourage recycling to my family and friends. My only suggestion is to set up a 'community' drop off area where working, usable items may be made available to interested residents.

I like bringing my trash twice a month for \$3.50 a month and picking up mulch or peat moss when needed. Thank You

I like having all the trash sorted/recycled centrally - a very nice convenience. However, it seems that it might be misleading to us that not all of our trash is being recycled to the best extent possible? Possibly that is why you are thinking of moving to curbside recycling? Either way it sounds like a higher cost. Overall, just want to see a higher percentage of trash being recycled - hopefully keeping the centralized model.

I like how the process currently works. I count on you to do the right thing with our recycling program. The easier the better for my busy household and life. Thank you for all you do!!!

I like taking my recyclables to the organization of my choice, such as the Fairview Park Fire Department where the money goes to burn victims. I give glass and cardboard to the Cub Scout troop so they get credit for dropping off recyclables. I put my newspapers in the bin at the church. So no, I don't want the city to make it mandatory that I can't do what I want with my rubbish.

I like that I don't have to take my recycling to a site myself. I lived in Chesterland before and had to drive it to a facility, which was a hindrance to me recycling. I would pay more to not have to physically move the recycling myself.

I like the current program

I like the idea of a separate bin for recyclable materials to be picked up with trash bin materials.

I like the idea of the CPF being operated by the county instead of a contracted company. I think we should be selling more recyclables to offset operating costs. The local public needs more education and personal responsibility on the recycling process. What happens to "trash" that contains recyclables, but are not in curbside bin?

I like the system that Medina Cty has currently. We recycle as much as possible. We have visited the recycling center for drop-off and also when there are special drop-offs at the fairgrds.

I like the way my trash is picked up in Wadsworth, that we can put almost anything in the barrel and don't have to sort it. It is so convenient.

I like what I have. Please don't change it.

I live alone and have the option of having curbside pick up or taking to the CPF. I recycle everything possible and have about one bag of trash a month. It is NOT cost effective for me to have curbside pickup. My mom is also single but lives in a mandatory curbside pickup city. She supposedly makes too much money to get the retired, senior, single household discount so she refuses to separate her trash and recycle. She would recycle if she had the option to opt out of curbside pickup.

I live in a senior condo association. Our trash is picked up differently.

I live in Chippewa Lake, so it is not far for me to go to drop off recyclables, grass etc. I am in favor of keeping the program we currently have. I personally have had to take a pay cut, so I am not in favor of any increased costs.

I live in Wadsworth township and use the recycle facility by Seville for all plastics, newspapers, etc.

I lived in Florida where they have road side pick-up for recyclable trash, but the county provided a trash bin for this use. Am hoping that more people will recycle!

I love the garbage men on the E Friendship St. route - I don't want them to lose their jobs. They are very good and efficient and they function in the WORST possible conditions (darkness, bitter cold, rain, snow/ice), and I've seen very dangerous materials for them to handle in darkness that neighbors place out for pick-up -- these guys function in awful conditions and should not lose their jobs. I can tell you that none of my neighbors will participate in a recycling program that requires them to take their trash anywhere - they won't even bend over to pick up trash that the high school kids throw down each day. They MIGHT use a blue bin, but it's unlikely. Most of us don't have storage facilities for additional trash containers though.

I often praise Medina's recycling program to my friends and coworkers. Please continue providing the same service we have today.

I prefer curbside pickup with either recyclables mixed with trash or bagged separately. I don't support an increase in monthly fees.

I recycle my newspapers at my church

I separate my recycle trash and place in separate bags. I don't know if this saves any cost at the Center. People need to know what they can do to aid the trash sortation operations and reduce processing costs.

I take all my trash, recyclables directly to the CPF. Why should I pay for pick up when its cheaper to do it myself. So why would I want to pay MORE for some "curb side" idea that I cant afford. Why can't this committee figure out that some recycables are down because people are recycling them for money! Anything I can make money on why in the hell would I give it to you?! I do love the CPF for my trash, compost and mulch I am a loyal customer but you need to be realilistic in these hard times, people are taking their steel, aluminum, wire to places where they can make money on it. I have been hearing that someone on this committee wants Rumpke in here. I am not sure why when everything I have read and heard about this fellow is he raises the trash rates for his customers every year. Guess that is good for him, and you but bad news for us as the customers. One of you likes to spout numbers in tons and the lack there of. John Q public half the time doesn't give two hoots. Tell me how many people visit the CPF in a given day, week, month -that would be of interest! Take away the compost and mulch I see you losing money. How can something that probably cost you pennies to make NOT be making you money?! You are making it out of our trash and then turning around and selling our trash back to us! With equipment that is 20 years old and paid for. Isn't that how it goes with all that equipment you have down there? 20 years old, out dated and you county folks expect it to run and act like state of the art equipment?! Love the survey and able to voice my concerns but only having it on the internet is limiting your feed back, but maybe that is what some of you are hoping for.

I think if you change the recyclables to where people have to sort in a different bin, it will not get done. I donate my papers to the school and my cans go to help other organizations. I think you will be ahead of the game financially by using the system as it is now.

I think the County should seriously consider removing itself from the waste collection and removal process. I have seen first hand the operation at the CPF and have come away un-impressed. I believe waste management should be left to private companies who have the expertise to improve service and drive down costs.

I think the current program makes it easier for residents to recycle. I think if it went to curb side and the residents have to sort out the recyclables there would be less participation. most people do not want to bother to recycle.

I think the program is great and you need to keep up the good work while keeping the cost down for us. That is a major part of your job. I do my job well and expect the same from you. Thank you.

i think their current position of harassing school, churches and non-profits, etc about paper collections is ridiculous. A solid waste is defined as not having value. a recyclable has value and it is up to the owner of who they give it to, same as used furniture or any other item.

I think Wadsworth should consider entering the 20th century and pursue an active recycling program. When I grew up in Massachusetts 20 years ago we had curbside recycling. From the report I read in the trading post it seems the current recycling effort is not successful. How could it be if the recyclable material is mixed directly with trash?

I think we should have the option to NOT have our trash picked up and recycle it our selves WITHOUT having our H2O effected!!!! I have called on stopping by trash pick up and was told that I could not because then I needed to have my H2O stopped too

I think we should sort our own trash into bins provided by the city, just like most municipalities do.

I travel out of the country frequently. The USA is so far beyond in Green energy and saving the planet techniques. Let's get with the program like the rest of the world.

I use garbage bags for trash, so how can CPF see and remove recyclables? No local paper collection bins provided.

I use the recycle glass bins and take my paper material to Litchfield for recycling. I do not know of any paper recyclers closer.

I was appalled to learn how little recycling is occurring at the central facility and we should strive to recycle as much as possible regardless of the cost

I was disappointed to learn how little of our trash is recycled. Since 2001, I have separated all newspapers, glass, paper and paperboard, corrugated cardboard, plastics and cans. Putting it in with the weekly pickup is weird. How is it distinguished? Is it truly being recycled? (glass to igloos) I would do anything necessary to increase recycling.

I was not aware that I could drop off glass containers or that I should bundle newspapers... it would help to have a public awareness program distributed that information. Otherwise, I think Medina County does a great job and am very happy with the current recyclable program!!

I was unaware that glass was not recycled as other materials are from the trash and I didn't know special "bundling" rules applied to newspapers. It would be helpful for newer residents to receive a flyer that explains the recycling process and its limitations (it probably wouldn't hurt for existing residents to receive periodic reminders too).

I wash and separate my recyclables, but I'm always weary that maybe they aren't really getting recycled since they are mixed with so much garbage. I would feel like they are always getting recycled if they are in a Recycle container, either curbside or a drop off. I would like paper and plastic collectors by the glass collection sites for people who would rather drop off instead.

I would be very disappointed if the recycle center were to close. I do not have trash pickup and would not have any place to dump my trash. I'm very happy with the recycle center and if public operation would reduce costs I'm in favor of that as long as you've looked at this long range. Please keep the recycle center in operation. Thankyou.

I would encourage the facility we use to continue to upgrade as newer and better systems become available. The operation looks like it runs very well. Why fix it if it isn't broke??????????

I would go for the highest amount of recyclables to be recovered.

I would highly support curbside recycling. I put all my plastic in one bag but am unsure if this helps or not. I don't have a large amount of glass so I don't use the igloos. But then I feel guilty for not using them for small amount of glass have. That is another I would love curbside recycling.

I would like Medina to consider a trash consortium like Lorain County where rates have dropped 50% for 5 years fixed. The operator would have the option to operate the recycle facility or the county could. Contact for info:René L. Rimelspach Attorney at Law 100 E. Broad Street Suite 2100 Columbus, Ohio 43215 614.564.1443 / Fax 614.280.1777 rlrिमelspach@eastmansmith.com www.eastmansmith.com

I would like to recycle my own recyclables with the bins provided for me to do that and have the trucks pick them up!

I would love to see one hauler for our neighborhood (township) rather than the current 2-3 on different days of the week.

I would participate 100% in a curbside recycling program.

I would prefer curbside recycling.

I would prefer curbside recycling. I currently sort out my recyclables and have to take them to Buehlers, paper dumpsters, etc. I am concerned regarding the amount of recyclables that are missed by the CPF.

I would prefer the method that would generate the most recyclable material.

I would support switching the CPF to public operation. I would also support funding improvements to raise efficiency and raise the amount of recyclables recovered. I would NOT support having the residents sort recyclables and putting them in different bins. I'm proud that Medina County does things different than other counties, and I want them to keep doing it better!

I'd be willing to separate clean recyclables and either place them in separate bags or drop them off at close by containers.

if bins are given to residents for recycling, i think there would be a more conscious effort on people to recycle. having more containers located throughout the city would not encourage people to recycle more because that means they have to load up their cars and drive to them. let's face it, people are lazy.

If I put the recyclables on the curb (separated from the trash) the trash goes directly to the landfill and product is separated. How does that drive the cost up? Need a lot more information to answer #14, If it aint broke don't fix it!

If it is automatically being done it is better for the environment because people are too lazy to do it on their own!

If the CPF doesn't fully utilize all recyclables for operational cost offsetting and profit, my understanding of Mr. Hambley's assessment of the CPF, then why not allow others to collect recyclables and reap the benefits?

If the CPF provided drop-off bins in convenient locations, I would gladly separate my recyclables and drop them off there. The CPF is a bit far to be convenient for me. I do already separate my paper, but drop it in a paper bin as I don't feel confident that it would be recycled at the CPF if put in with the trash - I think it'd be soiled and unusable after the smashing it'd go through in a garbage truck.

If there were a set of bins in the Chippewa Lake area I would take my glass there.

If we as residents choose to recycle our paper with non profits that is our right. Don't mess with that!

If we go to a curbside style pickup, has the county determined what type in container will be used? I would be in favor of bin style.

If we move towards a program that separates recyclables, I feel that some residents may be disinclined to participate and significantly more trash would be produced.

I'm afraid I would not participate in a sorting program. I LOVE the current system.

I'm more than happy to separate all my trash and recyclables but I want a reduction in the cost to pick it up

In Cleveland there are three trucks running to pick up trash for one home, this makes no sense. Enforce the law that all waste goes to CPF no exemptions. I see the paper bins all over Brunswick taking paper out of state' this is wrong.

In order to "do it right" a household must have multiple separation bins and be fully educated on how to sort their waste. For certain demographic groups, this may be achievable, but the majority of the population will not follow this objective. Most households simply do not have the storage space necessary for multiple sorting bins, nor would the odors associated with them be pleasant. Anyway, these are just a few thoughts...

In our household, we would have no problem sorting our own recyclables but we are worried that many people would not. This could potentially lead to more trash ending up in the landfills. Our biggest concern is the amount recycled.

In regards to possibly adding additional drop off sites, most people just cannot physically get out to them or people just do not have the time to drop off. Also, most households do not have extra space in kitchen, etc. for different bins to separate trash and recyclables.

It doesn't make sense that if residents sort their recyclables and put them in a separate bin that it should cost them more.

It is hard for the general population to understand the importance of separating recyclables (paper) to only see all the trash going in the truck together. I do so but often question the real value of my extra time and labor to separate under these circumstances. I would gladly participate in a curb side pickup of recyclables only. This was how it was done at my previous residence.

It is very easy for an individual(s) to separate glass, plastics #1 and #2, aluminum, newspapers, and even recyclable grocery bags, etc, and it could work well, I believe, to have recycling centers (like the Igloos) for those items. Let the residents accept some responsibility for recycling and by dropping off recyclables at these centers Less city labor, too. [People today are too darn lazy and have feelings of entitlement for a lot of things, in my opinion.]

It seems like the current system could be more efficient if you increased advertising of how people can sort out their recyclables at the curb. I was unaware until looking at your website. Also, I wonder how the CPF knows to fish out the recyclable bags before they get mixed in with the rest. Do they need to be in blue bags? I think people would want to assist if they knew exactly how.

It would be great if glass could also be part of the collection pickup to be recycled.

It would be great if there were additional drop off locations for recyclable material. If you increase the visibility of the drop off center, I think more people would be willing to participate. The general public don't recognize or appreciate the effort the county puts into sorting and recycling, to most the trash is picked up and taken away out-of-site out-of mind. My household sorts and separates all recyclable material.

It would be nice to have pick-up of grass clippings if they were placed in biodegradable paper bags.

It's bad enough that residents are putting their garbage cans out at 4 o'clock on a Sunday afternoon (it supposed to be 6 o'clock). The last thing I want to see is even more cans because of recycling. No one shows any consideration for others. It's terrible, especially when you having family functions and your guests see all the garbage cans lined up down the street in the middle of the afternoon. The city **NEEDS TO ENFORCE** the trash ordinance, knock on the doors of the offenders and make them take their garbage off the curb until the proper time. I live on Sugarhouse Lane.

I've seen Cleveland suburban cities with curbside collection and I'm not sure all residents are participating. The recyclables look pretty sparse

just close it and sell it

Keep rising costs in check.

keep up the good work - thank you

Keep what we have. I will not walk cans down my 750 ft driveway. I'll burn it instead.

Knowing human nature, I believe that continuing to collect mixed waste and recyclables is the most convenient for the residents, however I think it is necessary to research and implement increased technology to recycle a larger percentage of the materials going to the CPF.

Like the way it is now. Don't need any additional costs.

Living in a township, I want a choice of trash collection companies. Do not want to be forced to use a single source trash contractor.

love the current way the recycling program works

love the idea of curbside recycling with the resident separating the items.

make homeowners aware of recycle programs and locations. we have never been told anything.

Make residence know of the service. I lived in Wadsworth 5 years before i knew what the recycle center was all about. Put info in the utility bills and let new residence know of the service and how it operates. When I first moved here I separated my recycables and was upset to see them thrown together in one truck. No one told me what was going on until I got a job with Norton Environmental in the office there. What a surprise to see this facility and never been told about it when I moved here. You have to let the residents know about it. The present method lets everyone recycle whether they want to or not. The media is giving it bad publicity and incorrect facts. PLEASE, put info in the utility bills so people are aware.

mandatory recycling county wide should be enforced

Medina County is better than most other counties - why change it

Medina has a lot of families that do not have the time (or trunk space) to always bring their recyclables somewhere else. This is the first place I've ever lived where they didn't have separate recycling and it horrifies me.

Medina needs to concentrate more on its billing process than making up issues about recycling. stop passing off higher costs to residents in order to pretend you are doing them a favor.

More info is needed as to what is needed to do and lower cost. The questions are to general "would you do this or would you do that". If you are going to make changes, you need to sell it to the public, rather than "you are going to do this, or you have to do this."

More options for hazardous waste such as paint and flammables.

My concern is over yard waste. Currently we drop off at the CPF for free. I would hate to see this part of the recycling disappear. I prefer they compost it, not me!

need more hazardous waste drop offs during year. Not familiar with yard waste drop off... which is the majority of our waste. if more convenient we would consider drop off. Bottom line... costs will continue to go up not matter what... going green costs more money that not.. if everyone could afford going green I believe they would do so. Find a way to keep prices down but continue weekly service as is...

Need more locations to take yard waste

Newspapers - I don't receive newspapers at residence. Glass recycling is inconvenient because of location of domes from residence. We like being able to drop off used oil/antifreeze, etc. at the Lake Rd. facility.

No blue bins!! Big mess and attracts bees and other animals.

No curb side.

No more beauocracy. Obamacare has proven that the government cannot manage anything. Don't mess with non-profit organizations collecting paper as a fund raiser.

No trucks before 7 am.

None of the above choices! Use the money earned from curbside recycling to pay the cost of additional trucks. Two cans: one for dirty waste, the other for glass, metal, plastic, newspaper and cardboard. When we have out of town guests, they cannot believe that WE do not actively recycle. Why should it all be thrown together at home, then sorted on a conveyor belt?

not entirely certain I understand all of the differences in Q 14. Interested in ensuring that can be recycled - is recycled. Would like to see something for styrofoam (e.g. New Avenues to Independence in Cleveland is taking non-food styrofoam #6 and converting it into a retail product line). New Avenues is a nonprofit providing employment for individuals with disabilities. Should/could Medina contract with them for collection.

Not sure what the last two options above entail. We are very happy with the current system and appreciate knowing our trash is recycled as much as possible. We have no problem either paying slightly higher fees to ensure recycling or taking more of an active role in the recycling process. My only hope is that if it is decided to implement curbside recycling that there would be drop offs in Wadsworth. A drive to Medina would make it difficult to participate in the program.

Not willing to do more work ourselves and pay more for it.

Nothing toad. Wadsworth does an excellent job in how they are are handling yhid problem however, asking people to put out additional effort to assist is not burdening anyone.

Number one concern is convenience. I don't mind sorting things but I'm not going to load my car up with garbage and drive somewhere to dispose of it.

People are so uneducated about what gets recycled and what does not. Also most people believe that glass gets recycled and do not know they need to use the glass bins at buehlers. There needs to be an information campaign.

Perhaps a bullet point review of current options would help. I participated in Cuyahoga Falls program for many years. I feel embarrassed I didn't realize I have options currently; however, also unlikely I would put trash in my car weekly to take it somewhere,. I see most of my neighbors have 2 trash cans anyway. Wouldn't recycling help to not have overflowing issues. Also, we used to smash our cans and plastics to conserve space,

Perhaps the biggest problem with the current system (besides its inefficiency) is the apathy and ignorance that it has created within the county's general public. Barely anyone knows how many recyclables are missed by the CPF, and a large part of the populace has become very complacent and even lazy when it comes to recycling.

Please keep the central recycling facility.

Please leave it as it is as I take my waste to the center as it saves me money

Please make sure you continue the paint, oil, antifreeze collection times-twice a year seems fine

Please start curbside pick-up of separated recyclables. The facility is so far from downtown Medina that it is not convenient to take clean recyclables there. Please at the least provide drop-off locations in the downtown and township areas.

Private contractor employees pay taxes, public employees may pay taxes, but they use taxes for salaries and wages.

Provide more drop off locations for recyclables to keep costs down.

provide service to REALLY provide recycling and contain cost in doing so.

public operation concerns me somewhat, as it generally seems to result in less efficiency due to less competition. Would rather remain with private operation.

Question 12 is unclear/confusing. On Question 14, the 2nd and 3rd options need to be explained further.

Question 14 is confusing, don't understand the options. SUGGESTIONS: Conveniently locate 24/7 recycling dropoff sites in each township for glass, newspaper, metals/aluminum, batteries, used motor oil, cardboard, etc. CPF dropoff is too far to drive for most county residents. SWEEP recycling dropoff areas after pickup. (Brunswick glass igloo area is always littered with broken glass, probably deters some from using. Regularly place recycling policy/ instructions notice in Medina Gazette, Sun Post, & other local newspapers. Most county residents have no idea how they should do it. Many more will comply if it is made regularly known, drop-offs are conveniently located, & are available 24/7. Thank you for considering these suggestions.

Question 14 is not understandable and I have a PhD in English. The present system is ridiculous, esp. in forcing schools not to have paper collections, etc. The whole idea is to promote individual recycling of all waste. Your present system teaches people that they don't have to recycle. It's a silly system. STOP IT!!!

Questions 13 and 14 require a lot more details to answer as informed.

Re item 12: My trash is MY property and I will donate it to whomever I wish. I cannot believe there is a law prohibiting me from giving my newspapers to the charity of my choice. Furthermore, I regularly take scrap materials such as an old water tank or copper scrap to a commercial scrap yard and sell them. I will continue to do so and am very sceptical of any politician telling me that such activity is forbidden.

Recycling is a scam-- it wastes more money than it is worth. Therefore, I would definitely not favor an increase in cost for curbside recycling. Continue with mixed waste, and please reduce costs if possible.

Recycling is a waste of time and money. There are enough people who believe in it and do it, so let them do it on their own accord. No level of government should be involved in this and/or force any resident to participate. I WILL NOT participate in any recycling program no matter what Medina county chooses to do. Let the county keep sorting the trash, and do not hike my prices for trash pick up, rather manage your funds which are allocated to you already. This is typical of bureaucratic agencies to waste money, give pay raises, and then ask for more money from constituents. The public workers need to quit crying for more money and benefits; pay for your own benefits like the rest of us have to.

Recycling is important but it must be made effortless for lazy and busy people-

Residents in CA have containers like Wadsworth except two green containers (1) garbage, (2) yard waste a (3) blue container for all recyclables. System works well. If same size container is used for recyclables try picking up recyclables every other week. I believe all residents s/b required to recycle.

San Diego works a good plan. One large container for regular trash picked up each week. One half size container for recyclables picked up every other week. Only that which fits in the regular trash container is picked up (automated swing-arm truck.) This encourages the use of the recycle container to keep the regular from filling too quickly.

Since I live in York Twp., I already pay extremely high trash bills approx. \$35/month. I do not want to pay more. I still take my newspapers to Altribi bins because I know all the paper there is recycled, The CPF may not get all the paper out when mixed w/ other trash.

Since we have to take glass in to recycle, add as an option two bins, one for cans and one for paper. It would not require extra trips to recycle all..

Some questions ask for a yes / no response without having appropriate details for consideration. I would not therefore give a response without such. Experience with a "known way" usually trumps a way that is not well described ...including one's opinion.

Stop the pickers there costing us all money by taking the scrap to the scrap yard and denying you the income from the scrap metal

stop wasting so much money!

The central processing facility is amazing. It's marketing is deplorable. You wouldn't need this survey if people knew about the process but leadership has been status quo in its marketing efforts.

The city and county provide a great service. There is no reason to change what's working so well.

The cost to collect garbage is already too expensive.

The county needs to take over the operation of the CPF to ensure a higher recycling rate and receive more money from the sale of the recyclables.

The county should make it easier for residents to recycle. Residents are provided very little info on how the current system works, and how well it is able to recycle materials. Most residents don't know what they can do to help the county recycle, and what materials can be recycled.

The current method stinks just like the old Columbus trash burning facility (pun intended). Using clean recyclables should lower costs if the sale of recyclables is used to off-set the pick-up. I've lived in three other communities in Ohio and other states and this is the first time I have seen anything other than curbside pickup of recyclables.

The current program has worked well for years. I would not favor any drastic downgrade in service at the Recycle Center.

The current program seems to work and curbs costs. It's different than most counties, so that means it's bad? I don't think so. I'd like to see it continue.

The current requirement of "all recyclables must go to Medina County" is both counter-productive to the overall goal of reducing demand for landfill space and unconstitutional. In essence, the government requirement is a taking. Shame on the whole concept. Check and see if the County itself still diverts aluminum cans from landfills by donating them to charity. A collection container was in the lower level of the County Admin building for most of the CFP's 20 year existence.

The current system is great and a real convenience. It makes Medina Cty unique and is one the great things about living here. Keep the current system, make MINOR improvements,

The difficulty for me is that there are no places to drop off "paper", which seems silly because that has to be one of the more difficult items to sort. Even if it was County only drop off bins for paper you would have a huge increase in recyclables. They county should do everything it can to keep reusable stuff out of landfills. I love the fact that they sort the garbage, but know that they are not able to get most of it out. You could even put bins in neighborhoods and have the trucks only need to make one stop in each place if it meant that much. I just do not understand why they would not allow us to take our stuff anywhere else when most people are willing to sort through it, but have limited places to take it. I hauled a box full of newspaper around in my trunk for months until I finally said, whatever and threw it in my trash bin. I'm sure it ended up spilling out all over the place when dumped and 90% of it is in the landfill.

The ease of use of the current operation is excellent. I have lived in areas where recyclables have to be separated before being put at the curb and it is not convenient.

The fact that the only current way to recycle materials is separating the glass and taking it somewhere to dump is inconvenient, while man hours are used to sort through the trash is obviously ineffective. Our household would gladly participate in utilizing a separate bin for recyclables. While we understand this has a cost, wouldn't it be offset by the reduced cost of man power to sort at the facility? Either way, I think a better job can be done by the county and the residents to recycle and we are happy to be a part!

the garbage collectors are sloppy... they leave a mess when they leave...

the garbage is picked up early and curb left clean. we appreciate the helpers very much

The number of locations for dropping off recyclables in Medina County are abysmal. Provide multiple drop off zones that are convenient, like Abiti, and your problems would be reduced. Curbside recycling is good too. Bundling newspapers doesn't take care of the old mail, magazines, printer paper etc. and garbage space is taken up. Some garbage handlers charge more for more garbage bags/waste containers. Paper bags at curbside get wet and scatter. Go with big recycle bins at multiple locations, esp for paper, and bins at home. I currently bag my plastic bottles in a clear bag in my own container. Came from NJ 16 years ago. They had it handled, a way of life. Copy them as best you can. Coming to Medina County was like going back to the Stone Age. Is it too hard to interview other states for best practices, like companies do? Get the data, present it to the commissioners, and make a decision without handwringing. Tweak later if necessary. Stop giving companies long term contracts to run inefficient operations and then expect you to foot the bill in order to renew. That's what THEY have been hired to do. Thank you for asking opinions. I've been waiting 16 years for this. It's not an easy job, so good luck!

the present system is wasteful in that it does not recycle as much as possible

The system in place works well and the cost is reasonable. When the bonds are paid off the savings should be split with half going to reduce the tipping fee and the other put in a replacement fund. The county could also stop making money on the backs of the residents through this hidden tax.

The three options listed need to be explained in more detail.

The Wadsworth transfer station said when I moved in a year ago all recycle in regular trash cause it was sorted. I never heard about bundling paper. I have recycled for decades. I would prefer the cheapest method that gets the job done. I would take my recycle to a location if necessary. I don't think you can charge additional money. I personally have not seen an increase in salary in 6 yrs. I will do what ever to get it done short of a cost increase

There need to be better options for batteries than taking to the CPF. What's the rules for CF bulbs, the same as regular flourescent or part of the mercury program? Charging people extra to recycle does not encourage recycling. Threatening schools and chruches over Abitibi makes you all look like jerks and anti-capitalism, why aren't you going after Medina Recycling or the free shred day company or Marc's shredding program too? That Envision is the only company to win contracts the whole time especially with all the rejecting and rebids looks fishy.

there should be a "n/a" option for the newspaper question because we do not receive a newspaper
Things to encourage recycling should generate savings or income.

This asset needs to be developed and expanded to take in trash from broader area.

This survey is very slanted in its choice of wording. It is obvious that you have a view of how things should be and are trying to back up your position with "the opinion of the people". This is a very poorly worded if your intent is an honest opinion.

Too little info to select answer for #14. Our family would take newspapers to school drop-off bins as we did in the past or bag separately on trash day. we would also gladly put glass and plastic in a separate can on trash day or take to a local (in Medina City) drop off site.

upgrade the facility to be more efficient or hire a better contractor to do it

Use technology to recycle more at the plant. Sell recycled materials to lower prices or keep prices low.

Very disappointed that the only #1 plastics recycled are water and pop bottles. We have lots of other #1s that should be recycled - Panera cups, ketchup bottles, deli containers, etc. Disappointed for #2 limits with milk and detergent jugs only. Seems like we can only recycle about 25% of our plastics now. It sure was nice when you recycled any #1 thru #5 or #7.

wadsworth city recycling is pathetic

wadsworth city should ENCOURAGE residents to recycle instead of DISCOURAGING them by charging for yard waste pickup. more people would recycle if there was not a charge

We all should be recycling as much as possible. Transition the public to fully recycling their plastics, glass paper and organics. Benefit from the sale of the recyclables and pass it on either to the residents or the schools. Our system needs to be overhauled.

we are both in our 70's my concern would be having to carry containers to curb and there is only 2 of us compared to family of 4- 6 do we all pay the same?

We are not familiar with the recycling programs in the county. We currently use recycling facilities in another community- we take recyclables to a family member in Fairlawn where they have the facility available free of charge for residents to drop off trash and separated recyclables. If there were an easy way to do this at home, we would participate. However, the cost could be detrimental to some families who are already on limited budgets. That is not an issue for us, so it doesn't matter to me personally what option is chosen. I will recycle through whatever system is easiest.

We are very proud to live in this county with this recycle waste facility. You are awesome..

We believe the current system is a wise choice.

We currently only use sewer & water portions. We rent a private dumpster that is regularly emptied by a private contractor.

We currently sort most of our recyclables and have been doing it ourselves taking it to different facilities.

We currently take our recyclables and garbage to the MCSWF and like it. We recycle and our cost to unload our trash is cheap. Making a much smaller footprint!

We do not believe in any recycling program and will not support it.

We do not pay for refuse pickup. We haul our separated recyclables as well as trash to the CPF. Curbside recycling would only work for us if it's cost was not too great. The current rate for private refuse hauling is too large which is why we choose to do it ourselves.

We have a cottage at Chippewa Lake and do not pay for trash pickup. We instead take our trash to the dump and take recyclables home to recycle there. We do not like the dump's requirement of sorting recyclables.

We have dropped off electronics at the plant but at the moment use regular trash pickup for anything else. We have also purchased mulch that is available for sale at the plant. What items would additional drop off locations collect? I would need to know to answer this question. I always thought that the plant was a waste of money and didn't feel I had a vote in the matter. Now that I find out how little is actually recycled, it confirms my thoughts. What is the reason for the additional fees in curbside recycling?

We have just returned home to stay, having resided in Georgia for the past half dozen years. Part of our "trash" collection was curbside pickup of recyclables. We had two quite large containers... approx. 96 gallons each. Our "trash" container was only rarely filled even halfway, but, our recycle container was often not large enough. The recycles were sorted separately, by the facilities and picked-up in separate trucks.

We have quite a collection of old paint cans, spray cans, old anti-freeze and we don't feel like driving to the collection center. Could you pick several drop off locations... even twice a year... that are CENTRALLY LOCATED? Could you get the word out EVERY WHICH WAY... so people know drop off dates and locations. Could you offer bonuses/perks to Conrad's and North Gateway tire to collect old oil/tires... So private and public sectors can work together?

We have traveled widely around the US, and are of the opinion our current system seems to provide the most efficient method of handling solid wastes.

We like the current system whereas we do not have to keep our recyclables separated and would not mind a small cost increase to keep the same system.

We like to take our yard waste, oil and antifreeze to the lake road facility. If this operation closed, where would we take our yard waste and other items?

We live in Seville and currently do not have any trash service. We separate out our recyclables in the appropriate bins before taking them to the Solid Waste Facility. Also, because there are only two of us living at the residence, we accumulate 1 bag of various other types of waste per week. Having a mandatory, city-wide trash service would be a waste of money for us.

We moved from an area where we had curbside recycling of plastic, glass, newspaper and paperboard. I think Medina County should do the same. Or at least provide bins in my area (Wadsworth) so that I can easily recycle myself.

We need a few more days to put out whatever we want. 1 day is not enough.

We need to recycle more of what is currently collected. Would another company be able to run what we currently have? Could they be more efficient than our current company? I hope so.

We now take our yard cuttings and bushes to Smith Brothers on Marks Road as it is closer to our home.

We presort and drop off all recycling at the facility except for glass which is done at a drop off location, but I would really like to see drop off locations expanded to accept cardboard, cans, and other items.

We recycle our newspapers by putting them in the bins that are in the parking lot next to the Methodist church here in Wadsworth. Other cities have separate bins for recyclables placed out by the curbs. Why not us? It is disheartening to read that our efforts of putting plastics and cans in separate bags into our home big trash cans usually do not even get sorted out from the other trash at the center.

We separate and distribute (for recycle), glass, newspapers and plastic bags. We could do the same with other recycle categories.

We separate plastics, aluminum, paper, cardboard into separate containers, usually plastic shopping bags.

We simply cannot afford additional costs added to our refuse bills. Also, the fact that the private refuse companies do not take yard waste is unacceptable. Some residents do not have access to pick-up trucks to haul leaves and other yard waste.

We take our trash with sorted recyclables to the facility, so we do not have trash pickup. We want to be able to recycle more of our plastics (1s & 2s) ourselves, not just water bottles, pop bottles and milk jugs.

We use the transfer station. Hate the fact that most plastics which used to be recycled have now to be put in garbage

We used to live in Akron where they had a large recyclable container that we almost always filled because it was very convenient. Rarely would we have more than one bag of non-recyclable trash. It was weird for us to move to Medina and everything goes in the trash. We don't recycle glass because it is a pain to take it to a location other than the curb.

We would hate to see the county stop recycling!! It's so important!!

Whatever I remove from my Trash I own and I am free to do with as I wish. This law would never stand up. I own all of trash until I decide it goes to the curb.

Whatever the final choice is, please do not go to the 1 bin trash 1 bin recycle option that many cities are using. I hate this option because garbage ends up building up in the garage because I would have to pay a fee if it not all in the 2 bins.

When I do separate trash and place it by my curb I have people drive around in pick up trucks taking the trash that has value such as metal or even newspapers for donation bins at churches. I would like to see someplace you can recycle CFL light bulbs due to it's mercury content.

While I feel recycling is beneficial I cannot afford any further increases in my monthly bill

Why is it more costly to pick up separated recyclables at the curb than to have them separated from the picked up garbage?

Why not just close and sell it

Why only 6% recycle rate? When requirement is 25%? If I purchased paper or aluminum I should be able to recycle where ever I like.

Would like to see drop off bins for items other than glass. Also, would like to see a higher percentage of the items recycled at the plant. I was surprised to read in the paper that it wasn't as high as I thought it was.

Would like to see grass clippings picked up with trash

would like to see shredding of private documents - at sites such like summit county operates from time to time - for county residents only

would love to see drop off boxes for paper around the county, as you currently do for glass; would make it much easier to recycle all my paper

Would not like to be forced to use two carts. Keep the current system.

would support change to get more recyclables removed

Would the semi-annual appliance round-up be continued? That is helpful with smaller appliances. What are "clean recyclables" in question 14 ? Publicize more recycling, especially encourage it in schools. What do schools do with their waste? Maybe contests for the most recycling per school?

Years back Brunswick City tried a curbside program. I separated my trash, then saw them dump it into the same trash compacter truck at the same time. It was a waste of my effort. I'm not for curbside if this is how it will work.

you are losing potential "assets" to pickers who cruise the area on eve and sometimes early am of garbage days. I have observed at least 3 pickers come thru our street. Although i don't usually have anything that they want, i don't put out my refuse until morning. I live in the city of Brunswick.

You can't enforce the "all recyclables must go to Medina County" rule until you can prove that you recoup what would have been recycled. Recycling is for the good of the whole planet, not just the county. Until your CPF is more efficient with recyclables, I will continue recycling paper products elsewhere. And if you do enforce that rule, I'll take my paper products to another county until your facilities are more efficient.

You need more not applicable on say the oil waste and newspaper bundling/recycling. We do not read newspapers, hence we do not bundle/separate, nor do we change our own oil.

You need to better communicate programs. I strongly believe you should mandate recycling at the household level. Example: mandatory recycling in Canada, with penalties for non-compliance.

You need to publicize the correct way to separate recyclables, and to publicize what can be recycled. I have seen several different versions of how to recycle and what you can recycle and they are all different. I have talked to others who also don't know what is wanted. The public can't cooperate if we aren't sure what is needed to be done.

You say that curbside recycling will cost \$3-\$6 more per month? Why?!?!?! We have the HIGHEST rates for garbage disposal in NE Ohio (if not the state). The CPF charges much more for ton than any other facility in this area (ir tipping fee). In fact right now a trash hauler is paying to dump garbage and recyclable materials. Maybe the reason Medina County is the only County in Ohio with a CPF type facility is the other 87 counties decided that this type of facility was a very bad idea, You also will have a HUGE education problem with curbside recycling. Residents in other counties have been separating their trash for 25 years and it is an old habit for them. The people in Medina County are decades behind when it comes to personal and/or household recycling

You should allow more options - like "I don't know," because I really don't know these types of things. Also, I don't use newspapers, so I really had no way to answer that question.

You should NEVER had the FREE paper recycling boxes removed, let alone PAID the schools & churches to have them removed. Recycle with the private sector when there is NO COST to the consumer. Get rid of "flow control" at the CPF!!!