

District Lightbulb Recycling Program Ending

Lancaster, OH- January 5th, 2022: Due to decreased revenue and forced budget cuts, the Coshocton-Fairfield-Licking-Perry (CFLP) Solid Waste District will be ending the lightbulbs recycling program in each county by January 31, 2022. Residents have until then to bring their old, unbroken tube lightbulbs and compact fluorescent bulbs to be recycled. A maximum of 5 fluorescent tube lightbulbs per resident can be recycled at Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Recycling Center (located at 1761 E. Main St. Lancaster). Additional locations for the time being to recycle bulbs are: Coshocton Health Department on Seventh St. in Coshocton, the Solid Waste District Office on Price Rd in Newark, and the PERCO Recycling Center in New Lexington.

The Solid Waste District has been receiving less revenue from waste disposed at landfills and facing increased costs to provide the countywide drop-off recycling bins that are mandated by the state. This has resulted in cutting back on all programs that are not mandated. We will instead promote private companies that offer similar services.

After January 31, residents will still have the opportunity to recycle their tube lightbulbs at Menards in Lancaster at no cost, or at several Batteries + Bulbs locations (Gahanna, Reynoldsburg, Grove City) for a fee. Lowes and Home Depot accept the small curly fluorescent lightbulbs. If residents have other potentially hazardous items requiring disposal, they can take that as well as lightbulbs to the Environmental Enterprises Facility in Columbus for a fee. If you must put tube lights in the trash, it is best to wrap them in newspaper for the safety of the trash collectors.

For more information about Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Recycling & Litter Prevention, please visit www.fairfieldrecycles.org or call 740-205-8027. Information regarding the CFLP Solid Waste District can be found at www.cflpswd.org or call 740-349-6308.