

# ReWorks

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YEAR IN REVIEW / 2022

## VISION STATEMENT

Summit County will be a “zero-waste” community through leadership, education and engagement.

## MISSION STATEMENT

ReWorks provides solutions and leadership to empower our community, institutions, and businesses to develop and utilize environmentally sound, cost-effective recycling and waste management strategies.



### > **Materials Management Consultations for Businesses**

In 2022, there were 16 inquiries from businesses for Materials Management Consultations. ReWorks made site visits to 9 businesses. 4 new contacts found resources for materials or used hauler suggestions and 6 joined the ReWorks' Commercial Single Stream Recycling Program (CSS). 3 locations expanded their recycling and added a 96-gallon cart. These efforts led to a 62% success rate for implementing recycling or waste reduction practices through ReWorks technical support.

### > **Commercial Single Stream Recycling Program (CSS)**

The Commercial Single Stream Recycling Program (CSS) provides recycling to the underserved smaller generators of recyclables that would otherwise have no option for this service. This program services the non-residential sectors (commercial, institutional, industrial, and multi-family units) that meet the program requirements. At the end of 2022, the program had 67 participants and ReWorks collected an estimated 111 tons of material.

ReWorks funds both the collection and provides training, materials, and technical support at no cost to the participants of this program.

### > **Community Recycling Assistance Grant (CRAG)**

In 2022, over \$476,000 in grants were paid to those municipalities that applied for funds. Grant funds financially supported the following types of services: automatic curbside recycling, opt-in curbside recycling, residential leaf & yard waste drop off & curbside collection programs, maintenance, personnel, improvements, and servicing of single stream drop off recycling locations.

### > **Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Center (HHWRC)**

The ReWorks' Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Center (HHWRC) celebrated its 27th year of operation in 2022. The facility's mission to divert materials from our landfills and provide safe recycling and disposal of household hazardous materials for Summit County residents remains the same.

In 2022, more than 3,981 households were serviced through the HHWRC and 99.58 tons were collected.

### > **Document Shredding and Recycling Events**

The annual Document Shredding and Recycling events hosted by ReWorks is available to both residents and businesses of Summit County. In 2022, collection events occurred at six different locations — HHWRC in Stow, Fairlawn, Macedonia, Green, Barberton, and Akron. Through the efforts of this program, 139,420 pounds of paper and 2,140 pounds of cardboard was collected and diverted from the landfill. A total of 2,478 individuals participated in the six events.

### > **Organics**

In 2022, ReWorks funded the collection of food scraps from the State of the County speech that resulted in diverting .28 tons of food scraps. ReWorks funded the collection, transportation and composting done by an OEPA Class II facility. The 2022 efforts cost \$348.00. Additionally, contact information for small scale, local food scrap collection vendors are included on the ReWorks website.

### > **Scrap Tires**

ReWorks collects scrap tires through several methods. During the Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Center's 2022 season, 3,359 scrap tires were collected and recycled. ReWorks also accepted 1,664 tires from Summit County Service Departments that picked up tires dumped along roadsides or generated at service garages.

For 2022, the total tires collected by ReWorks was 5,023 which equaled 50.23 tons.

### > **Electronics Recycling**

In 2022, ReWorks partnered with local communities to host electronic collection events for televisions, laptops, cell phones and tablets. ReWorks provided funding for supplies, transportation, and recycling/processing of the materials collected. 4 local communities held electronic collection events. Additionally, ReWorks held a separate collection event. 169 households participated, and 9,098 pounds of material was collected.



## 2022 RESULTS AT A GLANCE

CONSULTED  
**16**  
BUSINESSES ON  
MATERIALS MANAGEMENT  
OPTIONS AND  
**6**  
BEGAN  
RECYCLING  
PROGRAMS

(THROUGH REWORKS' PROGRAM OR ON THEIR OWN)

**99.58**  
TONS OF HHW COLLECTED

**5,023**  
TIRES  
COLLECTED



**141,560**  
POUNDS OF PAPER  
AND CARDBOARD  
COLLECTED, SHREDDED  
AND RECYCLED

**\$476,000**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANT FUNDS  
AWARDED BY COMMUNITY  
RECYCLING ASSISTANCE GRANT

**\$193,085**

TOTAL OHIO EPA MARKET DEVELOPMENT  
GRANT DOLLARS AWARDED TO RECYCLING  
COORDINATORS INC. IN AKRON TO  
PURCHASE EQUIPMENT TO INCREASE  
THE RECYCLING OF BATTERIES.  
REWORKS SPONSORED THIS GRANT.



**9,098** POUNDS OF  
ELECTRONICS  
COLLECTED



## 1 Grow Green

To support market development for compost made from food scraps, and promote small and large-scale food scrap composting, Grow Green offered 5 Summit County community gardens food scrap compost in 2022. (These gardens, as in past years, were randomly selected from those that apply.) For each community garden, ReWorks funded both 8 cubic yards of food scrap compost and its delivery. This food scrap compost was purchased from a Class II OEPA compost facility for \$1975.00. Promotions included: flyers, newsletter announcements, direct emailing of community partners to share this message, social media, and a web presence. 11 applications were received. To promote both the message and the selected gardens, there were photo ops and social media posts.

## 2 Food Waste Reduction

In 2022, we continued our message for Food Waste Reduction. Print ads promoting 5 steps to reducing food waste were placed in 9 newspapers for \$5,641.10.

## 3 Newsletter

In 2022, the e-newsletter was distributed twice. The audience began the year with 3,120 and by the second publication grew to 3,137 subscribers, with an open rate of 65.65%.

## 4 Training/Presentations

In 2022, in-person presentations began to come back. With a vacancy in Edu/Promo position, the Executive Director did all presentations. ReWorks did 5 in-person presentations and 2 virtual presentations reaching 331+ individuals.

## 5 Website/Social Media

In 2022, with the vacancy in the Education Promotion Specialist position, data was not tracked on Facebook posts or the two ReWorks\ Google Business accounts (office and our Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Center). Our yearly subscription fee for our content management system (Civic Plus) is \$5,700 and we also paid the 4th of 4 installments (\$6,700) for the original cost to build the site.

## 6 ReWorks Sponsors OEPA Grant

In 2022, the 2019 Ohio EPA Market Development Grant for cooperating enterprise Recycling Coordinators Inc. of Akron closed out. Acting as their government sponsor for this grant, ReWorks assisted Recycling Coordinators receive \$193,085 grant dollars to help purchase equipment to increase the recycling of various batteries.

## NEW IN 2022- Campaign Sign Collection

In November of 2022, ReWorks funded the collection of campaign signs from Summit County residents & political entities at the ReWorks facility. Approximately 500 pounds of metal frames were collected and sent to City Scrap in Akron, 1482 pounds of coroplast signage was sent to Legacy Polymers in Barberton, 261 pounds of paperboard was sent to Integrity Fiber in Akron & 106 pounds of LDPE poly bags were sent to NorthCoast Recyclers in Wickliffe. All material was recycled.



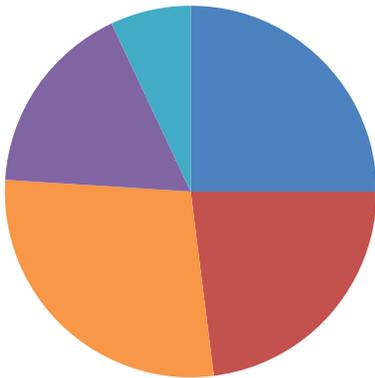


## OPERATING EXPENSES 2022

Recycling Program and Education Services	\$	537,974
Community Recycling Assistance Grant	\$	476,224
Landfill Closure Fund	\$	574,233
Administration	\$	346,781
Health Department	\$	150,000
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,062,027</b>

\*\* Does not include depreciation (Matches Audit)

\*\* Does not include OEPA Pass through Grant Expenses

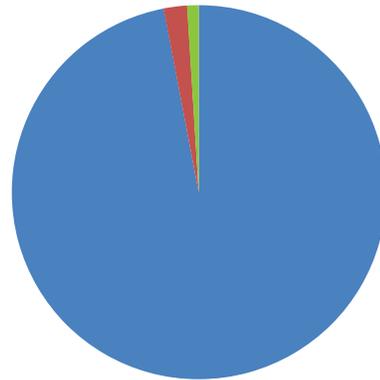


- Recycling Program and Education Services 25%
- Community Recycling Assistance Grant 23%
- Landfill Closure Fund 28%
- Administration 17%
- Health Department 7%

## OPERATING REVENUES 2022

Generation Fees	\$	2,392,639
Interest Income	\$	71,462
Other Income	\$	3,671
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,467,772</b>

\*\* Does not include OEPA Pass through Grant Revenue



- Generation Fees 97%
- Interest Income 3%
- Other Income Less than 1%



ReWorks is governed by a Board of 15 trustees representing the:

- City of Akron
- County of Summit
- Cities of Summit County
- Summit County Public Health
- Trustees and Clerks Association of Summit County
- Villages of Summit County,
- Corporate and Citizens at Large

## 2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As of 12-31-2022

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County of Summit  
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University of Akron

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Corporate alternate: Gary Sutor

**Brenda Fargo**, Citizen-at-Large  
Strategic Aggregation Consultants

**Nancy Ellis McClenaghan**, Citizen-at-Large  
Goodwill Industries serving Summit, Portage, Medina, Ashland & Richland Counties

**Kim Edward Stanley**, Citizen-at-Large  
Struktol Company of America  
Citizen alternate: Nicole Chavers

## ReWorks STAFF

As of 12-31-2022

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**Carol Giulitto** – Program Manager

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