

Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Fact Sheet

The Clean Ohio Program was approved on the November 2008 Ballot, renewing the program first approved by voters in 2000.

Voters approved \$400 Million over 4 funding rounds.

\$200 Million is to be used for "Brownfield" environmental clean up projects.

\$200 Million is for "Greenfield" open space and conservation preservation projects.

\$6,250,000 per year statewide for "Farmland Preservation"

\$6,250,000 per year statewide for "Recreational Trails"

\$37,500,000 per year statewide for "Open Space and Watershed Conservation",
known as the **Clean Ohio Conservation Fund**.

Funds for the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund is administered by the Ohio Public Works Commission (**OPWC**).

Funds for the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund are allocated to OPWC Districts, primarily on a per-capita basis.

District 12's (Lucas Co.) allocation for Round 6 is \$1,355,700

Each District Integrating Committee appointed an eleven member Natural Resources Assistance Council (**NRAC**) in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (**ORC**) **Section 164.21**.

Funds are to be used for open space acquisition or to protect and enhance riparian corridors or watersheds as described in **ORC Section 164.22**.

25% of the total project cost must be provided locally. Applications will be reviewed by the NRAC in accordance with **ORC Section 164.23**. NRAC committees will submit their approvals to OPWC for final approval.

Applications and Scoring Methodology are on line at

<http://www.clean.ohio.gov/GreenSpaceConservation/Default.htm>. **Should you not have access to the internet; a hard copy can be obtained through OPWC or your district liaison.**

*** OPWC Website contains other helpful information including:**

The Ohio Revised Code

The Application Form and Instructions

The District Methodology

NRAC Chairs, Liaisons, and Members

Links to Development, Agriculture, and Natural Resources for other Clean Ohio Funds

Other Clean Ohio Conservation Fund information

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