

## City of Oberlin News & Updates

### City of Oberlin services are still operational.

Public access to City facilities is still restricted, but certain departments may be physically accessible through appointment only. Otherwise, residents are encouraged to conduct City business via telephone or email. The Oberlin Police Department will remain accessible to the public during this time.

### **Contact Us**

info@cityofoberlin.com

**Utility/Finance Office:** 

440-775-7211 or 440-775-7214

**Police Department:** 

440-774-1061 police@oberlinpd.com

**Fire Department:** 

440-774-3211 Ext. 0 fireinfo@cityofoberlin.com

**OMLPS/Electric Department:** 

440-775-7260

**Public Works Department:** 

440-775-7218

**Westwood Cemetery:** 

440-774-2820

**Recreation Office:** 

440-775-7254

Planning & Development Dept.:

440-775-7182

**Clerk of Council:** 

440-775-7203

**Human Resources Department:** 

440-775-7217

HR@cityofoberlin.com

Law Department/Prosecutor:

440-774-8519

### 2020 City of Oberlin Trick-or-Treat

# Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> 6:00pm - 7:30pm

While there is no such thing as zero risk, if you choose to participate in Trick-or-Treat this year, you are encouraged to follow the recommendations provided by Lorain County Public Health to help keep our community safe during COVID-19.

### For Parents/Guardians:

- Have children wash hands before eating treats.
- Bring hand sanitizer and a flashlight.
- Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid homemade treats made by strangers.

### If Giving Out Treats:

- Wash hands or use hand sanitizer often even if you're wearing gloves
- Wear a cloth face covering over your nose and mouth
- Keep your distance when giving out treats.
- Avoid having kids grab treats from a bowl.

### For Trick-or-Treaters:

- Design and wear a cloth face covering.
- Trick-or-treat with only your household instead of with a large group this year.
- Wear reflective clothing.
- Only walk on sidewalks, or on the far edge of the road, facing traffic.

### Get Creative:

- If you are uncomfortable trick-or-treating this year, host a virtual costume party instead.
- For a fun way to keep your distance, build a candy slide with PVC pipes to give out treats.

The Annual Halloween Parade has been CANCELED due to the COVID-19 situation



### **Lorain County Public Health**

For more information about the COVID-19 situation in Lorain County, including tips to celebrate Halloween safely, visit www.LorainCountyHealth.com/Coronavirus or call 440-322-6367

### 🕰 2020 Recycling Rebates 🕰

### **Home Composter Rebate**

### Purchase a Home Composter and be reimbursed for up to \$50\* of the cost!

To receive your rebate, purchase a home composter between August 3, 2020 and November 2, 2020, and then:

Mail your receipt & your contact information to:
Public Works Department
85 S. Main Street

Oberlin, OH 44074

<u>OR</u>

Take a picture of the full receipt and email it with your contact information to: Recycling@CityofOberlin.com

### **Benefits of Composting**

Composting improves soil fertility, plant health, drainage on heavy soils and soil aeration. It reduces water pollution by reducing the need for fertilizers, which prevents algae blooms and fish kills in lakes and streams. Composting also reduces your ecological footprint by reducing garbage being landfilled.

### National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

The Oberlin Department will host its annual Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on **Saturday, October 24**<sup>th</sup> **from 10am-2pm** in the Police Department Lobby (85 S. Main St.). This event provides the community with a means to safely and responsibly dispose of unused/unwanted/expired prescription medications.

If you miss the event, prescription medications can also be disposed of through the self-serve drop-box available 24/7 in the Police Department lobby. For more information, contact the Oberlin Police Department at 440-774-1061 or Police@OberlinPD.com.

#### **Oberlin Fire Explorers Post #1853**

Oberlin Fire Explorers will resume meetings beginning in October. Check the Fire Department Facebook page for dates/times: OberlinFireDepartment.

The OFD Fire Explorers is a program for high school students ages 14-18 who have an interest in learning about the fire service through hands-on activities, classroom discussions and ride time opportunities. If interested in becoming an Oberlin Fire Explorer, contact the Oberlin Fire Department at 440-774-3211.

### TV Recycling Rebate

Drop off your tube TV (smaller than 32 inches), Flat Panel TV (LCD, Plasma, or LED - smaller than 50 inches), or Portable TV at any Best Buy store for a \$25 fee.

To receive a \$25\* refund for your recycling fee:

Mail your receipt & your contact information to: Public Works Department

85 S. Main Street Oberlin, OH 44074 Take a picture of the full receipt and email it with your contact information to: Recycling@CityofOberlin.com

#### **Questions?**

OR

### Email Recycling@CityofOberlin.com or call 440-935-0096

\*One reimbursement per household, per program. Offers only available to residents residing within Oberlin City limits. Receipts must be dated between 08/03/2020& 11/2/2020 and submitted to Public Works no later than 11/08/2020.

#### **Fire Prevention Month**

As part of Fire Prevention Month, the Oberlin Fire Department reminds you to change the batteries in your smoke detectors when Day Light Savings time ends on **November 1**st. The Oberlin Fire Department offers free smoke detectors to those residents who need them. Please contact the Fire Department at **440-774-3211** to request a smoke detector or with any other fire prevention questions.

### 2020 General Election - Absentee Voting

The 2020 General Election will take place on November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Early Voting began October 6<sup>th</sup>.

In-Person Early Voting is taking place at the Lorain County Board of Elections (1985 North Ridge Road East - Lorain, OH). To request an Absentee Ballot, visit **VoteLorainCountyOhio.gov** or contact the Lorain County Board of Elections at **440-326-5900**. Ballots may be returned by mail or dropped off at the Board of Elections.

To track your ballot, visit

www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/toolkit/ballot-tracking.

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