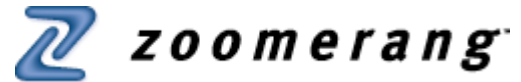


# City of Dublin Residents Survey 2010 - LAUNCHED



## Results Overview

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54. What things can the City of Dublin should do to increase its environmental sustainability practices?

#	Response
1	Get a better handle on the trash days - Tuesdays seem like a day when Dublin has been hit with trash disaster! Stop the constant mowing of the grasses especially on days when we hardly got any rain! You can save gas and give the grass a piece of mind to heal on its own in dry days. Preserve the trees, the farmlands, keep track of plants, and species.
2	Make it a priority to keep the green space that we have. You will destroy the ecology if you move down the path of infill development.
3	provide (or provide access to) meters for residents to put in their homes to monitor energy consumption
4	stop spraying w/chemicals turn to natural alternatives as much as possible in public areas and in the parks
5	1. Provide water barrels to collect the run off from the down spouts for residents to use to water plant. Greif Inc. is manufacturing this product. 2. recognize population growth.
6	recycling bins on the streets along with garbage cans
7	Keep adequate green space
8	recycling EVERYWHERE -- make it easy, simple and convenient -- more education and awareness -- use Madison Wisconsin as a model -- that city has an excellent recycling program
9	Hazardous waste drop off days
10	Continue to state what is recyclable, continue to provide the recycling containers in public places.
11	Education.
12	allow residents to obtain the recycled yard waste in the form of mulch/compost.
13	increase the amount of bike paths/walking paths.
14	We need a highly visible farmer's market promoting local produce. Allow residents to have any landscaping items that the City no longer needs and throws away (bulbs, flowers, shrubs) Create a City composting site for residents use.
15	Offer more educational/workshop opportunities on "green living". Use local resources such as the owners of Generation Green to promote local involvement. Cut back yard waste pick up to once a month during the winter months.
16	Rumpke refuses to follow the guidelines we set forth. For example, we bundle up cardboard as required for recycling, yet the regular trash people pick it up. Why did I bother? It's happened at least 4-5 times, so it's not just a 1x occurrence.
17	Nothing
18	SEEMS TO BE DOING THE JOB!!!! ALL YEAR THE AREA LOOKS FRESH & CLEAN. I WAS BORN & RAISED IN HILLIARD AREA AND I CAN'T PICTURE LIVING ANYWHERE ELSE!!!! THE BEST AREA TO LIVE OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIRE HAS A EXCELLENT REPOIRE WITH THE RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES.

19	I do not know.
20	Education, education, education.
21	provide annual drop off of appliances and tech items; i.e., computers, tv's, cell phones, etc.
22	You are doing great. I love this city, it's cleanliness, and it's facilities. Second to none.
23	Education
24	Encourage more recycling by businesses. Have separate trash cans for recyclables available to patrons.
25	support composting
26	Collect ALL numbered recyclables, not just 1,2, etc., including plastic bags.
27	Always assume that it is of great importance to its citizens when planning for the future.
28	leed
29	Don't know
30	Inform the public
31	Educate people in businesses, private clubs, hotels, restaurants, schools and residents.
32	Lower taxes please!
33	Work with businesses
34	Information only. It is good to learn about options, but leave choice to individuals.
35	- remove invasive species so native plants can get reestablished. - cut down on the amount of salt that is put on the roadways - this seems to be especially over done on side streets, e.g. we have mounds of road salt laying on our street and it will eventually get washed down to the river.
36	Energy audits on Dublin City Bldgs. Implement ASHRAE Standard 189.1 (green Building STD) as a building code
37	Go green with its fleet of vehicles.
38	nothing
39	More native plant species in parks, natural areas, and along streets.
40	Not sure at this time.
41	Keep sending notices of what we can and can't recycle. There is an increasing litter problem on Martin Road that needs to be addressed.
42	City wide composting of kitchen waste.
43	more recycle drives of unique items
44	maintain and add to green spaces, more community litter patrols
45	not sure
46	See #52
47	education
48	hire more environmental protectionists !
49	Allow additional plastic recycling
50	Not sure
51	Keep Target and strip malls away from Dublin!
52	I'm not sure

53	Continued education of citizenry
54	I don't know.
55	doing a good job
56	Police use of more fuel efficient / environment friendly cars. Use of recycled materials at city facilities, schools. Use of solar or wind power where feasible.
57	Encourage buinsesses to recycle
58	Educate more people, make it more difficult to put re-cyclables in the trash.
59	No
60	Install natural gas fueling at the maintenance facility and as vehicles need to be replaced buy natural gas powered vehicles.
61	Encouraging homeowner vegetable gardens.
62	?
63	Doing a good job
64	na
65	Get rid of the big bins.
66	Enforce the rules on what you can recycle in the blue bins.
67	Keep harping on the advantages
68	Consider if commercial space can be filled reasonably before more building. When green space is torn down for commercial offices or stores, and then half sit empty, I mourn the loss of that green space. Also keep up the requirement for green space and continue education of residents in green and sustainable practices
69	Special container and pickup for batteries, electronics, mercury lamps, etc.
70	Increase the required efficiency of residential housing. Even EnergyStar requirements are an extremely low bar.
71	Enforce/increase riparian setbacks
72	Nothing
73	Outlaw flyers
74	dont know
75	make priority in all city projects/ownership; initiate/maintain sustainability practices/projects; reduce # of traffic control lights & other unnecessary lighting
76	I think they do a great job already.
77	On-going education of methods and best practices.
78	There are too many environmental restrictions that may not be neccessary. Environmentalist have gone off the "deep end". Business have gone overseas.
79	Continued education programs
80	Better placement of utilities, and rain gardens. I have a drain in my backyard, and would love to put a rain garden there, but is situated between 3 utility boxes ! I have 2 65-gal.rain barrels so far, that helps, but with the periods of heavy rain and then drought, it is still inefficient. I hate to see all that rain water being wasted, and then, seeing my neighbors watering. I really hate to see all the automatic sprinkler systems running while it is raining. Businesses are particularly bad about this.
81	designate different times during the year to have a "clean-up" day in Dublin (could be a variety of clean up activities).

82	Allow for bins the size of the larger recycling bins to be used for trash as well. Be great if Dublin provide similar trash bins then we would all have two large bins. One for recycling and one for trash.
83	don't know
84	help control pests such as Emerald Ash Borer
85	have more places and dates to take items that are not recycleable or not for regular garbage. Like tv's, computers, etc.
86	Educate residents
87	Don't spray for mosquito or use other poisons. If you haven't already done so, require green buildings. Increase costs of electricity, gas, water, and other used substances by taxing so people use less.
88	Continue to increase the plantings in flower beds that do not need to be replaced
89	No idea at the moment.
90	Awareness - provide information on how household items are recycled and what they can be recycled into -
91	Conserve in all ways
92	n/a
93	I like the larger blue bin. We recycle about the same amount, but it fits much easier into this bin.
94	I already think the City is a leader in this respect.
95	reduce the amount of soil they are allowing to be covered with additional malls and buildings and parking lots that aren't needed or used.
96	More publicity, give reasons why we recycle here in particular, where does it go, what are the benefits to Dublin, to each person who works hard at recycling. Maybe there should even be an recycling award program of some sort or a competition among all the schools for best recycle probram and or most amont of recycling. Have a specific contest among the schools each year like who recycled the most paper % wise of course. If you get the kids really invled, they will involve their parents and will recycle when they are adults. Maybe recycling torunaments amongst scouting groups then the scouting groups ask for community help for them to win a prize or something. Gaming at recycling can become fun. Do out of the box thinking like make a sculpture out of recycled materials. Have prizes for the most unique, one that used the most recycling materials, etc. Recycling is so important and it needs to come to "top of mind" not just an okay behavior.
97	Continue on a green path in every endeavor
98	Have a drop off site for large items. Dispose of dead trees greater than 8" in diameter
99	Educating the public is key. I think there are lots of easy things that we can be doing but don't understand. For example, continually promoting the Monday yard waste service, etc.
100	Fencing, signs, etc at the parks
101	reduce/improve signage. Too much signage at Glacier Ridge roundabout.
102	Don't know.
103	Offer more hazardous waste drop-off opportunities.
104	I think Dublin already does more than most communities.
105	Ban expansion of commercia
106	nothing
107	Educate members of community & OHIO in general. Dublin likes to be a trendsetter - so set an example for other communities to follow & advertise how Dublin does it.
108	Stop using so much lawn chemicals!

109	None
110	better education or additional information for all residents
111	same as above
112	Engage the community in a non-political way. If it's presented as a religion it turns some potential participants away.
113	This is not something that the government should be concerned with and is a waste of my tax dollars. This is a private sector concern.
114	Control growth
115	Provide recycling services to churches
116	Info on energy saving possibilities, esp in households
117	not sure what is being done currently. Need to be utilizing environmental sustainability practices in city offices as much as possible as well.
118	Not sure
119	Continue to do what they are doing.
120	I believe that the gateways and trees in Dublin are breathtaking. Visitors from out of town always comment on how beautiful Dublin is due to the efforts of the Tree and Horticulture crews.
121	n/a
122	must encourage composting which can reduce the wastage and can still be useful for the gardening
123	nothing
124	prove that the benefit and effort involved equals the effort required by the homeowners
125	show, like glass, what is recyclble, and in percentage. Contact Owens-Illinois in Zanesville on what they can do with old glass.
126	Some increased roadside trash pickup.
127	no idea
128	geothermal heating and cooling in city buildings
129	make everyone aware recycling exists free of charge and encourage recycling in newsletters
130	Promote composting. Similar to the recycling bins, providing composting bins and educational materials would decrease the amount of waste that ends up in the trash or down the garbage disposal
131	nothing
132	Solar Power used on all Govt buildings feeding back the electrical meters to decrease cost.
133	Offer unused or out of date equipment etc. to a Free-Cycle organization for others to reuse.
134	blue recycle bins to everyone
135	What does it do know? I don;t know.
136	Not sure...
137	make programs available such as participation in smart grid expansion with AEP, make residents more aware of other programs and incentives for homeowners who wish to make the households more energy efficient; more emphasis in City Plan on environmental sustainability issues in infrastructure planning
138	not important to me
139	do what its doing!

140	look into alternative energy solar or wind especially in the parks to run electric, bathrooms, ect
141	no additional needs, is fine currently
142	create more awareness among residents of recycling and conservaation programs
143	A. I heard about a program to designate a home/res property an official "natural environment" - would love to learn more. 2. Informational outreach on composting and/or easy gardening.
144	Segment on DTV how the city's buldings recycle their waste.
145	No opinion
146	Use common sense!! Reuse and recycle BUT take care not to fall into the trap of promoting "green" as a new religion, it's bordering on pagean now. Green groups want to restrict 2 legged animals & make them pay fees & penalties for "transgressions" against other critters and the land. "Mother Earth" does not need cash. Under the guise of "green", some groups take the money and vie for political advantage for themselves. All while advocating getting rid of the 2 legged creatures. I don't think we want to encourage them anymore.
147	encourage naturalist gardening
148	Education of impact of not recycling and tell citizens what you are already doing.
149	continued education; visual cues in neighborhoods
150	not sure
151	make it easy for schools & businesses as well
152	provide public recycling containers at shopping centers
153	Community gardens would be wonderful. Plant even more trees. Cut back on using insecticides, weed killers. Plant more native plants. Stop mounding up mulch everywhere (that is a small thing but it could save you money)! I know you are exploring various ways to save water, electricity,gas in your buildings so keep up that good work! I just saw your question below and would urge you to require all residents to have LIDS for their trash cans. Folks should be fined if they don't use them.
154	n/a
155	Don't know.
156	Encourage residents that have adjoining driveways to put garbage and recycling bins together so that truck doesn't have to stop as often.
157	Don't know.
158	Don't know.
159	consider air polution when purchasing new leaf blowing, mowing equiptment
160	unknown
161	Monitor and study
162	Don't know
163	NK
164	Expand recycling to plastics 2-7
165	Hold a city-wide river sweep.
166	Assist with the disposal of larger trees, from blowdowns, emerald ash borer, etc.
167	accept more items
168	don't know

169	There seem to be many City of Dublin vehicles - is there a need for big pick up trucks for so many drivers? Not sure if that is an area to look at.
170	Impose a nominal fee for households who don't recycle.
171	Allow compost piles
172	lead by ex. and curb city use of toxic lawn chemicals and noxious, deafening gas mowers/blowers. Why not offer incentives to homeowners who use non-polluting electric/push mowers? Or organic lawn treatments? (would be a great idea for grant/stimulus money....) Consider a ban on gas blowers, as some green communities do. When you can't even walk in your neighborhood because the air concentratin of lawn chemicals is so strong and thick that it coats your throat,and hurts your breathing it's not really" greener in dublin", in my opinion.
173	Revevelop brown field areas. Property tax incentives for residential sustainable practices ie: rain gardens, rain barrels, landscape selection, shading, etc...
174	Continue to provide recycling opportunities.
175	encourage less yard waste pick up
176	As a volunteer, I've seen the city make and continue to make tremendous strides. My dream list is green roofs on buildings, grey water toilets, solar, water harvesting, attention to our shrinking farm and foodshed and continue to educate our population on these issues. While I am not anti-development, I would like to see us follow suit with other cities and limit "dead strip mall" space and empty retail nightmares by not allowing developers to start new projects when their old projects lie vacant and declining, and limit retail footprints - no more mega-mart, car-only retail spaces. Be shovel-ready for any new public transportation opportunities.
177	keep areas wild use less herbicides and pesticides use less electric
178	don't know
179	Not sure.
180	Awareness of the citizens would help support. I think there is a lot that could be done with renewable enerty (solar, electric vehicles, etc).
181	Battery disposal program would be great.
182	Keep reforcing the topic and it will raise awarness levels.