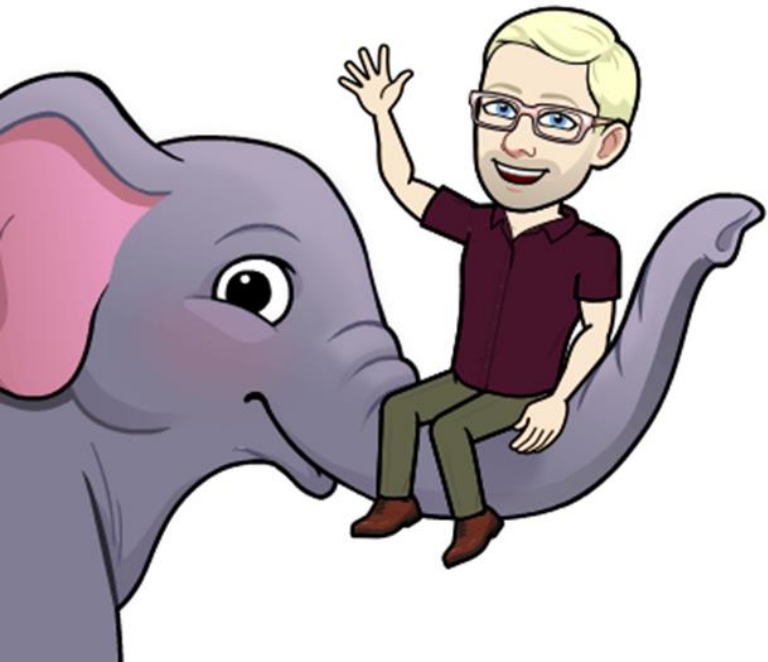


# Ohio Cardboard Recovery Initiative



# Why Now and Why Cardboard?



Existing paper mills in Ohio demanding more recovered cardboard

Ohio at center of significant expansion of paper mill capacity in Midwest

Cardboard one of 4 priority materials for market development in 2020 State Plan

One of the Planning Unit's strategic goals for 2022.

# Project Partners

- Ohio EPA
- Organization of Solid Waste Districts of Ohio (OSWDO)
- Steve Sargent
- Myles Cohen, founder, Circular Ventures



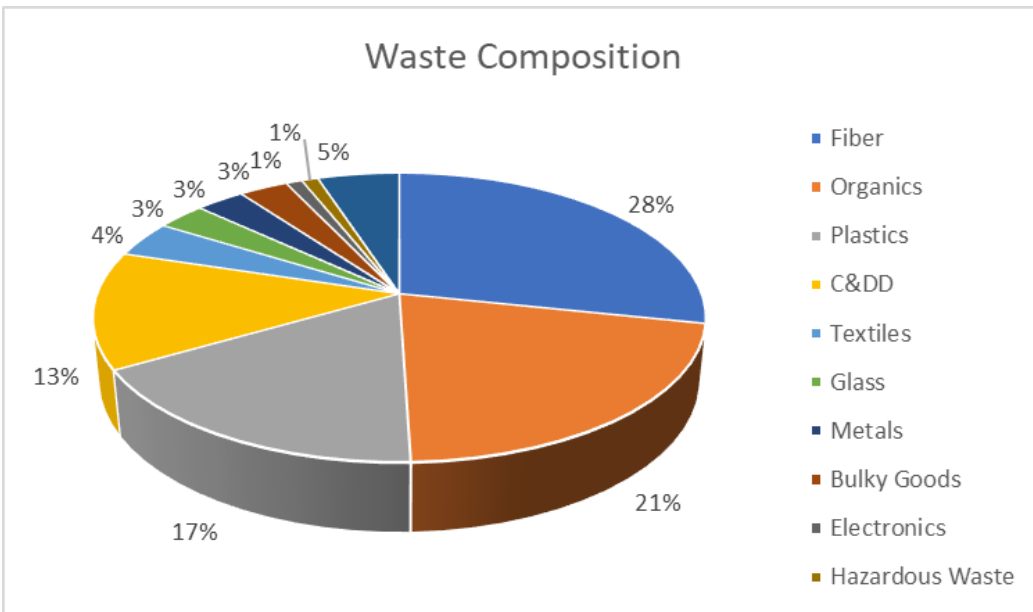
# Enormous Potential for Recovering More Cardboard

Large quantity of cardboard still being disposed

28% (324,740 tons) of all waste disposed in SWACO's landfill is fiber.

- Of that, 36% (118,989 tons) is cardboard

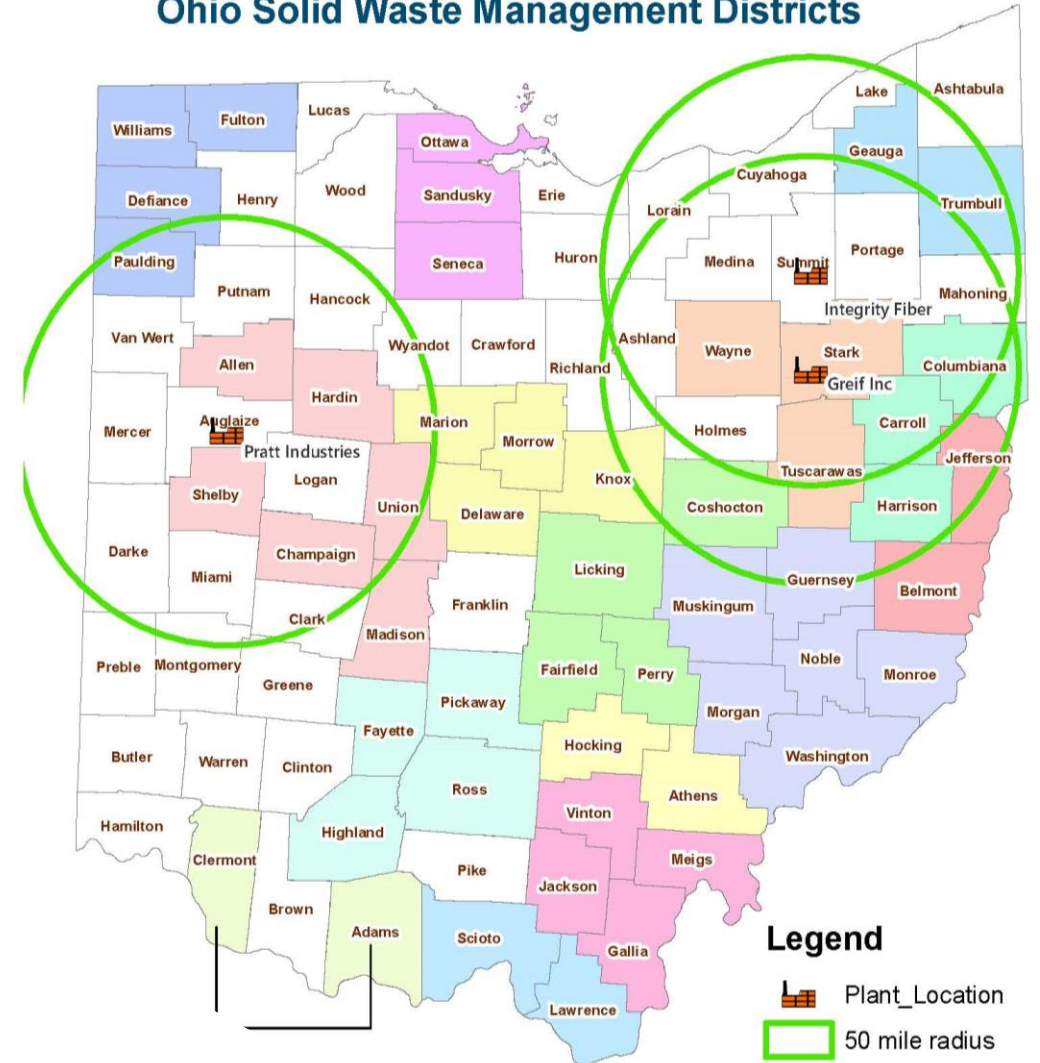
Largest portion from smaller industrial and commercial generators



# Where We Stand

- Met with 4 paper mills/paper suppliers on September 21 and 22
- 3 represent opportunities for collaboration
  - All have existing collection services
  - Service area generally within 50 miles
  - Prefer baled material
- Possible models:
  - Expand collection services
  - Establish collection hubs

**Paper Mills and Ohio Solid Waste Management Districts**



# What We Hope to Achieve



Increase recovery of OCC/satisfy demand



Create partnerships among the paper mills, Ohio EPA, solid waste management districts, communities, other stakeholders



Implement pilot projects with one or more mills



Establish cost effective, sustainable solutions

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