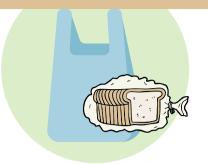
## LIFE CYCLE OF A PLASTIC BAG



### **STEP 1: COLLECT**

Collect eligible plastic products from the list provided. Make sure all plastic is clean, dry, and free of food residue. Put eligible plastic in a CLEAR plastic bag.

### What can be recycled?





Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



overwrap



bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags

#### **STEP 2: GIVE**

Give your bag to an Ohio County Virtual Lion or drop off at list of participating locations including the Warwood Farmers Market, the Wheeling Farmers Market, Touch of Amish, and Just Right Homecare.

An updated list of drop-off locations can be found at www.ohiocountyvirtuallions.club.



Our Lions will weigh and ship the plastic to Trex for recycling into their products.

### STEP 4: BENCH!

If we are able to acquire 500 lbs of accepted plastic, Trex will send us a bench to place in our community!.

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## **FACTS ABOUT PLASTIC**

# YOUR GREAT GREAT GREAT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN'S PROBLEM

Plastic discarded today takes up to 500 years to decompose in landfills. That's not just the next generation's problem.





# YOUR MOUNTAIN OF SHOPPING BAGS X 328 MILLION AMERICANS

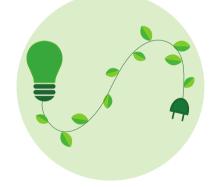
Every year, roughly 102.1 BILLION plastic bags are used by Americans.

Almost 8 MILLION metric tons of plast end up in the world's oceans annually and can kill as many as 1 million sea creatures.

Think about how many plastic bags you have at home - now multiply that by 328 million Americans!.

### PLASTIC RECYCLING IS ENERGY EFFICIENT

Plastic recycling results in significant energy savings compared with the production of new plastics.





### **ROOM TO IMPROVE**

According to the EPA, about 30% of recyclable plastic bottles and jars were actually recycled in 2015.

Only about 7% of total plastic waste generated in the U.S. is recycled; specifically, only about 37% of recyclable soft drink bottles are actually recycled, which was much better than that of other plastic containers. Only 13.3% of plastic packaging is recycled..

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