




GOVERNOR'S LOCAL ISSUES CONFERENCE


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DWM UPDATE
ON GRANTS
AND EPA
SWIFR GRANT


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SAVE THE DATE!*

RLA Branch Annual Conference

Date:



February 25th, 26th & 27th
2025

Location:



Crown Plaza Louisville Airport Expo Center
830 Phillips Lane
Louisville, KY 40209



*Upon final approval an agenda will be sent out to all counties.

DWM GRANT PROGRAMS

The Division of Waste Management (DWM) works with counties on their Solid Waste Management Plans as well as the following 8 grant programs:

- **Litter Abatement**
- **Illegal Open Dump**
- **Recycling**
- **Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)**
- **Composting**
- **Crumb Rubber**
- **Waste Tire**
- **Rubber Modified Asphalt**



FISCAL YEAR 2025 GRANT AWARDS

RECYCLING

29 Projects

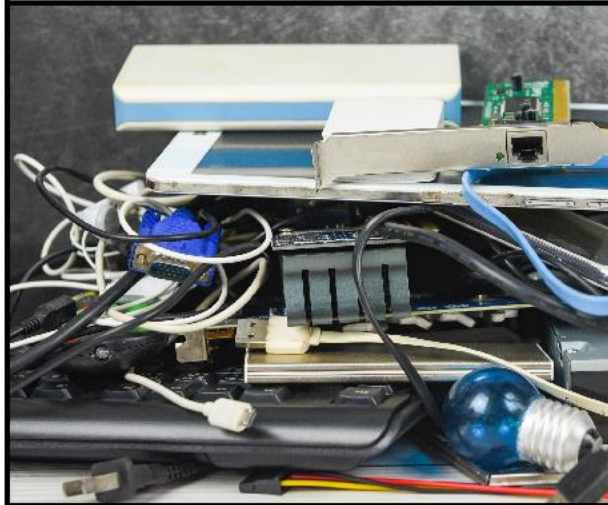
\$4,623,629.89



HHW

29 Projects

\$962,092.00



COMPOSTING

15 Projects

\$3,435,887.18



Total Funded: 73 Projects & \$9,021,609.07

CRUMB RUBBER/TIRE DERIVED PRODUCTS

2024 REQUESTS RECEIVED

\$2.62 Million
&
59 Applications



2024 REQUESTS AWARDED

\$847,878
&
23 Projects



AWARD LETTERS & AGREEMENTS SENT

May 13th, 2024



The next grant will be available February 1st, 2025.

City of Somerset:

Fischer Park (2018)



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City of Elizabethtown:



Funtopia Park
(2021)

City of Elizabethtown:



Funtopia
Park (2021)

City of Hillview:

Greater Arc of Louisville (2022)



Green County:



American Legion Park
Walking Trail (2019)

Christian County:



City of
Crofton
Park
Bench
(2019)

Christian County:



City of
Crofton
Picnic
Table
(2019)

WASTE TIRE GRANT

The one-page agreements were sent out to the County Judge/Executives and Solid Waste Coordinators.

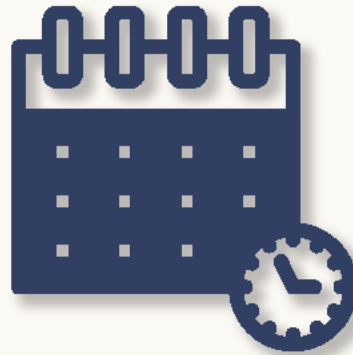
AMOUNT AVAILABLE

\$4,000



AGREEMENT DUE DATE

June 7th



FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

Funds sent out prior to **JUNE 30th**



RUBBER MODIFIED ASPHALT

The 2024 applications have been reviewed and awarded to the following **4 counties** for this reimbursement grant: Christian, Meade, Todd, and Trimble.

2024 REQUESTS RECEIVED

\$1,555,836 Million
&
12 Applications



2024 REQUESTS AWARDED

\$566,175
&
4 Projects



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LITTER ABATEMENT & ILLEGAL OPEN DUMP GRANT CYCLE

APPLICATION OPENS

The 2025 grant packets were sent by email to all county judge/executives and solid waste coordinators on August 5, 2024.

APPLICATION CLOSES

The applications are due back by November 1, 2024 by 4:30 p.m. **THE APPLICATIONS NEED TO BE EMAILED TO LISA EVANS.**

ILLEGAL OPEN DUMP GRANT

(Example location)



ILLEGAL OPEN DUMP GRANT ALLOCATIONS

AMOUNTS DETERMINED

All applications are reviewed thoroughly. The County may be contacted for additional information.

INSPECTION

Remember all dumpsites must have a pre-inspection from our field office to be eligible for the grant.

CHECKS ISSUED

Funding will be sent to counties in **January 2025** for the 14-month grant (January 1st - February 28th, 2026)



ILLEGAL OPEN DUMP GRANT

(Example location)





LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT

USES

This grant is to be used for the cleanup of litter along the public roadways as well as litter education and outreach.

GOALS

Counties are to clean the total amount of miles in your county or get as close as possible. The percentages are very low but spending is very high.

LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT FUNDING

FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

The Litter Abatement Grant constitutes at least \$5M in annual funding.



REGULATORY GUIDANCE

Funds are transferred from the Transportation Cabinet under House Bill 124 (established 2002).



FUNDING REALLOCATION

HB 124 mandates any funding returned must be included in the next grant cycle allocations.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT ELIGIBILITY

- Only available to counties and incorporated cities that provide garbage collection service.
- No fund matching required.
- If a city in a county does not apply for the Litter Abatement Grant, the funding stays with the county and the county is responsible to clean the city streets per 401 KAR 49.080 Section 4(2).



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT CALCULATIONS

COUNTY FUNDING

County funding is based on:

- The County's miles of public roads (includes state roads and interstates).
- The County's rural population & total population.

CITY FUNDING

Cities may apply for a portion of the county funding based on:

- City's total miles of streets (includes state roads and interstates within the city limits).
- City's population.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT COMPLIANCE STATUS

DWM

If your county or city is not in compliance with DWM grants, you will not be eligible for this grant.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Additionally, compliance with the Department for Local Government, is required before funds can be allocated.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT ACCEPTANCE

To accept the grant (which includes the attachments):

COUNTIES

- The one page agreement is to be signed by the head of the governing body.

CITIES

- The one page agreement is to be signed by the head of the governing body.
- A copy of the solid waste ordinance or solid waste contract with a hauler shall also be provided.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT EXPENDITURES REPORTING

COUNTY REPORTING

- Counties report their litter abatement expenditures on their annual report which is due to the RLA Branch by March 1st of each year.
- There is a section within the annual report for figures (Section 14).
- No other form required from the counties.

CITY REPORTING

- Cities report their litter abatement grant expenditures directly to RLA via a provided form.
- Reporting is due by February 1st of each year.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT EXPENDITURES

CITY/COUNTY WORKER

- Hourly wage plus benefits only while picking up litter.

SUPPLIES

- Bags, gloves, trash grabber sticks, vests, bug spray.
- Additional purchases upon approval from RLA by phone at 502-782-6355 or sending an email to lisa.evans@ky.gov

WATER / SODA

- For inmates/volunteers while they are picking up litter.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT EXPENDITURES CONT.

VEHICLE

- Based on FEMA rate which includes fuel and maintenance.
- You cannot charge fuel and maintenance to the grant.

TRAILER

- Based on the FEMA hourly rate.

MEALS

- If purchased for the inmates or volunteers ONLY while picking up litter.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT EXPENDITURES CONT.

DUMPSTER

- You can pay for a dumpster to dispose of litter bags ONLY.

VOLUNTEERS

- You can provide supplies, water and meals for volunteers. If these items are furnished by someone else (i.e. East KY PRIDE), you cannot claim it on the litter abatement grant.
- Again, purchase of other items can be reviewed on an individual basis. Call the RLA Branch to reach Lisa Evans at 502-782-6355 prior to purchasing.



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT NON-ALLOWABLE EXPENSES

- Providing a dumpster at a location and letting citizens bring their trash to the location.
- Going through the city or county and picking up items that residents have set at the end of their driveways.
- City-wide cleanups.
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LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT AUDITS

SPOT CHECKS & AUDITS

Random spot checks and full audits will be conducted annually.

REQUIREMENTS

When a county or city has been chosen for a spot check, they will need to provide copies of expenditures up to that point of the year.

LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT EDUCATION



EVENTS

A portion of the grant can be used to purchase educational materials to hand out at county/city festivals, county fairs, environmental education functions, environmental events, or other events within the county.

MATERIALS

It is highly recommended not to spend over 20% of your grant amount on educational materials. The purpose of the grant is to keep the roads cleaned.

LITTER ABATEMENT IMPACT

The figures below are from 2003 (first cycle of grants issued) through 2023.

AMOUNT CLEANED

12,889,580 Bags



AMOUNT SPENT

\$163,847,607.51



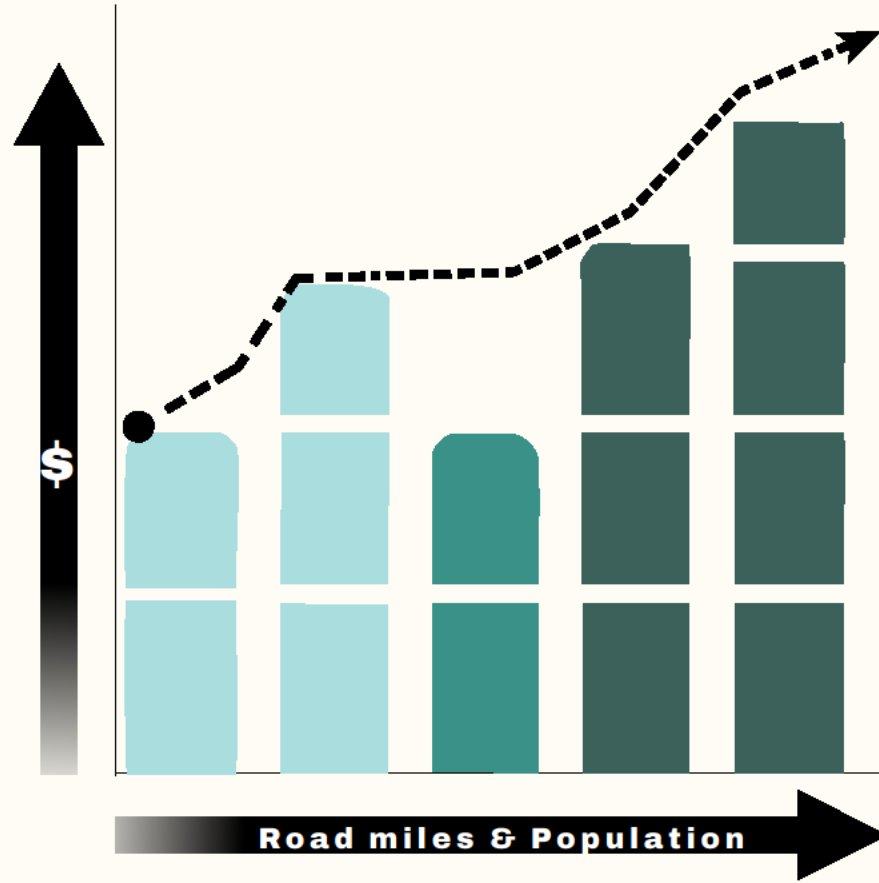
MILES CLEANED

3,620,897.78
Miles



LITTER ABATEMENT GRANT ALLOCATIONS

HOW GRANT AMOUNTS ARE DETERMINED



AMOUNTS DETERMINED

Once all applications are received, funding allocations will be calculated based on road miles, county population, and rural population.

CHECKS ISSUED

Checks will be issued in **December** for use in the 2025 calendar year. It is a calendar year grant.

GRANTS TIMELINE

GRANTS	APPLICATIONS OPEN	DEADLINE TO APPLY	FUNDING AWARDED	GRANT ENDS	REPORTING DEADLINE	GRANT PERIOD	CONTACT
Crumb Rubber	*February 1 st	*April 1 st	*May 15 th	*December 31 st	*January 31 st	8 months	Brittany Kring (502)782-0860
Illegal Open Dump	*August 1 st	*November 1 st	*January 1 st	*February 28 th (Following year)	*March 31 st	14 months	Lisa Evans (502)782-6355
Litter Abatement (Counties)	*August 1 st	*November 1 st	*January 1 st	*December 31 st	*March 1 st (Included in Annual Report)	12 months (Calendar year)	Lisa Evans (502)782-6355
Litter Abatement (Cities)	*August 1 st	*November 1 st	*January 1 st	*December 31 st	*February 1 st (Form 4900)	12 months (Calendar year)	Lisa Evans (502)782-6355
Recycling, HHW, Composting	*January 1 st	*April 1 st	*June 15 th	*June 30 th (Following year)	*July 15 th	12 months (Fiscal year)	Grant White (502)782-6474
Rubber Modified Asphalt	*February 1 st	*April 1 st	*June 1 st	*December 31 st	*January 31 st	7 months	Brittany Kring (502)782-0860
Waste Tire	*June 1 st	*July 1 st	**August 1 st	*June 30 th (Following year)	*July 15 th (Following year)	12 months (Fiscal year)	Jenny Carr (502)782-4663
Quarterly Reports (Recycling and Composting Grants)	*October 15 th	*January 15 th	*April 15 th	*July 15 th			Ty Collins (502)782-0865

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If the due date falls on a weekend, the date will be moved to the following Monday.

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Funding award date is dependent on closeout of previous year's grant.

CHECK ETIQUETTE

DWM Grant Refund Checks

When a county completes a grant and submits closeout documentation, upon reviewal, the RLA branch will request a refund if the grant funds are not completely expended.

Please only make refund checks out to:

Kentucky State Treasurer



Checks made out to the Division of waste Management or the name of the staff person will not be accepted.

EPA SWIFR GRANT

As a 2023 recipient of an EPA funded Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) grant, the RLA Branch will be utilizing the awarded funding to complete the following three goals:

SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLAN DEVELOPMENT



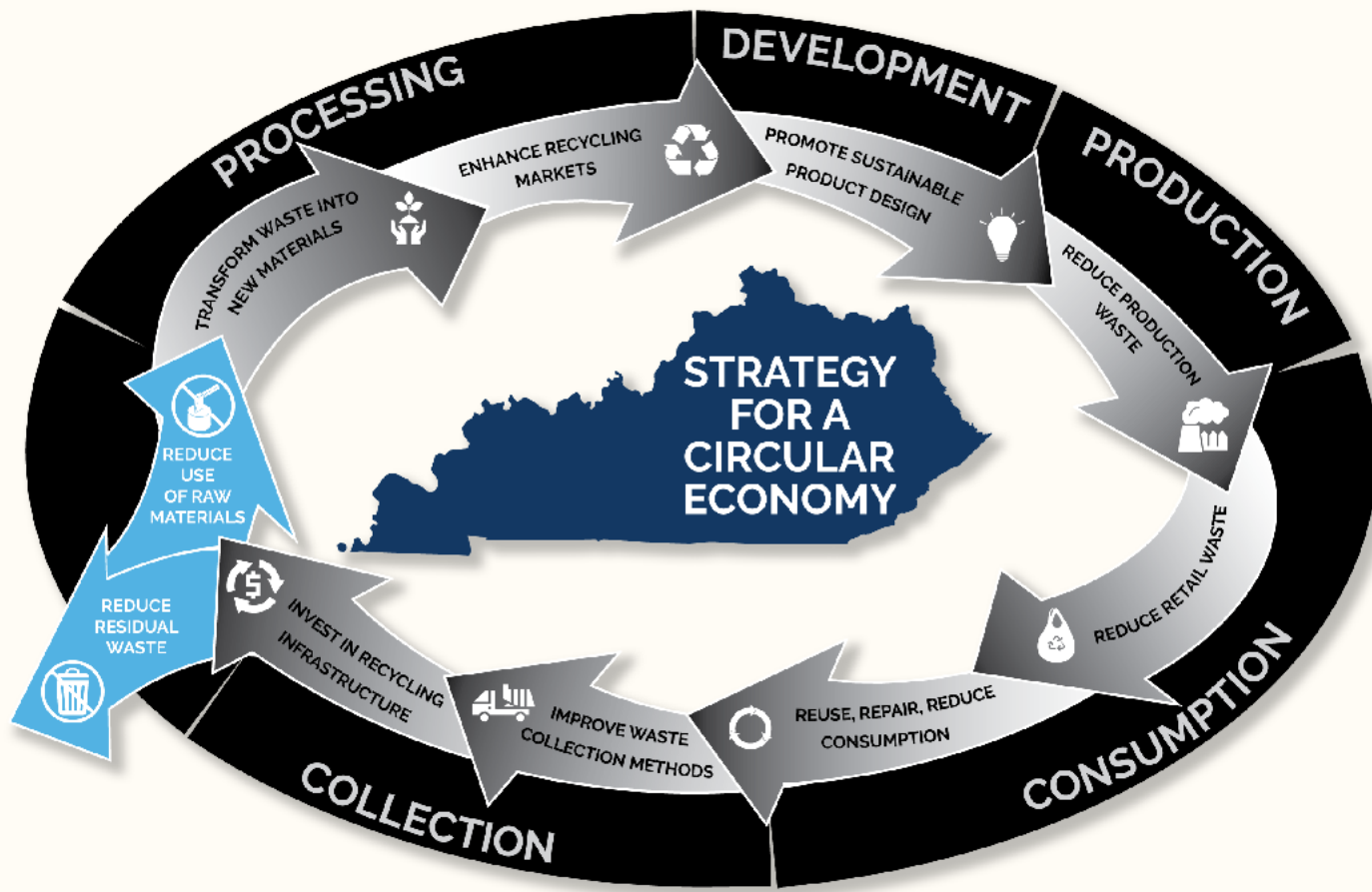
DATA COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT



SUPPORTING SUSTAINABLE INITIATIVES



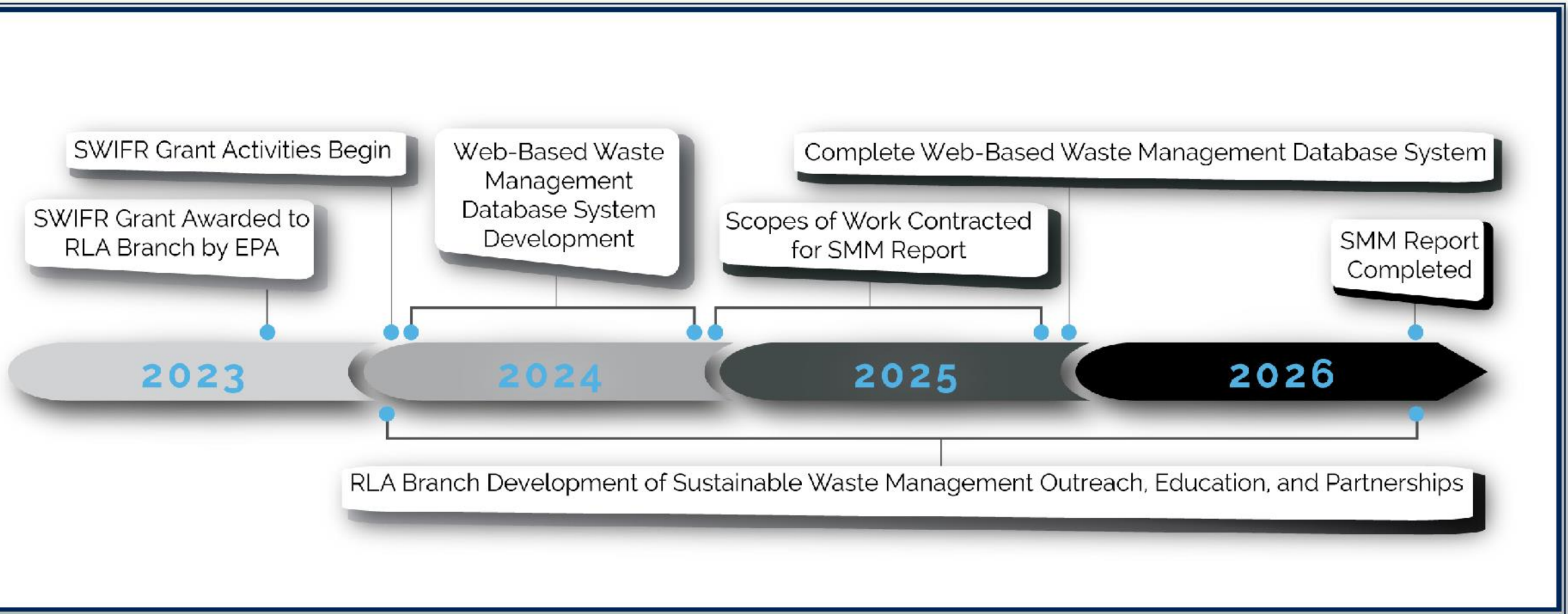
NATIONAL RECYCLING STRATEGY



Using SWIFR funding, the RLA Branch will develop strategies for Kentucky to work towards a **circular economy** by implementing the 5 National Recycling Strategy goals:

- **Improve recycling markets.**
- **Increase recycling collection & infrastructure.**
- **Reduce recycling stream contamination.**
- **Enhance recycling policies.**
- **Improve recycling data collection.**

SWIFR TIMELINE



SWIFR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

To develop these new SWIFR resources, the RLA Branch is seeking input from:

-  Non-governmental Organizations
-  Informal Recycling Workers
-  Residential Waste Generators
-  Commercial and Industrial Waste Generators
-  Institutional Waste Generators
-  Academic Institutions
-  Private Companies
-  National or Subnational Governments
-  Multi-Jurisdictional Government Bodies
-  Local Governments



To ask a question,
connect, or provide
feedback, please contact
us at:

KYSWIFR@ky.gov

QUESTIONS?

PLEASE LET US HEAR YOUR SUGGESTIONS
AND OPINIONS!

