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## Trash Bash Solar Eclipse April 9 through April 15, 2024

On April 8, 2024, a solar eclipse will grace Morrow County's skies. The event will last about 10 minutes with the longest period of totality reaching 2 to 4 minutes in our region. The eclipse will travel southwest to northeast across Ohio.\*

The last visible solar eclipse occurred in 2017 and was seen in the small County of Marshall, Kentucky. It's population in 2017 was 31, 324 (US Census Bureau). 300,000 visitors occupied space within the county to witness the happening. Gas stations ran out of gas, grocery store shelves went bare, and litter was left in the wake of the event. Morrow County's population in 2021 was 35,151 (US Census Bureau). Ohio, itself, is within a one-day drive of 70% of the U.S. population.\*

Morrow County Recycling is proposing a county wide Trash Bash Litter Cleanup. No matter the traffic flow and no matter the weather, the litter cleanup will benefit Morrow County. Please help keep our community clean by participating in a one-day litter pick up between April 9 and April 15 within a ½ to 1 mile stretch of roadway.

For businesses and organizations cleaning up our community, Morrow County Recycling proposes a raffle for a community outreach billboard for the month of June 2024. For every ½ mile of litter picked-up, an entry into the raffle will result. Incentives for residential, civic group, & 4-H litter pick-ups are also being offered in 2024. Pending signatures and an OEPA grant approval, Trash Bash Solar Eclipse will commence on April 9, 2024.

Please sign this petition to indicate your interest in participating in Trash Bash 2024. You may email the scanned document to recycle@co.morrow.oh.us, call Kristin for pickup or mail to the address below.

Sincerely,

## Kristin Ruth

Kristin Yoshioka-Ruth

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\*Colin Campbell, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, Ohio Dept of Public Safety (April 8, 2023)

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## Petition to participate in Trash Bash 2024, Morrow County Recycling, Ohio

We, the undersigned, do intend to support Trash Bash 2024 by cleaning up litter on a minimal stretch of roadway ½ to 1 mile long in Morrow County during the designated time frame of April 9 through April 15, 2024. For every ½ mile of roadway cleaned, our business will be entered into a raffle for a community outreach billboard during the month of June 2024. Approximately 1-4 individuals will help with cleanup efforts. Residents and civic groups will be offered a raffle in 2024.

Official signup for the Trash Bash Solar Eclipse event will begin March 2024.

Name of Business/Organization:	
Address:	
City/Township:	_ Zip:
Signed Contact Name:	
Printed Contact Name:	
Contact Person's Phone:	
Contact Person's Email:	
Preferred area/road of clean-up:	

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