

## Cleaner Baltimore Initiative

### The Cost of Litter

- Litter is not only ugly, it's expensive. The Bureau of Solid Waste spends more than \$5,000,000\* annually on litter clean up.

*\*This figure does not include the costs incurred by other agencies of the City including those associated with water contamination, soil contamination, and other threats to public health such as rodent infestation.*

- A \$1,000 dollar clean up could better be spent to purchase:
  - ⇒ City Services:
    - 181 pothole repairs
    - 48 hours of additional community policing
  - ⇒ Resources:
    - 100 flu vaccines
    - 2 new trash cans
  - ⇒ Parks:
    - 100 park bench repairs
    - 29 trees
    - 5 ball field repairs
  - ⇒ Schools:
    - 53 school textbooks
  - ⇒ Playground Equipment:
    - 50 adult swings
    - 16 baby swings