

## Beverage Container Recycling Program Spring Newsletter



### EARTH DAY 2013

April 22, 2013 marked the 43rd Earth Day. This year, the County of San Bernardino wanted to recognize CRV Program Participants for their efforts in recycling . On behalf of all the program participants, a resolution was presented by the Board of

Supervisors to the Big Morongo Canyon Preserve for their program which began in 2002 and they have recycled more than 25 tons of materials since the beginning. We encourage all program participants to keep sending in your recycling amounts and if you

know of a group, organization, school , non-profit or business who can benefit from this program, have them contact our office to set one up. Congratulations to all the participants and Happy Earth Day!!!

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The world will not evolve past its current state of crisis by using the same thinking that created the situation.  
– Albert Einstein

#### Zero Waste Communities

Have you heard of Zero Waste Communities? It is a group of cities, towns working together with San Bernardino County to get the message out about

reducing our waste and recycling options. Check out Zero Waste Communities' website and Facebook page at [www.zerowastecommunities.org](http://www.zerowastecommunities.org) and

[www.facebook.com/zerowastecommunities](http://www.facebook.com/zerowastecommunities). "Like Us" on Facebook and get updates about recycling and source reduction options.

# BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING PROGRAM

## What is the Program

The County of San Bernardino, Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Management Division (SWMD), has developed this program to increase beverage container recycling, thereby helping the environment and keeping unnecessary waste out of landfills. Focusing on beverage container recycling, the

program presents an opportunity for schools and community organizations in unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County to generate extra funds for its programs/activities. The SWMD can provide recycling receptacles at no charge.

for the receptacles and arrangements made for the beverage containers to be taken to a redemption center. Finally the amount recycled is reported to SWMD via postage paid cards.



A location should be designated

## Who is eligible to participate?

Unincorporated area schools, community organizations (such as senior citizen centers, churches, sports leagues, and scout groups), and businesses. The program is for beverage containers only and is offered in addition to regular trash services.

## Program Goals

- Increase beverage container recycling.
- Provide students and citizens assistance in with raising funds for activities.
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## How the Program Works

SWMD will:

- Work with program participants to select appropriate recycling receptacles.
- Purchase and arrange for delivery of the receptacles.
- Provide educational materials to promote the program.
- Provide additional resources, supplies and recycling resources including redemption centers.

The Participant will:

- Designate the location of the recycling receptacles. Oversee the collection, storage and redemption of the materials.
- Maintain recycling receptacles.
- Fund local activities, projects, programs or pay utilities by revenue generated from returned funds.
- Provide recycling totals to SWMD.

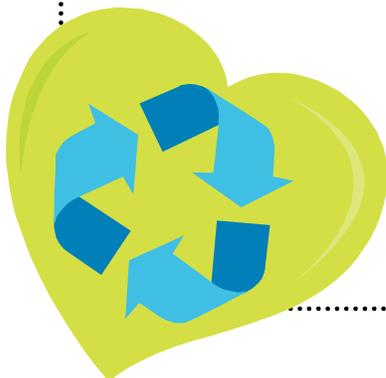


## Rewards

- Revenue source to fund unincorporated area schools, community groups and business programs and activities.
- Certificate of Recognition/Appreciation from the County.

## For More Information

If you know of an unincorporated school, community group or business who could benefit from this program, please contact our office at 909-386-8701 or via email at solid-waste.mail@dpw.sbcounty.gov.





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## FELT FLORAL PLASTIC BOTTLE BRACELET

Materials Needed:  
Tacky glue  
Craft knife  
Plastic bottle (Smooth side preferred but select the size based on your wrist.)  
Scissors  
Blue masking tape  
Fabric (torn/cut into 1/2"-3/4" strips and ironed flat)  
Felt flowers



### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Select different widths of masking tape and apply to the outside of the water bottle to use as a pattern line when cutting the bracelets.
2. Use a craft knife to cut between the tap lines then use scissors to cut a clean edge on the bracelets.
3. Remove blue tape from the cut bracelets.
4. Apply a dab of tacky glue to the outside of the bracelet.
5. Press end of fabric strip into glue and begin wrapping fabric strip around bracelet.
6. Continue to add a dab of glue every inch to secure fabric to bracelet. Cut excess fabric leaving approximate 1/4" extra. Apply dab of tacky glue to end of fabric and glue to inside of bracelet.
7. Add glue dots to outside of bracelet wherever you want to glue a felt flower.
8. Apply a dot of glue to the center of each flower.
9. Press felt dots in center of flowers.
10. Continue until the entire bracelet is covered with flowers.



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