

# City of Diamond Bar

# EnviroLink

"Your Link to Protecting the Environment"

monthly email newsletter for Diamond Bar residents and businesses

## Free smart gardening workshop



On Saturday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the City of Diamond Bar in collaboration with the County of Los Angeles, will present a free Smart Gardening Workshop. This beginner workshop teaches you backyard composting, water-wise gardening, worm composting, grasscycling and much more!

The workshop will take place at the Air Quality Management District located at 21865 Copley Drive. After the workshop, compost bins will be available for purchase at a discount price of \$40 for the backyard compost bin and \$65 for the worm compost bin.

(Cash or check only). To register for the workshop, send an email with your name and address to [greenDB@diamondbarca.gov](mailto:greenDB@diamondbarca.gov) or contact us at 909.839.7015.

## Free HHW collection event

The next collection event is scheduled for Saturday, February 14, 2015 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm at the 1300 block of Bridge Gate Drive, Diamond Bar.

Residents may utilize the mobile, one-day collection event to properly dispose of HHW and electronic waste free of charge.

The event flyer and additional information on the upcoming HHW event can be found at: [www.diamondbarca.gov/greendb](http://www.diamondbarca.gov/greendb).

## Recycling assistance for schools



For a limited time and while supplies last, the City is providing free bins to Diamond Bar schools looking to start or improve a school recycling program. To be eligible for recycling bins, schools must submit an application that includes an outline of the schools recycling plan. The application form can be found by visiting [diamondbarca.gov/greendb](http://diamondbarca.gov/greendb) or by contacting the City at 909.839.7015.

## Tips for a successful school recycling program

Setting up or improving an existing school recycling program can create a learning experience for all involved. When setting up a program, concentrate on areas that produce significant amounts of recyclables. Here are additional suggestions for a successful school recycling program:



1. Obtain support from the School Administration, and involve the custodial staff.
2. Evaluate which recyclables are generated in different locations of the school in order to determine the best recycling bin locations.
3. Make sure recycling bins are well marked to ensure they will receive the intended recyclable material.
4. Educate students on your recycling program using the school newspaper, posters, web page, e-mail, school handbook, and student orientation.
5. Update students and staff on the progress of the recycling program in order to involve them in the program.

Contact Environmental Services for more information on starting or improving a school recycling program 909.839.7015.