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## **Recycling Helps Improve City Recreation Facilities Located in Council District Two**

*City Council District Two Most Popular Area to Drop-Off Recyclables*

**SAN DIEGO, CA**—City of San Diego recreation centers located in Council District Two received a \$14,696 check from the City's Environmental Services Department (ESD) at a check presentation on June 9, 2004 at the Santa Clara Recreation Center. The donation represents one year of revenue generated from the sale of recyclable materials collected at recycling drop-off locations in District Two and will be used to help improve the facilities.

Visitors deposited 416,621 pounds of recyclable plastic and glass beverage containers along with aluminum cans, newspapers, cardboard, office paper, catalogs, magazines and mixed paper during the 12-month period. The City of San Diego City's recycling drop-off bins are located at ten sites within District Two: the Santa Clara, Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach, and Presidio recreation centers, along with Belmont Park, Bonita Cove West, El Carmel Point, Mission Point, and Robb Athletic Field. The Santa Clara Recreation Center collection bins are located in front of the facility and the Aquatic Center.

The recycling drop-off locations in District Two are among 43 drop-off sites within the City's Park and Recreation system currently participating in ESD recycling programs. Council District Two is located in the western part of the city and is represented by Councilmember Michael Zucchet.

Since 1992, the program has diverted approximately 14,000 tons of recyclables from disposal at the Miramar Landfill and earned \$667,000 in revenue from the sale of recyclables. The donations have helped purchase items at the Park and Recreation facilities such as jerseys and trophies for youth leagues, gymnastics mats, tennis court nets, table tennis equipment, benches for basketball courts, brochures, and funded special events such as spring egg hunts and Halloween carnivals.

For information about the City's recycling programs, please call the Environmental Services Department at (858) 694-7000 or visit <http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/>. For general information about Park and Recreation centers, call the Park and Recreation Department's Public Information office at (619) 525-8219, or go to <http://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/index.shtml>.

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