

A Step Toward a Greener Santa Monica High School



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As a victorious close to Earth Month, this Wednesday morning (4/29/09), 20 new trash-recycle cluster bins will be delivered to Santa Monica High School (Samohi) from Santa Monica Solid Waste Management. These outdoor waste receptacles, made from 100% recycled plastic, will make it easier for faculty, staff, and students to dispose of their waste in an eco-friendly way.

Samohi’s Marine Biology teacher, Benjamin Kay and his students from Team Marine and the Heal the Bay Surfrider Club, requested these units from Recycling Coordinator, Wes Thompson, after noticing the lack of outdoor recycle bins and the long distances in between the existent trash and recycling cans.

Kay remarks, “These units are a huge environmental win for our campus. I anticipate they will increase recycling efforts and make Samohi a cleaner place too. Student clubs will be able to ‘adopt-a-bin’ and collect cans and bottles from the recycling side to raise money for their club activities. ”

“One of our biggest goals is to help our local schools get greener,” says Thompson. Funding for the new cluster units was obtained through state-grants secured by Thompson and staff from Solid Waste Management.

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