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## **Dart Container Celebrates Earth Day By Volunteering For Los Angeles River Cleanup**

*For the 8th year, Dart employees joined thousands for the Great Los Angeles River Cleanup*

**LOS ANGELES, Calif.** – To celebrate Earth Day, Dart Container employees volunteered their time to help cleanup the Los Angeles River. This is the eighth consecutive year that the company has participated in the event. The Annual Great LA River Cleanup event, hosted by the Friends of the LA River (FoLAR), is a three-day cleanup at fourteen different sites located along the river.

On Saturday, April 22, more than 20 employees, friends and family from Dart's Corona facility joined hundreds of volunteers and helped cleanup litter and debris from the Los Angeles River. The FoLAR annual Great LA River Cleanup started 28 years ago with ten volunteers and has since grown to thousands of people who are dedicated to keeping the river beautiful and clean one bag at a time.

"Participating in the Great LA River Cleanup was a great way for our employees, friends and family to celebrate Earth Day," said Michael Westerfield, Director of Recycling for Dart Container. "We're dedicated to keep our environment beautiful and proud to volunteer our time for the Los Angeles River Cleanup."

Dart employees who participated in the Los Angeles River cleanup also educated volunteers on how expanded polystyrene products, like foam cups, bowls, and "clamshell" take-out containers can be recycled in LA's residential curbside program. These foam products, stamped with the chasing arrows triangle that have the number six in the middle, are a thermoplastic and can be recycled repeatedly. Popular products made with this recycled material include picture frames and crown molding.

To learn more about Friends of the LA River (FoLAR), visit <http://folar.org>.

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### **About Dart Container Corporation**

Dart Container sets the Industry Standard of Excellence by manufacturing high quality, affordable, and safe foodservice packaging made from bagasse (sugar cane), paper, and plastic (PET 1, PP 5, EPS 6, and PS6) while offering exceptionally reliable service and responsible environmental practices at the same time. Our portfolio of products offer a variety of positive environmental attributes for our customers to consider for their packaging needs. Dart is also working to boost recovery rates of all the products we manufacture and is widely recognized as

the industry leader in creating and promoting recycling opportunities for EPS foam #6. Dart is headquartered in Mason, Michigan. For more information, visit [www.dart.biz](http://www.dart.biz), [www.HomeForFoam.com](http://www.HomeForFoam.com), or call (800) 248-5960.