

"DON'T FOLLOW TRENDS - START TRENDS."

-FRANK CAPRA

DEAR VOLUNTEERS:

Welcome to the **fourth** week of the competition! UC Davis is currently ranked **170th** in the *Grand Champion* Category with a 14.6% diversion rate.

Our ranking went up by four places!

The theme for this week is **reuse**. When we reuse items we avoid consumption in effect *reducing* our waste!

Reuse with the Bargain Barn on campus:

The Bargain Barn is a significant part of the university's commitment to sustainability. **8,000** university items are diverted from landfills and sold annually.

- **80% is sold** to the general public
- **20% is sold** to campus departments
- **97 tons** of Covered Electronic Devices (CEDs) are recycled annually
- Unmarketable **items are donated** to non-profit organizations and schools

The Bargain Barn offers several major benefits to the university community:

- Free miscellaneous office supplies are available to all UC Davis departments
- Surplus sales help generate funds for the purchase of new items and increase the ability to purchase needed items at substantial cost savings

Source: <http://bargainbarn.ucdavis.edu/about/index.cfm>

Fun Facts

Each day Americans drink 45 million cups of coffee or tea out of disposable cups. Simply using a reusable mug could prevent 3,500 tons of carbon dioxide from being emitted every day, thanks to the energy saved from not having to manufacture or recycle the paper cups.



RecycleMania isn't only about recycling, it's also about reducing the amount of waste you produce.

<http://www.recyclemania.org/>

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

REUSE: Use your mug to save money, our planet, and have a chance at earning a Spot-a-Mug coupon!

<http://r4.ucdavis.edu/programs/spotAMug.php>



THIS WEEK'S THEME: REUSE

The sky is the limit
when it comes
to **reuse!**

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION:

Spot-a-Mug Program
You can receive a free fountain soda or coffee refill coupon at the Coffeehouse, Silo, and MedSci Café if you are seen by an R4 staff member using any reusable mug!

For more information visit <http://r4.ucdavis.edu/programs/spotAMug.php>



Students get spotted using reusable mugs on the MU patio.

What does it mean to reuse?

Reuse means to use again. By reusing items instead of continually purchasing new ones, you can reduce consumption of goods and products.

Items we reuse in our everyday lives to reduce waste:

- **Be a Refiller and Not a Landfill.** Did you know that the CoHo and the Silo offer discounts to people who use reusable mugs when buying drinks?
- **Don't Bag up the Planet.** Bring your own bag and keep reusing it.
- **Eat Healthy not Trashy.** Disposable utensils are made from plastics that can't be recycled, causing them to end up in landfills.
- **Reuse Packing Peanuts.** Packing peanuts never decompose and are not recyclable. R4 collects packing peanuts that you no longer need!
- **Use the Backsides** of old documents to write notes or to print new drafts!
- **A&E Plans** can be reused. If you have used A&E plans, contact R4 Recycling. We will use them for arts and crafts for children!
- **Office Supplies.** Reuse folders, envelopes, paperclips, binders, etc.
- **Bargain Barn.** Purchase used items instead of consuming new products; <http://bargainbarn.ucdavis.edu/> You can find bargains such as \$5 keyboards.

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