

## WASTE COLLECTED 2013

Mission Verte collected in 2013 more than 1200 tons of recyclable plastic & paper, thus saving more than 260 tons eq\* CO<sub>2</sub>. This year it is planned to set up 20 additional bins at Winners Supermarkets thus increasing the volume of recyclable waste collected. To be able to do so we plan to buy a second van and recruit two more persons and we therefore hope to secure funding for this activity by June 2014. Moreover we have initiated an internal project that will consist in measuring Missions Verte's ecological footprint and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. We will share the result of this study once finalised.

\*waste value only source: ADEME



## AGM

The AGM was held on the 26th of March 2013. Mission Verte started the year with 230 members. Most members have supported and followed us for a long time and their interest in protecting the environment is growing and lays the foundation for our engagement. The Mauritian public is also taking an increasing interest in the political decisions and other issues concerning the Mauritian environment. We are receiving a growing demand from companies, schools and individuals to deliver our education sessions and provide consultancy in implementation of waste sorting. Our recycle bins are filling up more and more; this shows that our bins are widely known and contributes **to the awakening of the environmental consciousness in the country**. People who take an interest in these issues today are no longer a small group of a few intellectuals and technicians but a broad spectrum of Mauritians from all ages and back-grounds. To be able to satisfy the increasing demands and for us grow as an organisation for the benefit of all, we need all possible support; this can be in terms of volunteering, CSR contributions and also by becoming a member– please find out how on page 5 .



## ECO TV



In February and March this year Mission Verte was filmed by the MBC "ECO TV" film crew where waste sorting, recycling and composting were some of the topics. You can watch the programmes on **MBC 1 on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at 20:30PM** and on **MBC 3 at 5PM** the week after and on: [www.ecotv.mu](http://www.ecotv.mu)



## REGULATION OF RECYCLERS & EXPORTERS OF WASTE

All companies dealing with recycling activities need to be registered at the Local Government as per new regulations made by the Ministry under section 162(2) of the Local Government Act 1. To know more about the list of registered recyclers please consult the web-site: <http://localgovernment.gov.mu>

## MARE TABAC VILLAGE PROJECT



*Nadia from Mission Verte making a presentation of how to produce a successful compost*



*Georgina from Mission Verte with Krishley and representatives from the District Council*

Inspired by one of Mission Verte’s education sessions held in his school Krishley Deenoo 12 years old, decided to take action in his village. He wanted to create a cleaner environment where he and his family live. He contacted his neighbours, the local authorities and other members from this community to get their support in organising with Mission Verte the collection of recyclable waste in his village. In March 2014 we placed a bin in the yard of the District Council. Education and compost sessions were organised for the villagers and we have since then been collecting recyclable waste from this new location.

## BAGATELLE – MALL OF MAURITIUS



Thanks to the CSR funding from the MEF Foundation, the support from the Bagatelle Mall of Mauritius and ENL we inaugurated a new bin on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March 2014 at Bagatelle Shopping Mall. The colour of the bin has been adapted to the visual branding of the centre and is of a lighter green than normal.

Mission Verte will be present at the Mall every month to meet the public to answer any questions linked to recycling issues. The next dates will be 15<sup>th</sup> May and 19<sup>th</sup> June, but keep posted on our face-book page for updated information.

## OUR CURRENT BIN LOCATIONS!

- Bagatelle – Mall of Mauritius - **NEW**
- Barkly | Beau-Bassin
- Beau Plan
- Caudan Waterfront | Près du Casino
- Couvent de Belle-Rose
- Flacq | Parking Way
- Forest Side | Parking Winners
- Labourdonnais | Parking École du Nord
- Le Bocage International School, Moka
- Mahébourg | Parking London
- Mare Tabac / Village Hall - **NEW**
- Moka | École du Centre
- Réunion | Parking Winners
- Roche Bois nr 16 - St Martin Street
- St. Antoine | Zone Industrielle
- St Pierre | Kendra Commercial Center
- Tamarin | École Paul & Virginie
- Tamarin | Parking Barachois commercial Center (La Place Cap Tamarin)
- Tamarina | IRS



*New locations are being created regularly, please keep posted for latest updates through our web-site, facebook or contact us. In addition we can also pick up plastic and paper at your office or workplace, for the sum of Rs 500, - just give us a call!*



## ELECTRONIC WASTE



Every year close to 25,000 tons of electronic products are being imported each year to Mauritius out of which 8,000 tons is being thrown away ending at Mare Chicose. The Mauritians in general renew their electronics such as computers and phones every 3 years. Used mobile phones and batteries in general are also part of E-waste and if wrongly disposed of is highly dangerous to human health.

An E-waste policy is on the way in Mauritius initiated by several private and public stakeholders to address the growing problem of electronic waste. Many solutions exist to recycle electronics and this has become an important economic sector in many countries, however in Mauritius only a few E-waste recyclers exist as without financial incentives from Government it is very difficult to survive as a recycle business. Today if you wish to get rid of your E-waste you will need to pay fee to the recyclers as a modest contribution. In Mauritius BEM Entreprise & RVE both recycle E-waste. You can also dispose of your mobile phones and batteries in many municipalities and Orange Shops who act as collection points.



## INSPIRATION

Recycling is beneficial for the environment. This practice reduces greenhouse gas emissions, conserves energy and protects natural resources. One of the many examples is this radio, made mostly from recycled cardboard; it can also be recycled at the end of its life. This model is powered by four AAA batteries and catches FM signals with its antenna.

## DECREASE IN USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN MAURITIUS



When MID was launched six years ago it was announced by the Government that by 2025 Mauritius was to produce 35% of its electricity from renewable energy (RE), however the situation today shows the contrary. Figures indicate that the production of RE is decreasing. In 2008 when MID saw the day 23, 3% of the total energy produced was from RE. Today it is only 20, 7% and, except from a slight temporary variation in 2008-2009, more RE was produced 10 years ago (27,4% ) than today.

The MID has not been able to turn around this fact and when one looks at the future energy prospects i.e. the CT Power plans the hopes of many Mauritians are fading. Moreover it has been strongly advised by L'IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) and the United Nations that all countries should prioritise renewable energy and steer away from Fossil energy in order to fight climate change.

*Source : article published by Kolektif pu Lenerzi Renuvlab (KLR) PLATFORME CITOYENNE, REZISTANS EK ALTERNATIF, CARES, ECOSUD, IELS, SITOYEN EK ARTIS ENGAZE L'EXPRESS 6 MAY 2014*

	Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>TOTAL ELECTRICITY GENERATED</b>	GWh	2081.5	2165.2	2272.1	2350.2	2464.6	2557.2	2577.4	2688.7	2730.4	2796.4
<b>Of which, local renewables</b>	GWh with share in %	566.6 27.2%	592.3 27.4%	568.2 25.0%	522.8 22.2%	552.2 22.4%	594.8 23.3%	608.9 23.6%	577.3 21.5%	551.9 20.2%	578.0 20.7%
<b>Of which petroleum products and coal</b>	GWh with share in %	566.6 72.8%	1572.9 72.6%	1703.9 75.0%	1827.4 77.8%	1912.4 77.6%	1962.4 76.7%	1968.5 76.4%	2111.4 78.5%	2178.5 79.8%	2218.4 79.3%

*EXTRACT OF 2012 DIGEST OF ENERGY AND WATER STATISTICS (PAGE 48) PUBLISHED LAST OCTOBER AND OF 2012 DIGEST OF ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS (PAGE 105), PUBLISHED LAST DECEMBER.*



## EDUCATION

An education pack has been created consisting of material to enhance our education sessions. The pack consists of a guide to waste sorting, book-mark, stickers for recycle bins, note-book, posters & an eco-guide which is currently in development.



Mission Verte was among many other participants at the ecological event organised by Le Velo Vert on the 29th March.

For more information please consult:  
<http://www.levelovertilemaurice.org/>



## GIFT

Why not offer one year membership of Mission Verte (Rs 600,-) to friends & family. All new members will receive a set of our new stickers.

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