

SAY NO TO PLASTIC BAGS!



The **3rd of July** is The International Day of **Prohibition of Single Use Plastic Bags**. Besides from being a tremendous source of pollution worldwide its fabrication also have an immense environmental foot-print in terms of use of resources and transport and all this to end up in the garbage can after just one utilisation. The UN estimates that 13 milliards of dollars is the cost of the financial impact on the eco -system, tourism and fishing.

Worldwide efforts are being made to prohibit single use plastic bags and in our region **Rodrigues** has joined the other African countries like Mauritania and Rwanda and prohibited plastic bags. Mission Verte has publicly announced to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly our support to this initiative.

Platform Moris Lanvironnman of which Mission Verte is a member has written to the Ministry of Finance for the **2015 Pre Budget Consultations** suggesting the ban on plastic carry bags at all retail outlets in Mauritius.



NEW WEB-SITE

Mission Verte has a new web-site:

www: missionverte.org

The web-site is formatted for Mac, Pc, tablets & mobile phones

In this context our e-mail address has also changed to:

contact@missionverte.org



RECYCLERS PLEASE CONTACT US!

We are an NGO encouraging waste sorting. We have 21 recycle bins around Mauritius where we collect paper, carton, aluminium cans and various sort of plastic. Our van services these collection points and brings the waste to recyclers. We are looking for more recyclers who wish to work with us and hereby invite all recyclers to contact us.

EDUCATION

On the occasion of the **International Environment Day on the 5th June**, Mission Verte and Mauritius Glass Gallery spent the month of June together organising education sessions for school children. A total of 2196 pupils participated in these sessions.



Sunday the 29th of June 2014 was the **BIG** clean-up event in Tamarin. Mission Verte was invited by **Trimetys** to participate in this event together with **Belle Verte, Gros Cailloux, Cap Tamarin** and approximately **110 volunteers** including local authorities, associations, schools and local habitants. We were happy to see so many parents showing up with their children, as the aim of the event was also educational. Besides from cleaning up after polluters, it was important to discuss how to find a sensible waste solution in the future. A total of **855kg** of waste was collected out of which more than half went to recycling.



OUR FOOT-PRINT



Mission Verte has started an internal study in May 2014 to know the quantity of our CO2 emission. The study includes data such as number of kilometres run by our van, fuel consumption, electricity used in our office and the quantity of waste that we bring to recycling. The study will also teach us how to optimize our operations and management to become more cost effective. The result of the study will be ready by October 2014.

CURRENT BIN LOCATIONS!

- Bagatelle – Mall of Mauritius
- Barkly | Beau-Bassin
- Beau Plan
- Caudan Waterfront | near the Casino
- BPS Couvent | Belle-Rose
- Flacq | Parking Way
- Forest Side | Parking Winners (*big bins to be replaced by new round twin-set*)
- Labourdonnais | Near École du Nord
- Le Bocage International School, Moka
- Mahébourg | Parking London
- Mare Tabac / Village Hall
- Moka | École du Centre
- Pereybere / parking Winners
- Quatre Sœurs / Village Hall - New
- Réunion | Parking Winners (*big bins to be replaced by new round twin-set*)
- 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!



Recycle Bin now at Quatre Soeurs Village Hall



Through the Anahita CSR Foundation we have placed a recycle bin at Quatre Sœurs Village Hall. The bin was inaugurated on the 11th of July 2014.

Before placing the bin several education sessions were given to the local community. Waste sorting sessions were also organised with teachers and pupils at Quatre Soeurs Govt School. As we progress with the collect of the recyclables the education sessions will also continue in the months to come.



INSPIRATION

Recycling is beneficial for the environment. This practice reduces greenhouse gas emissions, conserves energy and protects natural resources. The chairs made of old tyres (photo) are one of the many examples of recycling.



GLASS RECYCLING

Our glass project started in June 2013 and was financed by the MCB Foundation. Different technics were tested and products such as terrazzo, brick making and sand-blasting were produced. Training to other associations and individuals were also given and the project employed three persons. The first phase of the project will end in September 2014 and we are now preparing for **PHASE II**.

The atelier in Roche Bois has moved to Rich Terre where we have been granted a piece of land rent free by PAD. Two containers have been given for free by IBL the latter will be used on site for office and stock use.

We are currently looking for funds to sustain this successful project. Finding solutions to recycle glass in Mauritius is so important as very few options are found today. If this should have your interest please contact us.



NEW BINS AT WINNERS

Winners celebrated their 20 years birthday by renewing their partnership with Mission Verte through their program « Green Together ». Our first Twin-Set Bins were inaugurated on the 25th June 2014 at Winners Reunion on that day. These bins will replace the big ones that were placed at Winners Forest Side and Reunion.

In the months to come the following seven recycle bins will be placed at Winners parkings: Pereybere, Bel Air, Flacq, St Paul, Goodlands, Roches Brunes, Quatre Bornes.



BAGATELLE

Mission Verte has been present at Bagatelle Mall of Mauritius during the past months. We have a bin placed at the parking of the mall for the use of the customers. Once a month we meet with the general public and inform of waste sorting and other ecological issues. The bin and the awareness sessions at Bagatelle are supported by the MEF CSR Foundation.



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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. Please contact us on: contact@missionverte.org

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