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## CELEBRATE EARTH DAY@SHOREWAY ON APRIL 8<sup>th</sup> Free Compost Giveaway, Tours, and "Trash to Art" Awards -- Fun for the Whole Family!

SAN CARLOS, CA – March 29, 2017 – RethinkWaste, in collaboration with Recology San Mateo County and South Bay Recycling, will be hosting its sixth annual "Earth Day@Shoreway" event on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 1 pm at the Shoreway Environmental Center, 333 Shoreway Road, San Carlos. The free family event will feature a compost giveaway, arts & crafts, tours, booths, raffles, and more!

The winners of RethinkWaste's fifth annual "Trash to Art" Contest, which was open to all 3rd through 5th grade classes and individuals in the RethinkWaste service area, will also be recognized during the Earth Day event. The art pieces will be on display, for everyone's enjoyment.

"Earth Day@Shoreway is a fun way for the whole family to learn about our recycling and composting programs and other resource conservation efforts," said Faustina Mututa, RethinkWaste Environmental Education Coordinator.

Exhibitors and vendors that will be at the event include Face Painting by Lisa, Peopleologie, San Mateo County Office of Sustainability, Nob Hill Pizza, Reach & Teach, San Mateo and more! The free compost is for residents only, no commercial customers, while supplies last. Paper bags and shovels will be provided for attendees to use, or they may bring their own containers.

## RethinkWaste

RethinkWaste is a joint powers authority of twelve public Agencies (Atherton, Belmont, Burlingame, East Palo Alto, Foster City, Hillsborough, Menlo Park, Redwood City, San Carlos, San Mateo, the County of San Mateo and the West Bay Sanitary District) in San Mateo County, California and is a leader in the delivery of innovative waste reduction and recycling programs. RethinkWaste owns and manages the award-winning Shoreway Environmental Center which receives all the recyclables, organic materials, and materials (i.e. solid waste) collected in its service area. RethinkWaste's environmental education and tour program has also received state and national awards and hosts nearly six thousand visitors per year. RethinkWaste also provides strategic oversight, support and management of service providers that collect, process, recycle and dispose of materials for its Member Agencies. RethinkWaste (i.e., South Bayside Waste Management Authority) was formed in 1982. For more information on RethinkWaste, please visit our website at www.RethinkWaste.org or follow us at www.Facebook.com/rethinkwaste or www.Twitter.com/rethinkwaste.

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