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## Rare Chance for Colorado Residents to Recycle Styrofoam

Styrofoam Amnesty event exchanges Styrofoam items for reusable cups and mugs

In an effort to reduce the negative environmental impact of Styrofoam, Adams County's Sustainability Program is hosting *Styrofoam Amnesty* on October 21 from 8 a.m.–Noon at Rotella Park, 1824 Coronado Parkway South, Denver.

Working with partners from FedEx and Avangard Innovative, the county is encouraging anyone with any form of Styrofoam to exchange those items for reusable plastic cups and mugs. This event is open to all Colorado residents or business owners and offers an exchange rate of one reusable plastic cup for every 10 Styrofoam items.

"Styrofoam is the fifth largest source of hazardous waste in the United States and removing it from circulation can be challenging," said Adams County Performance and Sustainability Manager Nick Kittle. "Our hope is that businesses and residents will move away from foam cups and plates and replace them with more sustainable options."

Members of the media are invited to capture photos or video of the mounds of Styrofoam collected while learning more about the process of recycling this product.