[This is a follow up "blurb" to provide an update on how much the HHW Reuse Centers have diverted since they opened. The initial article on the Reuse Centers included additional details on the partnerships and grant used to establish them.]

Reuse Centers offer free useful material to the community and keeps it out of landfills, a win-win!

As of Summer 2022, the LA County Household Hazardous (HHW) and Electronic Waste (E-Waste) management program now include two HHW Reuse Centers located at its two permanent collection centers at EDCO Recycling and Transfer in Signal Hill and at the Antelope Valley Environmental Collection Center in Palmdale.

The Reuse Centers offer residents the opportunity to take home useful household products that arrive at the permanent collection centers in good and usable condition. Not only are residents able to use the material at no cost to them, but it also keeps the material from entering the waste stream. It demonstrates how the 4Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink) can be easily practiced.

Since opening in June 2022, 99 customers have visited the Reuse Centers and 1,704 pounds of household products considered HHW have been diverted from the waste stream. All products are provided free of charge, and include items such as household cleaners, paint, automotive products and lawn and garden care products. The County continues to promote the Reuse Centers through social media, local partners and community organizations to help spread the word about this new, free service for LA County residents.

For more information on the Reuse Centers or the HHW/E-Waste program, please visit <u>CleanLA.com</u> or call 1(888) CLEAN-LA.