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BottleDrop customers helping support Eco-Earth Restoration Project

Donation to Salem Parks Foundation will help repair and restore sculpture in Riverfront Park

Clackamas, Ore. -- The Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC), parent organization to [BottleDrop](#), announced a \$2,500 donation to the [Salem Parks Foundation](#), a Salem, Ore. based nonprofit focused on improving, enhancing, and advocating for the park system of Salem. The donation, generated through BottleDrop's [Containers for Change](#) program, will be used by the nonprofit to repair and restore the Eco-Earth Globe, a 26-foot diameter mosaic sculpture in Salem's Riverfront Park.

"When we see a group of motivated volunteers working together to enhance their community, we want to be part of that energy," said Eric Chambers, external relations director at the Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative. "Salem's Earth Globe mosaic, like Oregon's Bottle Bill, increases awareness of our connection to the environment, and reminds us of our responsibility to be good stewards."

BottleDrop's Containers for Change program provides Oregonians with an easy way to donate funds from their bottles and cans to excellent nonprofits operating in communities around the state. BottleDrop customers can participate by simply leaving their bag tag stickers off of their Green Bags, and dropping them off at any BottleDrop facility, like one of the three BottleDrop Redemption Centers in Salem, Ore.

"Salem Parks Foundation is truly grateful to OBRC's Containers for Change program for choosing to feature our Eco-Earth Restoration Project," said Carol Snyder, president for Salem Parks Foundation. "The Eco-Earth Globe was created by volunteers and gifted to the City of Salem in 2003 and symbolizes the importance of caring for Planet Earth. Our BottleDrop donors can be proud that their refundable containers help improve both the real world and Eco-Earth!"

BottleDrop customers can visit bottledropcenters.com/containersforchange/ to learn more about this program, and how they can use their beverage containers to support excellent nonprofits, foundations, and advocacy organizations in Oregon.

BottleDrop account holders can also donate funds from their online balance directly to the Salem Parks Foundation [here](#).

About OBRC

The Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC) is the industry steward of Oregon's nationally recognized beverage container redemption system and operator of the BottleDrop network.

Headquartered in Clackamas, Ore., OBRC is a statewide, not-for-profit cooperative, formed by the beverage industry to serve as the operational steward of Oregon's Bottle Bill. OBRC helps keep Oregon beautiful by providing outstanding services to partners, distributors, retailers and the public for the recovery, reuse and recycling of beverage containers. Through OBRC's BottleDrop Redemption Centers and container pickup service for more than 2,000 retail partners, the co-op recycles nearly two billion beverage containers annually, protecting the Oregon we love, supporting the causes we cherish, and inspiring innovation beyond our borders – all without any taxpayer funding. To learn more, visit BottleDropCenters.com or OBRC.com.

About Salem Parks Foundation

The Salem Parks Foundation is a dedicated group of volunteers throughout Salem. Their mission is to improve, enhance, and advocate for the park system of Salem, through financial and community support. They raise funds and work with community organizations and individuals to improve Salem's parks.

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[Here](#) you will find photos of Oregonians processing or bringing Blue or Green Bags filled with redeemable containers to facilities to benefit nonprofits around the state. Photos should be credited to Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative.

Below you will find photos submitted by the Salem Parks Foundation, which can also be emailed upon request:





