

Dump your 'poly' here

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The Victory Park Garden Site in Victory Road has been established as host for the first polystyrene recycling programme in Gauteng.

Polystyrene is found in your home, office, local grocery and favourite restaurant. It comes in many shapes and forms, from foam egg-cartons to salad boxes and the lightweight foam pieces that cushion new appliances and electronics. In an effort to raise awareness of polystyrene as a product, its impact on the environment and the importance of recycling, various representatives of manufacturers, consumer bodies and recycling organisations have joined forces to form the first ever Polystyrene Packaging Council (PSPC) in South Africa. The PSPC is now calling on

consumers to assist in its recycling efforts. Wire cages and bags are being placed at the Pikitup drop-off site in Victory Road to collect plastics for recycling. "Make sure your polystyrene is clean and free of plastic film, loose parts or glued-on cardboard," said Adri Spangenberg of the PSPC.

"Alternatively you can contact the PSPC directly for collection of large volumes. Also feel free to contact us if you have a community project or recycling efforts running and would like to take part in this recycling drive for polystyrene."

Spangenberg added that many individuals may not have considered the implications of just how much polystyrene they are dumping.

Details: 011-793-2658 or www.polystyrenepackaging.co.za

