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DRBA Hosts Third Annual World Environment Day Celebration *Event Set for May 29, 2024 at Veterans Memorial Park*

NEW CASTLE, Del. – Today, Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) officials announced that the third annual World Environment Day celebration event will be held at Veterans Memorial Park located near the Delaware Memorial Bridge in New Castle, Delaware. The free public event – featuring exhibits, giveaway items, and static displays – will be open at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m.

“Our World Environment Day celebration continues to expand programming and exhibits to positively impact our environment and heighten awareness of what others are doing to make a difference,” said Silvana Dominiononi, Director of the DRBA Environmental, Health and Safety Department. “We’re really excited to welcome so many future STEM students presenting their projects and getting acquainted with the environmental community. Come out and join us in a relaxed atmosphere to learn and celebrate our environment!”

When: Wednesday, May 29, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where: Veterans Memorial Park; 163 Cherry Lane, New Castle, Delaware

Learn about environmental issues from government regulators, environmental experts, and company representatives on such topics as recycling, air quality, food waste, plastic bag bans, renewable energy, greener products, plastic pollution, sustainability, watersheds, endangered species, energy conservation, marine life and habitat, oil spill cleanup, Delaware River ecology, and climate impacts.

More than one hundred (100) exhibitors will be participating in the four-hour event that will take place both outside and under a large tent at the spacious Veterans Memorial Park off Cherry Lane. The following is a small sample of what you can experience at the DRBA World Environment Day Celebration:

- An opportunity to give back...with Delmarva Blood Mobile on-site for blood donations (sign up at - https://donate.bbd.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/9899) and Helpsy collecting clothing and fabric for reuse.
- Visit traveling touch tanks filled with sea creatures - hands-on crabs, sea stars, sea urchins, mussels, snails, clams, horseshoe crabs, and touch tank of live shellfish and marine animals with displays about shellfish ecology and aquaculture.
- Walk through a mobile learning lab sharing information and environmental education on freshwater systems, water quality, fish, and ecology.
- Talk with energy experts on diverse issues such as renewable energy, wind turbines, solar, nuclear, energy conservation and climate.
- Talk with transportation professionals on how your commute can improve air quality.
- Display of emergency response and oil spill equipment.
- Talk with DRBA engineers about the Delaware Memorial Bridge collision barrier project.
- Just in time for summer, meet with state organizations that monitor beach water quality and coordinate beach litter cleanups.
- An assortment of federal, state, and local environmental government agencies and organizations
- Local zoos (Cohanzick and Brandywine) and state park representatives.
- Local school STEM programs exhibiting their projects (Gunning Bedford, George Read, and McCullough Middle Schools).

Refreshments will also be on-site for all attendees.

World Environment Day, which falls on June 5, is the biggest international day for the environment. With over 150 countries participating, this World Environment Day engages governments, businesses, civil society, schools, celebrities, cities, and communities, raising awareness and celebrating environmental action.

About the Delaware River and Bay Authority

The DRBA, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962, owns and operates the Delaware Memorial Bridge, the Cape May- Lewes Ferry, and the Forts Ferry Crossing. The DRBA also manages two airports in New Jersey (Millville Executive Airport and Cape May Airport) and three in Delaware (Wilmington Airport, Civil Air Terminal and Delaware Airpark). All DRBA operating revenues are generated through the bridge, ferry and airport facilities. For more information, visit www.drba.net.