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LAWN & GARDEN EQUIPMENT EXCHANGE RETURNS WITH BIGGER SAVINGS

100-percent electric lawn mowers offered at \$99 for first 100 prepaid registrants

The 2019 Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange, hosted by the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD), aims to be the largest in District history. Coming off of a new record in equipment exchanges in 2018, the District increased funding for the 2019 event in hopes of further reducing the emissions from gas-powered lawn and garden equipment.

The boost in funding has allowed the District to offer the zero-emission, 56-volt EGO lawn mowers for only \$99 (tax included) to the first 100 prepaid registrants with trade-in of their gas-powered lawn mowers.

Despite the efforts of countless residents who've converted their landscaping due to the drought and successful incentive programs such as Mojave Water Agency's Cash for Grass program, there is still a significant amount of gas-powered equipment used throughout the District.

"Our program continues to draw in more and more of our District residents each year," said MDAQMD Executive Director Brad Poiriez. "The positive impact this simple exchange has on reducing our local emissions can't be overstated, and we're always excited to see that our local residents understand that."

Beyond the special price for the first 100 prepaid registrants, lawn mowers are available for \$125 while electric blowers and trimmers are available for \$75 with the exchange of eligible, working gas equivalents. Registration is now open and all participants must preregister at www.thegreenstationproducts.com/mdaqmd.html. The exchange event will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 20, 2019 at the SBC Fairgrounds.

MDAQMD is the air pollution control authority and permitting agency for the High Desert portion of San Bernardino County and the Palo Verde Valley in Riverside County. It's governed by a board of 13 members representing nine incorporated municipalities and two counties within its boundaries. Visit mdaqmd.ca.gov or follow us on social media @MDAQMD.

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