## **RESIST BUYING NEW STUFF (REFUSE!)**

## ... & REDUCE, REUSE, REPURPOSE, RECYCLE

## **STYROFOAM IS NOW REPURPOSED!**

HTO/MarBorg Industries Have Established a One-of-a-Kind Program Keeping Mountains of Styrofoam out of Landfills (& the Ocean)



Styrofoam baling operations at MarBorg Industries, David Love Place, Goleta

Photo by Harry Rabin/On the Wave Productions



With giant volumes of plastic being more difficult to reuse, even when baled for recycling, we are forced to focus on materials that can be REPURPOSED – made into other products.

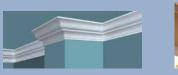
Styrofoam is particularly nasty when it escapes into nature – and into the ocean, where sea creatures confuse it for food. In 2019 Heal the Ocean began collecting Styrofoam, to ship to a foam fabricators company in the Los Angeles area, which repurposed it into reusable products.

Then we contacted **Brian Borgatello**, recycling guru at MarBorg Industries, and asked him if we could buy MarBorg a foam densifying machine to bring the operation

closer to home. He said, "No, MarBorg can handle this," sent a truck to pick up all the Styrofoam we had in a rented garage, and set up a baling operation in the MarBorg recycling center at David Love Place, Goleta. Result: mountains upon mountains of foam will be kept out of the waste stream – and nature.

MarBorg has two recycling sites, where the public can drop off clean and dry Styrofoam: 20 DAVID LOVE PLACE, GOLETA and 132 NOPALITOS WAY, SANTA BARBARA THANK YOU, BRIAN BORGATELLO, YOU ARE OUR HERO!

**Recycled Styrofoam Becomes...** 









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