

## Utahns Exchange 1,000 Environmentally-Harmful Gas Cans for Environmentally-Friendly Gas Cans To Improve Our Air

Show UCAIR Exchange Sponsored by Boeing, Union Pacific, Dolores Dore Eccles Foundation

**SALT LAKE CITY**—April 13, 2019—The latest Show UCAIR clean air program removed 1,000 environmentally-harmful gas cans from our state as Utahns exchanged old gas cans for environmentally-safe gas cans. The exchange was made possible by Boeing, Union Pacific, the George S. and Dolores Dore Eccles Foundation and the Utah Clean Air Partnership (UCAIR).

"By taking the simple step to exchange our old gas cans, we can improve the air quality in Utah," said Chris Bray, community investor at Boeing. "Boeing is committed to strengthening the communities where we live and work, that's why we're partnering with UCAIR to make it easier for residents to update their gas cans and reduce harmful emissions."

Old gas cans make a leaky mess when you're trying to use them, they also constantly leak volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that pollute our air. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates one non EPA-compliant gas can can emit up to 8 lbs of VOCs each year through spills and evaporation.

Utahns were invited to exchange their leaky standard cans for EPA-compliant SureCan gas cans at the Show UCAIR Gas Can Exchange program on Saturday, April 13. In just hours, 1,000 environmentally-harmful gas cans were exchanged by Utahns to help improve our air quality.

The environmentally-friendly, EPA-compliant SureCan gas cans limit VOCs and provide better performance with:

- Flexible rotating nozzle and thumb trigger with automatic closure to reduce spilling and escaping fumes during fuel dispensing.
- Thicker, durable construction to decrease vapor permeation through container walls.
- Childproof cap for safety.

"Timing for the Show UCAIR gas can exchange is ideal with Earth Day just a week away," said Thom Carter, UCAIR executive director. "We know from our research that Utahns will make changes to improve our air quality if it is easy and inexpensive. Partnering with Boeing, Union Pacific and Eccles Foundation to fund the purchase of SureCans for the exchange removed 1,000 polluting gas cans today. It's a practical solution to continuing to better our air."

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UCAIR is a statewide clean air partnership created to make it easier for individuals, businesses and communities to make small changes to improve Utah's air. Every small change adds to a collective bigger step toward better health, a better economy and better overall quality of life for all of us. Find out more about how you can make a difference by visiting UCAIR.org

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