



Participants learning how to weave bags from beverage packaging.



The upcycling workshop aims to help the community reduce waste.

Condo folk pick up green habits

Upcycling programme aimed at helping Seberang Prai develop in sustainable way

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RESIDENTS of Mutiara Condominium in Bandar Perdana, Bukit Mertajam, learned useful green practices for a sustainable future at an upcycling programme.

Seberang Prai city councillor P. David Marshal said the programme was to educate the community on how to reuse products and raw materials to reduce waste and the release of hazardous materials into the soil, water and air.

He also expressed his appreciation to the Housing and Local Government Ministry for making the Local Agenda 21 (LA21) programme an annual event, involving

local authorities, NGOs, the private sector and the locals.

"The practice of recycling is very important in order to achieve sustainable, quality and balanced development.

"The Seberang Prai City Council (MBSP) welcomes cooperation from the local community to maximise recycling and minimise waste.

"We need to reduce consumption by ensuring that every item can be reused, repaired, recycled and composted.

This is in accordance with the city council's 8R concept of rethink, refuse, reduce, reuse, repair, re-gift, recover and recycle," he said at the event.

Seberang Prai residents have managed to reduce waste and increase the recycling

rate in 2021 to 56.85%, according to the city council.

During the programme, MBSP senior assistant environmental health officer Zairomzi Nayan conducted a briefing on waste segregation for the families taking part.

They were taught how to segregate waste and how recycling could transform waste materials into useful new resources.

Condominium joint management body chairman Md Safarin Mohd Samian kicked off the event with a welcome speech.

Also present were Idawati Abd Wahab, who is the representative from the community consensus secretariat of the Housing and Local Government Ministry, and LA21 coordinator Chew Eng Seng.

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