

# Dart, UltraTech offer grants to prevent marine litter

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Dart Container Corp. is part of a program to supply geotextile membranes to locations to stop debris out of storm water systems.

**Mason, Mich.** — Dart Container Corp. and UltraTech International Inc. are sponsoring a program to provide up to \$100,000 in grants to keep litter from entering coastal and inland waterways.

The new project follows a pilot program that saw Ultra-Drain Guard geotextile stormwater management products collect about 1,250 pounds of litter and other contaminants in Southern California.

"Approximately 80 percent of stormwater drains go directly into a body of water without treatment," Michael Westerfield, Dart's director of recycling, said in a news release. "Catch-basin devices are a simple, innovative and effective way to stop debris from ending up in our waters."

Dart is a major food and beverage packaging maker based in Mason.

Marinas and local municipalities can apply for grants of up to \$4,000 each. For information visit [www.keepmarinasclean.com](http://www.keepmarinasclean.com) or call (904) 292-1611.