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**REPUBLIC SERVICES OPENS "NEXTGEN" RECYCLING CENTER IN
PLANO TO SERVE LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

*Plano and Richardson city officials mark opening of state-of-the-art recycling facility
with ribbon cutting and facility tour*

WHAT: [Republic Services](#), an industry leader in U.S. recycling and non-hazardous solid waste disposal, is celebrating the opening of its new Plano Recycling Center with City of Plano and City of Richardson elected officials. The 77,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility serves over 510,000 residents and 2,500 commercial customers throughout the Metroplex – including Plano, Richardson and other neighboring cities and is capable of processing 350 tons of recyclable material per day with highly advanced sorting technologies can separate material in milliseconds. With recycling contamination levels at 30 percent on average, separation of clean recyclables from other materials is more important than ever before.

The recycling facility features a first-of-its-kind Learning Center – an interactive resource to help community members and beyond become better recyclers. Visitors of all ages can get a first-hand view of the recycling process from the observation deck, view recycling and sustainability educational videos and colorful displays, and play interactive games throughout the 5,000 square foot learning space. The Learning Center is open to the public – tours must be scheduled with Republic's Plano Recycling Facility office in advance.

In full operation since January 2019, the center currently has 35 employees, and will create close to 70 jobs by the end of the year.

WHO: Pete Keller, Vice President of Recycling and Sustainability, Republic Services
Amy Adcox, Plano Recycling Facility General Manager, Republic Services

WHEN: Tuesday, April 9, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Agenda: Remarks and ribbon cutting followed by tour

- AM live shot(s) available
- Live or taped interviews
- Recycling operations b-roll footage and live photos available
- Spanish language spokesperson available

WHERE: Republic Services Plano Recycling Center, 4200 E 14th Street, Plano, TX 75074

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