

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Save A Sample! 2018 diverts 10,840 pounds of samples from landfill!**

Save A Sample!, a non-profit, nationwide recycling drive, makes it easy (and fun!) for designers to donate materials and samples to local design schools redirecting "tons" of materials from landfills into the hands of talented students.

"This year's event was the best coordinated Save A Sample!" exclaimed Vija Berzins, Professor from New York Institute of Technology.

SpecSimple.com's Save A Sample! 2018 welcomed back Formica as a returning national sponsor and Perkins+Will as a returning design firm sponsor.

"Save A Sample! is a fantastic program that protects our environment while educating future architects and designers," said Amy Gath, VP Marketing at Formica North America. "We are proud to deepen our commitment to sustainability and design education by keeping unused samples out of landfills and putting them into the hands of students across the country."

"We're thrilled to give our excess samples a second life and support future designers!" Eileen Ley, Resource Director at TPG Architects

Over 5 tons of samples were donated by 105 design firms, delivered to 23 design schools and organizations, by 22 delivery partners, across nine locations in the U.S.: Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York/New Jersey, Philadelphia, San Diego, San Francisco, and Washington D.C.

Josh Rosen from Knoll Inc., a delivery partner in New York states, "Save A Sample! is truly a WIN for everyone involved! Vendors are giving back to the design community, design firms are donating un-used samples, and most importantly, students are benefitting from a refreshed materials palette with which to work. We were glad to be a partner!"

Save A Sample! returns April 2-4, 2019 for its anniversary 20th year!

Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, or Twitter to be alerted to event details!

If you are interested in joining us as a Save A Sample! National or City sponsor please contact us!

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