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## Local Market Home To Green Machine

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**CARDIFF BY THE SEA, Calif.** -- A first-of-its kind solar-powered trashcan is being used to get rid of trash at a seaside market.

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The trash compactor is called the Big Belly and it's described as a trashcan with a big appetite.

The machine has a new home at the Seaside Market in Cardiff By The Sea.

This is one of the first installation sites for the invention. The device can hold four times more trash than regular cans, according to its makers.

But the compactor doesn't come cheap. Each can costs about \$4,000 dollars.

According to the manufacturer, the Big Belly uses the sun's energy to automatically compact trash at the point of disposal, increasing capacity by four to eight times. They say that increased capacity reduces collection trips and can cut related fuel use and greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent.

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