

## Climate, Environment + Sustainability Newsletter

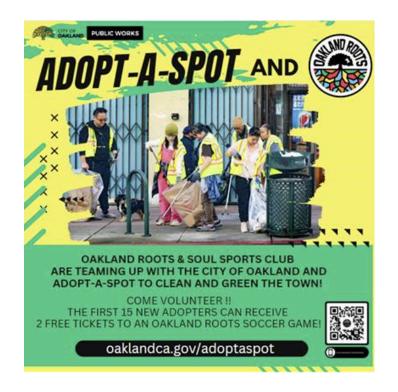


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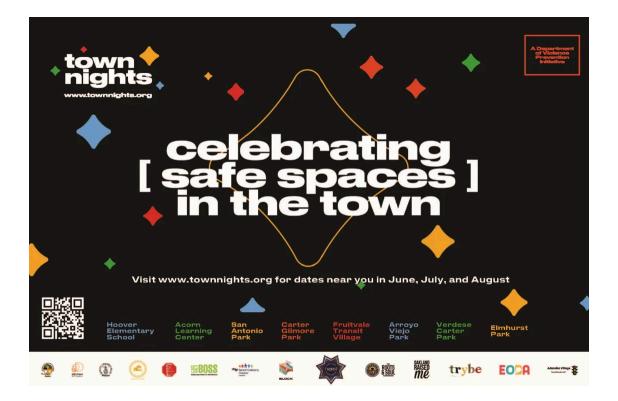
## **Environmental Stewardship**

Adopt-a-Spot & Oakland Roots Collaboration has begun! Sign up to win free tickets!



Oakland Public Works has teamed up with Oakland Roots and Oakland Soul Sports Club (@oaklandsoulsc) to clean and green the town! The first 15 new adopters who sign up to adopt a public space with Oakland Adopt-A-Spot can qualify to receive **2 free tickets** to an Oakland Roots home game this season!

If you or your organization are interested in partnering to keep Oakland clean, green, and beautiful please visit <u>oaklandca.gov/adoptaspot</u> or call (510) 238-7630 to learn how you can get involved.



# Summer Town Nights is back, this time with the Inaugural Futsal Cup!

Join us for Town Nights, a series of free community events hosted Friday evenings during the summer months, hosted by the Department of Violence Prevention with community organizations. With a focus on preventing violence and fostering unity, Town Nights offers safe spaces for families, friends, and neighbors to come together and enjoy free food, music, games, and more. This year, a special partnership between Town Nights and the Oakland Roots & Soul Foundation is bringing you the first-ever "Soul of the Town" futsal tournament and soccer clinics! Mark your calendars for an unforgettable series of events on **June 14th**, **June 21st**, **June 28th**, **and July 12th**, **2024**. The Oakland Roots & Soul, in collaboration with the City of Oakland, will be sponsoring this exciting inaugural tournament at various Town Nights sites. Together with our amazing partners—Roots Purpose Partners, OGSC, My Yute Soccer, Street Soccer USA, Soccer Without Borders, and AYSO—we are set to create an incredible experience for our community. See you at Town Nights!



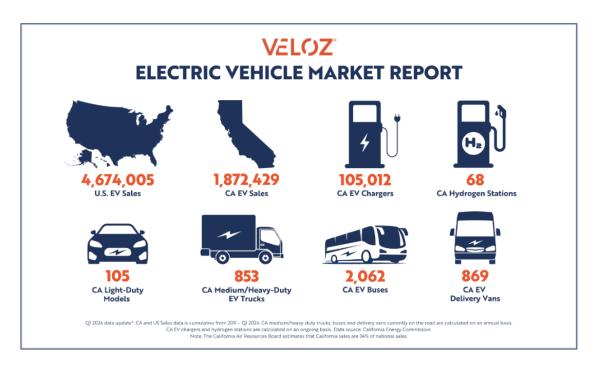
#### Reminder, report your volunteer activity this month!

If you hosted one or more volunteer events during the months of May & June 2024, we wanted to send an additional reminder to record your activity by **Friday**, **July 7th**. Reporting your volunteer activity helps us keep track of successful volunteer events across the city and showcase that the Adopt-A-Spot/Drain Program is

meaningful to Oakland! Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions and/or need technical assistance with entering your volunteer activities.

#### **KOB Youth Advisory Committee Applications**

Keep Oakland Beautiful accepts rolling applications for their Youth Advisory Committee. Oakland high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors can apply! It's a great way to get involved, build a resume, and learn about community engagement, fundraising, and so much more. <u>More information is available on KOB's website</u>.



## **Transportation**

#### Veloz Quarter 1 Electric Vehicle Market Report Now Available

<u>Veloz</u> has released their Quarter 1 2024 EV Market Report, and the data shows the highest ever first quarter new electric vehicles sales in California. Read the full report <u>here</u>.



#### West Oakland's Universal Basic Mobility Pilot

The <u>West Oakland Universal Basic Mobility Pilot</u> continues the transformation of public transit in Oakland. Thanks to a generous grant from the Alameda County Transportation Commission, up to 1,000 income-qualifying residents can receive a \$320 benefit for public transit and shared mobility services. If you live or work in West Oakland and qualify as "Low" or "Moderate" Income, you're eligible to participate. Applications are now open, you can <u>sign-up here</u>.

#### **Clean Cars for All Program**

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District's <u>Clean Cars for All Program</u> is open and has expanded to the entire Bay Area (within the Air District's jurisdiction). Income-eligible Bay Area residents can receive grants **up to \$12,000** to trade in their old vehicle (model year 2007 or older) and purchase or lease a cleaner vehicle or get a pre-paid card for public transit or an e-bike. Eligibility is based on income, the vehicle to be retired, and other requirements. **Visit the <u>Clean Cars for All</u>** <u>website</u> to learn more and apply.

## **Buildings & Energy**



#### Cleaner Heat, Cleaner Air: Bay Area's Clean HEET Program.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) recently launched the Clean HEET Program to help Bay Area homeowners replace their qualifying woodburning devices with electric heat pumps! Qualifying wood-burning devices include existing, operational, freestanding wood stoves and wood-burning fireplace inserts used for indoor heating. Learn more about how you can help reduce harmful particulate matter, improve local air quality, and stay warm with cleaner heating at <u>www.baaqmd.gov/woodsmokegrant</u> today!



No-Cost, No-Hassle Energy and Water Savings

Looking to save money and make your home more sustainable? <u>BayREN</u> is partnering with the <u>Rising Sun Center for Opportunity</u> to provide Oakland residents with a FREE energy and water efficiency kit including:

- Up to 16 LED light bulbs
- High-efficiency faucet aerators and showerhead(s)
- A smart power strip (\$70 value)
- · A toilet leak detection test
- · Information about other energy-saving programs in your area

Renters and homeowners are eligible, and households in certain zip codes are eligible for in-person service. Sign up today

at <u>https://bit.ly/RSGHC</u> or visit <u>https://risingsunopp.org/programs/ghc/</u> for more information.



## Ava Community Energy: New Name, Same Great Services, and Exciting New programs for Saving Energy and Electrifying

East Bay Community Energy is now **Ava Community Energy**! Ava is your local electricity provider, founded in 2018 by Alameda County, the cities in Alameda County, and the City of Tracy. Learn more: <u>https://avaenergy.org</u>

#### Here's more from Ava:

- Summer Rates: Summer Time-of-Use rate began June 1st. Learn more at <u>https://avaenergy.org/rates/</u>
- Commercial Induction Rebate: Upgrade your commercial kitchen to induction and get to \$17,500 in rebates <u>https://tinyurl.com/iccrebate-ava</u>
- evFleet Consulting Program: Transition your commercial fleet to electric vehicles
- Data Corner: Comparing the Cost of Electric and Gasoline Cars

#### New Programs Boost Resilience for Ava Solar Customers

A recent ruling has dramatically changed the economics of customer-owned solar power. New Ava programs will help retain some of that value, and encourage solar customers to get batteries. <u>Click here</u> to learn more.

#### **Electrification Incentives and Rebates**

Electrification incentives are still available! Find out about <u>heat pump incentives</u> and <u>induction cooktop rebates</u> and learn more about electrification on the <u>City website</u>!



## **Urban Greening**



#### **Tree Plantings in Deep East Oakland**

Over the past three months, Oakland Parks and Rec Foundation (OPRF) has planted over **128 trees at Arrowhead Marsh**. California Climate Action Corps (CCAC) fellows Danny Cruz and Tessa Arens have been working with OPRF to support their goal of planting 2000 trees in Deep East Oakland. OPRF works with *Better Neighborhoods Same Neighbors* in community greening efforts to improve the tree canopy and mitigate environmental issues in Deep East Oakland. The greater portion of trees planted at Arrowhead Marsh (108 trees) were planted this past Earth Day with the help of 50 volunteers. A follow-up tree planting event led by CCAC fellow Tessa Arens was held on June 1st where volunteers planted an additional 20 trees. With the hot summer coming into full swing focus will shift from tree plantings to hydrating and keeping the trees happy. OPRF has planted trees in numerous areas of Deep East Oakland including along Edgewood Drive, International Blvd, Bernhardt Dr & Foster Ave, and resident's homes. OPRF will continue to plant free trees for residents in the Deep East Oakland neighborhoods.



## **Zero Waste**

#### Hazardous Waste Drop Off

Summer is the perfect time for a garage cleanout! The Household Hazardous Waste one-day drop-off events and facilities can help alleviate any overwhelming feelings as you begin to clear out your space. Before the summer ends, drop off your unwanted hazardous waste materials for free in Oakland on **June 30th** at the one-day event or take them to any of the four facilities in Alameda County. Learn more: <u>https://www.stopwaste.org/hhw</u>



#### **Recycle Collection Pilot at Oakland Parks**

For the first time, City-run RECYCLE collection is happening at two Oakland parks: Arroyo Viejo Park and San Antonio Park. Both sites rank high on the City's priority neighborhood <u>map</u>. The pilot project is a result of a collaboration between Parks, Recreation & Youth Development and Tree Services, Environmental Services Division (ESD) Recycling, and Capital Improvement Project staff. ESD Recycling staff used CalRecycle grants to fund animal-proof, blue RECYCLE containers. The new containers were installed on April 30, 2024. Parks and Tree Services staff service the RECYCLE containers. The cross-departmental team is working to refine the pilot project and hopes to expand RECYCLE collection to all parks in Oakland.

If your organization would like to have relevant community events or opportunities posted here, please email us at <u>climate@oaklandca.gov</u>.



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