



Climate, Environment + Sustainability Newsletter



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Environmental Stewardship



Thank You to Earth Day Volunteers

The City of Oakland sends a thank you to the more than **1,900 volunteers** and **57 event coordinators** who partnered with us to make the day a success. Our efforts had a significant impact. Together, we removed an estimated **1600 bags of trash** and **2000 bags of green debris** from Oakland neighborhoods, delivered resources to our unhoused neighbors, and served our communities in other ways—big and small. Visit oaklandca.gov/earthday to see photos of the day's events taken by our volunteers and staff, along with event activity numbers!

Visit <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/environmental-stewardship> to learn how you can serve your community year-round by Adopting a Spot. Volunteers with Adopt-a-Spot and Adopt-a-Drain can get City support to care for and maintain public spaces in Oakland.



Applications Open for Youth Employment Partnership (YEP)

Team Oakland is a summer job program for Oakland's youth, offering a transformative summer employment program for ages 15 to 24. Through engaging in meaningful beautification and cleanup projects, participants cultivate practical job skills and foster a sense of civic pride and responsibility. From park maintenance to habitat restoration, fire fuel management to community outreach, the diverse range of activities empowers young people to make a difference in their city. Applications are now open for Team Member and Team Leader positions:

<https://www.yep.org/how-you-join/summer-job-application/>

Keep Oakland Beautiful Announcements

KOB Community Grants

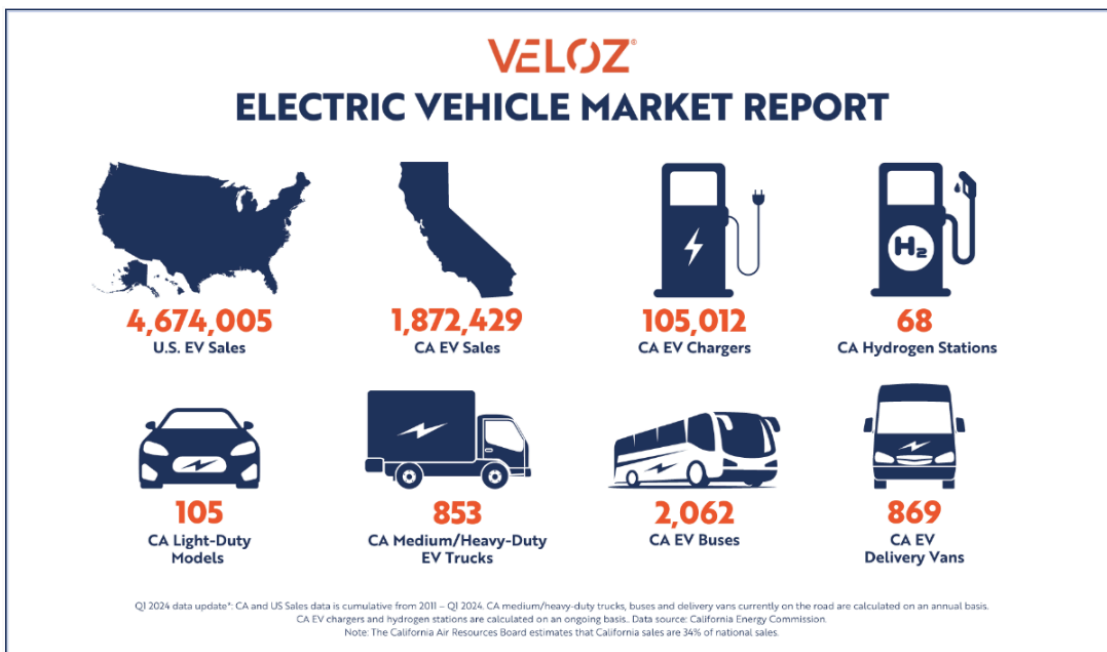
Applications for Keep Oakland Beautiful's annual Community Grant program are now open. In addition to the new name, KOB is now offering a maximum grant of \$1,000 per awarded project. Applications are **due May 31st**. Visit the [KOB website](#) for the application form, requirements, and FAQs.



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. [More information is available on KOB's website.](#)

Transportation



Veloz Quarter 1 Electric Vehicle Market Report Now Available

[Veloz](#) 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 [here](#).



West Oakland's Universal Basic Mobility Pilot

The [West Oakland Universal Basic Mobility Pilot](#) 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 [sign-up here](#).

Clean Cars for All Program

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District's [Clean Cars for All Program](#) 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 [Clean Cars for All website](#) to learn more and apply.**

Buildings & Energy

Building Electrification Clubhouse in Downtown Oakland

The Building Electrification Clubhouse is a monthly workshop for building industry professionals in downtown Oakland. Come enjoy a fun evening with interesting speakers, engaging conversation, and light refreshments! This is a space for contractors, tradespeople, designers, project managers, and others to share knowledge, hear from expert peers, and get your questions answered.

Learn More: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/building-electrification-public-engagement>

StopWaste Hiring New Energy Council Program Services

Specialist

StopWaste is hiring an Energy Council Program Services Specialist to work on Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) programs. The position will conduct community outreach and engage with stakeholders to make energy upgrades and electrify multifamily and single family buildings in Alameda County and the larger Bay Area. It will also work on growing and strengthening the clean energy workforce to help achieve energy and climate goals. Learn more at [StopWaste](#).



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 wood-

burning 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 www.baaqmd.gov/woodsmokegrant today!



No-Cost, No-Hassle Energy and Water Savings

Looking to save money and make your home more sustainable? [BayREN](#) is partnering with the [Rising Sun Center for Opportunity](#) 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 <https://bit.ly/RSGHC> or visit <https://risingsunopp.org/programs/ghc/> 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: <https://avaenergy.org>

Here's more from Ava:

- The East Bay Green Home Tour is June 11th! Learn more and register: eastbaygreenhome.com
- Two Major Milestones: Ava has provided over \$100 million in customer savings since 2018 • Ava has exceeded 1 gigawatt of contracted renewable energy projects
- Commercial Induction Rebate: Upgrade your commercial kitchen to induction and get to \$17,500 in rebates <https://tinyurl.com/iccrebate-ava>
- evFleet Consulting Program: Transition your commercial fleet to electric vehicles

Electrification Incentives and Rebates

Electrification incentives are still available! Find out about [heat pump incentives](#) and [induction cooktop rebates](#) and learn more about electrification on the [City website!](#)



Urban Greening



Oakland Public Tree Map is Now Live!

Oakland's public tree map is live! Visit <https://oakland-tree-hub-oakgis.hub.arcgis.com/> to learn more about Oakland's street and park trees.

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CALIFORNIA CLIMATE ACTION CENTER

CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS
Office of the Governor

CITY OF OAKLAND

JUNE 1, 2024 FROM 1PM-4PM
KINGFISHER PICNIC AREA- 1 SWAN WAY OAKLAND 94621

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP US SAVE THE TREES

WATER

PLANT

WEED

MULCH

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

Tree Planting at King Fisher Picnic Area

Join [FREE Trees for Deep East Oakland](#) on June 1st for a tree planting event at the King Fisher Picnic Area. They will plant around 15-20 trees and support the new trees planted in April with water, mulch, and weeding! A vegan friendly BBQ will be provided! [RSVP here](#).

Adaptation

Sea Level Rise Workshop and Survey

On May 20th the [Oakland Alameda Adaptation Committee](#) hosted a community workshop to discuss how sea levels are rising, the impacts to groundwater levels, what's at risk, and what the next steps are.

Your input is vital in helping us navigate the challenges posed by rising sea levels. Please complete the [sea level rise adaptation survey](#) to share your goals for the shoreline. As a valued stakeholder, your perspective is crucial. We appreciate your input!

Announcements

Oakland Youth Commission Application

The Oakland Youth Commission is now recruiting for their 2024-25 term.

Here is the link to the [application](#) and more information can be found on their [website](#). Deadline to submit is **June 1**.



The poster features a dark blue background with a white and light blue graphic of hands holding a sign that says 'Oakland Youth Commission'. The main text reads 'JOIN THE OAKLAND Youth Commission'. Below this, a list of requirements is provided: 'Must be 13-21 years old', 'Live in Oakland', 'Able to commit 2-4 hrs/week', and 'Priority given to youth from districts with vacancies, and students in Oakland public schools'. A white button at the bottom says 'Apply by June 1'. On the right side, there is a circular photo of a diverse group of young people standing on a set of stairs. The text 'APPLY NOW!' is written in white on a blue background in the top right corner.

Rising Sun Climate Careers Program

Climate Careers offers young leaders the opportunity to gain paid, hands-on work experience while taking climate action. Rising Sun is currently hiring 15-24 year-olds for a workplace learning opportunity. As an Energy Specialist, they will spend the summer helping residents save energy, water, and money through Green House Calls. Green House Calls consist of energy and water audits of households, at no cost, and the installation of energy- and water- saving devices, also at no cost. For more information about Rising Sun's Climate Careers Program, or their energy services, please visit [Rising Sun's website](#).

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



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