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Oakland Public Works Celebrates Earth Day on Saturday April 19th

Volunteers will clean and green at 67 events throughout the city for Oakland Earth Day



Oakland CA — On Saturday, April 19, Oakland Public Works (OPW) will celebrate its 31st annual Oakland Earth Day with volunteer events across the city. Community members can take action to protect and enhance Oakland's natural environment by participating in a neighborhood cleanup, tending a community garden, planting trees, or learning more about environmental stewardship and sustainable practices.

"I'm incredibly grateful to the community organizations that continue to partner with us year after year for Oakland Earth Day—and to the new volunteers joining us for the first time," said Josh Rowan, Director of OakDOT and Interim Director of Oakland Public Works. Oakland residents understand that the health of our environment is directly connected to our own well being, so when we plant trees and get litter off our streets, we're not only protecting the planet—we're also looking out for one another."

People of all ages and abilities can participate by visiting www.oaklandca.gov/earthday to view an interactive map of event sites and register to volunteer. Oakland Public Works encourages community members to participate by joining one of the seven City-sponsored sites below, which can accommodate large groups of volunteers.

Site Name	Address	Time
Temescal Telegraph Business Improvement District / Temescal Works	490 43rd St.	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Wilma Chan Park	810 Jackson St.	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Black Earth Day	1724 7th St. (Esther's Orbit Room)	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Redwood Heights Recreation Center Park	3883 Aliso Ave.	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Jingletown	2999 Glascock St.	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Eastmont/Bancroft	73rd Ave & Bancroft Ave. (near Gazzali's Supermarket)	9:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Verdese Carter Park	9600 Sunnyside St.	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The City is distributing free compost at 12 community gardens throughout Oakland from 10:00 am -2:00 pm on Saturday, while supplies last. Shovels will be provided but individuals should bring their own containers to transport compost to their home gardens. Locations can be viewed at www.Oaklandca.gov/earthday.

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About Oakland Public Works

Oakland Public Works is charged with building, maintaining, and improving the City's infrastructure including public buildings, sanitary and storm sewers, lighting, and City-owned vehicles and equipment. Public Works provides or administers essential environmental services including solid waste and recycling services; illegal dumping abatement; street sweeping; maintenance of parks, trees, and medians; and watershed management.

Our Mission Statement: Oakland Public Works is dedicated to you! We strive to maintain, improve and preserve Oakland's infrastructure and environment for the residents, businesses, visitors and future generations of every neighborhood in our diverse city.

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