

EARTH DAY 2025

IT TAKES A VILLAGE...TO FIGHT FOR OUR FUTURE

April 17, 10:00-1:00, Clubhouse 5

Sponsored by Concerned Citizens of LWV & Organized by the Environment Committee

Welcome! Earth Day is about getting together to honor, celebrate and protect the earth. Come meet like-minded folks, learn more about our fast changing environment and explore how to take personal and collective action for a sustainable future. Speakers and exhibits will share how to help preserve wilderness, conserve water, maximize green energy use, create drought tolerant landscapes, minimize trash, reduce plastics, and much more.

SCHEDULE

10:00-11:00	Earth Day Speakers - Multi-Purpose Room
10:05	Chris Lobo, Acjachemen Nation
10:15	Ed Maurer, Chair & Editor Sierra Sage Orange County
10:35	Kirsten Donald, Public Education, Pacific Marine Mammal Center
11:00-1:00	Earth Day Exhibits - Main Lounge
11:00	Doors open to exhibits, giveaways, raffle, coffee & tea, snacks
12:20	Singalong with the Ukulele Club of LWV (Lyrics projected on the overhead screen)
12:50	Earth Day Prize Drawings - winners announced
1:00	Close of Earth Day 2025 at Laguna Woods Village

INFORMATION TABLE- Located at the exhibit hall entrance, this is where you can ask questions; get help; view the schedule of events, list of exhibitors and map; and check in to pick up your nametag if you are an exhibitor or volunteer.

WELCOME TABLE – All about Concerned Citizens: who we are, what we do, and information about joining. www.cclwv1wixsite.com/mysite

SIP & SNACK LIGHT REFRESHMENTS- Enjoy regular, decaf coffee and hot tea. There will also be plant-based, earth-friendly "WOLF" snacks - Whole, Organic, Local and Fresh (to the degree this is possible!)

EARTH DAY OPPORTUNITY DRAWING (AKA RAFFLE)- Local and eco-friendly prizes from merchants, exhibitors and donors. Tickets are 1/\$1; 6/\$5 for 13/\$10; 27/\$20. Just drop tickets in the labeled bag next to the prize you want to win. The winning numbers will be announced at 12:50 after the Ukulele Singalong.

EXHIBITS: CLIMATE & CONSERVATION GROUPS

Eco Now Zero Waste Store- Earth friendly products for sale! Orange County's original zero waste & bulk refill store. An essential resource for earth friendly products, services, classes and community events. Makes zero waste living accessible, affordable & achievable. www.econowca.com

The Climate Reality Project of Orange County- Working to build a just and sustainable true net zero future; organization founded by Al Gore; free training for aspiring climate advocates and activists. www.climaterealityoc.com

Elders Climate Action- Non-partisan movement of elders committed to making our voices heard. Assists, connects and supports elders wishing to take practical local action to address climate change. www.eldersclimateaction.org

Climate Action Campaign- Coalition of environmental, justice and health groups working to accelerate clean energy & sustainable communities: experts on Orange County Power Authority. www.climateactioncampaign.org

The 5 R's of Sustainability- Learn about the original 5 simple steps for planet-friendly living. Explore lifestyle choices and options that save energy, reduce waste and build community. www.zerowastehome.com

Sierra Sage of South Orange County- Local chapter of the Sierra Club; environmental initiatives, activities & outings; it's all about enjoying, exploring, and protecting the planet. www.sierraclub.org/angeles/sierra-sage

Pacific Marine Mammal Center- Local marine mammal hospital and veterinary research center; information on prevention and rescue of injured sea wildlife. www.pacificmmc.org

Laguna Greenbelt- Protecting open space and wildlife habitat in Orange County since 1968; focus on the current Irvine-Laguna Wildlife Corridor. www.lagunagreenbelt.org

Help Save the Pollinators- Beautiful handmade pollinator quilt. Proceeds from the drawing benefits the new Pollinator Garden underway at Garden Center 2.

OC Toll Roads- Preserving wilderness areas and protecting wildlife with fences along the toll roads of Southern California.

www.business.orangechamber.com/list/member/the-toll-roads-transportation-corridor-agencies-7849

Electric Vehicles in the Village - Talk to LWV residents who are EV owners about what it's like to own an EV, benefits and disadvantages, plugging in at carports and on the road, and whatever other questions or topics you are curious about.

Video Montage of Eco-Friendly Practices - A collaboration between the LWV Video Club and CCLWV Environment Committee, this composite of interviews and home videos highlights do-able lifestyle practices of Concerned Citizen members.

Environmental Advocacy- Feeling ready to "Do Something"? Learn more about effective personal choices and group actions, from Laguna Woods Village to beyond. Hosted by the Environment Committee of Concerned Citizens.

EXHIBITS: LOCAL LEADERSHIP & SERVICES

Orange County Fire Authority- Provides fire protection, emergency medical services and disaster preparedness to Laguna Woods and local area. Bring your LWV related questions about fire zones, landscape risk reduction, emergency response, etc.

www.ocfa.org

City of Laguna Woods- Speak with the mayor and Council members about the city's environmental plans and practices. Share your thoughts on building toward climate resiliency. www.cityoflagunawoods.org

El Toro Water District- Providing the Village with a safe, reliable, and sustainable water supply in a changing and warming climate. www.etwd.com

CR&R Environmental Services- Talk trash, recycling, and organic composting in LWV; contracted by the City of Laguna Woods and serving residents of Laguna Woods Village. www.crrwasteservices.com

VMS Landscape Services- Enjoy the beautiful display of plants and bushes. Learn about projects and practices in water conservation, turf reduction, energy efficiency, composting, etc. that contribute to sustainability in our community. www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/services/landscaping/

VMS Maintenance & Construction- Bring your questions and chat about electricity and other environmental topics in the Village. Discuss current and future issues such as energy conservation, EV charging, solar energy panels, energy efficient buildings, etc. www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/services/maintenance

LWV Transportation- The Village and City bus services conserve energy, save on auto expenses and support independence among residents. Find out how they can help you get around and reduce overall carbon consumption. www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/services/transportation-services/

Disaster Preparedness Task Force of Clubhouse 3- How to prepare yourself, your home, and your pets for a disaster. Learn about the good neighbor building volunteer program. amazngrace@aol.com

GRF Ad Hoc Energy Committee- Connect with committee members around questions, ideas and possibilities for moving toward greener, more energy efficient, and user friendly options in the Village. www.foundationoflagunawoodsvillage.org/

LWV United Mutal - Chat with Directors of United Mutual, especially about future payoffs of investing in sustainability initiatives such as turf reduction, EV chargers, etc. www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/about/learn-how-village-operates/united-laguna-woods-mutual/

LWV Third Mutual - Chat with Directors of Third Mutual, especially about the costs and future payoff of investing in sustainability initiatives such as turf reduction, EV chargers, etc. www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/about/learn-how-village-operates/third-laguna-hills-mutual/

LWV Garden Centers Club- Tips and benefits of gardening a vegetable or tree plot in the Laguna Woods Village Garden Centers; importance of healthy soil, benefits of

growing your own organic food www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/amenities/clubs/garden-centers-club/

LWV Garden Club - Patio and small space gardening; environmental practices that support our local ecosystem and rapidly declining pollinator populations.

www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/amenities/clubs/garden-club-of-laguna-woods/

VISIT THE VILLAGE LIBRARY FOR EARTH DAY MONTH

April 1-30: View the Library display of current and recommended environmental books for Earth Day. Located at 24266 Calle Aragon. M-F 10-4; Sat 10-1

IT ALL STARTS AT HOME

(www.zerowastehome.com/tips/)

1. Refuse (what you do not need)
2. Reduce (what you do need and cannot refuse)
3. Reuse (what you consume and cannot refuse or reduce)
4. Recycle (what you cannot refuse, reduce or reuse)
5. Rot (compost the rest)

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For more information or to volunteer,
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