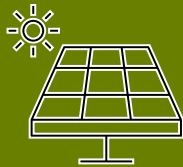




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Mayor



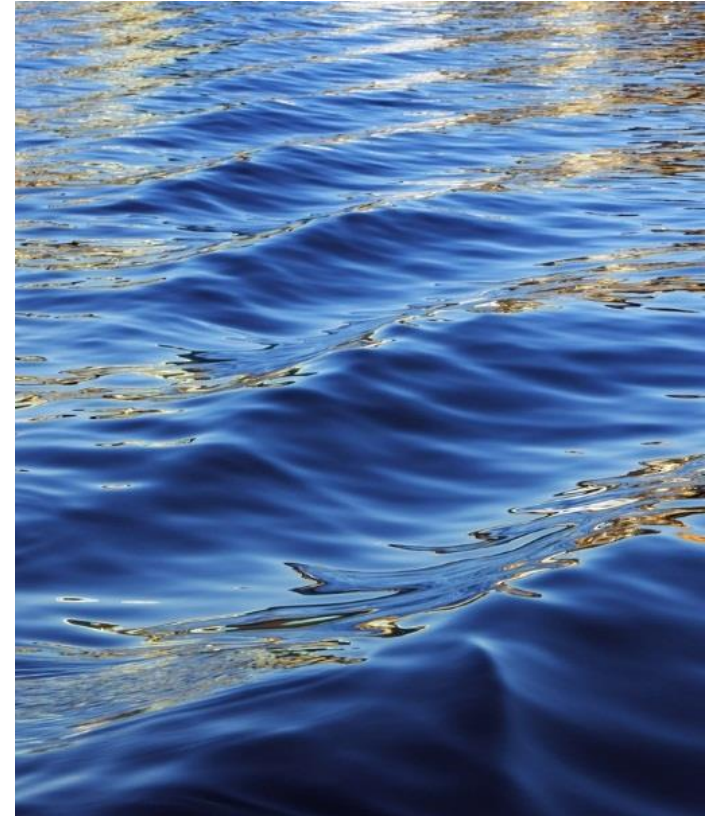
CITY OF GARY Celebrates



EARTH MONTH

SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES

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APRIL 1 – 30, 2024

DATE	EARTH MONTH EVENT	TIME	CONTACT / LINKS
Ongoing	Pre-Order Rain Barrel Sale Kick Off Gary Residents Only Cost \$55 The Rain Barrel Kit includes a 55-Gallon Barrel, Gutter Connector Kit, and Stand		D. Brown DELBrown@Gary.gov
April 6	Think B.I.G Beauty in Gary Think Beauty in Gary community cleanup during Earth month! This clean-up will take place at 5 th Avenue and Ohio Street. For questions or more info, reach out to Markael.	10:00am	Markael Watkins markaelwatkins@gmail.com 219-791-3513
April 10	Virtual Lunch and Learn Bring your lunch and join us for a virtual lunch and learn session. OAI, Inc a community-based not-for-profit that provides worker safety, health training, and related community services, will discuss green infrastructure projects and maintenance around town. Zoom link included. Questions, email msoline@gary.gov .	12:00pm	Zoom link for Lunch & Learn Meeting ID: 838 2773 9699 Passcode: 779679
April 13	Genesis Center Community Clean Up Please join Mayor Melton and Think Beauty in Gary for a community-wide clean up of the Genesis Convention Center. Register online at the link.	9:00am	Genesis Volunteer Registration (gary.gov)
April 13	Earth Day 2024 Conservation Cleanup Join Brown Faces, Green Spaces to participate in a beach cleanup at Marquette Beach. Let's help keep Lake Michigan's shoreline trash and plastic-free!	10am – noon	Upcoming Events BFGS Website (brownfacesgreenspaces.org)
April 13	Planet-palooza Brown Faces, Green Spaces Earth Day kickoff celebration: Earth, Health and Mental Wellness. Visit link for details!	11am – 12:30pm	Upcoming Events BFGS Website (brownfacesgreenspaces.org)
April 17	Virtual Lunch and Learn Presenter TBD	12:00pm	Melissa Soline, Msoline@gary.gov
April 18	Virtual Earth Vigil Join Faith in Place for their annual Virtual Earth Month Vigil. Gather in community to reflect on and celebrate our relationship to the Earth and each other, building our spiritual reserves for the work ahead.	6:00pm	Register for Virtual Earth Vigil
April 20	Think B.I.G Beauty in Gary Think Beauty in Gary community cleanup during Earth month! This clean-up will take place at 21 st Avenue and Missouri Street, Hatcher Park. For questions or more info, reach out to Markael.	10:00am	Markael Watkins markaelwatkins@gmail.com 219-791-3513
April 22	Earth Day Family Tree Give Away Pick up a free sapling at City Hall! Then join us on Arbor day to plant your tree!	4pm – 6pm	D. Brown DELBrown@Gary.gov
April 22	Virtual Lunch and Learn Bring your lunch and join us for a virtual lunch and learn session. The Office of Sustainability and Environmental Affairs and the city's McKinney Climate Fellow will present on Climate Ready Gary , Gary's climate resilience plan. Zoom link included. Questions, email msoline@gary.gov .	12:00pm	Zoom Link for Lunch & Learn Meeting ID: 865 3309 0240 Passcode: 554001

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April 22	Climate Ready Gary Provide feedback on Gary's first climate resilience plan, <i>Climate Ready Gary</i> . See link to review plan and provide comments.		Sustainability SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS (gary.gov)
April 22	Gary Sustainability and Environment Advisory Council Advisory council member meet and greet	4pm – 6pm	By invitation only
April 24	Virtual Lunch and Learn Bring your lunch and join us for a virtual lunch and learn session. The City's Recycling Department Director will discuss proper household hazardous waste disposal and resources available to citizens. Zoom link included. Questions, email msoline@gary.gov .	12:00pm	Zoom link for Lunch & Learn Meeting ID: 838 2773 9699 Passcode: 779679
April 25	IDEM Public Meeting Join members of G.A.R.D. and the Indiana Dept. of Environmental Management for a public meeting on the renewal of the Gary Works air permit. The meeting will be at 21 st Century Charter School, 556 Washington, in the gymnasium	6:00pm	garygard219@gmail.com
April 27	Arbor Day Tree Planting Plant trees with the US Forest Service and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority! Questions, email Brenda Scott-Henry at bhenry@gary.gov .	8:00am	Brenda Scott-Henry Bhenry@gary.gov Drew Hart U.S. Forest Services CommuniTree brent.a.hart@usda.gov
April 27	City of Gary Think B.I.G Join Councilman Williams and Think Beauty in Gary for a cleanup in South Glen Park. Volunteers meet at the SE corner of 47 th and Broadway. For questions or more info, reach out to Markael.	10:00am	Markael Watkins markaelwatkins@gmail.com 219-791-3513
April 27	Green Life Expo Come experience an array of holistic vendors, music, dance, art, presentations, workshops, and more at Marshal J. Gardner Center for the Arts, 540 S. Lake St .	1pm – 8pm	Green Party Social
April 28	Glen Park Clean Up Join Pastor Dexter Harris and Flourish Church for a clean up, starting at Flourish Church, 3935 Cleveland.	10am – 1pm	info@flourishchurchnwi.org www.flourishchurchnwi.org
May 1	Virtual Lunch and Learn Bring your lunch and join us for a virtual lunch and learn session. The US Forest Service will present on the benefits of trees in the city, and tips for residents on planting and maintaining trees. Zoom link included. Questions, email msoline@gary.gov .	12:00pm	Zoom link for Lunch & Learn Meeting ID: 838 2773 9699 Passcode: 779679



We would like to thank our green partners and constituents for their commitment to sustainable development practices. Together we can promote and advocate for a healthier environment and community.
- Team OSEA

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