

Zero Waste Vashon Newsletter - Earth Month 2021



Zero Waste Vashon (ZVV) is a non-profit organization and is 100% volunteer driven. Our goal is to inspire the Vashon and Maury Island communities to "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Rethink."

EARTH DAY 2021

Hello Friends of Zero Waste,

Earth Day is Wednesday April 22nd but we are celebrating all month long! There's a lot going on this month and we have a number of events on the calendar.

Volunteers Needed!

We have two big community events coming up for Earth Week: Electronics Recycling and the Beach Cleanup. We could really use some additional volunteers to help with these events. This is a great way to help the environment and your community and have some fun, too!

Please check out the links below to see if there's a spot that works for you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Date - here's a list of the upcoming Island events for Earth Month and beyond! Please note that all events are subject to change, please check our web site or Facebook page for updates. We hope to see you there!

- Hack your Trash Challenge, now through May 9th

- Zero Waste Vashon Annual Electronics Recycling Event, Saturday April 17th, 10am to 12pm, Vashon High School
- Zoom Webinar "Plastic: The Big Picture, Local Insights, and What You Can Do!" sponsored by The Kitsap League of Women Voters and Olympic College, Wednesday, April 21st, 5pm, details here: <https://www.lwv-kitsap.org/plastic-the-big-picture-local-insights-and-what-you-can-do/>
- Earth Day 2021, Wednesday April 22nd
- Vashon Beach Clean-up, sponsored by Zero Waste Vashon and Styrofoam Recycling, Sunday April 25th
- King County Wastemobile, Household Hazardous Waste, Friday April 23rd, Saturday the 24th, and Sunday the 25th (10am to 5pm), Tjomsland Gravel Pit, 17001 107th Ave SW, Vashon (see <https://kingcountyhazwastewa.gov/households> for details on what you can bring to the event)
- Styrofoam Recycling Event - First Sunday of the Month, May 2nd, 12pm to 4pm, Sheffield Building, 18850 103rd Ave SW
- GiveBIG 2021, May 4th and 5th

HACK YOUR TRASH CHALLENGE

Calling all students grades 4-10! Are you getting tired of staring at a screen all day? Are you ready to do something creative, something inventive, something earth-changing? The ZWV Hack Your Trash Challenge is your chance.

Here's how it works – think of all the stuff we normally throw away (or recycle). Now reimagine it as the building blocks for something new. You could make art, a useful product, a crazy new invention. You could save the world! And there will be

AWARDS.

You can sign up here: [Hack your Trash!](#) Entries are due by May 9.

Visit <https://zerowastevashon.org/hack-your-trash-challenge/> for information and inspiration.



ZWV ANNUAL ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

ZWV will be hosting the event at the Vashon High School parking lot on Saturday April 17th from 10am to 12 pm.

Accepted items: Computers, laptops, monitors, ink cartridges, printers, fax machines, keyboards & mice, servers, routers, televisions, DVD players, VCR's, audio components, radios, cellphones, telephones, cameras, electronic games and small electronics.

Not accepted: Rear screen projection TVs, no appliances except microwave ovens. No miscellaneous metal boxes, cabinets or devices. CRT TVs and CRT computer monitors require a \$10 charge each for disposal.

There is no charge, but donations to ZWV are gratefully accepted.

If you would like to volunteer to help at this event, please click here;



Electronics Recycling Volunteer



ZERO WASTE VASHON

Computers, laptops, monitors, ink cartridges, printers, fax machines, keyboards & mice, servers, routers, televisions, dvd players, vcrs, audio components, radios, cellphones, telephones, cameras, electronic games and small electronics

Please Stay In Car. We will unload.





ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

April 17, 2021 - 10 AM to 12 PM at Vashon High School
(use the far east pool entrance by the greenhouse)



No rear-screen projection TVs or appliances except microwaves are accepted

\$10 charge for each CRT TV and each CRT computer monitor

Electronics will be taken to Tacoma for recycling

Donations accepted with appreciation for your support



EARTH DAY VASHON BEACH CLEANUP

Zero Waste Vashon is partnering with Undersea Specialist James Hyde and Nadine Edelstein of First Sunday Styrofoam Recycling fame to organize another Vashon Beach Cleanup. This one will be held Sunday, April 25th in honor of Earth Day. Everyone is welcome to participate! Head to your favorite beach with buckets, garbage bags, gloves, and of course a mask. Please separate the commingled recyclables from the rest of the litter. Drop your haul in the afternoon at our central drop off location (the Sheffield Building, 18850 103rd Ave SW) and we will make sure it is properly recycled. Volunteers are needed to help at the drop-off.

If you would like to participate in a citizen science project as part of the event, the Vashon Nature Center and Zero Waste Washington staff will be here to train a subgroup of volunteers to perform a Litter Assessment (EPA ETAP protocol) from 9am-1pm on April 25th at the north end of Quartermaster Harbor on Portage Beach. They will collect science data that will be used for future state legislation to ensure clean waterways and beaches. We're still working out the details, and will post updates at zerowastevashon.org and [#vashonbeachclean](https://twitter.com/vashonbeachclean). Eight to ten volunteers are needed for this portion. Registration is required, and if you'd like to help make this event a success, you can find our volunteer signup at the link below:

[Beach Cleanup Volunteer](#)



GiveBIG 2021

Early giving starts on April 20th for GiveBIG 2021 as we raise for funds for all of our upcoming projects. Your donations are critical to help ZWV sustain its progress on the many Vashon Island projects and initiatives we are working on. Please consider giving to ZWV by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.givebigwa.org/zero-waste-vashon>

Here's a short list of the current and past projects:

- Community Compost Facility Feasibility Study in cooperation with King County Solid Waste
- Electronics Recycling Event (annual)
- Styrofoam and Plastics Recycling Event (monthly)
- Backyard Compost Series via Zoom
- Fix-It Cafe partner with Makerspace and Tool Library

- Participant in the King County Solid Waste Advisory Committee
- Collaborating with Zero Waste Washington on Legislative matters & other Projects
- Sponsoring educational lectures and movies on the environmental impact of waste
- Educational scholarships for environmental excellence.
- Quarterly ZWV Newsletter, Facebook and website posts

Zero Waste Vashon appreciates our community support and generosity of our donors and volunteers. If you would like to volunteer for Zero Waste Vashon, or simply make a suggestion, please let us know by emailing info@zerowastevashon.org.

Please stay tuned to the Zero Waste Vashon website or Facebook page for updates on our rescheduled events. Thank you!

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to all of our volunteers, donors and board members who contribute to the ongoing success of Zero Waste Vashon!



If you are interested in volunteering, getting involved, donating to ZWV, or simply have a question, let us know - we are here to help!

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