

## **April 2024 Utilities and Community Announcements**

**This April, reduce your carbon footprint and create a low-waste lifestyle in celebration of Earth Day and Earth Month.** To help get you started, we are sharing sustainability and climate action community events, earth-friendly programs, tools, and workshops. Learn more about actions you can take to support the environment this Earth Month at [cityofpaloalto.org/climateaction](https://cityofpaloalto.org/climateaction).

**Call before you dig!** Your safety is our number one priority. If you're planning to plant a tree, build a fence or dig in your yard for any other reason, you must call 811 to have your utilities marked. Visit [cityofpaloalto.org/safeutility](https://cityofpaloalto.org/safeutility) for more info.

**You are essential to clean water potential!** Residents and businesses are the leading causes of local stormwater pollution. Together we can help prevent stormwater pollution by making small changes to daily activities, such as picking up your pet's waste or avoiding single use plastics.

**Wonder what to do with unwanted hazardous household products such as paints, medications, fluorescent bulbs, or cleaners?** Bring them to the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Station. The HHW Station is open every Saturday from 9 – 11am and the first Friday of each month from 3 – 5pm. There are some holiday closures. For more information, visit [cityofpaloalto.org/hazwaste](https://cityofpaloalto.org/hazwaste) or call (650) 496-5910.

**Want to better understand your water use?** With WaterSmart, you can review your monthly water usage, see where you use the most water, and get rebate recommendations and efficiency tips customized to your water usage patterns. Visit [cityofpaloalto.org/watersmart](https://cityofpaloalto.org/watersmart) to get started.