

News Flash

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Join SacEV for 2023 Spring EVents



April kicks off our region's spring EV events in various venues and featuring a variety of themes.

Sacramento's lead event is the Drive Electric Earth Day EV Showcase, which is hosted by the Environmental Council of Sacramento (ECOS) on Sunday, April 23. This is just one of six EV events, and each event needs volunteer help.

You can make a real difference in the Sacramento region by showing your PEV and/or talking to the public about EVs. Communicating your

personal experience of living with a PEV is immensely valuable. Our community members have questions about charging, costs, vehicle maintenance, ease of driving, and more. They want to hear the real EV scoop from owners instead of sales reps.

Take a look at the events below, and join us.

Children's Books at ECOS EV Showcase



We'll have the kids books: <u>The Dragon-Powered School Bus: A Courageous Fight to Clean the Air</u> and the comic book: <u>Teslaman Fights Dirty!</u> (English and Spanish). There will be a drawing for 10 signed copies of each and both authors will be on hand at the showcase.

The <u>The Dragon-Powered School Bus: A Courageous Fight to Clean the Air</u> is a heart-warming story which will help 2nd-5th graders learn about asthma, how EVs and renewable energy can help the environment, and that caring, committed people can change the world.

In <u>Teslaman Fights Dirty!</u> (English and Spanish), Teslaman, along with his partners Pachamama, Windmill Giant, and Nerdy Boy, fight the villains Paul Looter, Stynky, Smog Man, and Poysun who threaten planet Earth and cause global warming.

Adults won't be left out. Thanks to the courtesy of SMUD and Plug In America, we will have a special comprehensive EV buyers guide.

ECOS EV Showcase



Sacramento's largest **Drive Electric Earth Day event** is **Sunday**, **April 23**, and we need your help. Register with your EV to share your electric driving experience.

If you can't show an EV, we still need your help to run the EVent. Sign up as a volunteer and help us make the event a success.

This is a full-size Earth Day event. In addition to the electric cars, visitors will find local art and a variety of fun activities for the whole family to enjoy, including live music, interactive educational games, and a children's area. ECOS will host several food vendors that serve plant-based (vegan) cuisine.

More Information and Volunteer Signup

Other Regional EVents



Wednesday, April 19, Cosumnes River College, Library Quad Working together in teams, students compete for not only the fastest car but also the best design, most sustainable, best engineering and most creative design. SMUD would like EV'ers to show their EV and share

their experience to students, parents and faculty.

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

For details, contact Eugen Dunlap, wildwing95@gmail.com, 530-574-1099.



Thursday, April 20, Sacramento State University Campus

Save the date for Earth Day at Sac State University on April 20 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Campus Library Quad, 2000 State University Dr. Sacramento, CA. More details to follow.

Contact Thomas Hall at thomas@cleanstart.org for more information or to participate.



Saturday, April 22.

Sierra Pines United Methodist Church, 22559 W Hacienda Dr, Grass Valley CA 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

This free, community-wide Earth Day event will be held for the second year, located near Lake of the Pines. The event will feature live music, community and educational booths, children's activities, and more.

Register at Earth Day in the Foothills 2023



Sunday, April 23. EVs in Nevada City

For more details, contact Peter Mackin (rpmackin2000@gmail.com) or Christine Newsom (530-913-2922, christine Newsom1@gmail.com).



Saturday, May 13. 18567 Penn Valley Dr, Penn Valley, CA

Up to seven EVs will join the classic cars at United Way's 19th annual Grills & Grilles event. Taste the best from barbecue competition while showing your EV and sharing your experience. Park is west of Grass Valley, off hwy 20. Contact Guy Hall, Guy.Hall@Sac-EV.org

Upcoming Webinars



SacEV brings you a list of upcoming EV related presentations. In case you missed one, we've added pointers to the recordings. You can also find this list on the SacEV.org website HERE.

Join the National Electric Vehicle Association



When you join other SacEV members as national Electric Vehicle Association members, you are part of the national grass-roots community advocating for EVs in the USA. The national EVA is critically important to SacEV as it handles our administrative chores (tax filings, non-profit status, banking service, insurance, legal help, etc.) and provides value, such as webinars and the two nationwide events: National Drive Electric Week and Drive Electric Earth Day.

Your SacEV leadership team relies on these services, so we encourage you to join the national organization for the small sum of \$35 annually. You will also be able to keep current with the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of electric vehicles in our regular Current Events e-blog.

What else do **you** get?

Low Interest Loans: The EVA has partnered with a credit union to offer members low-interest

- loans on electric vehicles, solar, and electric bikes.
- Battery Health Reports from Recurrent Auto: The EVA is working with Recurrent to better
 understand battery degradation and range loss, particularly for used electric cars. Contribute to
 this initiative by signing up for free monthly battery reports to share anonymous battery data.
 For each new EV, Recurrent is donating \$10 to the EVA so we can expand and enhance our
 programming.
- **BlueDot:** EVA members are eligible for \$10 off your first charge + \$0.30/kWh charging all time on the Bluedot network. Contact membership@myeva.org and ask for the bluedot code!
- Neocharge: \$125 off NeoCharge Smart Splitter. Contact membership@myeva.org and ask for the NeoCharge code!
- Networking Opportunities: Networking with EV advocates at events is just one of the many benefits of becoming a member. Join one of our committees to use your skills to make an impact.
- **Educational Opportunities:** The EVA offers ongoing virtual meetings, resources, and more including our EV Educate Certificate Program and EV blog.
- **Benefits to SacEV:** SacEV receives a portion of your membership fee to help fund the work you do in our community.

Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join <u>NOW</u>**. You may also send a check payable to the Electric Vehicle Association, c/o Guy Hall, 8325 Walden Woods Way, Granite Bay, CA 95746.

More SacEV Events Are Coming Up

Check the **SacEV calendar** for the latest EV-related activities.

If you've missed a Newsletter and for more information about the Sacramento Electric Auto Association visit our <u>website</u>.







