

# News Flash

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## **Tesla Model 3 Major Price Decrease**



Now is a great time to buy a Tesla Model 3. With the price drop, a brand new Model 3 is just over \$34k after incentives, but only until April 17. The new price is \$41,990 + fees, but it is eligible for \$9,500 in federal and state incentives. After 4/17 the federal credit is cut in half, adding \$3,750.

The state rebate is available after purchase, and the federal tax credit has income caps (\$150K/ \$300K) applied when you file taxes.

## **SMUD Seeking EVs for High School Solar Car Event**



This year at the SMUD Solar Car racing competition, there are ~175 high school students slated to compete at Consumnes River College.

It's an exciting day of teamwork, competition, and discovery which takes place every year. Working in teams, students compete for not only the fastest car, but also the most creative, most sustainable, best engineered, and best design.

SMUD would like SacEV members to show their PEVs and share their electric driving experience with students, parents and faculty. We've participated many years and it's always been a fun event where we can engage students about technology and the future.

Date:Wednesday, April 19Time:9:00am to 2:00pmWhere:Consumnes River College, 8401 Center Pkwy, Sacramento, CA

To show your EV, contact Peter Mackin, rpmackin2000@gmail.com

## Join SacEV for Spring 2023 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 PEVs. 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, and they

want to hear the real PEV scoop from owners instead of sales reps.

# **ECOS Earth Day PEV Showcase**



Sacramento's largest **Drive Electric Earth Day event** is **Sunday, April 23**, and we need your help 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 <u>Earth Day Event</u>. In addition to the plug-in electric cars, you'll find local art and a variety of fun activities to enjoy for the whole family, including live music, interactive educational games and a children's area. ECOS

will host several food vendors also serving a range of plant-based (vegan) cuisine options.

Help us make a real difference in the Sacramento region. For more information or to register, go <u>here</u>.



# **Other Regional Earth Month Events**



#### Saturday, April 8, Florin Square

We will show EVs and describe EV job opportunities at Florin Square's Second Saturday Event on Saturday, April 8. Contact Thomas Hall at <u>thomas@cleanstart.org</u> for more information or to participate.



#### 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 <u>Earth Day in the Foothills 2023</u>

#### Sunday, April 23. EVs in Nevada City

For more details, contact Peter Mackin (<u>rpmackin2000@gmail.com</u>) or Christine Newsom (530-913-2922, <u>chris.newsom1@gmail.com</u>).



**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, <u>Guy.Hall@SacEV.org</u>

## **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 <u>HERE</u>.

### 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 <u>membership@myeva.org</u> and ask for the bluedot code!
- Neocharge: \$125 off NeoCharge Smart Splitter. Contact <u>membership@myeva.org</u> 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>.

