# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS**

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# UPCOMING HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) COLLECTION EVENT

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Location to be announced upon appointment confirmation. Space is limited and appointments are required in advance

Acceptable HHW items include acids/bases, aerosol cans, automotive supplies (car batteries, motor oil, antifreeze, break fluids), cleaning products, fertilizers, pesticides, flammable liquids, fluorescent lights (compact and tubes), paints, inks and photo chemicals. Radioactive, explosive, medical and commercial waste is prohibited.

Schedule an appointment online by visiting menlopark.org/hhw or call 650-372-6200.

## POPULAR COMPOST GIVEAWAY EVENT IS BACK

Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022 to Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022 8 a.m.-until supplies last

Burgess Park parking lot at the corner of Alma Street and Burgess Drive.

This free compost giveaway event starts at 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 15 and runs through Sunday, Oct. 16, while supplies last. No appointment is necessary. The event is self-serve so please bring your own shovels, gloves and containers to fill.

If you need more compost in the meantime, feel free to visit Shoreway Environmental Center, located at 333 Shoreway Road in San Carlos. The facility offers year-round free compost. Please bring proof of residency and no appointment is needed. Residents are limited to take two 50-lb bags each week. For more information about the hours, please visit rethinkwaste.org/compost.

Interested in making your own compost for the yard? Visit calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/homecompost/ for more details.

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# AVAILABLE REBATES FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE RENTALS AND PURCHASES

Want to test drive an electric vehicle before purchasing one? Peninsula Clean Energy offers up to \$200 for a two- to three-day EV rental for all San Mateo County residents. Learn more at peninsulacleanenergy.com/EVtestdrive

Are you ready to purchase an EV? Peninsula Clean Energy offers up to \$6,000 to purchase a used EV. Residents must apply and be pre-approved. Learn more at peninsulacleanenergy.com/UsedEV or call 1-866-966-0110.

There are also federal and state incentives and rebates available. Visit menlopark.org/electricvehicles



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## SOLID WASTE AND WATER DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The City Council approved a rate assistance program to assist those suffering financial hardship. The program runs through June 30, 2023. Qualified households may receive a 20% monthly discount on solid waste service from Recology San Mateo County and a fixed monthly discount on water service from Menlo Park Municipal Water.

To be eligible for this program, households must meet the following criteria:

- Must be enrolled in the PG&E CARE program, which is another discount program that offers a monthly minimum of 20% on gas and electricity
- Submit most recent PG&E bill to verify CARE enrollment. Address on the PG&E bill must be the same on the solid waste and water bills, but the names may be different
- Submit a most recent Recology and Menlo Park Municipal Water bills to receive applicable discounts
- Re-certify eligibility according to the PG&E CARE program enrollment expiration date.

Households may enroll in the PG&E CARE program by either visiting their website at pge.com/carefera, calling 1-877-743-2273 or emailing careandfera@pge.com.

After enrolling in the CARE program, please visit the City's webpage at menlopark.org/rateassistance for more details about the program.

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701 Laurel St. Menlo Park, CA 94025 650-330-6720 menlopark.org/citymanager For households who live in the California Water (Cal Water) service area, its Customer Assistance Program provides financial assistance for qualified households.

Visit calwater.com/cap or email cap@calwater.com.

# AVAILABLE REBATE FOR INSTALLING SOLAR AND BATTERY BACKUP SYSTEM

You can receive \$500 to install a solar and battery backup system, which helps maintain power during outages.

San Mateo County residents who install a system with Peninsula Clean Energy's program partner, Sunrun, are eligible. For additional information, call Sunrun at 888-605-9786 or visit peninsulacleanenergy.com/pop/

#### AVAILABLE REBATES FOR HEAT PUMP WATER HEATER

Switch to a heat pump water heater and save! Peninsula Clean Energy is offering a rebate of \$1,000 to \$3,500 when you replace your gas water heater with a new heat pump water heater! BayREN also offers a rebate of \$1,000, which you can combine with PCE's rebate. Supplemental rebates are available, if an electrical panel upgrade is needed or for those income qualifying.

Why make the switch? At least 60% of the methane gas used by homes is for heating water. Heat pump water heaters are clean, safe and all electric. Heat pump water heaters are also resilient; they can operate during power outages with solar and backup battery.

Learn more at peninsulacleanenergy.com/heat-pumpwater-heater/ or call 866-966-0110.

For more information about existing building electrification and other rebate opportunities, visit beta.menlopark.org/existingbuildingelectrification.

#### GARBAGE/RECYCLING SERVICE QUESTIONS

Recology San Mateo County

- Visit Recology.com
- Call 650-595-3900