

LEARN MORE ABOUT SUSTAINABLE LIVING BY JOINING US FOR OUR FREE FIELD TRIPS, TOURS AND WORKSHOPS. SPACE IS LIMITED.

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Please RSVP at www.auburnwa.gov/solidwaste starting July 1. Deadlines to register are listed on the registration form. Event details will be sent to those who RSVP.

Questions? Call 253-931-3038, option #2.

Organic Farm Tour of Red Barn Ranch, Auburn, WA

Tour Date: Friday, July 15, 2016, 10am-12pm

Join us on a family friendly field trip to Red Barn Ranch, a certified organic farm where aspiring farmers receive organic farm training and support. See organic farming in action, and learn what you can do at your own home to conserve natural resources, reduce waste and garden naturally. We will learn about compost systems including using compost piles and worm bins; growing food the natural way without the use of pesticides, herbicides or synthetic fertilizers; how to attract and support native pollinators and learn about affordable and attractive landscape solutions to protect local waterways. This is a working farm and the terrain can be uneven. We will meet at the farm located 15 minutes east of downtown Auburn.



King County Cedar Hills Landfill Tour & Bio Gas Energy Presentation, Maple Valley, WA

Tour Date: Friday, August 5, 2016, 10am-2pm

Ever wonder what goes on at a landfill? Take a fascinating tour of the Cedar Hills Landfill celebrating 50 years of operation. The 920-acre facility is located in Maple Valley and receives over 800,000 tons of solid waste a year. You will be blown away by the volume of trash that is dumped into landfills every day! The Cedar Hills landfill is also one of the largest gas-to-energy sites in the United States! We will learn how this renewable gas-to-energy site produces the amount of energy needed to meet the needs of over 19,000 homes in King County! We will meet at a convenient Auburn location and board a bus that will take us to the Cedar Hills Landfill in Maple Valley.



Threadcycle Tour & Workshop, Auburn, WA

Tour Date: Thursday, August 18, 2016, 6:30pm-8:30pm

According to EPA, 85% of textiles, that includes clothes, shoes, drapes, towels, and other household textiles, are landfilled. This is 11 million tons of very easily reusable or recyclable materials going to landfills every year. USAgain is a green, for-profit company with a goal to get textile recycling closer to communities through recycling bins, where people can drop off their surplus clothes, any time of the day, any day of the year. USAgain partners with local businesses, schools, municipalities, and property management companies to station its branded recycling boxes at convenient locations. We will meet at this south Auburn facility.



Cascade Recycling Center Virtual Tour & Cedar Grove Composting Company Presentation, Auburn, WA

Event Date: Thursday, September 15, 2016, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Each month the Waste Management Cascade Recycling Center processes 12,000 tons of commingled recyclables from over 250,000 Western Washington households, including Auburn. Paper, metals, glass and plastic bottles are collected together and specially designed technology and quality control employees sort the materials. The materials are baled and shipped to processing facilities to be made into new products.



Cedar Grove plays an important role in diverting organic waste from landfills. At two local facilities, they compost more than 350,000 tons of residential and commercial yard and food waste annually into nutrient rich compost for yards and gardens. We will discuss what goes into the compostables cart and get handy tips on proper food storage for food waste prevention. Join us for an interesting presentation and learn more about this large scale industrial process.



Green Cleaning & Healthy Homecare Workshop, Auburn, WA

Event Date: Thursday, October 20, 2016, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Improve your health and energy by creating a sparkly clean and vibrant home – the residue-free way. Cleaning the residue-free way reduces your family's exposure to chemicals and saves you time and money. Denise Frakes, owner of Blue Sky Services, will be sharing tips and wisdom from her 25 years of experience in residue free cleaning and healthy homes.



"Just Eat It" – Sustainability Movie

Movie night: Thursday, November 10, 2016, 6:30pm- 8:30pm

Join us for a community movie screening of "Just Eat It". Filmmakers and food lovers, Jen and Grant, dive into the issue of waste from farm, through retail, all the way to the back of their own fridge.

After catching a glimpse of the billions of dollars of good food that is tossed each year in North America, they pledge to quit grocery shopping cold turkey and survive only on foods that would otherwise be thrown away.



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