

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM

April 8, 2021 via Zoom

Agenda

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

- ~ Styrofoam (Rex)
- ~ Pennington Garbage Bins

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN WEEK (April 18-24)

~ Live Green Hopewell Valley!

Time & Place / Staffing

9-10 Hopewell Borough Park

11-12 Woolsey Park (requested)

1-2 Kunkel Park

Bags: Contents, Sewing

Scavenger Hunt: Cards, Signs, Prizes

MERCER COUNTY GREENING TOGETHER (April 24-30)

~Zero Waste Virtual Event on April 26: Start Time?

Home Waste Audit

Plastic Free Life

Recycling Tune-up

Composting

Seeds to Sew Reusable Gift Bags

Break Out Session

PENNINGTON NET ZERO BY 2035 RESOLUTION

WEBSITE (Scott)

OTHER?

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 18-24: Hopewell Valley Green Week

April 24-30: Mercer County Greening Together (aka Green Fest)

May 13: Green Team Meeting at 7:30pm

May 15: Pennington Day cancelled

May 17-21: NJ Sustainability Summit (hosted by Sustainable Jersey)

June 26, July 31, Aug. 28, Sept. 25, Oct. 30: Pennington Farmers Market recycling days (9 am – 1 pm)

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN WEEK (April 18-24)

[Bit.ly/HVGreenWeek](https://bit.ly/HVGreenWeek)

April 18 at 3pm: The Sacrifice Zone (Environmental Justice Documentary)

April 21 at 6pm: Waste: One Woman's Fight (Community Book Discussion)

April 22 at 8pm: Eco Trivia Night (Fundraiser for Outdoor Equity Alliance)

April 24 at 3pm: Green Week Forum (Where do we go from here?) ~ We may need help with the breakout rooms at the end

Other Topics throughout the week: Biomimicry; Food Systems & Climate Change; Pollinator-Friendly Landscapes; Recycling Won't Save Us; Tips to Reduce your Carbon Footprint; Hopewell Valley Dark Skies; Microplastic Madness; Junkyard Upcycle Art; Bird Migrations; Backyard Victory Garden

April 24: Live Green Hopewell Valley!

Sponsored by Hopewell Valley Green Team

9-10 Hopewell Borough Park

11-12 Woolsey Park

1-2 Kunkel Park

Bags: PALS on Main is sewing the first 50 bags and will fill them

Scavenger Hunt: Lauren Meyer has drafted the Bingo Cards

I have a bin of crayons

Molly Reinero is assembling some sewing kit prizes

Lawn Signs: Save the Food; Howe Arboretum; Homemade Bags

Kit Contents

- Recycling Brochure
- Home Waste Audit Instructions
- How to make your own T-Shirt Bag
- Anti-Idling Card
- Lawrence Hopewell Trail Brochure (tentative)
- NJ Clean Energy Brochure
- NJ Clean Energy Gel Packs
- Wildflower Seed Packets
- Mini-flyer from PALS

MERCER COUNTY GREENING TOGETHER (April 24-30)

April 25 at 3pm: Climate Change Deep Dive (C-Change Conversations)

April 26 at 7pm: Zero Waste (Hopewell Valley & West Windsor)

April 27 at 7pm: Clean Transportation (Trenton)

April 28 at 7pm: Water Wednesday (Sustainable Lawrence & Watershed Institute)

April 29: Green Infrastructure (Watershed Institute)

April 26 at 7pm: Zero Waste (Hopewell Valley & West Windsor)

Abstract: Living sustainably means striving to produce as little waste as possible in our day-to-day activities. In this session we will learn how to do a Home Waste Audit and share some easy (and perhaps some not so easy) ways to reduce that waste. Topics will include: Plastic Free Living, Reusable Gift Bags, Recycling Right, and many ways to turn your food and yard waste into compost. We will end with an optional break-out session when participants can share their own tips

Agenda:

Welcome/Overview

Story of Stuff Trailer

Home Waste Audits

Write in the chat box: If you were to do the Home Waste Audit,
what might be the most common items on your list?

Your Plastic Free Life (Slide Show/Video)

Reusable Gift Bags (Seeds to Sew)

Recycle Right Video (West Windsor Girl Scouts)

Composting (Sustainable Lawrence & West Windsor Girl Scouts)

Breakout: What is the toughest problem to keep you from reaching Zero Waste?

Will need help with the Breakout rooms

Zero Waste Resources:

Ways to get plastics out of your life

<https://mercersustainabilitycoalition.org/plastic-pollution/>

Fact Sheet about Reusable bags

<https://www.westwindsornj.org/w-w-byobag>