



City of Phoenix



Becoming the most Sustainable Desert City on the Planet.

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The **TOP FIVE** coolest things happening this spring:



### Earth Day April 2022

This Saturday, join the City of Phoenix and Green Living Magazine to celebrate Earth Day! Live music, fun, and free entry to the Science Center for the first 350 guests! 9am to 2pm. Learn more [here!](#)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

[Earth Day Extravaganza 2023](#)

**Apr 22nd 9am - 2pm**

[Dismantling Health Inequity Leadership Luncheon](#)

**Apr 26th 12pm - 1pm**

[Scottsdale Bike to Work Day](#)

**Apr 27th 6:30am - 9am**

[Urban Ag Field Day](#)

**Apr 27th 10am - 1pm**

What's Amazing



## Phoenix City Budget

Do you want to see sustainability items included in the budget like bike lanes, parks, or solar? Let your voice be heard and participate in this year's Community Budget Hearings. For dates and more info, click [here!](#)



## Electric Vehicle Incentives

Now is the time to get your tax credits. New requirements for the Electric Vehicle Incentives will be effective April 18th. Read the article below for more details.



**SolarBotanic Trees** pave the way for intuitive EV charging! Learn more [here](#).



## Did you know?

In the final stage of the Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport PHX Sky Train®, terminals and parking garages now connect to the Rental Car Center removing 80 diesel buses used as shuttles around the airport?! This is beneficial to the environment, alleviates congestion, and is convenient for travelers. Read more about the extension [here](#).



**EXTRA! EXTRA!  
READ ALL ABOUT IT**

**Best Buy's** new nationwide recycle-by-mail technology boxes allow a more convenient, sustainable way to dispose of your old tech! Check it out [here](#).





## Low-Income Solar Program

The regional Solar CO-OP launches on April 24th with potentially over 100 homes participating. Eligible low-income participants can get solar for \$0. Visit [solarunitedneighbor.org](http://solarunitedneighbor.org) after April 24th for details.



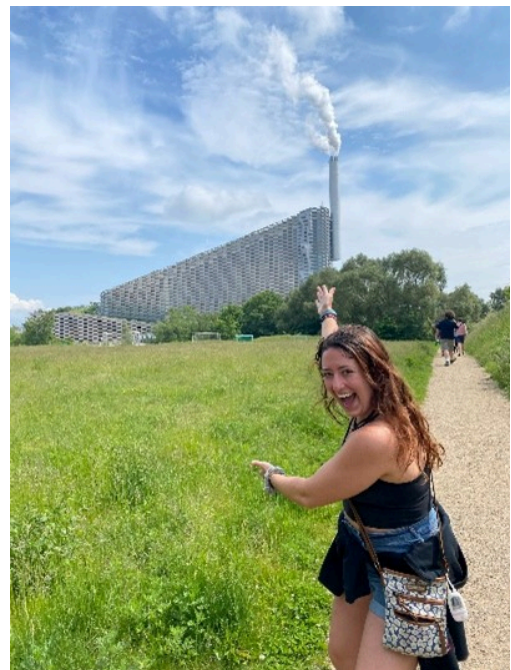
## Wow! Carbon Neutral Transit by 2040!

Council recently voted to transition the City's heavy-duty bus fleet to zero-emission models by 2040! Read about the City of Phoenix's commitment [here](#).



## Meet the Green Team!

Meet **Margret Montag**, Student Engagement Coordinator with the Office of Sustainability. Margret is a HandsOn Americorps VISTA Member and her current project is to work with the Phoenix Union High School District Student Council Sustainability Officer Program, encouraging other schools in the area to join the program. Margret recently moved from upstate New York where she enjoyed trail running and hiking up waterfalls. She shares a photo of the amazing Amager Bakke waste-to-energy plant in Copenhagen.



## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"Knowing that you love the earth changes you, activates you to defend and protect and celebrate. But when you feel that the earth loves you in return, that feeling transforms the relationship from a one-way street into a sacred bond."*

### **Robin Wall Kimmerer**

Scientist, decorated professor, and enrolled member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation.



## Buy an EV, Save Money!

It may be tax season, but it's not too late to get credit for your 2022 electric vehicle (EV) purchase! With the tax incentives and rebates being offered, now is the time to join your neighbors in reducing emissions, saving money, and breathing cleaner air with EVs! If you purchased a new, qualified plug-in EV in 2022 or before, you may be eligible for a clean vehicle tax credit of up to \$7,500. Please see the [IRS website](#) for more details.

To keep the EV momentum going forward, if you purchase a qualified plug-in EV or fuel cell electric vehicle (FCV) electric vehicle in 2023, you may also qualify for a tax credit of up to \$7,500 applied to your taxes next year.

In addition to federal tax incentives, local EV charger incentives are available too! Salt River Project (SRP) offers a \$250 rebate for residential customers for the purchase of a qualifying Level 2 EV charging station and a \$50 bill credit for customers who join the SRP EV community. Please check the SRP website [here](#).

Arizona Public Service (APS) is offering a \$250 rebate for the purchase of a qualifying Level 2 EV charging station. Additionally, customers who enroll in the APS Smart Charge Program may earn an \$85 bill credit every year. For more information, please visit [EV Smart Charger Rebate \(aps.com\)](#).



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