

LEXINGTON CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

LexCAN's Community Newsletter for a Sustainable Lexington



ECO-TIP: Change Air Filters Regularly to Heat & Cool Your Home Efficiently Nearly half of the energy used in your home goes to heating and cooling...

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CURRENT EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS



Make a Plan for Electrification with the LexElectrify Checklist

Tuesday, February 6 7:00- 8:30pm
VIRTUAL

Zoom Link for 2/6 Meeting: No Registration

A mailer is on its way to your home with the LexElectrify Make a Plan Checklist to help you reduce your carbon footprint. [LexElectrify](#) was launched as part of the Town's climate action efforts. LexElectrify is a campaign to empower our community to make a plan to electrify our homes, businesses, and modes of transportation—and make them more efficient.

On February 6, join Maggie Peard, Lexington Sustainability and Resilience Officer and Andy Joynt, LexCAN's Clean Heat Outreach Specialist, as they walk us through the Make A Plan Checklist. There will be time for questions and answers on how to use the Make a Plan Checklist and participate in the LexElectrify program. This program is for homeowners, home renters, landlords, low-to-middle income households and anyone who has neighbors who might be interested.

2023 was the hottest year on record, which only heightened the need to reduce carbon pollution to avoid overheating and reduce the risk of extreme weather. Take action and spread the word!

Make A Plan Checklist

Breaking Boundaries: The Science of Our Planet

Wednesday, February 28 6:30- 8:30pm
Cary Memorial Library Large Meeting Room
1874 Massachusetts Avenue Lexington MA

Learn More &
Register



A scene from the documentary "Breaking Boundaries: The Science of Our Planet."
Netflix

Join us for a screening of "Breaking Boundaries: The Science of our Planet." A discussion with Ricki Pappo, Chair of LexCAN, community subject experts, and audience members will follow.

Registration is required.

About the film:

David Attenborough and scientist Johan Rockström examine Earth's biodiversity collapse exploring issues related to nature, climate change, and the future of humanity. This crisis can still be averted.

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, March 12 @ 7:00pm Learn About Lexington Town Meeting Climate Related Articles Virtual

Zoom Link for 3/12 Meeting: No
Registration

There are important articles before this spring's Town Meeting that include topics related to the environment: Protecting trees, Fossil fuel free infrastructure, Saving wildlife, Indigenous People's Day, Prohibition of single-use food containers and plastic water bottles. Come hear the articles explained, share your thoughts and ask questions.

Info on 2024 Town Meeting Including
Warrant



Lexington Field and Garden Club

Save the Pollinators, Save the Planet with Trevor Smith

Wednesday, February 7 9:30am- 11:00am
Follen Church
722 Massachusetts Avenue Lexington MA



Trevor Smith is the Design and Education Manager at Weston Nurseries. Trevor will explain everything we need to know when it comes to designing and planting a pollinator garden. Beyond providing sustenance for our six-legged friends, Trevor will also explain how your garden can play a substantial role in rebuilding the local ecosystem and in helping create climate resilience. Start planning your spring garden with pollinators in mind.

This is a free event.
Join us for an interesting seminar!

[Learn More](#)



Climate
ACTION
Team

First Parish Climate Action Team

LexElectrify: Take Climate Action Today

Sunday, February 11 12:00- 2:00pm
First Parish Church, Robinson Room
7 Harrington Road Lexington MA

Addressing the climate crisis requires collective effort. The First Parish Lexington Climate Action Team invites you to join us for an inspiring presentation and discussion about how you can take steps to preserve our environment for generations to come and help Lexington meet its climate goals.

Our featured speakers, Lexington's Sustainability & Resilience Officer, Maggie Peard, and LexCAN's Clean Heat Outreach Specialist, Andy Joynt, will give an overview of **LexElectrify**, a community-wide campaign to empower homeowners, renters, and businesses to eliminate greenhouse gas emissions from the building and transportation sectors. LexElectrify focuses on home efficiency, clean heating and cooling, solar, and electric vehicles. There will be time for questions after the presentation.



Save Lexington Wildlife

Rodent Control: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

Saturday, February 17 2:30- 4:00pm
Lexington Community Center Room 242
39 Marrett Road Lexington MA

[Learn More & Register](#)

Save the Wildlife and **IndivisibleLAB** are hosting Laura Kiesel and Gary Menin for a talk titled: "Rodent Control. the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly." This talk covers the dangers of rodenticide, alternatives to poison bait boxes, and how to take legislative action in our community including information on an article that is being presented at Lexington's Town Meeting.

NOTE: MASKS ARE REQUIRED



Town of Lexington Department of Sustainability and Resilience

Lexington is Going Fossil Free as Part of the Municipal Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration Program

[Learn More](#)



Lexington Living Landscapes

Got Cabin Fever? Check Out These Events

[Learn More](#)



Lexington Farmers' Market

Small Yet Mighty Winter Market: Indoors

FEBRUARY MARKETS: 2/3 AND 2/17

Every other Saturday through April 13

11:00am- 2:00pm

Waldorf School

Learn
More



Lexington Community Farm



Winter Options for Fresh Local Food

LexFarm is expanding its CSA Program and there are lots of fresh local food available by CSA **right now**.

Mushroom Shares in partnership with [Fat Moon Farm](#) and Egg Shares with a dozen large eggs weekly from [Chip-In Farm](#)'s free-running, cage-free hens are available year-round beginning late January.

A **Winter Vegetable Share** with organic produce grown by [Red Fire Farm](#) begins in February.

New this year is a LexFarm-grown **Spring Vegetable Share**, which is possible with all the season-extending investments made at LexFarm!

LexFarm will continue to offer their popular Summer, Flower, Fruit, and Fall Shares.

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Lexington Community Farm Store

Wednesdays- Fridays 2:00- 7:00pm
Saturdays 9:00am- 4:00pm
52 Lowell Street Lexington

We offer organic vegetables and local high-quality products, like dairy, cheeses, meats, poultry, bread, vegetarian and vegan entrees, snacks, beverages and desserts.

Learn
More



February Webinar Topics:

Energy Efficient Building and Retrofitting;
Climate Resilient Schools; Electric Cars
Coming Soon

Learn
More

ONGOING EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS

Would you like to get involved in one or more of these
campaigns?

Help is always needed and welcomed!

Please email: info@lexcan.org



LexElectrify Campaign

LexElectrify is a community-wide campaign to empower homeowners, renters, and businesses to eliminate greenhouse gas emissions from the building and transportation sectors. View recording and slides of LexElectrify launch and learn more...

LexElectrify Campaign
Website



LPS Green Teams

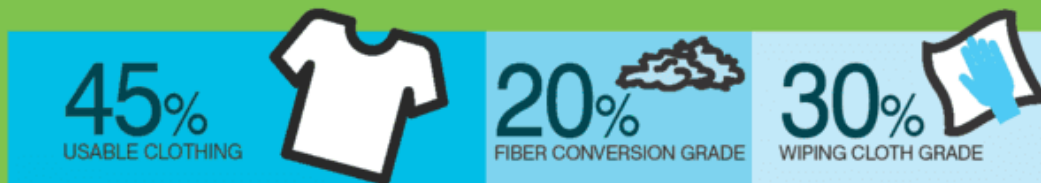
Clearing Out? Support Our Schools & the Environment

95% of unwanted textiles can be reused or recycled. [Baystate Textiles](#) accepts "the

good, the bad and the ugly" as long as they're clean and dry. You can drop off in the white bin by the parking lot at each of our schools. Baystate Textiles pays our schools \$120/ton of material collected!

the secret double life of donated textiles

NEARLY **100%** OF DONATED TEXTILES ARE RECYCLED! They are separated into three grades:



Recycled fiber products **SAVE MONEY and RESOURCES** by using existing materials.



Recycled cloth rags use **LESS WATER, LESS ENERGY** and create a **LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT** than all other alternatives.

CLOSING THE LOOP



The second hand clothing market provides **AFFORDABLE CLOTHING** to those in need and **ENCOURAGES GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP.**

SECOND LIFE ...



Learn More & Sign
Up

ZeroToGo

REUSABLE TAKEOUT

Pilot Program at

ROYAL INDIA BISTRO

No cost to use.

Sign up now.

Starts December 1st.



LexZeroWaste.org

The ZeroToGo pilot program, in partnership with Recircable, LLC, is funded by a generous grant from the Community Endowment of Lexington, an endowed fund of the Foundation for MetroWest; sponsorship by Enterprise Bank; and donations from LexZeroWaste members.



Put Gas in the Past

[Put Gas in the Past Website & Sign the Petition](#)

[Send this Email to a Friend](#)



Even as the early impacts of the climate crisis sweep over us, gas companies continue their efforts to expand their systems and entrench themselves in our energy future. For more info on how you can help click links above.

Questions? Email allyson.samuell@sierraclub.org



Stop Hanscom Expansion

Tuesday & Wednesday Morning Standout to Spread the Word

Join us for one or both standouts to spread the word:
Stop Expansion of Private Jets.

Tuesdays: 8:30am at Emery Park/Depot Square

Wednesdays: 8:30am at Massachusetts Ave and Pleasant Street

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[Stop Hanscom Expansion Website](#)

[Sign the Petition](#)

Statement of Concern for Lexington's Trees



Town of Lexington Department of Sustainability and Resilience

Opt Up to New England Green Electricity

Learn More

Support local renewable energy for the price of one large fancy latte a month!



Opting up to the **New England Green** option in Lexington's Community Choice Program would cost the average household an extra \$8 per month.



Drive demand for local renewable energy products. Support local workforce development.

Opt Up at MassPowerChoice.com/Lexington



Energy and Water Data for Lexington's Largest Buildings Now Available

Big buildings use a lot of energy! Energy use transparency is an essential first step towards finding solutions to reduce energy consumption in order to meet our local and state climate goals which is why Lexington's Town Meeting passed the Building Energy Use Disclosure (BEU-D) bylaw.

Building Energy Use Disclosure

Climate Action and Resilience Plan: Resilient Lexington

Climate Action & Resilience Plan



Town of Lexington Department of Transportation

**Lower Your Carbon Footprint: Lexpress Limitless Pass
Only \$20 Good through June 2024**

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**Check out the Events page on LexCAN's
Website!**

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