

LEXINGTON CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

LexCAN's Community Newsletter for a Sustainable Lexington



**ECO-TIP: Responsibly Dispose with CHaRM-
Collection of Hard to Recycle Materials:** Black Earth now offers an easy way to dispose of materials such as electronics, toys, styrofoam, food cartons, knick-knacks and much more. You needn't already be a Black Earth customer. Click CHaRM button to learn more.

To take advantage of Lexington's free curbside composting program with Black Earth see below.

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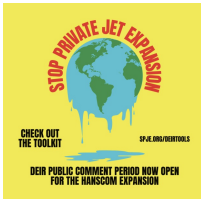
CURRENT EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS



Lexington Climate Action Network

To Make an Impact in the Stop Private Jet Expansion at Hanscom and All of Massachusetts Campaign

[Submit a Comment](#)



The deadline for submitting a comment in response to the Hanscom Field's Developers' Draft Environmental Impact Report has been **extended to June 14**. Use the Public Comment Toolkit above as a resource. New talking points have been added. Feel free to submit multiple comment letters addressing various aspects of this misleading report.

IN THE NEWS:

- [Private Jet Expansion threatens Minute Man Park & Walden](#)
- [Independent Report Refutes Developers Claims in Boston Herald](#)
- [Climate Activists Disrupt Private Flights at Hanscom](#)

Were You Unable to Make LexCAN's 5/14 Food Matters Event? Video and Follow-up Resources to Come



Town of Lexington Department of Sustainability and Resilience

Results of Community Waste Collection Survey



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Free Curbside Composting

Learn More & Sign
Up

FREE CURBSIDE COMPOSTING

Lexington is expanding its curbside composting pilot to 4,000 households! Get weekly pickup of food waste and other compostable items.



SIGN UP WHILE SPACE REMAINS

blackearthcompost.com/lexington



Citizens for Lexington Conservation

May Walks

Williard's Woods Ramble: Sunday, May 19 10:00- 11:30am

Wild Edibles of Lexington's Waysides with Russ Cohen: Wednesday, May 22 6:00- 8:00pm

Spring Goat Pasture Walk at Chiesa Farm: Sunday, May 26 12:00- 2:00pm
Rain date: Monday, May 27 12:00- 2:00pm

Spring Walk at LexFarm and Arlington Reservoir: Saturday,
June 1 1:00- 3:00pm Rain Date: June 2 1:00- 3:00pm

Learn
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Lexington Field & Garden Club

Field & Garden Club's 91st Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, May 18 8:00am- 11:30am
Front Lawn of Department of Public Works
201 Bedford Street Lexington MA



Lexington Gardens Blossom: Garden Tour

Saturday, June 8 10:00am- 4:00pm

Learn More & Purchase
Tickets



LexZeroWaste

Mending in Public

Sunday, May 19 11:00am- 3:00pm
Center Goods
30 Waltham Street Lexington MA

Learn
More



Join [fresh cercle](#) and [LexZeroWaste](#) at [Center Goods](#)! We'll be protesting fast, disposable fashion by mending in public -- repairing holes and torn seams, and talking about resisting the cycle of excess!

We Are All Plastic People Film Screening

Tuesday, May 21 7:00- 8:45pm

[Register](#)



Join Oceana and LexZeroWaste for a free screening of the new documentary "We're All Plastic People Now," by Emmy award-winning filmmaker Rory Fielding. The film asks the pertinent question: How much evidence do we need before we decide to take action?

Following the film there will be time for brief Q&A and participants will be invited to "take action" by writing post cards to their MA State Legislators asking them to support policies that will address the plastic pollution crisis this legislative session.



Lexington Community Farm

Discover Edible Foods and Medicinal Plants All Around You!

Thursday, May 23 6:00- 8:00pm
52 Lowell Street Lexington, MA

[Learn More & Tickets](#)

New Farm Store Hours

Wednesdays and Fridays 12:00- 6:00pm
Thursdays: 12:00- 7:00pm
Saturdays 10:00am- 4:00pm
52 Lowell Street Lexington

More Events and Opportunities at LexFarm

[Learn More & Register](#)

Puppets and Planting: May 18
Weaving with Natural Materials: May 30
Summer Youth Education Opportunities



Discovery Day

Saturday, May 25 10:00am- 3:00pm Outdoors
Massachusetts Avenue
Between Meriam Street and Waltham Street



Come visit some of Lexington's climate related organizations displaying information and ready to chat. Play Spin for a Climate Win at LexCAN! Pick up seeds at Lexington Living Landscapes! LexZeroWaste, Save the Wildlife plus other environmentally focused groups will be there, too! A great opportunity to find out what's happening in Lexington!



Lexington Farmers' Market

Opening Day at Lexington Farmers' Market

Tuesday, May 28 2:00- 6:30pm
Worthen Road Practice Field Lexington MA

[Learn More](#)

Opening Day for the Lexington Farmers' Market's 20th season arrives in less than two weeks! Starting up right after Memorial Day, the LFM will be open every Tuesday from 2-6:30pm with a great selection of farmers and specialty food producers.



Lexington Living Landscapes

Mosquito and Tick Control: How to Keep Your Family Safe Without Poisoning Your Yard with Aaron Anderson

Thursday, May 30 7:00- 8:30pm
VIRTUAL

[Learn More & Register](#)



Join us to learn about the risks that mosquito spraying poses and discuss practical, alternative methods of mosquito and tick control in residential landscapes.



Save Lexington Wildlife

Animal House at LexArt Fundraising Event for Save Lexington Wildlife

Thursday, May 30 5:30- 8:00pm

LexART

130 Waltham Street Lexington, MA

[Tickets](#)

**Save Lexington Wildlife
invites you to an evening of art,
nibbles and fundraising for our
local cause!**

- Learn about the rescue of Owen the Owl
- View & purchase local wildlife photography
- Network with other activists



**May 30th
5:30-8:00pm
Animal House @ LexArt**

130 Waltham St
Lexington

\$15 advance

bit.ly/SLWfundraiser

\$20 at door



Animal House Art Exhibit

May 18- June 9 11:00am- 5:00pm Tuesday- Sunday
Opening Reception: Thursday, May 23 5:00- 8:00pm

**Learn
More**

Cary Memorial Library

The Diet-Climate Connection: How the Foods We Eat Affect the Planet We Inhabit

Thursday, June 6 7:00- 8:00pm

Cary Memorial Library

1874 Massachusetts Avenue Lexington MA

No Registration

Join us at a special in-person listening event free at Cary library, presented by Humankind Public Radio



We'll gather to **hear and discuss** a new audio documentary exploring the environmental footprint of our food system, the meals we eat, and the consequences for climate change. You'll learn which foods have the highest and lowest impact on our warming planet.

Thursday June 6 at 7pm
1874 Massachusetts Ave. Lexington, MA

Featured in the program:

- **Frances Moore Lappé**, author of *Diet for a Small Planet* (sold 2.5 million of copies)
- **Walter Willett**, M.D., long-time Nutrition Department chair at Harvard
- **Youth in Massachusetts and California** adopting climate-friendly diets
- A fascinating audio history of how the American diet became so meat-centric



Meet award-winning host David Freudberg

Heard on NPR and PRX member stations • contact: listeners@humanmedia.org



May is Bike, Walk & Bus Month!

[Learn More](#)

Lexington's Transportation Department is offering exciting programming to celebrate Bike, Walk & Bus Month. Click above to learn more about:

- Bike Smart for Youth
 - Breakfast on the Bikeway
 - Bike Flat Tire Clinic
 - Kids and Bikes: Wheeling Towards Independence
- and much more!

May is also Mental Health Month. Walking and biking support better mental health!

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](#)

[Make a Plan Checklist](#)



Town of Lexington Department of Sustainability and Resilience

Lexington's Fossil Free Bylaw Went into Effect March 21, 2024

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Networked Geothermal Feasibility Study Begins in Lexington

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Would You Sign Up for Geothermal If It Were Available on Your Street?

Learn
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Opt Up to New England Green Electricity

Learn
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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

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 and Resilience Plan](#)



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52 Lowell Street Lexington

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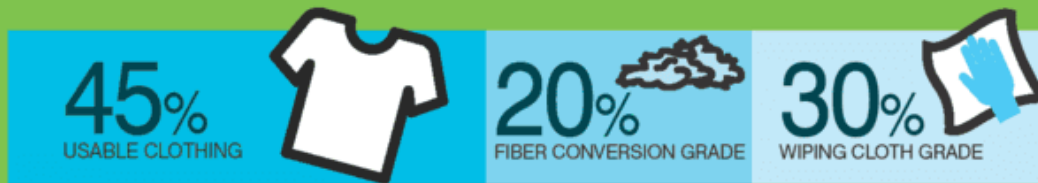
LPS Green Teams

Spring Cleaning? 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!

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donated textiles

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AND RECYCLED TEXTILES
The Association of Wiping Materials, Used Clothing and Fiber Industries

donate recycle don't throw away*

SMART

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.



Stop Private Jet 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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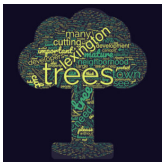
[Stop Hanscom Expansion Website](#)

[Sign the Petition](#)

Lexington Tree Warden and Tree Committee

Get Free Trees; Grow Public Shade: Lexington Tree Setback Program

[Learn More](#)



The Tree Warden and Tree Committee have worked together to create the Lexington Tree Setback Program, in which residents can request a tree to be planted in their "setback" area at no expense.



Town of Lexington Department of Transportation

Get to Know Our Local Bus Service with this Video: 10 Reasons We Love Lexpress

[Check this Video: 10 Reasons We Love Lexpress](#)



Check out the Events page on LexCAN's Website!

[Learn](#)

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