



**Mashpee  
Environmental  
Coalition**



## Environmental News - Upcoming Events

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**Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 10:30am to 11:30am**

### **How Compostables Can Improve Sustainability and Your Business's Bottom Line**

**Hampton Inn, 99 Route 28, West Yarmouth**

Co-sponsored by CARE for the Cape and Islands and the Take Care Cape Cod Coalition, this free event will focus on resources available to support transitioning from single-use plastic and Styrofoam to sustainable Serviceware. Advance registration is required at: [www.tinyurl.com/takecarecapecod](http://www.tinyurl.com/takecarecapecod).

**Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 7pm to 9pm**

### **Urine Diversion Forum**

**Falmouth Library, Hermann Room, 300 Main Street, Falmouth**

Earle Barnhart and Hilda Gay of the Green Center along with Bryan Horsley of MASSTC will share information about Falmouth's pilot program. Please note that this pilot is not restricted to Falmouth residents. Their 2-month project final report may be accessed via the link below. For additional information and to join their email list, contact [info@greencenterinc.com](mailto:info@greencenterinc.com) or [falmouthudstudy@gmail.com](mailto:falmouthudstudy@gmail.com).

**Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 10:30am**

### **Waquoit Bay Landing Stormwater Project Public Meeting**

**Via Zoom**

Proposed plans for the stormwater retrofit project at the end of Waquoit Bay Landing will be reviewed by members of the Association to Preserve Cape Cod, Horsley Witten Group, and the Town of Falmouth. Public input is being sought. To register, go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86530946230>.

**For the remainder of March, Guided Nature Tours will take place in Mashpee as follows:**

### **Saturday, March 30, 2024, 9am, Mashpee River Woodlands – West**

These guided walking tours, sponsored by the Mashpee Conservation Department, are offered free-of-charge and are weather dependent. Additional information and directions may be found at:

[https://www.mashpeeema.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlf3426/f/uploads/0324\\_nature\\_tour\\_press\\_release.pdf](https://www.mashpeeema.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlf3426/f/uploads/0324_nature_tour_press_release.pdf)

### **Monday, April 1, 2024, Pollinator Gardening, Times and Locations TBD**

Friends of the Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge will work alongside AmeriCorps Cape Cod and Mashpee Conservation volunteers to clean up and plant in one or more pollinator gardens at Jehu, Red Brook, and Pickerel Cove. For more information and if interested in helping, contact

[info@friendsofmashpeenationalwildliferefuge.org](mailto:info@friendsofmashpeenationalwildliferefuge.org).

Green Center-Falmouth Pilot Report

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## Earth Day Events 2024 - In Mashpee

**Saturday, April 20, 2024, 9am to 1pm**

### **Textile Recycling, Secure Shredding, and Composting Event**

**Mashpee Senior Center, 26 Frank E Hicks Drive, Mashpee**

This free event is co-sponsored by the Mashpee Environmental Coalition and Mashpee Department of Public Works. As it is now illegal to discard any/all items made of textiles in the trash, residents can drop off bags of clean and dry **bedding, clothes, shoes, towels, curtains, accessories, and even stuffed animals** – including those that are ripped, frayed, and stained. At the same time, a **Secure Shredding Company** will be onsite to safely dispose of documents containing personal and confidential information. And, for those interested in composting, information plus a **free kitchen food scrap bucket** will be distributed by Mashpee DPW, with home compost bins also available for purchase. See our [flyer](#) for additional information. Questions can also be sent to [info@mashpeemec.us](mailto:info@mashpeemec.us).

**Saturday, April 20, 2024, 11am to 4pm**

### **Honor the Earth Fair**

**Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Government Center, 493 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee**

Co-sponsored by the Native Land Conservancy and the Mashpee Wampanoag Natural Resources Department. This free event is open to the public and will feature exhibitors and vendors with a shared mission to protect and preserve the ancestral homelands of the Wampanoag. Activities include opening remarks by Chief Earl Mills Jr., cultural crafts, traditional singing and dancing, and children's activities. For additional information, go to: <https://mashpeewampanoagtribe-nsn.gov/2024-march-mittark-blog/2024/2/28/honor-the-earth-fair>.

**Sunday, April 21, 2024, 1pm to 3pm**

### **Atlantic White Cedar Tree Planting at Santuit Pond Preserve**

**Santuit Pond Parking Lot (followed by a short walk), 117 Main Street, Mashpee**

Hosted by the Mashpee Conservation Department, the Mashpee Environmental Coalition is pleased to be a sponsor of this worthwhile endeavor. Volunteers should contact [dkent@mashpeema.gov](mailto:dkent@mashpeema.gov), and bring gloves, boots, and a shovel that day if possible. Additional information may be found [here](#).

## Earth Day Events 2024 - Upper Cape and Beyond

**Friday, April 19, 2024, 12:30pm to 3:30pm**

### **Beach Upcycle - Making Art from Found Material**

**Waquoit Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Visitors Center, 131 Waquoit Hwy, East Falmouth**

This free, drop-in program to celebrate Earth Day is offered for kids and adults alike, rain or shine, where art projects will be made using materials found at South Cape Beach. Additional information may be found at: <https://waquoitbayreserve.org/events/earth-day-beach-upcycle/>.

**Saturday, April 20, 2024, 10am to 2pm**

### **23rd Annual Cape Cod Canal Clean-Up**

Join AmeriCorps Cape Cod at the Herring Run Recreation Area, 810 Scenic Highway, Bourne, MA. Clean-up supplies provided, as well as lunch, family-friendly activities, and more! To register and learn more, please go to: <https://www.capecod.gov/departments/ameriCorps/what-we-do/annual-program-events/>.

**NOTE:** For a full list of **Earth Day Events Worldwide**, check out the map on the earthday.org website toward the bottom of the page at: <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2024/>.

## Looking Ahead - Save the Dates

**Monday, May 6, 2024 - Mashpee's May Town Meeting**

**Saturday, May 11, 2024 - Mashpee's Local Town Election**

Our thanks to each of you for your own efforts on behalf of our town and the environment!

To Join or Donate

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*The Mashpee Environmental Coalition (MEC) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization – dedicated to educating and advocating on behalf of Mashpee's natural resources for over 25 years.*

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