



News release

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**Gateway to hold its traditional
Communitywide Celebrate Earth Day**

Gateway Technical College will once again celebrate the environment with its Celebrate Earth Day, featuring fun, hands-on activities for those of all ages to learn how to be stewards of the environment.

Celebrate Earth Day will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 23 on Gateway's Kenosha Campus, 3520-30th Ave. The event will be preceded by a Pike Creek Cleanup on the campus from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m.

"Gateway is proud to extend its commitment to the environment and sustainability to the community," said Gateway marketing director Jayne Herring. "Celebrate Earth Day offers a fun, interesting opportunity for people of all ages to learn more about gardening, our Great Lakes, trees, birds and so much more."

The event features many earth-friendly activities, informational booths, workshops and children's crafts across the campus, and has drawn hundreds of visitors each year. For a full guide to all activities for the day, please go to www.gtc.edu/earthday.

Visitors will receive a reusable grocery bag, courtesy of event sponsor, Snap-on Incorporated, as well as a variety of other "green" focused items. The event is free and open to the public. In addition, the event will again feature

horse-and-carriage rides, free trees handed out (while supplies last), as well as a small shuttle bus to take visitors up the hill to the Center for Sustainable Living and the many children's and nature activities there.

A few of the many the events and features on the **Kenosha Campus** include:

- **Pike Creek cleanup.** Cleanup is 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m., meet at Pike Creek Horticulture Center at 8:45 a.m., then go to creek for cleanup.
- **Workshops and demonstrations.** Car care, "green vehicle" display; electronics recycling; composting and vermicomposting; common gardening questions answered; beekeeping demonstration and question-and-answer time.
- **Children's activities.** Many children's activities will be held in three separate sites of the event, including the Technical Building, Center for Sustainable Living and the Pike Creek Horticulture Center. They include starting seeds, exploring trees and the forest, a live animal demonstration from the Richard Bong State Recreation Area; recycled crafts; and several more.
- **Cub Scout activities.** Two activities will be held to meet some requirements for Bear Scouts, starting at the Center for Sustainable Living barn area at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- **Food vendors, entertainment.** Food will be available for event-goers; a plant sale held.

- **Informational booths.** More than 40 environmentally-focused businesses will also be on hand.
- **Recycle.**
 - Electronics, computers, printers, VCR and DVD players, batteries (including car), microwave ovens. Tube televisions and monitors will be accepted, but will cost \$20 each. Drive up to south entrance of building, look for signs.
 - Bicycles. Look for truck just north of Technical Building.

Gateway's Elkhorn Campus, 400 County Road H, Elkhorn, will also host a Celebrate Earth Day celebration, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information on the events at both campuses, please see www.gtc.edu/earthday or contact Jayne Herring, (262) 496-0016.

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