



**News release**

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**Gateway to host annual EcoFest Racine,  
a communitywide sustainable practices event**

Gateway Technical College will again host EcoFest Racine, an annual community event to share and celebrate sustainable practices, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 21 in the Lake Building on the college's Racine Campus, 1001 S. Main St.

The event, held in partnership with Greening Greater Racine, will focus on providing activities and ways community members can be gentle on the environment at work and home. It features informational displays, presentations and children's activities. Admission is free and each family receive a free gift and will be entered into a door prize drawing.

Some of the highlights include:

**Presentations** include:

- 9:15 a.m. "We Neighbors" documentary by Tom Rutkowski of the Southeast Gateway Sierra Club
- 10 a.m. Deep Sustainability: A Path to Wellness by Charles Tennesen of Anarchy Acres
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation on Racine Parks by Bob Rafel of the City of Racine Parks and Recreation Department

- 11 a.m. Sustainability and Solar: A Bright Future by Sabrina Lartz of Arch Electric
- 11:30 a.m. Climate Change/Action and Reaction by Tom Rutkowski of the Southeast Gateway Sierra Club
- 12 p.m. Best Granola Ever! by Heidi Fannin of Eat Right Racine
- 12:30 p.m. “We Neighbors” documentary by Tom Rutkowski of the Southeast Gateway Sierra Club

**Children’s activities.** Hands-on activities will be available for the little ones, from crafts to fun information sessions.

**Display booths.** Green vendors and display booths stationed in the Lake Building will give visitors the information to live more sustainably as well as best practices being already done in Southeastern Wisconsin.

**Electronics recycling.** Gateway’s Information Technology program students have partnered with CasBro to accept electronic devices for recycling. Drive-up drop off will be located on the east side of the campus in front of the Technical Building. A full list of electronic items accepted can be found here: <http://bit.ly/EcoFestRecycle>

**An eco-focused art exhibit** called Equinox @ EcoFest, presented by the Vital Art Project, will feature art related to the theme of the balance between

humans, nature and the built environment. The art will be displayed on the first floor of the Lake Building.

For a guide to all activities for the day, please go to [www.gtc.edu/ecofest](http://www.gtc.edu/ecofest). For more information, please contact Abbie Ford, (262) 564-2536.

Gateway Technical College collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the changing needs of students, employers and communities.

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