

The October 2016 edition of Your Green Montgomery. Our theme this month is saving energy and money!



Check out books and energy savings at your local library

October is Energy Action Month and to celebrate Montgomery County has launched [Energy Explorations](#): an interactive experience for all ages.

Energy Exploration events feature arcade-like games (Whack-a-pollutant) and uses them to teach about saving energy.

Four County libraries will be hosting Energy Explorations events:

- **Marilyn Praisner Library** in Burtonsville: Saturday, Oct 15 from 11am-1pm
- **Gaithersburg Library**: Sunday, Oct 23 from 2pm-4pm
- **Silver Spring Library**: Saturday, Oct 29 from 11am-1pm
- **Rockville Library**: Saturday, Oct 30 from 2pm-4pm

Energy Tips for Fall

It doesn't take a lot of effort to save big on your energy bill.

- [Change your appliance settings](#)
- [Install a programmable thermostat](#)
- [Switch to LEDs](#)
- [Use a high efficiency showerhead](#)

OCT 13

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

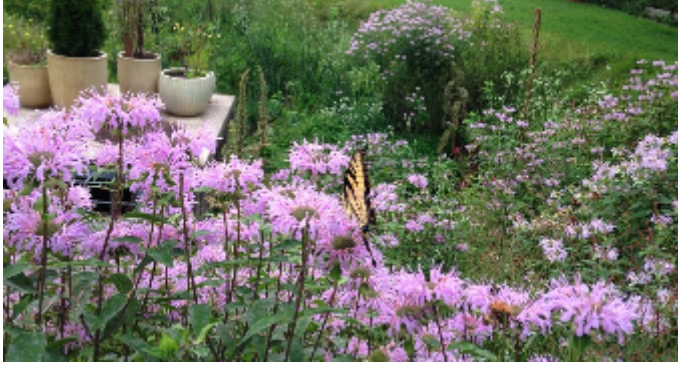
Signing of the Anacostia River Accords [Learn More »](#)

OCT 13

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Cool Commuting [Bethesda Green Sustainability Series »](#)

OCT 15

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This Thursday: Learn how to install rain gardens + conservation landscaping

Space is still available in Thursday evening's RainScapes class at Brookside Gardens.

This class is an opportunity to learn how to use landscaping techniques and native plants to absorb and reduce stormwater. Build a beautiful landscape for your property that also helps protect the environment! [Learn More »](#)



Join DEP at the 1st Festival del Rio Anacostia!

Grab the kids and head to the water to celebrate the Anacostia River!

This free, bilingual family-friendly event features boat rides, fishing (license required for anyone 16 years and older), rowing demonstrations, nature walks, and many more activities.

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OCT 15

11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Festival del Rio

Anacostia [Learn More »](#)

OCT 16 - 23

Community Service Week

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OCT 16

12:00 PM-4:00 PM

World of Montgomery Festival

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OCT 29

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Upper Patuxent Watershed

Cleanup [Learn More »](#)

LOOKING AHEAD...

April 5, 2017 - [Montgomery County Energy Summit](#)

May 6, 2017 - [Montgomery County GreenFest](#)

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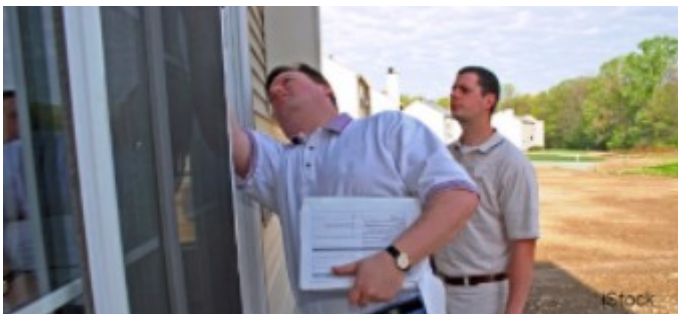
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County resident makes green upgrades part of prepping for retirement

When Tom Ripp began planning his retirement, he didn't start with stocks or bonds or downsizing. He started with sustainability. [Learn More »](#)



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A Quick Home Energy Checkup is where an energy specialist comes to your home to identify where you could save energy and money.

The specialist may install energy-saving measures

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of all - it's at no additional cost to you!

Contact your utility to schedule your checkup:

- [Pepco](#)
- [BGE](#)
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