

This year, there is a national movement to plant a garden in your own back or front yard. Walking around my neighborhood, I see crops thriving. We are lucky here in the Bay Area that we can grow vegetables and fruit year round. Our gardens flourish and some produce more than the gardener can eat.

The Community Presbyterian Church (2800 Georgia Street, Vallejo) has started a church-wide sharing of surplus vegetables and fruit from parishioners' gardens. Each Sunday after worship service, church members bring in excess produce. They take what they need and make a donation to a fund for organizations that fight hunger. Any leftover produce is brought over to the Christian Help Center on Monday.

If you have an abundance to share, call the church secretary on Thursday or Friday at 707 643-3222.

A Billion Acts of Green

With school starting soon, teachers and students can easily start green projects for the entire year with the help of these next two websites.

The Earth Day Network is getting a head start on 2010 Earth Day Celebration. In honor of Earth Day's 40th anniversary in April 2010, they are beginning to catalog a Billion Acts of Green worldwide. Whether it is planting a tree, recycling, or simply changing a light bulb, participants can make this a reality.

It is simple, just log onto www.earthday.net and register any action that you have personally taken to better the earth. You will become one of a billion people worldwide. They will count you as a member of The Green Generation, a movement toward sustainability that includes everyone.

Since Earth Day 2000, Bay Area teenagers, teachers and youth leaders have joined together as part of EARTH TEAM (www.earthteam.net) to help create a sustainable future. This collaborative network connects numerous environmental, educational, and government organizations with high school environmental clubs and teachers

Their website is filled with green action projects just waiting to be implemented. They also have a speaker's bureau with local

experts to help out. Take a minute and sign up for their monthly green newsletter and be prepared to be amazed.

Ewaste Event in Vallejo

Mark August 15 and 16 on your calendar for a free E-Waste Recycling event. The location is 401 Amador Street and the collection hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on both days. They accept all electronics, but not appliances. They will take microwaves for a \$5 fee and will also recycle video cassette tapes, CDs and DVDs. Clothing and shoes are also accepted. This event benefits the Radiance All-Stars Competitive Cheer Program. For information about acceptable ewaste, call 1 888 832-9839.

Vallejo Garbage Service (2021 Broadway) accepts E-Waste on Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. year-round for Vallejo residents. They limit five items per visit. Call 707 552-3110 for more details.

Check out www.recycle-guide.com for other Solano County E-waste and recycling locations.

Paper Shredding

VALCORE will host the City of Vallejo's paper shredding event on Saturday, August 15 at their site from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There is a charge of \$5 per twenty pounds (maximum: 100 pounds)

VALCORE Recycling Board Member Jane Bogner's "A Sorted Affair" is published every other week in the Times-Herald. For recycling information call VALCORE Recycling at 645-8258 or visit www.VALCORErecycling.org.

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