

2024

# Montana Earth Week Events



# Lake & Flathead County

## April 17th - 21st

### April 17th

**Wilderness Speaker Series: Celebrating 20 Years of Artist Wilderness Connection in the Bob** | Flathead Valley Community College | 7pm-8:15pm | Panel discussion celebrating the 20th anniversary of Artist Wilderness Connection.

### April 19th

**Earth Day Celebration at SKC** | 9am-4pm | The event is hosted by the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and the Salish Kootenai College.

**Climate Smart Glacier Country - Climate Conversations.** Monthly 15 minute interview spots on KGEZ Radio with organizations involved in climate action starting at 9:30 am.

### April 18th

**Flathead Electric Cooperative Energy Expo** | 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Flathead Valley Community College | Come if you're interested in the clean energy transition, you have concerns about hardening the grid, or you'd like to broaden your understanding of local and regional energy issues.

### April 20th

**Earth Day Expo: Uniting Nature & Technology** | 9am -4pm | Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell. Exhibits, workshops, presentations, children's activities, EV showcase.

**Climate Smart Glacier Country -Zero Waste Exhibit** | 9am | FVCC Arts & Technology Bldg., Kalispell Dr. | Climate Smart Glacier Country will manage zero waste activities at the Earth Day Expo.

### April 21st

**Flathead River Clean-up** | 10:00 - 1:00pm | Marantette Park, Columbia Falls



# Missoula County

## April 17th - 20th

### Weeklong Events +

**April 20-25th | International Wildlife Film Festival** | Roxy Theater | The International Wildlife Film Festival is to promote awareness, knowledge, and understanding of wildlife, habitat, people, and nature through excellence in film.

**April 20-27th | All Under One Roof** | Missoula Public Library | In celebration of Earth Day, Missoula Public Library, spectrUM Discovery Area, Families First, UM Living Lab, and MCAT invite you to participate in a week full of fun activities and engaging presentations.

### April 17th

**Lunch & Learn about the toxic papermill site on the Clark Fork River** | Noon- 12:30 in UM's Eck Hall (rm 342) . Pizza & info provided by MontPIRG.

**Garden City Harvest Weekly Workshop series** Plan your plot | 6-8 pm | 1657 River Road

**Missoula Ministerial Association Earth Celebration** at Milltown Park | 6:30 pm.

### April 18th

**Grow Safe: Non-Toxic Missoula Letter Writing Event** | Missoula Public Library | 4:45-5:45pm

### April 19th

**55th Annual Kyiyo Pow Wow | April 19th & 20th** | UM | The Annual Kyiyo Pow Wow Celebration is one of the oldest traditions of Kyiyo. The Annual Pow Wow Celebration unifies all Native Americans from across the nation in an event full of dancing, singing, and sharing of stories between all in attendance.

### April 20th

**Run for the Trees in Missoula** | 9:30am | Silver Park | Run Wild Missoula & Missoula Parks & Recreation are excited to invite the community to the annual Run for the Trees!

**Wild Walk Parade and Fest** | 11am - 1:30pm | You're invited to join the pack: celebrate your connection to the WILD! Dress up as your favorite flora or fauna and walk, hop, or crawl down Higgins Ave towards the XXXX's!

**Field Trip: Rock Creek Aquatic Invertebrates | 9am | Valley of the Moon (2 miles up Rock Creek Rd)** | Join Wild Montana for a hands-on learning experience in the Sapphire Mountains along Rock Creek. We'll take a short walk to the creek's riffles, where we'll use kick nets to reveal the underwater life of aquatic invertebrates.

# Missoula County

## April 21st - 25th

### April 21st

**Clark Fork River Cleanup** | 10 am-1pm | Caras Park, Missoula | Hosted by Clark Fork Coalition. Litter pickup followed by party in the park.

**MUD Project Earth Day Celebration** | 12-3pm | 1527 Wyoming, Missoula | Fun, food, music and info on community sustainability efforts.

### April 22nd

**Town Bound Birding Series: Greenough Park** | 8am | Greenough Park

**Hush of the Land: Storytelling with Smoke Elser and Eva-Marie Maggi** | 6pm - 7:30pm | Missoula Public Library | Enjoy a reading of Smoke Elser and Eva-Marie Maggi's new book, "Hush of the Land: A Lifetime in the Bob Marshall Wilderness."

### April 23rd

**Earth Week Sustainability Fair** | 11:30 - 1:30pm | UM oval | Nonprofit organizations, programs, and departments can share resources and educate others about sustainability, conservation, and climate action.

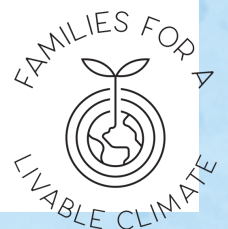
**6th annual Cleanup of Clark Fork riverside at Missoula's Reserve St Bridge** | 9am-4pm | Meet at 700 block of N. Davis | Hosted by Reserve Street Working Group. In addition to picking up trash, citizens are invited to provide feedback on park planning at the site.

### April 24th

**Garden City Harvest Weekly Workshop series** | Prepping garden beds | 6-8 pm | 206 N. 2nd St. W.

### April 25th

**Trees & Climate Resiliency** | 5-6:30pm | Rocky Mountain Gardens, Missoula Fairgrounds | Trees for Missoula explains how urban trees moderate climate impacts.



# Ravalli County

## April 15th - 22nd

### **Weeklong Events +**

**City of Hamilton Spring Cleanup** | City of Hamilton's Public Works Department will be picking up bundled and bagged yard debris left at the curb April 15th - 17th

### **April 18th**

**Local Students Give Climate Solutions** | Hamilton High School Library | 7pm- 8pm |  
Join BCAG for a fascinating evening of local students presenting their solutions on alternative energy.

### **April 20th**

**Bird Walk** | Metcalf Refuge in the Bitterroot valley | 10 am - 1pm

**Needle Felted Chickadee** | 10am | Artist Julie King guides us through the process to create a delightful chickadee | 701 Main Hamilton

**Seed Starters** | 10am | Ravalli County Museum | Let's make biodegradable seed starters from shredded paper!

**Strengthening Families** | 11am | Darcy Hansen State Farm Insurance | Celebrate Earth Day and the power of positive communication as we make friendship bracelets out of recycled materials!

### **April 21st**

**Bitterroot Runoff Trail Runs** | 6737 Bristle Cone Ct Lolo, MT | Kick off trail racing season in Montana with the Bitterroot Runoff Trail Runs!



# Gallatin County

## April 19th - 25th

### **Weeklong Events +**

**MSU Climate Week | April 22-26th** | Find more information at: <https://www.montana.edu/communitydevelopment/climateweek.html>

### **April 19th**

**Wildfire: a century of failed forest policy** | George Wuerthner at Museum of the Rockies, Hager Auditorium | 6:30 pm.

### **April 20th**

**Gallatin Valley Earth Day Festival** | 10am-3pm | Gallatin County Fairgrounds | Talks, exhibits, food, live music, children's activities.

### **April 21st**

**Hike Bear Canyon in the Pryors** | 9am | City Park in Bridger | Spring is the best time to be in the Pryor Mountains. On this out-and-back adventure, we'll pause to admire the diversity of birds and wildflowers that make the Pryors an ecological hot spot in southern Montana.

### **April 25th**

**Indigenous Environmental History of the Buffalo Food System** | MSU - Strand Union Building, Ballroom A | 6-7pm | by Dr. Jill Falcon Ramaker (Anishinaabe) Asst Professor of Community Nutrition & Sustainable Food Systems at MSU and Director of Buffalo Nations Food System Initiative.



# Park County

## April 22nd - 27th

### April 22nd

**Green Initiative Earth Day Celebration** | 6:00 p.m. Elk River Books, 122 S. 2nd St, Livingston | The Park High Green Initiative, Elk River Arts & Lectures, the Park County Environmental Council, Moms Clean Air Force, and Montessori Island are hosting "Planet vs. Plastics: An Earth Day Celebration"

### April 23rd

**Make Seed Bombs** | 6:30pm | Lincoln School | Come help us craft and learn about seed bombs and their benefits before the event, in the Lincoln School Auditorium.

### April 26th

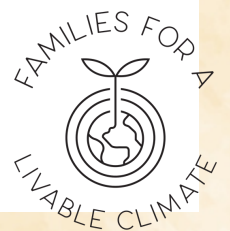
**Livingston Arbor Day Celebration** | 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. | Lincoln School, 215 E. Lewis St., Livingston | Join us on Arbor Day as Livingston Loves Trees, a Tree City USA Affiliate, donate and plant two beautiful new boulevard trees and pollinator-friendly native plants!

**Super Spreader Seed Bomb Bike Ride: A Livingston Bike Club and PCEC Earth Week Event** | 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. | Lincoln School | Following the PCEC and City Arbor Day Event, we're off to rejuvenate the beloved O-Street Connector Trail with pollinator-friendly seed bombs and a trail clean-up!

### April 27th

**Yellowstone Bend Megawatt Celebration** | 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Park County Fairgrounds, Livingston | Together, Park County residents reached one megawatt of solar power! Yellowstone Bend Citizen Council's Megawatt celebration is coming up! Come join us on April 27th, from 2pm - 4pm at the Park County Fairgrounds in Livingston (46 View Vista Drive, Livingston, MT, 59047) to celebrate making it to this incredible achievement!



# Cascade County

## April 20th - 25th

### April 20th

**Earth Day Walk (& litter cleanup)** with Missouri River Open Lands along the Missouri River | 10 am. | Heritage Inn | Tour the Fox Farm Road state land parcel south of Grizzly Drive, which is proposed for a Public Recreation Park Easement. Follow foot trails along the perimeter and criss-cross the 72-acre parcel, tracing the Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail. | **RSVP to [trouter@q.com](mailto:trouter@q.com)**

**Earth Day Wilderness Walk: Missouri River Open Space** | 10am - 3pm | We will tour the Fox Farm Road state land parcel south of Grizzly Drive, which is proposed for a Public Recreation Park Easement. We'll follow foot trails along the perimeter and crisscross the 72-acre parcel, stopping at a potential cultural site along the way and tracing the Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail.

### April 21st

**Kid's Earth Day Activities** | 11am-5pm | The Crafter's Lounge, 724 6th St NW, Great Falls | Bring the kids for some fun crafts. The cost is 2 for \$5.

### April 25th

**Sun Canyon Hike** | 7am | Holiday Village Mall in Great Falls | The Rocky Mountain Front humbles visitors with revelations of human and geologic history. Carved by the Sun River, Sun Canyon showcases the power of water and is home to many pictographs from the area's earliest inhabitants.





# Lewis & Clark County

## April 12th - 21st

### April 12th

**Earth Day Dinner and Talk** | 5:30pm | St. Paul's United Methodist Church | Earth Day Dinner at St. Paul's UMC followed at 6:30PM by talk from Paul Lachapelle, founder, Climate Smart Montana.

### April 20th

**Upper Prickly Pear Fishing Access Cleanup** | 9am | NorthEast corner of Helena Costco Parking Lot | Celebrate Earth Day by giving back with Wild Montana. Our Wild Divide chapter will clean up trash and debris at the Upper Prickly Pear Fishing Access Site. Our efforts will ensure this trash doesn't end up in Prickly Pear Creek or the Mighty Mo.

**Healthy Kids Day** | 12-2pm | YMCA | Celebrate Healthy Kids Day – a day of healthy and fun activities that celebrate kids being kids! There will be open swim, family yoga, arts & crafts, face painting and fun gym activities!

**House Plant Swap** | 1pm | Blackfoot River Brewing Company | Bring a potted plant for trade and any clippings, propagates, or additional plants you'd like to give away!

**Earth Day Vigil** | 10am | Plymouth Church | You are invited to join with Helena Interfaith Climate Advocates in a Vigil for the Earth in observance of Earth Day.

**Xeriscaping and Rain Barrel Workshop** | 1-3pm | Plymouth Church | Learn about designing a native and climate-appropriate landscape and how to collect water and make rain barrels. Register.

### April 21st

**Garden Rummage Sale and Plant Swap** | 1 - 4pm | 6th Ward Garden Park | Do you have gardening supplies that you never use sitting in your garage or shed? Or do you have plants in your yard or garden that need divided, or maybe extra seed starts? If so, Helena Community Gardens has just the solution for you! As a fundraiser, HCG is sponsoring a rummage/plant swap.



# Yellowstone, Carbon & Stillwater & Wheatland Counties

## April 15th - 23rd

### April 15th

**City of Red Lodge Sustainability Meeting** | 4pm | You can join the Sustainability Board Meeting virtually. [link online.](#)

### April 16th

**FWP offers community meetings on bear safety concerns.** | 6:30pm | Joliet Community Center

### April 18th

**Wild & Scenic Film Festival** | 7pm | Art House Cinema & Pub | Presented by: American Rivers x Greater Yellowstone Coalition

**Spring Book Discussion - Generation Dread** | 6:30pm | This House of Books | An impassioned generational perspective on how to stay sane amid climate disruption. Snacks will be provided for this fun and uplifting event.

**FWP offers community meetings on bear safety concerns.** | 6 p.m | Stillwater County Civic Center

### April 19th

**Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival World Tour** | 7pm | The Babcock Theatre | Presented by: BaseCamp

### April 20th

**SustainaBillings Earth Day** | 10am-4pm | The Loft Dance Club, 1123 1st Ave N. | Vendors, nonprofits, food trucks, activities for the entire family, horses, goats and more!

### April 23rd

**FWP offers community meetings on bear safety concerns.** | 6 p.m. Harlowton Public Library



# Silver Bow County

## April 18th - 22nd

### April 18th

**Butte: Southwestern Wildlands Chapter Meeting** | 5:30-7:30pm | The Southwestern Wildlands Chapter supports the organization's mission by providing community outreach and education that inspire residents of Butte-Silverbow, Beaverhead, and Deer Lodge Counties to protect wild public lands and waters in the southwest corner of the state, including the Anacondas, Pintlers, West Big Hole, East Pioneers, West Pioneer wilderness study area, Lima Peaks, Italian Peaks, Snowcrests, and 10 wilderness study areas along the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail.

**Guided Painting for Adults: Plants** | 10am | MK Falbo Studio in the Historic Phoenix Bldg | Two hours of guided painting.

### April 19th

**Science Club for Teens** | 4pm | Butte Silver Bow Public Library

### April 20th

**Earth Day Big Hole River Cleanup** | 10am - 4pm | Wild Montana's Southwestern Wildlands Chapter celebrates our fourth annual Earth Day Big Hole River Cleanup this year - and we'd love for you to join us.

### April 22nd

**Smokey Bear Reading Challenge** | 9am | Butte Silver Bow Public Library | Help Smokey celebrate his 80th birthday in the Butte Public Library Children's room during the month of April by learning how to prevent wildfires and help the environment.

