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Happy Earth Day month, everyone! Read on to learn how you can get involved.

Candidate forum for council districts 5 (Koretz's seat) and 11 (Bonin's seat) THIS Sunday

This Sunday at 6:30, we'll host a candidate forum for city **council districts 5 and 11**. Learn more, post your questions, and RSVP at ncsa.la/cd_candidate_forum_04-10_2022.

And, speaking of elections, last month we had an inspiring conversation with folks from [Los Angeles for Democracy Vouchers](https://losangelesfor democracy vouchers), who shared a proposal to help create a level playing field for candidates and engage more stakeholders in the political process. You can check out the recording at ncsa.la/democracy_vouchers_03-13_2022.

Building decarbonization!

At our last meeting, we also discussed and voted to support two very exciting building decarbonization motions. Learn more at ncsa.la/submit_a_cis. **Discussing the motions at your neighborhood councils could be a great way to start socializing these ideas and preparing your communities for the changes that are coming!**

For a deeper dive into building decarbonization, you can check out the recordings of Part 1 of the **Climate Equity LA** series on the **Climate Emergency Mobilization Office's** [YouTube channel](#).

You are also invited to attend the **Climate Reality San Fernando Chapter's** meeting Tuesday, April 12 on **switching to electric appliances**. Learn more and rsvp at sfvclimatereality.org.

Also, Andrew Werner, a homeowner on the [Silver Lake Neighborhood Council's](#) Green Committee, is a model to follow. Check out [how he made the switch to electric appliances!](#)

Climate Equity LA series—April's focus is equitable and community-driven resilience! This Thursday begins Part 2 of the Climate Equity LA series hosted by the Climate Emergency Mobilization Office, **focusing on equitable and community-driven resilience** for the first three Thursdays in April. (On April 14, we'll talk about **Cool Blocks!**) How can we prepare ourselves for the changes we know are coming? Learn more and RSVP [here](#).

Cool Blocks

Our Cool Blocks are growing across the city! And tonight we will host our first Cool Block salon for **Cool Block leaders** and their teams, along with the [American Red Cross](#). To learn more and join the movement, visit nca.la/cool_blocks_la.

Fire District 1 expansion and lobbyists at neighborhood council meetings

Recently, **lobbyists** for Build with Strength—a front group for the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association, which is behind the Fire District 1 expansion motion—**have been introducing themselves at neighborhood council meetings as representing faith-based and social justice groups**. Please see our [SUBMIT A CIS page](#) to learn more.

THANK YOU to the **12 neighborhood councils** that have filed CISs in opposition to the Fire District 1 expansion. And please agendize this issue at your neighborhood council and submit your CISs!

Earth Day events!

We're involved in several events across the city, and want to let you know about them! (More details are forthcoming from the various organizations.)

- [Earth Day Festival, Will Rogers State Historic Park, Saturday, April 16](#)
- [Earth Crisis Day, two locations, Friday, April 22](#)
- [Del Rey Earth Day celebration, Saturday, April 23](#)
- [Right to Shade Festival, Highland Park, Sunday, April 24](#)

My Green Building Conference & Expo May 20 & 21

Save the date for the USGBC-LA's annual **Green Building Conference & Expo**—IN PERSON this year! We'll be there, and we'll host a forum for current, future, and potential **Cool Block** leaders. Saturday, the Community Day, is free! Learn more at usgbc-la.org/programs/mgbce/.

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