

MIAMI BEACH

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NO. LTC # **143-2016**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: April 4, 2016

SUBJECT: Earth Month Activities

The purpose of this Letter to Commission (LTC) is to inform you of our 2016 Earth Month events. Throughout the month of April, the City will be hosting multiple events to celebrate the City's natural resources and educate our community on the importance of protecting our environment (Attachment A).

- Friday, April 1 – Sea turtle season officially began in the City of Miami Beach and runs until October 31. Staff will continue education and outreach efforts with residents, businesses, and visitors in order to promote awareness on the importance of not disturbing sea turtles and minimizing light that is visible from the beach.
- Saturday, April 9 – A rain barrel and compost workshop will be held in partnership with the University of Florida IFAS Miami-Dade Extension. This event will promote sustainable practices by teaching participants how to compost food waste and how to construct rain barrels to collect rainwater. Residents and employees are eligible to receive a free rain barrel and a composting kit for their participation.
- Saturday, April 16 – Green Saturday activities will begin with a one-hour yoga class at North Shore Open Space Park courtesy of Green Monkey Yoga, followed by a free tree giveaway for residents. Small apartment/condo plants will also be distributed for residents that do not have a yard. Concurrently, Miami-Dade County's Bayanza event will engage thousands of community volunteers in cleaning approximately 22 locations along Biscayne Bay's shorelines and islands, including Maurice Gibb Park and Flagler Memorial Island (Monument Island).
- Tuesday, April 26 – In collaboration with Dream in Green, the City will offer an energy and water savings workshop during which employees and residents will learn how to reduce water and energy use in their home in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Participants will receive a savings toolkit (valued at \$75).
- Sunday, April 24 – Our bi-annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off & Paper Shredding Event will take place on 40 Street and Chase Avenue (Attachment B). During the event, residents can drop off old chemicals, paints, and electronics for proper disposal, as well as old documents for secure paper shredding.

Earth Month Events

April 4, 2016

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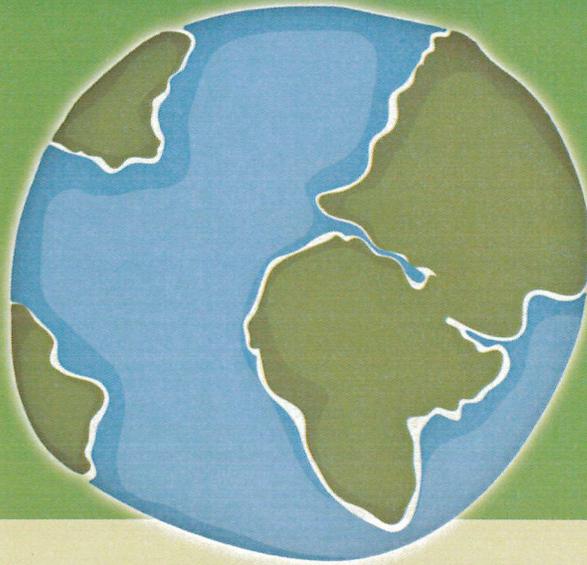
- Friday, April 29 – Each year in April, Miami Beach celebrates Arbor Day to bring attention to the City's urban forest and to re-qualify for Tree City USA designation. The designation supports the efforts of residents who work hard to preserve a vital urban forest, and encourages residents to plant trees and properly care for those they have. The Arbor Day celebration will include a tree planting ceremony and presentation of an Arbor Day Proclamation.

Exact times and locations of each event are located on the Earth Month flyer. Should you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Wheaton at (305) 673-7010.

Attachments: A – Earth Month Flyer

B – Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Flyer


JLM/SMT/MKW/YP



Celebrate EARTH MONTH

MIAMI BEACH
RISING
ABOVE



The City of Miami Beach is celebrating earth month
FUN FOR EVERYONE

APRIL 1

**Sea turtle season runs from
April 1 - October 31**

Steer clear of marked nestes and turn off lights
that face the beach.

APRIL 24

**Household Hazardous Waste
Drop Off & Paper Shredding Event**

8 AM - 3 PM
40 Street & Chase Avenue (adjacent to the bank)

APRIL 9

**Rain Barrel & Composting
Workshop**

1 PM - 3 PM (RSVP recommended)
Flamingo PAL, 999 11 Street

APRIL 26

**Water & Energy Savings
Workshop**

Noon - 1 PM (RSVP required)
Commission Chambers
1700 Convention Center Drive
*free water and energy kit (valued at \$75)

APRIL 16

Green Saturday

Yoga in the Park 8:30 AM
Tree Giveaway 10 AM
North Shore Open Space Park, 8101 Collins Avenue

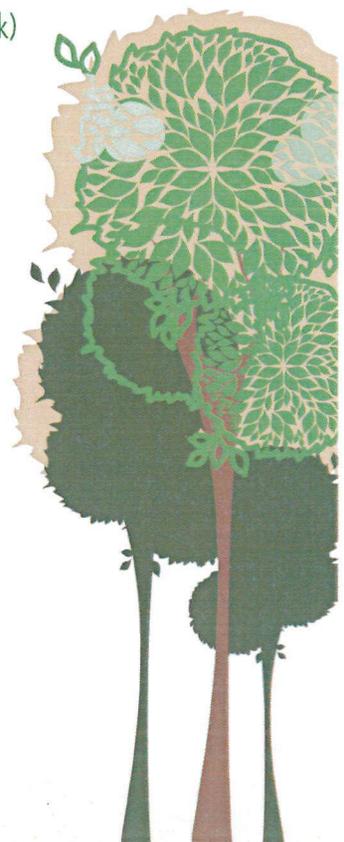
APRIL 29

**Arbor Day Tree Planting
& Proclamation**

11 AM
North Shore Park Youth Center, 501 72 Street

APRIL 22

Earth Day!



To RSVP or obtain more information on an event, please visit: www.mbrisingabove.com

ATTACHMENT B

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016
 8AM-3PM | 40 ST & CHASE AVE

FREE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF

AUTOMOTIVE AUTOMOTORES		LAWN AND GARDEN GRAMA Y JARDÍN		HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ARTÍCULOS DOMÉSTICOS		HOME IMPROVEMENTS OBRAS EN EL HOGAR	
Automobile Batteries Baterías de automóvil	 	Bug Spray Rociador contra insectos		Aerosol Products* Productos en aerosol*		Concrete Cleaner Limpiador de concreto	
Carburetor Cleaner Limpiador del carburador	 	Charcoal Lighter Fluid Líquido para encender carbones		Button Batteries (watch batteries) Baterías de botón		Driveway Sealer Sellador para asfalto	
Degreasers Desgrasadores	 	Fertilizer with weed killer Fertilizante con herbicida		Batteries (Rechargeable) Baterías (Recargables)		Furniture Stripper Quita barniz de muebles	 
Fuels Combustibles		Insect Killer Insecticida		Drain Cleaners Limpiador de drenajes		Glue w/ Solvents Cola con disolventes	
Gasoline Gasolina		Pool Chemicals Productos químicos de la piscina	 	Fluorescent Lights Luces fluorescentes		Latex Paint** Pintura de látex**	
Oil Filters Filtros para aceite de motor		Roach/Ant Killer Insecticida para cucarachas y hormigas		Mothballs Bolas de naftalina		Oil Based Paint Pintura con base de aceite	
Used Antifreeze Anticongelante usado		Rat Poison Raticida		Nail Polish/Remover Removedor de esmalte de uñas		Paint Remover Removedor de pintura	 
Used Motor Oil Aceite de motor usado		Weed Killer Mata cizañas o hierbas malas		Oven Cleaner Limpiador de hornos		Paint Thinner Disolvente de pintura o aguarrás	 
				Polish w/ Solvents Pulimento con disolventes		Roofing Tar Brea de techo	
				Spot Removers Quitamanchas		Stain/Varnish Barnices	
				Thermometers (Mercury) Termómetros (Mercurio)		Wood Preservatives Preservante para madera	 

 Environmental Hazard Peligro ambiental	 Corrosivo Corrosivo	 Poison Veneno	 Flammable Inflamable
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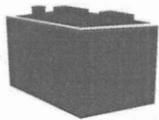
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FREE HOUSEHOLD **HAZARDOUS WASTE**

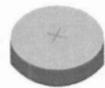
Bring your household hazardous waste items such as old batteries, e-waste, light bulbs, paint, insecticides, pool chemicals, propane tanks, printer toner, printer ink cartridges and more.

For details on what type of materials will be accepted visit www.miamidade.gov/dswm/home_chemical_disposal.asp

& DROP OFF **PAPER SHRED-A-THON**



Car Battery



Watch Battery



Florescent
Light bulbs



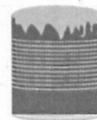
Lighter Fluid



Propane Tanks



Rechargeable
Battery



Paint Cans

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