



**A FRESH START**  
for the **PLANET**

A GreenTown Fundraiser (via Zoom)  
THURSDAY, SEPT. 30, 2021 | 7PM

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**Are You Free Sept. 30, 7-8:30PM?**  
**Sign On Then Sit Back and Enjoy!**

Live Music. Expert Speakers. Silent Auction. We've got it all. Won't you join us?

Join GreenTown for our Zoom-based Fall fundraiser "A Fresh Start for the Planet" on Sept. 30. This year's theme highlights the opportunity that the Covid pandemic has provided individuals and companies in rethinking their relationship with the planet.

A Fresh Start for the Planet promises to be loads of fun! Visit the [event website](#) (bidding for the silent auction starts Sept. 15). Get your tickets [here](#).



**Epicurean Group Leads The Sustainability Charge**  
**We're Aligned And Love It!**

There's something special about an old friend whose values align with yours and who's stood by you through thick and thin. Such is GreenTown Los Altos' relationship with our steadfast corporate sponsor, Epicurean Group. Read more [about it here](#).

**Goodbye Gas, Hello EVs**  
**An online event Sun., Oct. 3, 4-5:30PM**

Driving an electric vehicle (EV) is one of the single biggest actions you can take to fight climate change. Learn about the benefits of driving on electricity, charging basics, rebates, the latest makes and models and what's in store for the future.

After the event, join interactive Breakout Rooms in which current owners will answer your questions. Presented in partnership with Citizens Environmental Council and sponsored by Peninsula Clean Energy as part of National Drive Electric Week.

[Register for the event here.](#)



**Book Review: Local Author Anne-Marie Bonneau**  
**Written by GreenTown Los Altos volunteer Gloria Geller**

I highly recommend Anne-Marie Bonneau's new book, "*The Zero-Waste Chef: Plant-Forward Recipes and Tips for a Sustainable Kitchen and Planet*". She describes amazing, simple ideas for how to live a sustainable life using modern and age-old techniques.

Bonneau is mindful of water use and waste. She includes thoughts for how to avoid using plastic and how to use every bit of everything (every recipe includes how to use any leftovers to make another recipe). And her ideas are fun: I learned to grow my own green onions by buying supermarket ones (they come with roots!) and planting them in a pot. She's quite inventive, and she makes sense. *The Zero-Waste Chef* is a great addition to your own cookbook shelf. To get your copy, [visit here](#).



### **Biking Is On The Rise At Los Altos High School**

Two pieces of good news on the bike front:

The cycletrak - a two-way bicycle facility along Almond Avenue to make it easier to bike to and from Los Altos High School - has already resulted in a spike in bike ridership at Los Altos High School (LAHS). That's the good news. Now let's keep them safe by driving carefully and observing the school's rules if you're picking up or dropping off students, [see them here](#). And speaking of LAHS: Over the last few weeks we've been working with the school administration to provide bicycles from our ReCycle Bike Drive, received from generous members like you, to those in need. We're happy to say they're being put to good use.

(Photo credit: Michele Gerstel)

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### **Events AND Volunteer Opportunities**

#### **Events:**

#### **Fall 2021 Lecture Series on Transportation Electrification**

**Sept. 8, 4:30PM**

Acterra's Fall 2021 Lecture Series is themed around Transportation Electrification in the Bay Area. Learn about equitable access to EVs, mass mobility, fleet electrification, mobility as a service, emerging tech, and more.

The first event is Sept. 8 at 4:30PM. The presenter is Vanessa Morelan from EVNoire, a groundbreaking organization at the forefront of advocating for a cleaner, greener, and most importantly, equitable e-mobility future for all. Register and find more details [here](#).

**GreenTown Los Altos Zoom-based Fundraiser: Get Your Tickets [Here](#).**

**Sept. 30, 7-8:30PM**

If you didn't attend last year's event, you don't know what you missed out on. An evening of fun, a host of speakers (some of the young ones are guaranteed to impress you), a silent auction (that you can bid on starting Sept. 15), Get your ticket [now](#), your future self will thank you! If you are not able to attend please consider donating to our efforts [here](#).

### **Goodbye Gas, Hello EVs**

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Considering an EV? This is well worth your time in learning more. [Register here.](#)

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

#### **Project Lead For WoW Program:**

GreenTown is looking for a new [WoW \(Walk or Wheel\) Project Lead](#)! The role provides support to school leads in promoting alternative forms of transportation to school, including biking, walking and carpooling. These modes reduce greenhouse gases and toxic air emissions and help reduce traffic congestion around our schools. Plus, it's a healthy and fun way for kids to bookend their school day! Check out our webpage for more info on the [Schools WoW project](#).

#### **Meet People! Volunteer For Bike Valet!**

GreenTown Los Altos provides free bike parking services at the Los Altos Art & Wine Festival. We need volunteers to help park and track bikes. We usually park more than 400 bikes over the weekend! A good way to see neighbors in a safe, open setting.

Sat. Sept. 25 & Sun. Sept. 26

Two hour shifts each day: 10-12, 12-2, 2-4, 4-6

Location: On Third St. near Main St., behind the Chase Bank

[Contact us here](#) with your day and shift preference.

### **Burning question? Great idea? Want to help?**

Contact us at [info@greentownlosaltos.org](mailto:info@greentownlosaltos.org).

Or use social media to tell us what you think matters most.



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