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the Month



Grow Solar Webinar &
Group Purchase



Water Savings



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Sustainability Tip of the Month

Plastic Free July is a worldwide campaign to reduce our consumption of single-use plastic products and therefore reduce plastic pollution.

While the name says “plastic free,” don’t fret about avoiding plastic entirely! The goal is to find new ways to cut back on plastic.

Here are some ideas to get started:

- Explore the bulk section of your grocery store and fill a reusable container with something you normally purchase packaged
- Switch to solid soaps and shampoos—as a bonus, these also use far less water in the manufacturing process!
- Use reusable decorations at parties and picnics instead of balloons or confetti



Need more ideas? [Plastic Free July](#) has lots more on their website!

MREA Grow Solar Power Hour



When: Thursday, July 21st, 2:00pm
Where: Zoom—[Register Here](#) (webinar will be recorded)

Thinking about getting solar? Grow Solar Twin Cities is a great way to reduce your energy bills, support the local economy, and help create a healthier environment!

Building on the tremendous success of previous programs, the [Midwest Renewable Energy Association \(MREA\)](#) is partnering with local organizations to once again offer the solar group purchasing program to property owners throughout the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area. **Roseville is hosting an educational webinar to learn more about solar and how the group purchasing program works. [Join us on July 21st!](#)**

Rebates available for Water-Efficient Appliances

Looking to upgrade/repair your existing irrigation system, or replace your toilet, (clothes) washing machine or dishwasher? The City of Roseville, in partnership with the Metropolitan Council and the Clean Water Land & Legacy Amendment, can **offer up to \$300 off your water bill!**

Upgrades to a WaterSense irrigation controller are eligible for a 75% rebate, and Energy-Star certified toilets, clothes washers, and dishwashers are eligible for a 50% rebate (maximum \$300). Visit [our rebate site](#) for more information and an application.



Taste of Rosefest—Zero Waste Report

In partnership with Eureka Recycling, we were able to divert 92% of waste materials at [Taste of Rosefest](#) from landfills! Here is the total report of materials:

- 204 pounds of compostables (47.7%)
- 190 pounds of recyclables (44.4%)
- 33.9 pounds of trash (7.9%)

Vinyl tablecloths made up the majority of trash, along with plastic gloves and film plastic from vendors. Thank you to Eureka and to participants for supporting our zero waste efforts!



All Upcoming Sustainability Events



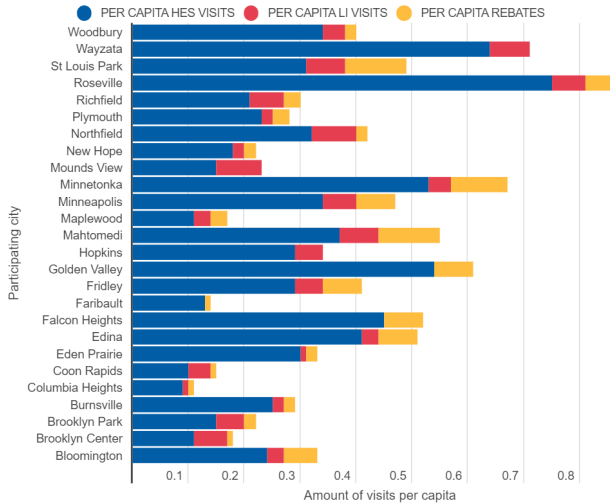
GrowSolar Virtual Power Hour—Thursday July 21, 2pm-3pm on Zoom. Learn about solar energy and an exciting group purchase opportunity. Webinar will be recorded and posted to our website.

[Register here!](#)

4th Annual Rice & Larpenteur Summer Block Party—Saturday August 13th, 11am-3pm, at the intersection of Rice & Larpenteur. Join us for a day of family fun, live music and performances, local food, giveaways, and more! Come celebrate our community. [Register here.](#)

Intercity Home Energy Squad Challenge

2022 Intercity Challenge Standings (Per Capita)



As part of our [Partners in Energy](#) program, Roseville is participating in the [Intercity Home Energy Squad Challenge](#) to complete the most Home Energy Squad visits per capita. **As of the publication of this newsletter, Roseville currently holds the top spot!**

If you haven't already, please Consider signing up for a [Home Energy Squad](#) visit (discounted 50% for Roseville residents, and free for income-qualified households!) before tackling your home improvement projects, and it will count towards the challenge!

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