



Happy Earth Day to you all from the HGSE Green Team and Operations! Best wishes as well with the final weeks of the spring semester.

### LIVE IT

**TAKE THE HARVARD SUSTAINABILITY PLEDGE 2021 AND COMMIT TO 3 ACTIONS OVER 3 DAYS - <http://bit.ly/harvardpledge>**

In honor of Earth Day, the HGSE Green Team, the T.H. Chan School's EcoOpportunity and the Harvard Office for Sustainability are launching a new take on an old campaign: **the Harvard Sustainability Pledge 2021**. We invite you to pledge to take three actions over three days the week of Earth Day:

Day 1 – Tuesday, April 20: Connect with nature

Day 2 – Wednesday, April 21: Start a conversation around sustainability

Day 3 – Thursday, April 22: Be a part of the #GreatGlobalCleanup

Sign the pledge at <http://bit.ly/harvardpledge> and then feel free to share your progress on social media using the hashtags #SustainableHarvard and #EarthDay.

### **MONTHLY HGSE GREEN TEAM MEETING – Thursday, April 15, 1- 1:45pm EST on Zoom**

All students, faculty, and staff interested in making our school healthier and more sustainable are encouraged to join. We share the sustainability projects each of us is currently working on (for school, work, or at home); reflect on our team's most recent initiatives; and will discuss what will come next for the Green Team. Meetings also provide a great opportunity to get to know people from across the Ed School. Find the Zoom login info for the meeting here and join our community over email by subscribing to the HGSE Green Team listserv. Catch up on past meetings at [operations.gse.harvard.edu/sustainability](http://operations.gse.harvard.edu/sustainability).

### **EARTH DAY – Thursday, April 22, [green.harvard.edu/campaign/april-earth-day-events](http://green.harvard.edu/campaign/april-earth-day-events)**

Celebrate the 51<sup>st</sup> Earth Day from wherever you are this year:

- Commit to one new, more sustainable practice in your life with inspiration from the UN's ActNow campaign and mobile app.
- Contact your elected officials about an environmental issue that moves you.
- Sign the Harvard Sustainability Pledge 2021.
- Join one of the many events happening this month

Check out [earthday.org](http://earthday.org) for even more resources and local activities around the globe.

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#### **THE INTERSECTION OF DISABILITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE - [operations.gse.harvard.edu/hgse-sustainability-fellows](http://operations.gse.harvard.edu/hgse-sustainability-fellows)**

In case you missed it, you can now view [HGSE Sustainability Fellow and Ed.M. '21 candidate David Liebmann's presentation](#) of his research on the intersection of disability and climate change [online](#). The World Health Organization estimates that Persons with Disabilities (PWD) comprise 15% of the world's population. This newly emerging area of study includes thinking about how to support people with a range of mental and physical disabilities in response to changes in ecosystems worldwide and impacts on the built environment, with PWD community's mantra "Nothing about us without us" guiding that approach.

#### **CLEAN (OR DUST OFF) YOUR BIKE – Wednesday, April 21, 12pm EST, RSVP [here](#)**

Join Harvard Transportation's [CommuterChoice](#) for this free virtual bike workshop. Past virtual bike workshop recordings are posted [here online](#) and if you're interested in bicycle-related updates and announcements subscribe to the [CommuterChoice email list](#).

Best Regards,  
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