

Wrapping up Earth Month

Welcome to the 5th and final weekly issue of our Earth Month series! Over the past four weeks, we've delved into crucial aspects of the energy landscape. In Week 1, we explored the importance of energy infrastructure, focusing on grid resilience in a <u>detailed blog post</u>. Week 2 brought us insights into cutting-edge renewable energy technology, highlighted by a <u>discussion on offshore wind developments</u>. We then turned our attention to renewable energy legislation and policies in Week 3, dissecting their significance in the 2024 election through a <u>recorded presentation</u>. Most recently, week 4 shed light on energy justice in Philadelphia with an <u>informative interview</u> featuring Nidhi Krishen, Deputy Director of Climate Solutions at the City of Philadelphia Office of Sustainability.

These topics are all essential pieces to building an equitable and emissions free future, and Week 5 marks a pivotal moment too—supporting the energy transition and empowering individuals to take action. By supporting The Energy Co-op, you already help build one of the most important aspects of a carbon free future, green home energy use. Keep reading for five more ways to actively support the renewable energy transition. Let's harness the momentum of Earth Month to continue to drive positive change together!

Get Involved in the Renewable Energy Transition

Promote Energy Efficiency: Encourage energy efficiency measures within your community and household. This includes promoting energy-efficient appliances, advocating for building retrofits, and supporting initiatives that educate others about reducing energy consumption. Energy efficiency not only reduces carbon emissions but also complements renewable energy by maximizing the impact of clean energy investments. By promoting energy-saving practices, individuals can contribute to lowering overall energy demand

and transitioning towards a more sustainable energy system.

Explore Renewable Energy Products at The Energy Co-op: Already a member of one our programs? Explore additional renewable energy options offered by The Energy Co-op like renewable electricity, renewable natural gas, and our Pennsylvania-specific renewable electricity products. By expanding your use of renewable energy through our offerings, you can further support clean energy initiatives and reduce reliance on fossil fuels!

Educate and Raise Awareness: Share information about the benefits of renewable energy and the importance of transitioning to clean sources of power. Organize or attend educational events, workshops, or campaigns to raise awareness about renewable energy technologies and their role in combating climate change. By fostering understanding and generating public support for renewables, individuals can influence consumer choices, policy decisions, and investment priorities towards a more sustainable energy future.

Encourage Renewable Energy Adoption in Your Workplace or School: Advocate for renewable energy adoption within your workplace, town, or educational institution. This can involve proposing and implementing initiatives such as installing solar panels, transitioning to renewable energy suppliers, or organizing educational workshops on the benefits of clean energy. By promoting renewable energy solutions in these places, individuals can influence organizational policies and practices to support the transition towards sustainable energy use.

Advocate for Policy Changes: Engage in advocacy efforts to support policies that promote renewable energy adoption and carbon reduction targets at local, state, and national levels. This can involve contacting elected officials, participating in public consultations, or joining advocacy groups focused on renewable energy and climate action. By advocating for policies and regulations favoring clean energy development, you can influence systemic changes that accelerate the renewable energy transition.

Together, we can reduce carbon emissions and create a healthier environment for current and future generations. Though Earth Month is coming to a close, let's continue to take meaningful steps towards a more sustainable and resilient energy system, drive positive change, and ensure a brighter future for our planet!

Events

Member to Member Webinar with Grow our Food

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 – 7:00pm

Zoom | Register Here

Join us for our next Member to Member Webinar with member Boris Kerzner, founder of <u>Grow our Food</u>. Tune in for a great discussion on easy to grow berries and get some inspiration for your garden this summer!

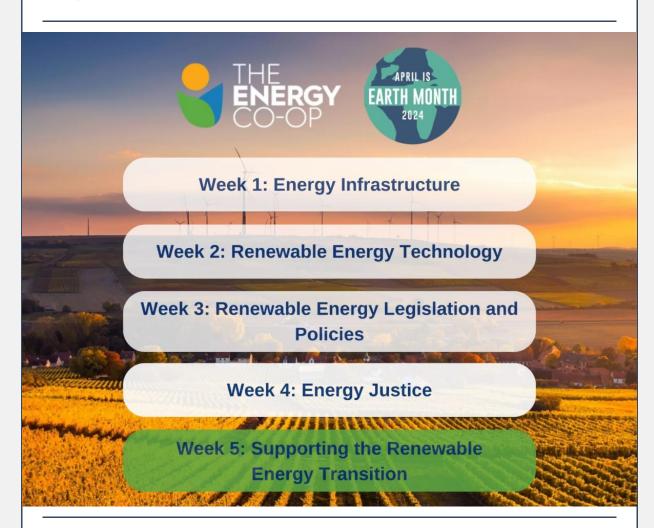
Montco Clean Energy, EV, & Environmental Expo

Saturday, May 11, 2024 from 10:00AM-1:00PM East Norriton Township Building, 2501 Stanbridge St, Norristown, PA 19401 Join Congresswoman Madeleine Dean, State Senator Amanda Cappelletti, Penn Environment, and over a dozen clean energy, energy efficiency, electric vehicle, and environmental exhibitors from the region for this excellent clean energy event. The Energy Co-op will be tabling at the event all afternoon, so stop by to say hello!

Support The Energy Co-op this Earth Month

As Pennsylvania's only non-profit, cooperative supplier of 100% renewable energy, we at The Energy Co-op believe it is our duty to educate the communities we serve about important topics related to renewable energy and Pennsylvania's clean energy future. Our staff publishes monthly blog posts, a bimonthly "In the News" video series, and hosts educational webinars throughout the year. This Earth Month, we are doubling down on our efforts to educate, with weekly content about important and current issues in renewable energy.

This Earth Month, donate to The Energy Co-op to support the continued growth of our educational content and programming. Members like you have been essential in spreading the word about energy choice and renewable energy in Pennsylvania; we hope you will consider supporting our continued efforts to educate Pennsylvanians about the importance of transitioning to renewable energy.











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