



For Community Calendar

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Alabama Extension to Participate in Earth Day 2018 Events

Normal, AL, April 2018---The Alabama Cooperative Extension System's Urban Affairs and New Nontraditional Programs unit will participate in two upcoming Earth Day events.

The first event is the City of Huntsville Operation Green Team's 2018 Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Hays Nature Preserve located at 7161 US Highway 431 South, Owens Cross Roads, Alabama. For the past four years Alabama Extension has been a sponsor of the butterfly releases, one of the most anticipated Earth Day activities taking place at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Thousands of people attended Operation Green Team's Earth Day Festival in 2017 and another record-breaking crowd is expected this year. This event is free and features more than 80 earth-friendly exhibitors with informative displays and demonstrations. Be sure to pack a lunch or enjoy free hot dogs, drinks, and popcorn, and bring a reusable water bottle to use at water refill stations. Call (256) 564-8077 or visit <https://www.huntsvilleal.gov/environment/green-team/programs/earth-day/> for more information.

The second event is the 48th Annual Earth Day Festival and Farmer's Market that will be held at the Monte Sano State Park Picnic Area located at 5105 Nolen Avenue Southeast, Huntsville, Alabama on Sunday, April 22 from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. The Flint River Conservation Association and partners will host more than 50 earth friendly exhibitors. There will also be a farmers market, a raptor bird show, a family mountain bike ride, music, food trucks, hands-on activities for kids, solar telescopes, geocaching, and much more. A \$10 parking fee is required; discount offered to seniors and military members. For more information call Soos Weber at 256-539-3747.

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