



## Plan Your 2021 Hiking Adventure with Trailhead Direct

Take a bus to your favorite hiking destinations! Trailhead Direct is a pilot project co-led by King County Metro and King County Parks that seeks to ease vehicle congestion, reduce safety hazards and expand access to hiking destinations along I-90. For the 2021 season, there will be service to Mt. Si and Issaquah during weekends and holidays from June 5, 2021 – September 26, 2021. Time to hit the trail!

For more information visit: [trailheaddirect.org/](https://trailheaddirect.org/)

## Earth Week Recap

From April 19-23, Bellevue College faculty, students and staff came together to celebrate Earth Week! The week was largely virtual and packed full of speakers, workshops, and activities. This year's theme was "The Future Is Now" which centered the urgency and need for climate action to secure a just and fair future for all, as well as explored the innovative ideas and concepts to get us there.

The week's events included a talk with artist and climate justice activist Favianna Rodriguez, a free tree giveaway with the organization 300 Trees, a gardening workshop, a talk about plastic problems and solutions with the City of Bellevue, a repair what you wear workshop, community supported agriculture boxes, and so much more! We hope everyone wrapped up the week feeling empowered and ready to take action for an equitable future for all!

Thanks for joining us and stay tuned for future events by checking out our website and Facebook page.

Missed an event? Don't worry, you can find live recordings of earth week sessions here: [bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/earth-week-event-recordings](https://bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/earth-week-event-recordings)







## Learn How to Reduce Waste and Energy at Home

With all this time spent at home, our utility bills are higher than normal. Check out two great tutorials available on our website to learn how to reduce your waste and energy usage at home.

In “Adventures of a Weekend Waste Warrior”, Office of Sustainability employee, Theo Koepf will teach you about waste issues, how to sort your own waste at home by conducting a waste audit, helpful tips to reduce waste, and discuss the cutting edge technologies aimed at reducing waste.

Next, learn how to cut down your energy bill with Office of Sustainability employee, Andrew Westenbroek. He will teach you how to read your energy bill, what it all means, and take you through an energy audit of your home to learn where you can improve efficiency and reduce your usage and bill costs.

Enjoy the cost savings for both your wallet and the earth!

Links here:

[bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/home-energy-audit/](https://bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/home-energy-audit/)

[bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/earth-week-event-recordings](https://bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/earth-week-event-recordings)



## Take a Bike Adventure From BC to Lake Hills Greenbelt

The weather is warming up and the sun is here to stay as we get closer to summer. As some pandemic precautions continue, one of the best ways to get outside and stay socially distanced is biking! There are plenty of green spaces in and around Bellevue to explore. Looking for a fun bike ride and a great place to soak up some sun? Take an easy ride over to the Lake Hills Greenbelt and enjoy an afternoon picnic or quick hike around the Lake Trail.

There are a few ways to get to Lake Hills Greenbelt and utilizing Google Maps is always a great place to start! Leave Bellevue College heading east on SE 24th St and make a left on 145th Pl SE. Ride on 145th for about half a mile and then turn right onto Lake Hill Blvd. Lastly, make a right onto Lake to Lake Trail, keep left, and you'll find the destination to your right. Happy biking!





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## SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR

## Join our Team!

Are you passionate about sustainability, climate justice, and social justice? Do you want to make connections, create community, and drive change? Look no further, the Office of Sustainability is hiring a student Sustainability Coordinator position to work on a variety of exciting projects! This position is open until filled. Please email [sustainability@bellevuecollege.edu](mailto:sustainability@bellevuecollege.edu) for more details.

## Anti-Racist Workshop

*Stepping Out & Stepping Into:  
Ethical Community Engagement for a More Equitable World*

Want to make a difference in the world around you? Join this quarterly workshop with RISE on Tuesday, June 8 from 2:30 – 4:30 pm! the workshop will examine how to engage with, learn from, and contribute to the community in an ethical manner. It will cover how bias, anti-racism, privilege, storytelling, and more fit into how you navigate new community situations, giving you the tools and confidence to step out and make the world a better, more equitable place. Register here: [bellevuecollege.edu/rise/calendar/](http://bellevuecollege.edu/rise/calendar/)

## Have a Project Idea to Implement on Campus?

The Student Environment Sustainability Fund (SESF) provides students, faculty, and staff a means to enhance Bellevue College's sustainability efforts and create positive social and environmental change on campus.

Get started here: [bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/get-involved/sesf](http://bellevuecollege.edu/sustainability/get-involved/sesf)

## Sustainability Tips

### Creative Garden

Do you want to grow herbs or flowers but don't have a garden space? Many plants can be grown indoors on a windowsill! You can recycle used products such as yogurt containers and coffee cups to grow them. Just get your container of choice, a small bag of dirt, and your favorite seeds from your local store.



### Look Toward The Stars

Are you looking to buy a new appliance or electronic? Consider buying one that has the blue and white Energy Star Certification sticker on it to help you select the more energy efficient choice.

## Be In the Know!

Keep an eye out for the Office of Sustainability's future events, initiatives, and resources through BC's daily FYI Digest, our website and social media.

For any questions feel free to email us!  
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