

DOE Celebrates Earth Week 2009

The Department of Energy will celebrate the 39th anniversary of Earth Day during the week of April 20th in [Forrestal](#) and the week of April 27th in [Germantown](#). DOE will showcase numerous exhibits from DOE Program Offices as well as outside vendors to further educate its employees on leading more environmentally-friendly lives.



Earth Week at Forrestal and in Germantown will be an excellent opportunity to discover how to be more “green” in your home and office. Activities at Forrestal will include a tree planting ceremony and park revitalization at the nearby DOE Earth Day Park and the Benjamin Banneker Park.

Also featured will be a DOE “Green Fair”, which will involve vendors such as Capital Segway, Carbonfund.org, Didlake, Ardently Green, Turtle Wings, Eco-Green Living, Green Floors, and New American Dream. These vendors will bring information for employees as well as interesting hands-on experiences. DOE employees will also have the opportunity to learn to reduce their carbon footprint for a day, a week and/or for a lifetime through the Active Bodyworks Opt to Move Hallway Fitness program. The Forrestal Occupational Health Organization (FOHO) and Germantown Occupational Health Organization (GOHO) fitness centers will also offer information on how to stay fit for life.

The DOE Environmental Sustainability Awards (*EStar*) will be presented on April 22 at 10:30 a.m. at Forrestal in Room 1E-245. Through the [EStar awards](#), DOE recognizes exemplary environmental sustainability practices across the complex. This year eight *EStar* Award winners and three *EStar* Honorable Mention winners were selected from 35 “Best in Class” environmental sustainability initiatives covering eight DOE sites across the complex.



The following Program Offices will also display Earth Week exhibits: Offices of Administration; Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy and its Federal Energy Management Program; Fossil Energy; General Counsel – NEPA Policy and Compliance; Health, Safety and Security; National Nuclear Security Administration; and Science.

Other Earth Week exhibits will be displayed by FOHO; GOHO; HC Wellness Program; HQ Employee Assistance Program; and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Come do your part for Earth Day and join the fun!

Look for more information in an upcoming DOE Cast or contact Beverly Whitehead (HS-22) at Beverly.Whitehead@hq.doe.gov or (202) 586-6073.