

Earth Day Events in Dana Point

Every Day is Earth Day at the Nature Interpretive Center

The Nature Interpretive Center hosts regular tours each month. Check out the City website calendar for these and other special events: www.danapoint.org/calendar

The following events occur through the month of April in celebration of Earth Day:

Saturday, April 5, 9am-11:30am

Dana Point Nature Interpretive Center Nature Tour

Location: 34558 Scenic Drive

This walk explores the ecology and natural history of the area and is approximately 2 hours. Nature Tours occur on the first Saturday of each month. It is a docent led tour that covers approximately 1.5 miles in distance. This walk requires RSVP to either wqintern@danapoint.org or 949-248-3527, and has a maximum capacity of 10 individuals.

Saturday, April 5, 9am-2pm

Free Community Earth Day Electronic Waste Day sponsored by Monarch Bay Plaza

Location: Monarch Bay Plaza parking lot. Corner of PCH and Crown Valley Parkway, [32920 Pacific Coast Highway](http://www.danapoint.org), Dana Point, California 92629. All welcome.

Our partner, Goodwill Industries, goes above all EPA regulations and guidelines for handling electronic waste. Clear the clutter while keeping Dana Point clean. For more info, visit www.monarchbayplaza.com.

Saturday, April 5, 9am-11am

Community Recycling Event at Dana Hills High School

Location: Dana Hills High School, [33333 Golden Lantern St.](http://www.danapoint.org), Dana Point, California 92629

Residents can drop off plastic bottles and aluminum cans (no glass please!) in the back parking lot of Dana Hills High School near the tennis courts and pool area. Students from the school's chapter of the California Scholastic Federation to collect and sort. Funds collected are distributed by the school's PTSA for student programs. Rain or shine!

Saturday, April 12, 9 am until done ☺

Doheny State Beach Earth Day Restoration Project

Location: Doheny State Beach [25300 Dana Point Harbor Drive](http://www.danapoint.org), Dana Point, California 92629

Join us to help plant an assortment of native plants, shrubs, and trees around the park. Please bring your favorite shovel and working gloves, if available. Let the gate guard know that you are volunteering.

Saturday, April 19, 9am-12pm

Doheny State beach Mother Earth Beach, Creek, and Park Cleanup

Location: Doheny State Beach, [25300 Dana Point Harbor Drive](http://www.danapoint.org), Dana Point, California 92629

Last week we planted, this week we clean! We will be cleaning the beach, North Creek and San Juan Creek, and general grounds of Doheny State Beach. Thank you for bringing along working gloves. Meet at Lifeguard Headquarters. Let the gate guards know that you are volunteering. Thank you for loving that Earth! Contact Vicki: 949-496-6172 or vwiker@parks.ca.gov, www.dohenystatebeach.org

Saturday, April 19, 10am-12pm

The Ritz-Carlton Eco Hero Beach Cleanup at Salt Creek Beach

Location: Please check in down at Salt Creek Beach to receive beach cleanup materials

Our Earth Day Beach Cleanup is a fantastic way for neighbors and friends of all ages to come together and take care of our precious marine environment, while also learning from our Eco-Adventure Center's naturalists about how fragile our beaches and oceans are and how we can become an Eco Hero. Our Earth Day Celebration will bring you in touch with your ocean, your planet and yourself. Contact 949-240-5072 or cristy.cohen@ritzcarlton.com for more info.

Saturday, April 19, 9am-11am

Dana Point Nature Interpretive Center Whale Walk and Talk

Location: Nature Interpretive Center 34558 Scenic Drive, Dana Point, California 92629

From the Dana Point Nature Interpretive Center, we see many different species of whale and dolphin! Come learn about our largest animal visitors on an approximately 1.5 mile walk through the Dana Point Headlands conservation area. Bring your binoculars (or use ours!) and learn migration patterns of different whale species that frequent the area, as well as how to best spot, watch, and identify whales.

Sunday, April 20, 9am-11:30am

Dana Point Nature Interpretive Center History Tour

Location: Nature Interpretive Center 34558 Scenic Drive, Dana Point, California 92629

This walk explores the history of the area and is approximately 2 hours. History Tours occur on the third Sunday of each month and have rotating themes. It is a docent led tour that covers approximately 1.5 miles in distance. This walk requires RSVP to either wjintern@danapoint.org or 949-248-3527, and has a maximum capacity of 10 individuals.

Saturday, April 26, 10am-3pm

Ocean Institute Earth Day Go Green & Blue!

Location: Ocean Institute [24200 Dana Point Harbor Drive](http://24200DanaPointHarborDrive.com), Dana Point, California 92629.

Earth Day has been celebrated nationwide since the Spring of 1970. Join us as we spread awareness and appreciation for our environment. Create fun eco-friendly crafts and learn about the importance of protecting natural environments through hands-on activities.

- Volunteer for the **Beach/Harbor Clean-Up** from 9-11am & get **FREE** admission to the institute for the day! Clean-up hours are 9am - 11am; check-in at the front of the Ocean Institute; supplies will be provided. Registration is not required, however for groups of 10+ please inform Jonathan Witt in advance at 949-496-2274 x 330 or jwitt@ocean-institute.org so that we can have ample supplies available for the clean-up.

Public hours are 10am to 3pm. Admission price is \$6.50 for adults (13 yrs+) and \$4.50 for children (3 -12 yrs); Children 2 and under & members are free. Call 949-496-2274 or visit www.ocean-institute.org for more info.

Saturday, April 26, 9am-2pm

Free Community Earth Day Shred Day sponsored by Monarch Bay Plaza

Location: Monarch Bay Plaza parking lot. Corner of PCH and Crown Valley Parkway, [32920 Pacific Coast Highway](http://32920PacificCoastHighway.com), Dana Point, California 92629. All welcome.

Watch your documents being shredded securely for recycling. Certificate of destruction available. Services provided by a licensed/bonded/insured, cross-cut shredder for better destruction of documents. For more info, visit www.monarchbayplaza.com.

Saturday, April 26, 9am-11am

Community Recycling Event at Dana Hills High School

Location: Dana Hills High School, [33333 Golden Lantern St.](http://33333GoldenLanternSt.com), Dana Point, California 92629

Residents can drop off plastic bottles and aluminum cans (no glass please!) in the back parking lot of Dana Hills High School near the tennis courts and pool area. Students from the school's chapter of the California Scholastic Federation and Dolphin Pride to collect and sort. Funds collected are distributed by the school's PTSA for student programs. Rain or shine!

*This list was compiled from known resources and should not be considered inclusive. If you have an event that is not listed, please contact Lisa at lzawaski@danapoint.org or submit to the City website calendar at www.danapoint.org/calendar. Thank you for your interest!

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Sustainably.**

