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Evanston is Now Home to Peer-to-Peer Car Sharing

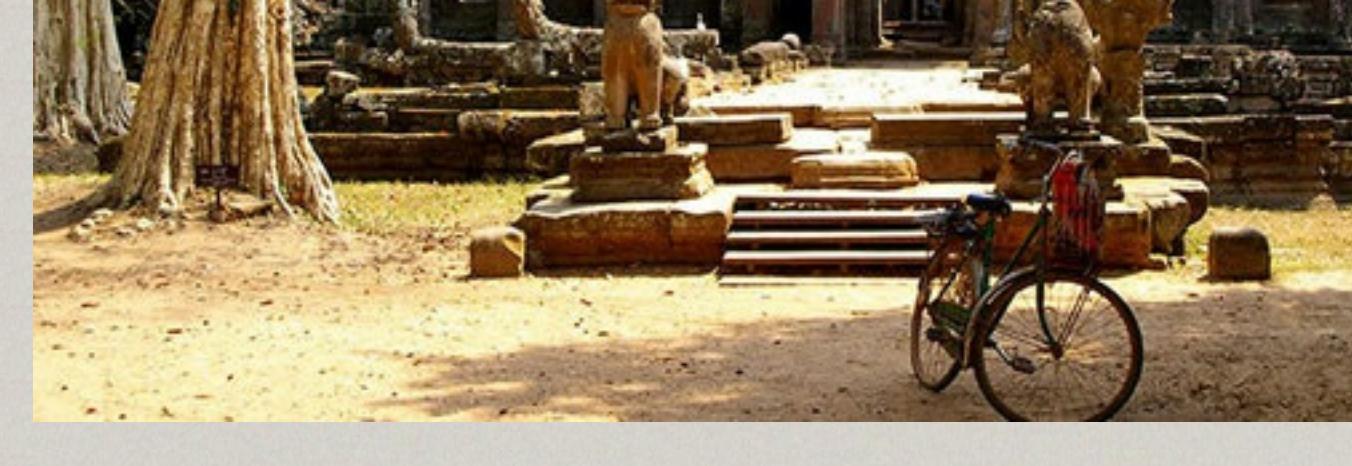
Did you know that the average car sits unused 95% of the time? With peer-to-peer car sharing you can rent your own car to a neighbor and make some extra money, or rent a car from someone in your neighborhood with no membership fees if you do. Two local nonprofits are piloting just such a program in Evanston and making it easy to participate. The Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) and the Shared-Use Mobility Center (SUMC) are participating in an innovative new study in partnership with the car sharing operator [Getaround](#). Their goal is to expand the ways residents can move around while also limiting congestion, improving air quality, and making it possible to live well without owning a car.

[Sign up to rent your own car or search for one on Getaround's website.](#)

Grow Your Own Seedlings Workshop
Saturday, January 23, 2-4pm Ridgeville Park District
Free Workshop-Registration Required.

Edible Evanston  Learn the basics as well as special techniques for growing your own seedlings. Save money and increase the varieties you can grow. Register at [EdibleEvanston.org](#)

Can You Help? Two Local Residents are Cycling 200 miles in SE Asia to Support CGE



Alex Kendall and Livia Budrys, two CGE members, are cycling 200 miles from Vietnam to Cambodia to support Citizens' Greener Evanston and reduce our city's carbon footprint. They'll be cycling with the nonprofit group [Climate Kids](#), a select group of cyclists assembled to raise money for action and education about climate change, green energy development, and sustainability.

Alex and Livia are hoping to collectively raise \$8,000 for the National Parks Conservancy Association and Citizens' Greener Evanston. Your pledges will protect our US national parks from the effects of pollution, big energy, and over-development - and help Evanston reach its goal of 20% carbon reduction.

Alex and Livia have already donated \$500 of their own money to cover administrative costs and are paying for their own travel, room, and board, so that your dollars will go directly to the two nonprofits.

To donate to one or both of their funds, please click below:

[Livia's Climate Ride Page](#)
[Alex's Climate Ride Page](#)

Reminder About Energy Aggregation



In April 2014, the City of Evanston approved a three-year contract with Homefield Energy for its electricity aggregation program, providing participating residents and small businesses with 100 percent renewable energy. Since then, CGE and the City have been made aware of electricity suppliers promoting alternative plans door-to-door in Evanston. These suppliers do not represent the utility company or the City of Evanston, nor are they affiliated with the [City's aggregation program](#). Do not give out your utility account numbers or share your utility bills unless you intend to switch to a new supplier. You can opt out of or into the program at any time by calling directly during the three-year contract by contacting Homefield Customer Care at 856-694-1262 or [customerservice@homefieldenergy.com](#). You will need to provide the account holder name, address and account number.

"Making Evanston the Most Livable City – For Everyone"



Mark your calendar now for Sunday, April 24, 2-5 p.m., when CGE will be hosting its major Earth Month event. We're delighted that the keynote speaker will be delivered by Veronica Kyle of [Faith in Place](#), an organization dedicated to bringing together religious people of diverse faiths to care for the Earth through education, connection, and advocacy. Kyle is a dynamic public speaker who leads Faith in Place's outreach programs, with particular emphasis on those related to Sustainable Food & Land Use.

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Citizens' Greener Evanston works to make Evanston a more sustainable community - environmentally, economically and socially and to address climate change by dramatically reducing our greenhouse gas emissions.

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