**CGE Newsletter December 2018**

**December 3rd: A Big Day for Climate in Evanston**

Come out to the Evanston Civic Center and show support for the new Climate Action and Resiliency Plan at the Human Services committee meeting on Monday, December 3 at 7:30. While you’re there you can also join a party to watch the first two hours of [**24 Hours of Reality**](https://www.24hoursofreality.org/) live streamed by Climate Reality.  The watch party will be held in room 2402, just down the hall from council chambers where the Climate Action Plan is being discussed. Come to City Hall on the 3rd and show your support!

**December 6 Green Drinks: Making Evanston a Zero Waste City**

Evanston’s new Climate Action Plan calls for the City to reduce waste by 50% by 2025, and be zero waste by 2050. How will we accomplish this? Join us for our next Green Drinks discussion and find out how some groups are already addressing this question. Guest speakers:

* Bea Echeverria, Citizens’ Greener Evanston
* Anne Nicklin, Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse
* Alyson Wright, AmeriCorp Sustainable Business Fellow

**When:** Thursday, December 6, 6:30-8 p.m.

**Where:** The Celtic Knot, 626 Church St.

**CGE Has A New Water Program**

CGE’s new water committee is called the “Watershed Collective,” which builds on the adult learning community that has been discussing Great Lakes topics since 2016. In support of CGE’s mission to make Evanston a more environmentally just, sustainable, and resilient community, the Watershed Collective team will work to:

* Protect our watershed and aquatic ecosystem.
* Keep our drinking water safe and public.
* Promote infrastructure investments that mitigate pollution and urban flooding.
* Provide educational opportunities for Evanston residents to expand their awareness of Lake Michigan.
* Promote water conservation practices.

The program invites people from across Evanston to join it. To join or get more information, please contact Clare Tallon-Ruen at [water@greenerevanston.org](mailto:water@greenerevanston.org" \t "_blank).

Evanston has many things in common with other cities of our size, but access to a Lake Michigan makes us special. Let’s keep the Greats Lakes great!

**A Special Thanks to Our Donors – Past, Present, and Future**

CGE wishes to thank the many community members who have given generously during the year. As a not-for-profit corporation 501(c)(3) organization we can’t do it without your donations! With year-end approaching, we invite others to consider donating at <http://greenerevanston.org/donate> or mailing a contribution to Citizens' Greener Evanston, P.O. Box 1748, Evanston, IL 60204-1748.

**Evanston Adds Three New Divvy Bike Stations**

Three new Divvy Bike stations now increase access for Evanston riders on the west and northwest side of the city. Bringing the total number of stations to 14, these three new stations are located at:

* Levy Senior Center, Dodge Avenue at Mulford Street
* Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, Ridge Avenue at Leonard Place
* Central Street at Lincolnwood Drive

Mayor Hagerty says he expects that new sponsorship agreements in 2019 will allow the Divvy program to operate at no cost to taxpayers.