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# CGE NEWS

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## Evanston Environmental Association to Host "Breakfast with the Board"

The morning of January 11 will be a great opportunity to meet eco-minded friends and get updated on the Evanston Environmental Association's (EEA) recent accomplishments and goals while enjoying free pastries and donuts from Evanston's own Bennison's Bakery. At "Breakfast with the Board" you'll also be able to provide your feedback and help shape the EEA's future. Anyone interested in becoming an EEA member is more than welcome to attend. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 8th by e-mailing [info@evanstonenvironment.org](mailto:info@evanstonenvironment.org)

**When:** Saturday, January 11th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**Where:** Evanston Ecology Center (2024 McCormick Blvd.)

## Don't Replace It – Fix It At the Evanston Repair Clinic

At [this free event](#), tools and expert volunteers will be available to help you repair your own items, such as small appliances, bikes, clothing, toys, and small household items. Please bring your own spare parts (switches, wires, zippers), as well as any batteries and cables, so items can be

**When:** Saturday, January 11th, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Where:** Y.O.U. headquarters, 1911 Church St.



## What Is “Right to Repair” and Why Does It Matter?

It makes sense that we should be able to repair our own phones, appliances, and other items, right? Not according to some big manufacturers, who want to have the exclusive right to fix items and set whatever price they want for parts and service. That’s where [Right to Repair](#) legislation comes in. It requires manufacturers to provide owners and independent repair businesses with fair access to service information and affordable replacement parts. In addition to lowering prices for consumers, this will keep untold tons of items out of landfills. Many states, including Illinois, have introduced Right to Repair, but we need to make sure the legislation passes in 2020. [Find out more here.](#)

## Are You Up-to-Date on Environmental Legislation in Illinois?

There’s a lot going on in Springfield related to energy, clean water, waste reduction, and conservation. If you don’t already get updates from the [Illinois Environmental Council \(IEC\)](#), make sure to visit their site and

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voice heard. CGE has long supported TEC, which has been working since 1975 to advance public policies that create healthy environments across Illinois.



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